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Forever Stamp™ (41¢)
Booklets and Sheetlets
Sales Begin April 12, 2007



Nondenominated American Flag (41¢) Stamp
Coils and Panes
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New Price and Product Changes Effective May 14, 2007

The Board of Governors of the Postal Service™ has acted on recommendations from the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) to change domestic prices, fees, and classifications, for all classes of mail and extra services. The changes also include the introduction of the *Forever Stamp*™.

The Board of Governors has directed that these changes (with the exception of Periodicals mail) be implemented at 12:01 A.M. Monday, May 14, 2007.

Implementation of the new prices for Periodicals mail is being delayed until July 15, 2007, to give the Postal Service and mailers more time to prepare for the structure recommended by the PRC. A proposal explaining the changes will be published in the *Federal Register* and will include a 14-day comment period for mailers.

Concurrent with the changes to domestic mail, international product and pricing adjustments will also be implemented. The international mail initiatives were finalized in the *Federal Register*, April 4, 2007, and include a simplification of international shipping options.

This special *Postal Bulletin* contains information on these changes, as well as implementation resources available to employees and customers, and the new domestic and international postal prices, fees, and classifications. Changes in this *Postal Bulletin* revising the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) will be incorporated into the DMM effective May 14, 2007. Changes in this *Postal Bulletin* revising the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, International Mail Manual (IMM®) will be incorporated into the IMM also effective May 14, 2007. Up-to-date information can be found at www.usps.com/ratecase.

Information for Business Mail Acceptance and Retail

Mail Acceptance Information for Business Mail Entry Unit Personnel

Processing Postage Statements Drop Shipment Mailings

Current Prices

Plant-verified drop shipment (PVDS) mailings verified and paid for before Monday, May 14, 2007, using current prices, will be accepted at destination entry postal facilities until Tuesday, May 29, 2007, when presented with appropriate verification and payment documentation.

New Prices

PVDS mailings may be verified and paid for beginning Saturday, April 14, using the new prices, provided the shipments are not deposited at destination entry postal facilities until Monday, May 14, or later, when presented with appropriate verification and payment documentation.

Online Submit Postage Statement Wizard Instructions

Mailers currently using the Postage Statement Wizard to electronically submit postage statements to their local mail acceptance unit will see some minor changes to the information on the postage statements that are completed online. It is important that special attention be paid to the information selected regarding the physical characteristics (processing category, mailpiece shape, and weight) of the mailing, as well as the following.

Postage statements prepared and submitted prior to Monday, May 14:

- If the mailing date entered on the postage statement online to the acceptance office is prior to Monday, May 14, the postage statement will be processed using the current prices.
- If the mailing date entered on the postage statement online to the acceptance office is Monday, May 14 or later, the postage statement will not be processed and an error message will be generated.

Postage statements prepared and submitted on or after Monday, May 14:

- If the mailing date entered on the postage statement online to the acceptance office is prior to Monday, May 14, the postage statement will be processed using the current prices.
- If the mailing date entered on the postage statement online to the acceptance office is Monday, May 14, or

after, the postage statement will be processed using the new prices.

If a mailing is prepared and presented prior to Monday, May 14, and the mailers wish to pay the new prices:

- Postage statements cannot be submitted online, as this cannot be supported. Mailers needing to submit a mailing before Monday, May 14 at the new prices can only do so using a hard copy version of the appropriate new postage statement. New statements are available at www.usps.com/ratecase.

Business Mail Entry Units

- Mail acceptance associates will process a postage adjustment against the permit account to withdraw the total amount of postage for the mailing as indicated on the postage statement. A copy of the adjustment (upon request) is provided to the customer attached to the postage statement. Once the rate case software release is implemented (May 14), the mail acceptance associate will reverse the postage adjustment transaction and enter the postage statement. If for some reason the amount of postage is more than what was deducted for the adjustment, the mail acceptance associate will inform the customer of the difference and request additional funds, if warranted.

Postage Statement Wizard on USPS.com No Longer Supported

With the implementation of the new prices, it will be necessary to remove the Postage Statement Wizard (PSW) from www.usps.com and Postal Explorer® (<http://pe.usps.com>). The PSW allowed mailers to complete a postage statement online and print the hard copy statement to bring in with their mailing to the acceptance unit. The PSW on USPS.com® will not be updated to support the new prices. The removal of the PSW may have a business impact to current users of the tool. Options available to mailers as a replacement to the PSW functionality include the following:

- Access PDF versions of the new postage statements at www.usps.com/ratecase.
- Use the business rate calculators located at <http://pe.usps.com>.

- Use the *PostalOne!*® PSW online functionality available in the *PostalOne!* application.

Note: Customers have access to the *PostalOne!* PSW online only if the postal facility where they present their mailings is participating in the *PostalOne!* program.

PostalOne! mailers with questions or needing assistance regarding rate case impacts can contact the Customer Care Center at 800-522-9085.

Postage Statement Information

Computer-Generated Facsimile Postage Statements

The use of computer software to prepare facsimiles of standard Postal Service™ forms is a practical way for mailers to prepare postage statements and is encouraged by the Postal Service.

Mailers may submit a computer-generated facsimile of the Postal Service form if it is in the same format as, and includes all information required by, the Postal Service form. A facsimile postage statement produced by software certified by the Postal Service Presort Accuracy Validation and Evaluation (PAVE™) or Manifest Analysis and Certification (MAC™) program, appropriate for the accompanying class of mail and rate claimed, is considered a USPS®-approved form for these standards. A facsimile statement or facsimile-generating software for which general (nationwide) approval has not been granted under the PAVE or MAC program may be approved by the entry office postmaster. If PAVE or MAC approval has not been sought, it is the responsibility of the mailer to contact the postmaster of the Post Office™ where mailings will be submitted concerning the acceptability of computer-generated forms. The Pricing and Classification Service Center (PCSC) is available to provide guidance to postmasters, district managers of business mail entry, and mailers with questions on this matter.

On a facsimile statement, it is not necessary for mailers to “preprint” extraneous information such as processing categories, classes of mail, and postage rate categories that do not pertain to the mailing. In addition, facsimile forms do not have to show the written instructions that are intended for mailers who fill out the forms manually. However, all other information pertaining to the mailing, the complete title of the form, form number, information block labels, and certification statements must appear on all computer-generated postage statement facsimiles. Mailers must place data elements on the facsimile in locations as close as possible to where they would be placed on the official form. Line numbers and column heads (if applicable) must reflect those on the official form. If a mailer is not claiming a specific price or discount, then there is no need for that line to appear on a facsimile statement. Most importantly, the facsimile must fully and exactly reproduce

the penalty warnings, certification statements, and signature blocks that appear on official forms.

New Domestic and International Postage Statements

All postage statements are revised to implement the price, fee, and classification changes resulting from R2006-1, as well as all the new international prices, fees, and product changes. All statements are available at www.usps.com/ratecase in Adobe PDF (print-only) format. The new statements are dated May 2007. Mailers will continue using current statements for mailings submitted for acceptance and verification through May 13.

Mailers of international Publisher’s Periodicals are reminded that, due to the international product changes, after May 13, Publisher’s Periodicals prices are no longer available. Periodicals mailers may continue using current PS Form 3541, *Postage Statement — Periodicals, One Issue or One Edition*, for mailings submitted for acceptance and verification through July 14.

All international postage statements have been replaced with a single form, PS Form 3700, *Postage Statement — International Mail*.

Effective Monday, May 14 (except for Periodicals mailings), mailers must use May 2007 editions of postage statements (or approved facsimiles). All previous versions are obsolete as of May 14, 2007, and must not be used. The entry office postmaster must approve all facsimile postage statements not approved under the Presort Accuracy Validation and Evaluation (PAVE™) or Manifest Analysis and Certification (MAC™) programs.

There will be no automatic distribution of Postage Statements. A future *Postal Bulletin* will announce ordering procedures when the new statements are available at the Material Distribution Center.

Postage statements can be printed locally and completed manually. Wherever possible, postmasters and managers of Business Mail Entry should encourage their customers and staff to use the Web site to obtain statements. Managers of Business Mail Entry, working with district and area price implementation coordinators, must ensure that all Post Offices™ and detached mail units within their district’s service areas have access to all

statements (domestic and international) to satisfy the needs of local mailers. District offices must supply postage statements to Post Offices without Internet access.

Mailers with questions regarding the use and availability of postage statements should contact the Post Office where they enter their mailings. Employees with questions should contact their district's manager of Business Mail Entry.

Retail Information

IRT and POS ONE Procedures

IRT Coordinator Procedures

Rate change diskettes for all Integrated Retail Terminal (IRT) offices will be distributed in the same manner as all other IRT software updates. The diskettes will be sent to district IRT coordinators in bulk via Express Mail® service. IRT coordinators will be advised by e-mail of the expected mailing date.

IRT coordinators who do not receive their diskettes by the expected date or who receive an insufficient quantity of the diskettes should contact the Unisys IRT hotline at 800-247-6478.

Each shipment will include release notes, which provide software installation instructions and a summary of changes in the software. The IRT coordinator will send one diskette and one copy of the release notes to each IRT site.

IRT Retail Site Procedures

Forever Stamps

Forever Stamp™ sales will begin on April 12. Each retail site will install the IRT version 66 update after close of business on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, or before opening for business on Thursday, April 12, 2007. Sites that do not

receive update diskettes by Friday, April 6, 2007, should contact their district IRT coordinators for guidance.

Rate Case

Each retail site will install the IRT version 67 update before opening for business on Monday, May 14, 2007. Sites that do not receive update diskettes by Wednesday, May 9, 2007, should contact their district IRT coordinators for guidance.

Sites that have difficulty installing any IRT update should contact the appropriate IRT hotline. Any site that discovers at the last minute that its update diskette is faulty should consider borrowing an update diskette from a neighboring retail unit. This will be faster than waiting for a diskette to be mailed out by the district or hotline personnel.

Unisys hotline: 800-247-6478

POS ONE Software Updates

NCR will distribute new software for the rate changes via a download over the network. Although the changes will take effect on May 14, 2007, the download will occur in advance of that date. More details will be provided to POS ONE sites as well as to area and district POS ONE coordinators prior to the rate change. Help desk support will also be available at the number shown below:

POS ONE help desk: 800-USPS-HELP

Stamp Information

Breast Cancer Research Semipostal Stamp

Along with the new prices for domestic and international mail effective May 14, we will raise the price for the *Breast Cancer Research* semipostal stamp to 55 cents to maintain the relationship between price and contribution. The design of the stamp will not change, and the postage value of the stamp continues to be the First-Class Mail® single-piece 1-ounce letter price. Additional postage will need to be affixed to letters weighing in excess of 1 ounce, letters subject to the nonmachinable surcharge, or mailpieces subject to another rate of postage (e.g., large envelopes or packages).

As a reminder, the self-adhesive *Breast Cancer Research* semipostal stamp can be sold individually. Each pane is die-cut for that purpose.

The nondenominated *Breast Cancer Research* semipostal stamp's postage value is set at the time of purchase. Customers may use *Breast Cancer Research* semipostal stamps that were purchased prior to May 14. There is no easy way to determine when these stamps were purchased, so we must assume they are being used appropriately for the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate in effect at the time a stamp is used for postage.

Detailed instructions on how to increase the value of the *Breast Cancer Research* semipostal stamp are included

beginning on page [11](#) of this *Postal Bulletin*. We will also update the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM[®]), and other publications to reflect the new price. Please refer to DMM 604 for specific information on the semipostal stamps.

— Stamp Services,
Government Relations and Public Policy, 4-6-07

Fact Sheet: Forever Stamp

The *Forever Stamp*[™] will go on sale nationwide April 12, and will allow consumers to avoid the “last minute rush” to purchase stamps when new prices are implemented at any time. The *Forever Stamp* will also function as one of the two nondenominated First-Class Mail[®] stamps. The *Forever Stamp* will be available only in booklets of 20 for \$8.20, and (beginning May 14) at Automated Postal Centers[®] (APCs[®]) and at select automated teller machines (ATMs) in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38. At the same time, we will also issue a nondenominated *American Flag* stamp in coils of 100 for \$41, 3,000 for \$1,230, and 10,000 for \$4,100; in panes of 20 for \$8.20 and 100 for \$41, and in individual quantities. The *American Flag* stamp will always have a value of 41 cents.

The *Forever Stamp* will be valid for mailing any future 1-ounce single-piece First-Class Mail letter, no matter what the price may be at the time of mailing — without the addition of extra postage.

Forever Stamp Highlights

- The *Forever Stamp* will feature an image of the Liberty Bell (see right).

- The postage value of the *Forever Stamp* is always the domestic First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter price that is in effect on the day of mailing.
- It will be available in booklets of 20 for \$8.20, and in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38.
- The *Forever Stamp* or any nondenominated stamp (except those that bear unique markings, such as First-Class Presort and Nonprofit Organization) may be affixed to items that are sent to foreign countries.

Since international postage prices are higher than comparable domestic prices, additional postage must be affixed if stamps are used on international mail.

Customer Opportunities

- The *Forever Stamp* will eliminate the need for customers to purchase make-up stamps for future changes to the price of First-Class Mail letters.
- The *Forever Stamp* will also be available online at www.usps.com/shop, by mail, or by phone at 800-STAMP 24 (800-782-6724).



Priority Mail and Express Mail Packaging Redesign

What's Changing

On May 14, the Postal Service[™] will introduce a new look for our Expedited Packaging supplies to coincide with the redesign of our international products. The new Express Mail[®] and Priority Mail[®] packaging supplies are environmentally friendly and will be used for both domestic and international shipments.

Why It's Important

This initiative makes shipping easier for our customers, while helping us reduce our packaging costs. In addition, the new Express Mail and Priority Mail packaging has received eco-effectiveness certification from a leading environmental firm because the materials are manufactured in ways that avoid harming the environment. The

Postal Service is the first in the packaging industry to receive this level of certification.

What You Need to Do

- Do not throw away existing inventory (except supplies with the old postal eagle logo or Olympic rings, which should be discarded/recycled immediately).
- When possible, share inventory between offices to help deplete existing supplies.
- Continue to accept mailings in “old” packaging supplies from customers.
- Allow customers to use packaging supplies that are marked “Domestic Use Only” for international shipments.

Where to Go for More Information

Look for more information on the new packaging in future issues of the *Postal Bulletin*. If you have any questions regarding this initiative, please contact Paul Fagan, manager, Expedited Packaging Supplies, at 202-268-5122.

— Package Services,
Product Development, 4-6-07

Implementation Resources

Implementation Kit

The Field Implementation Kit for field employees begins on page [77](#) of this *Postal Bulletin*. The kit includes a number of different communications tools, such as stand-up talks, frequently asked questions, customer letter templates, fact sheets, and a tools and resources section listing available informational DVDs, Webcasts, eLearning, and other useful information.

Implementation Coordinators

If you have questions about rate implementation not answered by this *Postal Bulletin* or other materials, please contact your district rate implementation coordinator. A list of coordinators appears as part of the Field Implementation Kit on page [125](#).

Finance

International Reply Coupons and Price Increase

Effective Monday, May 14, 2007, the international postage price change affects the selling price of the International Reply Coupon (IRC). The new selling price will be \$2.00 per coupon. Post Offices™ and postal retail units will use their existing supply of Item 330700, \$1.85 IRC (see sample below). At the time of sale, an additional 15 cents postage must be added by affixing postage stamp(s) or a postage validation imprinter (PVI) label. The retail associate (RA) should apply the additional postage at the time of the sale.

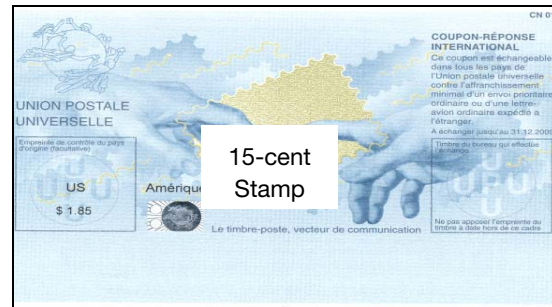
When affixing the postage stamps, it is important to leave the bottom right corner of the IRC clear. This provides space for the foreign post that exchanges the coupon to cancel it. Affix PVI labels only to the back of the IRC, but do not cover over any portion of the IRC's barcode.

Post Offices and postal retail units must ensure that adequate supplies of 15-cent stamps are on hand. No accounting entries are required to adjust the value of IRCs in inventory. The sale of the additional 15 cents postage affixed to the IRC will be recorded as AIC 090, Postage Stock Sales, or AIC 109, Postage Validation Imprinter, in the RA's PS Form 1412, *Daily Financial Report*.

Offices must follow these procedures when the new price goes into effect on Monday, May 14, 2007.

Stamp Distribution Offices, Stamp Service Centers, and Accountable Paper Depositories

Stamp Distribution Offices (SDOs) and Stamp Services Centers (SSCs) and their Accountable Paper Depositories (APDs) will retain and use their current inventory of Item 330700, \$1.85 IRC.



— Revenue and Field Accounting,
Finance, 4-6-07

Price Change Instructions for All Daily Financial Reporting Offices

The Postal Service's™ new prices and fees become effective at 12:01 A.M., Eastern Time, Monday, May 14. All Post Offices™, postal retail units, and contract postal units (CPUs) must ensure that all daily financial reports are transmitted at the close of business Saturday, May 12, or Sunday, May 13, as appropriate. CPUs must coordinate the logistics to ensure that all daily financial reports are submitted to the host Post Office at the close of business Saturday, May 12, or Sunday, May 13, as appropriate.

IRT Offices

Post Offices and postal retail units with integrated retail terminals (IRTs) will receive price change diskettes in the same manner as all other IRT software updates. Each office must install the IRT update after the close of business Saturday, May 12, or Sunday, May 13, as appropriate, or before opening for business Monday, May 14. Offices that do not receive diskettes with the new prices and fees by

Thursday, May 10, should contact their district IRT coordinator for guidance.

POS ONE Offices

Post Offices and postal retail units with POS ONE systems will receive the new software for the price change via a download over the network. Offices must download the new software for the price change before they open for business Monday, May 14.

Payments Mailed Before Price Change

The new prices and fees will affect all annual mailing fees, accounting fees, and Post Office box and Caller Service fees. As of Monday, May 14, all daily financial reports must contain the new fees. If a payment for an annual mailing fee, accounting fee, or Post Office box/Caller Service fee is mailed (postmarked) before Monday, May 14, with the old fees, accept the lower fee amount and process the transaction as follows:

Type of Service	New (higher) Fees	Offset the Difference
Annual Mailing Fee	Enter the new fee into the corresponding AIC	Enter the difference into AIC 528, Refund Permit Postage and Fees
Accounting Fee	Enter the new fee into the corresponding AIC	Enter the difference into AIC 528, Refund Permit Postage and Fees
Post Office box/ Caller Service Fee	Enter the new fee into the corresponding AIC	Enter the difference into AIC 535, Refund of Fees – Retail Services

Note: Do not process payments that are mailed on or after Monday, May 14, with the old fees; return the payment to the sender.

— Revenue and Field Accounting,
Finance, 4-6-07

Stamp Stock Limits Suspended Temporarily Due to New Prices

Effective April 1, 2007, through July 31, 2007, the 3-month stamp stock limit is temporarily suspended for Post Offices™ and postal retail units due to the new prices effective May 14, 2007.

A list of stamp stock items to be withdrawn from regular sale effective close-of-business July 31, 2007, will be published in a future *Postal Bulletin*. Post Offices and postal retail units will be directed to do the following:

- Withdraw the stamp stock items from sale.
- Prepare these items for destruction.

- Submit items to destruction sites according to locally established procedures.
- Follow guidelines in Handbook F-1, *Post Office Accounting Procedures*, Subchapter 45, Destroying Stamp Stock.

Effective August 1, 2007, Post Offices and postal retail units must adhere to the existing policy for 3-month stamp stock limits. For more information, refer to Handbook F-1, sections 422.21 and 482.3.

— Revenue and Field Accounting,
Finance, 4-6-07

Stamp Stock Revaluation Instructions

Effective Monday, May 14, 2007, the value of the *Breast Cancer Research* semipostal stamps, nonprofit and bulk rate stamped envelopes, and regular stamped envelopes will be increased. Post Offices™ and postal retail units must increase the value of each one of these products in their inventories prior to opening for business on Monday, May 14, 2007.

New Selling Price for Breast Cancer Research Semipostal Stamp

Breast Cancer Research semipostal stamps are recorded in inventory at the old price; therefore, they must be revalued.

To increase the value, stock custodians and retail associates (RAs) must count the number of singles, panes, and 10-pack stamps in their credits and multiply by the corresponding increase amount to compute the value of the increase in accountability.

Item Number	Description	Old Price	Increase	New Price
553000	Breast Cancer — Singles	\$0.45	\$0.10	\$0.55
553015	Breast Cancer — Panes of 20	9.00	2.00	11.00
367200	Breast Cancer — 10 Pack	4.50	1.00	5.50

New Price for Nonprofit and Bulk Rate Stamped Envelopes

Nonprofit and bulk rate stamped envelopes are recorded in inventory at the discounted old price value (box price); therefore, they must be revalued.

To increase the value of nonprofit and bulk rate stamped envelopes, stock custodians and RAs must count the number of boxes of those envelopes in their credits and multiply by \$1.50 to compute the dollar value of the increase in accountability.

Item Number	Description	Old Price	Amount of Increase	New Price
215100	# 10 Nonprofit Regular Env. — Box/500	\$40.00	\$1.50	\$41.50
215200	# 10 Nonprofit Window Env. — Box/500	40.00	1.50	41.50
216400	# 10 Bulk Rate Eagle Env. — Box/500	65.00	1.50	66.50
262700	# 6 3/4 Nonprofit Regular Env. — Box/500	38.00	1.50	39.50
262700	# 6 3/4 Nonprofit Window Env. — Box/500	38.00	1.50	39.50

The following are instructions for each financial reporting technology.

eMOVES and SPORT Offices

Individual Stamp Credits

- RAs must ship stamp stock (AIC 848) to be revalued to the unit reserve.
- Use PS Form 17, *Stamp Requisition/Stamp Return*, to ship stock.
- Stock is recorded at the full value on PS Form 17.
- Record the computations for each item revalued on a

Unit Reserve Stock

- Receive the stock (AIC 841) from the RA at the value shown on the PS Form 17.
- Record stock received on PS Form 3295, *Daily Record of Stamps, Stamped Paper and Nonpostal Stamps on Hand*.
- Count each category of stock to be revalued.
- Multiply the number of *Breast Cancer Research* semipostal stamps on hand to be revalued by the difference between original price and revalued price. PS Form 17.

- Enter the total for all calculations from PS Form 17 on PS Form 3958, *Unit Reserve Stamp Stock Transaction Record*, as follows:
 - Line 3 for increase (AIC 844).
 - Line 12 for decrease (AIC 850).
- Enter the calculated amount in the appropriate AIC on PS Form 1412.

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- Verify entries to AIC 844 and AIC 850 on the unit PS Form 1412.
- File PS Form 17 and PS Form 3958 as supporting documentation.

IRT Offices

Individual Stamp Credits

- Each RA assigned stamp stock requiring revaluation must multiply the number of stamps on hand to be revalued by the difference between original price and new revalued price.
- Enter the difference by category on PS Form 17.
- Enter the total on the PS Form 17 to the RA's IRT disk.
- The RA will enter the total from PS Form 17 to AIC 844, Stock Increase – Revaluation.

Unit Reserve Stock

- The unit reserve stock custodian issues to an RA all stamps and envelopes in the unit reserve that require revaluation.
- The RA receives the stock by using the "STAMPS+" key, creating an entry to AIC 841, Stamp Stock Received.
- RA revalues the stock by following the revaluation instructions for "Stamp Credits."
- After the stock custodian reduces unit inventory quantities requiring revaluation to zero (by issuance to an RA) and has performed the "New Day" process, the stock custodian deletes the item numbers from the stamp stock inventory (at the old price).
- The stock custodian adds the item numbers back into stamp stock inventory at the new price.
- The RA prepares PS Form 17 for returning stock and enters the value of the stamps and envelopes to be returned to the unit reserve inventory at the new price. Use the "STAMPS (-)" key, creating an entry in AIC 848, Stamp Stock returned.
- The stock custodian receives the total from the PS Form 17 into the unit reserve inventory at the new price.

Closeout Employee

- When all clerk disks are consolidated, verify that the total revaluation for the unit is reported correctly in AIC 844 and AIC 850 on the unit PS Form 1412.
- File PS Form(s) 17 as supporting documentation.

POS ONE Offices

Segments Assigned from the Unit Reserve. The revaluation must be performed for each segment (Retail Floor Stock, Stamps by Mail[®], Philatelic, Vending, etc.) even if there are zero quantities of the items requiring revaluation.

When logging on, the RA may receive a message indicating that items need to be revalued.

Retail Associates

- Log on to the segment being revalued.
- Press <Clerk Services/Back Office>.
- Press <Money and Accounts>.
- Press <Stock Revaluation>.
- Press <Select All>. Check marks appear on all the items in the notebook area pick list. The user can also select one item at a time by pressing the <Select Item>.
- Press <Continue>.
- Press <Continue>. The system will print a Stock Revaluation count sheet for all items that were previously checked.
- Scroll to highlight an item in the list.
- Key in the system quantity amount for each item and press <Enter>*.
- Press <Continue>.
- If the wrong quantity was entered, press the <Change Quantity> to return to the item list and make corrections.
- Press <Continue>.
- Type in your first name, last name, and employee ID.
- Press <Continue>. A summary view of the change to the user's accountability displays.
- Press <Accept> to finish.
- The system displays the following message: Did report print successfully?
- If not <Re-print Report>.
- Once the report prints successfully, select <Print Successful & Accept> to complete the process.

Unit Reserve Stock

- When logging on, the stock custodian will see a notification message indicating that items need to be revalued.

- All items must be revalued even if there are zero quantities of the items requiring revaluation in the Unit Reserve.
- Log on as stock custodian.
- Press <Non-Retail Roles>.
- Press <Other Activities>.
- Press <Unit Stock Revaluation>.
- Press <Select All>. Check marks appear on all the items in the notebook area pick list. The user can also select one item at a time by pressing the <Select Item>.
- Press <Continue>.
- Press <Continue>. The system will print a Stock Revaluation count sheet for all items that were previously checked.
- Key in the system quantity amount for each item and press <Enter>*.
- Press <Continue>.
- If the wrong quantity was entered, press the <Change Quantity> to return to the item list and make corrections.
- Press <Continue>.
- Type in your first name, last name, and employee ID.
- Press <Continue>. A summary view of the change to the Unit Reserve accountability displays. Press <Accept> to finish.
- The system displays the following message: "Did report print successfully?" If not <Re-print Report>.
- Once the report prints successfully, select <Print Successful & Accept> to complete the process.

Note: If the system quantity for this item is different than the quantity amount on hand, a count must be performed.

Closeout Employee

- Add all PS Forms 17 (for RAs and unit reserve inventory) and verify with entries to AIC 844 and AIC 850 on the unit PS Form 1412.
- File PS Form(s) 17 and system-generated PS Form 3958 as supporting documentation.

Contract Postal Units (CPUs)

- Count each category of stock to be revalued.
- Multiply the number of stamps and stamped envelopes on hand to be revalued by the difference between original price and new revalued price.
- Record the computations for each item revalued on a PS Form 17.
- Enter the total for all calculations from PS Form 17 in PS Form 1412 as follows:
 - For increase, use AIC 844.
 - For decrease, use AIC 850.
- Submit PS Form 17 and the CPU's PS Form 1412 to the host Post Office or the Contracting Official Representative (COR).

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Forever Stamp Sales Instructions

Effective April 12, 2007, Post Offices™ and postal retail units will begin selling the new *Forever Stamp*™ at the new 41-cent First-Class Mail® single-piece 1-ounce price.

The *Forever Stamp* is intended to reduce the inconvenience that consumers experience with having to acquire new-price postage or “make-up” stamps (1-cent and 2-cent stamps) for the implementation of new prices. The *Forever Stamp* will initially be sold at the new First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter price — 41 cents. The “value” of the *Forever Stamp* will always be the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter price that is in effect on the day of use (mailing), unaffected by any subsequent changes. Additional postage will need to be affixed to letters weighing in excess of 1 ounce, letters subject to the non-machinable surcharge, or mailpieces subject to another price of postage (e.g., large envelopes or packages).

New individual account identifier codes (AICs) have been set up to report the *Forever Stamp* sales to correspond with the source of the sales transaction:

- AIC 007, *Forever Stamp* Sales — Window Services.
This account is used to record *Forever Stamp* sales

at Post Offices and postal retail units at the window services.

- AIC 011, *Forever Stamp* Sales — by Internet — Mail — Phone. This account is used to record *Forever Stamp* sales by Internet, mail and telephone orders.
- AIC 012, *Forever Stamp* Sales — Vending. This account is used to record *Forever Stamp* sales at stamp vending machines.
- AIC 014, *Forever Stamp* Sales — APC. This account is used to record *Forever Stamp* sales at Automated Postal Centers® (APCs®).
- AIC 097, *Forever Stamp* Sales — Small Post Office Reporting Tool (SPORT) Offices. This account is used to record *Forever Stamp* sales at Post Offices and postal retail units with SPORT IMD scanner reporting devices.

AIC/GLA Table

AIC	Master Title	General Description	GLA	FPR	Revenue
007	<i>Forever Stamp</i> Sales — Window Services	This account is used to record <i>Forever Stamp</i> sales at Post Offices and postal retail units at the window services.	41110007	03	Revenue
011	<i>Forever Stamp</i> Sales — by Internet — Mail — Phone	This account is used to record <i>Forever Stamp</i> sales by Internet, mail, and telephone orders.	41110011	03	Revenue
012	<i>Forever Stamp</i> Sales — Vending	This account is used to record <i>Forever Stamp</i> sales at stamp vending machines.	41110012	03	Revenue
014	<i>Forever Stamp</i> Sales — APC	This account is used to record <i>Forever Stamp</i> sales at APCs.	41110014	03	Revenue
097	<i>Forever Stamp</i> Sales — SPORT Offices	This account is used to record <i>Forever Stamp</i> sales at Post Offices and postal retail units with SPORT IMD scanner reporting devices.	41110097	03	Revenue

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Summary of Changes to Domestic Mailing Services

New mailing standards to support most of the pricing changes recommended by the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) and approved by the Governors of the United States Postal Service® will be implemented on Monday, May 14, 2007. New prices and mailing standards for Periodicals mail will be implemented on Sunday, July 15, 2007.

Implementation of prices for all Periodicals mail is being delayed to provide adequate time to adjust Postal Service™ systems, to enable an effective and orderly transition in postal operations, and to give postal acceptance employees and mailers more time to prepare for the complex structure recommended by the PRC. The Commission recommended Outside-County piece, bundle, and container rates that vary based on machinability, presort level, and entry point. A *Federal Register* proposal explaining the changes and requesting mailer comments is on our Web page www.usps.com/ratecase. All Periodicals mailers are encouraged to review the *Federal Register*. As explained in our previous *Federal Register* proposals, Periodicals mailers will have new incentives to use efficient containers, and the revised co-palletization standards will encourage publishers to combine mailings. Also added are new prices for the nonadvertising portion of a mailing to give mailers of high-editorial-content publications access to lower, destination entry rates.

Periodicals mailers will continue paying current rates until Saturday, July 14. For additional information, including links to the above information, go to www.usps.com/ratecase.

While all of the Commission's recommended rates are being implemented, the Governors have asked the Commission to reconsider three issues:

- Prices for Standard Mail® flats.
- Application of the nonmachinable surcharge for First-Class Mail® letters.
- Price for the Priority Mail® Flat-Rate Box.

The Governors are concerned about the short-term effect that some prices for Standard Mail Regular flats might have on catalog mailers, and that the Commission failed to provide appropriate cost-based incentives in the First-Class Mail rate design. Also, the price for the flat-rate box seems unnecessarily high. The Governors have asked the Commission to reconsider their recommendations and respond as quickly as possible.

There is no set timetable for the reconsideration, nor is there any assurance that different prices will be recommended. As discussed above, the Board of Governors set Monday, May 14, 2007, as the effective date of all the changes in prices and fees for all classes except for Periodicals, which is delayed until July 15, 2007.

Highlights

Overall, the new prices reflect changes in operations and the marketplace and will enhance efficiency, offer more choices, and ensure that the prices for all types of mail is sufficient to cover costs. Incentives are included for mailers to create mailpieces compatible with our processing systems and to deposit flats and parcels closer to where they are delivered.

One of the major changes is new shape-based prices for First-Class Mail® items, with lower rates than today for letters over 1 ounce, and lower rates for flats (large envelopes) over 6 ounces. The new price structure recognizes that each shape of mailpiece — letter, flat (large envelope), and parcel — has substantially different processing costs and affects processing and delivery efficiency. For example, for a First-Class Mail item, a 2-ounce letter will cost 58 cents; a 2-ounce flat, 97 cents; and a 2-ounce parcel, \$1.30. These prices reflect the differences in costs of processing and delivering each type of mailpiece, as well as the higher value of larger pieces.

The new *Forever Stamp*™ has been introduced to make future price changes more convenient for consumers. The *Forever Stamp* will go on sale nationwide Thursday, April 12, and will increase convenience for consumers by eliminating the need to purchase make-up stamps when new prices are implemented in the future. Customers still need to prepare for the May 14 change, just as they have for previous price adjustments. The *Forever Stamp* will be one of two nondenominated First-Class Mail stamps. The *Forever Stamp* will be available in booklets of 20 for \$8.20 on April 12, and beginning May 14 from our Automated Postal Centers® (APCs®) and at select automated teller machines (ATMs) in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38.

The value of the *Forever Stamp* will always equal the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter price that is in effect on the day of use (mailing) without the addition of extra postage. Initially we will sell the *Forever Stamp* at the new 41-cent rate. While the *Forever Stamp* is intended to be used for First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letters, it may be used on other single-piece-rate items as well.

Additional postage will have to be affixed to letters weighing more than 1 ounce, letters subject to the nonmachinable surcharge, and mailpieces subject to another rate of postage (e.g., large envelopes or packages).

At the same time, a nondenominated *American Flag* stamp will be available in coils of 100, 3,000, and 10,000; in panes of 20 and 100; and in individual quantities. The *American Flag* stamp is not a *Forever Stamp* and will always have a value of 41 cents.

Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes are now a permanent product offering, and a new 1-pound price for Express Mail has been added.

For commercial mailers, new sorting options will be offered to reduce the number of trays in a mailing of letter-size pieces. New scheme preparations will allow mailers access to lower prices that align flat-size mail preparation with mail processing. A new automated Address Change Service (ACS) option has been added to reduce the costs associated with undeliverable-as-addressed mail. First-Class Mail parcel mailers will have new barcode options, and there will be new opportunities for mailers to combine Standard Mail[®] Not Flat-Machinable (NFM) pieces, Standard Mail parcels, and Package Services parcels in the same mailing.

The R2006-1 filing included mail classification changes, new pricing structures, and price changes for most domestic mailing services. Below is up-to-date information and summaries of the changes by class of mail and extra services. New prices are provided in the [DMM Rates Module](#) in this issue. For the complete final rule, as well as helpful information, including frequently asked questions, press releases, and previous *Mailers Companion* and *MailPro* articles related to the pricing changes, go to www.usps.com/ratecase.

To ensure presort software will be prepared for the May 14 implementation, we have worked closely with the presort software vendors. Training and communication programs have been initiated nationwide to ensure employees and customers are prepared.

Updated manuals and other mailing tools for customers such as decision trees, diagrams, and other supporting material to clarify physical standards and other mailing criteria will be published and featured on the Postal Explorer[®] Web site at <http://pe.usps.com>. The business rate calculator on Postal Explorer will be updated with new graphics and navigation features to make it even easier to use.

The policy for plant-verified drop shipment (PVDS) mail was published in the February 1, *DMM Advisory*. PVDS mailings verified and paid for before Monday, May 14, using current rates, will be accepted at destination entry postal facilities until Tuesday, May 29, when presented with appropriate verification and payment documentation. PVDS mailings may be verified and paid for beginning Saturday, April 14, using the new rates, provided the shipments are not deposited at destination entry postal facilities until Monday, May 14, or later, when presented with appropriate verification and payment documentation. Established procedures for other mailing exceptions will be followed in accordance with past rate cases.

Summary of Changes by Class of Mail

First-Class Mail

The new prices are based on the shape of mail and differences in the relative costs, with separate prices for letters, flats (large envelopes), and parcels. As shape becomes a more important price element, weight becomes less important. Consequently, prices for letters over 1 ounce and flats over 6 ounces are reduced from today's prices.

The single-piece 1-ounce letter price increases 2 cents, to 41 cents, and the single-piece postcard price increases 2 cents to 26 cents. The single-piece 1-ounce price for flats (such as large envelopes) is 80 cents, and the single-piece rate for packages is \$1.13 for the first ounce. The additional-ounce price (for all shapes) decreases 7 cents to 17 cents. The maximum weight for flats and parcels remains 13 ounces.

The price incentives provide opportunities for mailers to mitigate the impact of price increases. For the 2-ounce example above, if the contents (documents) of a First-Class Mail® flat are folded and placed into a letter-size envelope, the mailer saves 39 cents. If a parcel's contents can be reconfigured and mailed as a flat, the mailer saves 33 cents.

The nonmachinable surcharge increases 4 cents to 17 cents and will apply only to 1-ounce letters with any of the nonmachinable characteristics. Nonmachinable letters over 1 ounce are charged the letter prices, based on weight. The maximum weight for letters is 3.5 ounces. *The Governors have asked the PRC to reconsider its recommendation that limits the surcharge to 1-ounce letters instead of applying it to letters of any weight (up to the 3.5 ounce maximum for letters).*

For automation letters, the additional-ounce price decreases 11.2 cents to 12.5 cents. We maintain the 150-piece minimum per presort rate for automation letters and cards. Sort levels are optional for 5-digit/scheme, and required for 3-digit/scheme, 3-digit origin, automated area distribution center (AADC), and mixed-AADC levels. We have eliminated the automation carrier route preparation and prices.

To help reduce the number of "air trays" (partially filled overflow trays) and the overall cost of handling mail in letter trays, we offer a reduced-overflow tray option for automation letters. In addition, to encourage more trays to be filled to capacity, the definition of a "full letter tray" has been changed to one in which the pieces fill the length of the tray between 85 and 100 percent.

Simplified letter mail preparation for machinable letters will be offered, requiring mailers to sort only to the origin 3-digit, AADC, and mixed-AADC levels. To be consistent

with Standard Mail® service, the maximum weight for machinable letters is 3.3 ounces (0.2063 pound). Letters weighing over 3.3 ounces must be prepared as nonmachinable letters.

To better ensure automated processing of flat-size mail, all flats will be required to be rectangular in shape. The physical standards for automation flats are the criteria for automated flat sorting machines (AFSM) 100 pieces, with new standards for flexibility and uniform thickness. The deflection standard has also been lessened and simplified.

The structure for presorted parcels includes new work-share prices. The price and sort levels are optional for 5-digit, and required for 3-digit, ADC, and mixed-ADC levels. We require at least 10 pounds of parcels for 5-digit/scheme sacks, 3-digit sacks, and ADC sacks. Remaining pieces sorted to mixed-ADC sacks are charged the single-piece parcel prices. Barcodes facilitate processing on the automated package processing system (APPS), and mailers will have the option of applying either a 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 or a POSTNET barcode on presorted parcels. Unless prepared in 5-digit/scheme containers or paid for at the single-piece rates, a 5-cent surcharge applies to all parcels that are not barcoded, or that weigh less than 2 ounces, and to irregularly shaped parcels such as triangles, tubes, rolls, and similar pieces.

Priority Mail

The Priority Mail® Flat-Rate Envelope is priced at \$4.60, regardless of weight or destination. Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes will become a permanent offering and will be charged \$9.15, regardless of weight or destination. *The Governors have asked the PRC to reconsider its recommended rate, which is higher than what we originally proposed.* Again, as shape becomes more important, weight is less important, and prices for Priority Mail pieces weighing over 23 pounds decrease for all zones, many by as much as 20 percent.

Balloon-rate pricing for Priority Mail packages has increased from 15 to 20 pounds. It applies only to packages measuring larger than 84 inches combined length and girth and traveling locally and to Zones 1–4. Balloon-rate pricing no longer applies to packages destined to Zones 5–8.

Priority Mail packages that exceed 1 cubic foot and addressed to Zones 5–8 are subject to a new dimensional-weight price under *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) 123.1.4. We calculate postage for these pieces at the *greater of* their actual weight or dimensional-weight. In general, if a package is relatively light for its size, it may be subject to a dimensional-weight price. Dimensional-weight is

calculated using one of two formulas, one for rectangular-shaped packages and one for nonrectangular packages.

Priority Mail containers, including the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes, are available at Post Offices™ and on www.usps.com; under “Shipping Tools,” click *Supplies*. They are not large enough to be subject to balloon-rate or dimensional-weight pricing. Dimensional-weight pricing will not apply to Priority Mail Open and Distribute (formerly Priority Mail Drop Shipment) mailings of other classes of mail.

Express Mail

Express Mail® pieces often contain material that ranges from 1/2 pound to 2 pounds. Previously, these pieces paid the 2-pound price. To keep Express Mail service a viable alternative for mailers, we have added new 1-pound prices. The Express Mail Flat-Rate Envelope continues to be charged the 1/2-pound price, regardless of weight.

Standard Mail

The new Standard Mail prices encourage mail that is compatible with our operations and drop shipped closer to its destination. As in First-Class Mail, Standard Mail pricing has greater recognition of shape and reduced reliance on weight.

Letters

For automation letters, we maintain the 150-piece minimum per sortation level for automation letters. Sort levels are optional for 5-digit/scheme, and required for 3-digit/scheme, AADC, and mixed-AADC levels. Automation letter mailers also have the option to prepare origin/entry 3-digit/scheme trays. The Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR) automation basic letters preparation and prices have been eliminated.

To help reduce the number of “air trays” (partially filled overflow trays) and the overall cost of handling mail in letter trays, a reduced-overflow tray option for automation letters will be offered. In addition, to encourage more trays filled to capacity, the definition of a “full letter tray” has been changed to be one in which the pieces fill the length of the tray between 85 and 100 percent.

Simplified letter mail preparation for machinable letters now requires mailers to sort only to AADC and mixed-AADC levels. Mailers have the option to prepare origin/entry 3-digit trays as well.

The nonmachinable surcharge has been replaced with a separate price structure for nonmachinable letters weighing up to 3.3 ounces. Required nonmachinable letter sort levels are 5-digit, 3-digit, ADC, and mixed ADC, for which there are separate prices. Mailers have the option to prepare origin/entry 3-digit trays. Nonmachinable letters over 3.3 ounces are charged the Not Flat-Machinable (NFM)

rates or, if barcoded and meeting other requirements, an automation flat-size rate.

ECR letters weighing up to 3 ounces that are delivery-point barcoded and automation compatible are sorted in full trays according to new preparation standards. Mailers sort and bundle ECR letters that are not barcoded, not automation compatible, or that weigh over 3 ounces (up to 3.5 ounces), according to current preparation standards. Mailers will sort and bundle mailings that contain pieces both over and under 3 ounces according to current preparation standards.

We have eliminated DDU entry rates for all ECR letter-size pieces. Destination sectional center facility (DSCF) entry rates are allowed for destination delivery unit (DDU) entry of some ECR letters, including letters with simplified addresses and locally entered mailings of 2,500 pieces or less. ECR letters paid for at the basic letter rate must meet address matching and coding standards and must be delivery-point barcoded and automation compatible.

Flats

To better align mail preparation with our processing capabilities and to maximize access to lower prices for mailers, changes in many mail preparation standards, including nonautomation flats, are being implemented. Changes have been made to flat-size mailing standards to ensure that the prices for flats and parcels better cover their costs and ensure those pieces eligible for flat-size prices can be processed on automated flat sorting machines (AFSM 100s) and handled efficiently at delivery.

The physical standards for automation flats retain most of the criteria for the AFSM 100 pieces, with new standards for flexibility that exclude boxes and box-like pieces. A rectangular-shape requirement and a uniform-thickness standard for all flats have been added. The new uniform-thickness standard allows up to a 1/4-inch variation in thickness. These changes ensure that pieces paid for at automation flats prices can be processed in automated operations and delivered as flats. The deflection standard has been lessened, and bound or folded pieces will be allowed to be tested differently than enveloped pieces. We will increase the maximum size for ECR flats so that the same maximum size (15 inches long, 12 inches high, 3/4-inch thick) applies to all flats, regardless of the price paid.

A 5-inch by 6-inch minimum for automation flats has been set because smaller pieces cannot be efficiently processed and present handling problems at delivery. However, these smaller pieces may qualify for letter prices or nonautomation flats prices, depending on mailpiece characteristics.

To be consistent with the processing capabilities of the AFSM 100, the length of a flat (e.g., envelope, full-length wrapper, or full-length sleeve) will continue to be the longest

dimension, but for bound or folded pieces (publications) claimed at automation prices, the edge perpendicular to the bound or folded edge may not exceed 12 inches. The deflection test for automation-rate flats with bound or folded edges has been revised to allow testing by placing the bound or final fold edge perpendicular to the edge of a flat surface. This method better accommodates pieces when the bound edge is the shorter dimension.

The new standards further stipulate that rigid pieces do not qualify for flat prices. Rigid pieces are not easily processed on our AFSM 100s — often resulting in manual processing or processing on less-efficient flats equipment — and are not generally handled as flats by carriers at delivery. In addition, rigid pieces will not be processed and delivered efficiently in the future flats sequencing environment.

The new flexibility test is a simple, effective, and efficient way to test flats presented at acceptance locations to determine whether such pieces can be processed on AFSM 100s and handled as flats by carriers. To alleviate concerns about USPS® employees administering the test inconsistently, mailers are allowed to perform this test on their own pieces, with an employee observing and validating the test. The characteristics of mailpieces evolve over time. Therefore, we will continually test pieces that fall outside of the flexibility standards, as necessary, and reevaluate our standards to accommodate new processing and delivery capabilities.

Pieces must be tested first with the longest side parallel to the edge of a surface. If the piece can pass this test and does not contain a rigid insert, further testing is unnecessary. If it contains a rigid insert, it must be tested with the shortest side parallel to the edge of a surface as well. The DMM and related publications provide illustrations for the flexibility test and the deflection test.

The uniform-thickness standard will be applied to all flat-size mail, but a 1/4-inch variation in thickness will be allowed.

Specifically, flat-size mailpieces must be uniformly thick so that any bumps, protrusions, or other irregularities do not cause more than 1/4-inch variance in thickness. We exclude the outside edges of a mailpiece (1 inch from the edge) when determining variance in thickness. Mailers must secure nonpaper contents to prevent shifting of more than 2 inches within the mailpiece.

The exclusion of pieces over 3/4-inch thick from automation flats is consistent with processing capabilities on our AFSM 100s and our automatic inductions systems. Many pieces that are thicker than 3/4 inch and currently qualify for Standard Mail automation flats rates are boxes or rigid pieces. Few Standard Mail pieces that are flexible

printed material are both over 3/4 inch and under 16 ounces (the maximum weight for Standard Mail items).

Nonautomation flats will not be required to meet all automation standards. Pieces that meet the general size and physical characteristics for all flats in DMM 301.1.0 but are too flimsy, are not barcoded, or use polywrap that is not approved will be eligible for nonautomation flats rates. Small pieces (for example, pieces 4 inches high by 4 inches long) that are over 1/4-inch thick also are eligible for non-automation flats rates.

Not Flat-Machinable Pieces

NFM pieces are rigid, parcel-like pieces and large pieces (more than 15 inches long or more than 3/4-inch thick) that currently qualify for automation flats rates based solely on the UFSM 1000 criteria. However, these pieces are rarely processed on the UFSM 1000 or other flats sorting equipment, and are seldom delivered as flats — they are usually processed either manually or in the parcel mailstream. Therefore, the current prices of these pieces are not adequate to cover their processing and delivery costs. The NFM subcategory gives mailers the option to mail qualifying pieces at the lower, NFM prices, rather than at parcel prices. The standards allow mailers to choose on the basis of prices, preparation, and postage payment how to mail qualifying pieces under the categories of Standard Mail service.

The preparation and labeling standards for NFMs will direct these pieces to the processing facilities that can efficiently handle them, based on actual operations and mail flows. The preparation and destination-entry options for NFMs weighing 6 ounces or more mirror those of machinable parcels because they are both efficiently processed at bulk mail centers (BMCs). The preparation and destination-entry options for NFMs weighing less than 6 ounces mirror those of irregular parcels, which are efficiently processed at area distribution centers (ADCs).

Bundling will not be allowed for NFMs placed in sacks, and 5-digit bundles of five or more NFMs will be allowed when the mail is prepared on pallets. A DDU entry rate is being offered for NFMs sorted to 5-digit destinations when drop shipped directly to the DDU. There is no minimum number of pieces for NFMs drop shipped to DDUs.

Barcodes facilitate processing, and NFMs weighing less than 6 ounces each must bear either a 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 or a POSTNET barcode. NFMs weighing 6 ounces or more must bear a 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 barcode. Unless prepared in 5-digit/scheme containers, a 5-cent surcharge applies to all NFMs that are not barcoded. Also, each NFM piece must bear the marking “Not Flat-Machinable” or “NFM,” either in the optional endorsement line or by placing the marking immediately to the left of or below the postage area. Unlike with irregular and

machinable parcels, except for Electronic Option Delivery Confirmation, there are no other extra services available with NFM.

Mailers have been given time to adjust their mailpiece design, software programming, or production processes to avoid NFM or parcel prices if they choose to make a change. They have been encouraged to redesign their packaging to avoid rigid or box-like mailpieces, and we have consulted with many mailers who intended to design pieces that could be mailable at flats prices. As a result, many mailers have modified their mailpieces to meet the standards for automation flats.

Parcels

The residual shape surcharge (RSS) for Standard Mail parcels has been eliminated, and a 3-cent machinable barcode discount will no longer be offered. Instead, all parcel prices include a requirement for barcodes. On irregular parcels (regardless of weight), mailers can apply either a 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 or a POSTNET barcode. On machinable parcels, mailers must use a 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 barcode. Unless prepared in 5-digit/scheme containers, parcels that are not barcoded are charged a 5-cent surcharge.

The bundling requirement for all irregular parcels except ECR parcels has been removed. The required minimum quantity of irregular parcels in sacks has been reduced to 10 pounds of parcels per sack.

New standards in DMM 401.1.0 allow certain size pieces weighing at least 3.5 ounces to be mailed as machinable parcels. This change allows mailers to prepare a wider range of machinable parcels separately or together with other machinable parcels. Electronic option Delivery Confirmation™, bulk insurance, and Return Receipt for merchandise services remain available with the irregular and machinable parcels.

A DDU entry rate for parcels sorted to 5-digit/scheme destinations will be allowed when drop shipped directly to the DDU. There is no minimum for parcels drop shipped to a DDU.

Mailers are encouraged to commingle irregular parcels, machinable parcels, NFMs, and Package Services parcels into 5-digit/scheme containers. Mailers may combine NFMs weighing less than 6 ounces each with irregular parcels (regardless of weight) in 3-digit, ADC, and mixed-ADC containers. Combining NFMs weighing 6 ounces or more with machinable parcels in BMC/ASF and mixed BMC containers will also be allowed. In addition, mailers may combine (any) Standard Mail parcels, NFMs, machinable Parcel Select®, and Bound Printed Matter parcels when prepared in 3-digit containers to certain ZIP Codes™ and entered at designated sectional center facilities (SCFs).

Customized MarketMail

Prices for Customized MarketMail® (CMM®) equal the 5-digit nonentry rate for NFMs. Mailers are still required to drop ship CMM pieces to DDUs.

Detached Address Labels

Detached Address Labels (DALs) allow a saturation mailer to place the address and postage on a separate card, rather than on the piece itself. For Standard Mail ECR pieces, the new prices include a 1.5-cent surcharge if DALs are used.

Pallets

The minimum weight for flats prepared in bundles and placed directly on most pallets is 250 pounds. However, there is no minimum weight for pallets entered at a DDU. Also, BMC, ADC, and SCF pallets entered at the corresponding destination facility may contain a minimum of 100 pounds of mail (bundles) or 12 linear feet of trays on pallets.

Package Services

Package Services mail includes Bound Printed Matter, Library Mail, Media Mail, Parcel Post®, and Parcel Select. The new standards simplify Package Services offerings and encourage more efficient handling of parcels.

Parcel Post

The minimum charge for parcels subject to balloon-rate pricing for Parcel Post and Parcel Select has been increased to 20 pounds, and balloon-rate pricing will continue to apply to parcels addressed to all zones when measuring larger than 84 inches in combined length and girth up to 108 inches.

The barcode discount for Parcel Select–DBMC machinable parcels will be incorporated into the price, and all Parcel Select–DBMC machinable parcels will be required to bear a UCC/EAN Code 128 barcode. Nonbarcoded machinable pieces will be charged the applicable Intra-BMC/ASF rate. The mail preparation standards for Parcel Select are unchanged.

Bound Printed Matter

Single-piece Bound Printed Matter (BPM) has been renamed “nonpresorted BPM,” and the option to purchase postage for BPM at the retail counter has been eliminated. However, nonpresorted BPM pieces may be accepted for mailing at the retail window (as well as at collection boxes and by letter carriers, as appropriate) when the customer pre-applies postage using any of the current forms — adhesive stamps, meter strips, or PC Postage®. The 3-cent barcode discount for flats and machinable parcels remains unchanged.

To reduce sacks, 5-digit/scheme bundles, 3-digit/scheme bundles, and 5-digit/scheme sacks for presorted BPM flats are required, as well as 5-digit/scheme sacks for Presorted irregular and machinable parcels.

Library Mail and Media Mail

As with BPM, to reduce sacks, 5-digit/scheme bundles, 3-digit/scheme bundles, and 5-digit/scheme sacks for presorted Library Mail and Media Mail flats are required, as well as 5-digit/scheme sacks for presorted irregular and machinable parcels.

Extra Services

Address Correction Services

The new standards seek to modernize our services, improve address quality, and reduce undeliverable-as-addressed mail. This includes low-cost OneCode Address Change Service (ACS), a new automated ACS option that allows us to note the incorrect address on a First-Class Mail letter (and in Fall 2007 also on Standard Mail letters) and electronically send the corrected address back to the mailer at a much lower price.

First-Class Mail letters using the new OneCode ACS™ option receive the first two notifications of an incorrect address at no fee, and after that at 5 cents each. Standard Mail letters receive the first two notifications for 2 cents each, and after that at 15 cents each. OneCode ACS requires the use of the Intelligent Mail® barcode (formerly known as the 4-State Customer Barcode). For more information, go to <http://ribbs.usps.gov/onecodesolution/> or see “DMM Revision: Expanding the Use of Intelligent Mail Barcodes” in *Postal Bulletin* 22199 (2-1-07, pages 14–16).

The price for the traditional ACS electronic option for First-Class Mail has been decreased from 21 cents to 6 cents, and the price for all other classes of mail has increased from 21 cents to 25 cents. Manual ACS notification prices (for all classes of mail) have decreased to 50 cents.

A new forwarding service option for Standard Mail items has been introduced that will charge for the actual number of Standard Mail pieces forwarded and returned. This service would use electronic data to give ACS mailers an alternative to the current process that charges the “weighted fee” for the pieces returned (the weighted fee covers the postage for the forwarded pieces also). The new service would be available for mailpieces using the electronic option, or the new automated OneCode ACS option. This service will be available to customers through an approval process that ensures individual customer and postal systems can adapt to the new payment system.

Business Reply Mail

Pricing of all Business Reply Mail (BRM) returns will be based on shape. In addition, there are increases as well as decreases to certain BRM per-piece fees. The BRM annual permit fee increases to \$175, the annual accounting fee (account maintenance fee) increases to \$550, and the QBRM quarterly fee decreases to \$1,800. These new fees apply only to first-time payments and renewals. BRM customers with current annual and quarterly fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until it is time to renew.

Confirm Service

Confirm® service enables mailers to obtain information about the status of their letters and flats in the mail processing system. The fees increase for the Gold and Platinum tier subscriptions and quarterly additional IDs. The fees for the Silver tier subscription did not change, but the charge for additional IDs has increased.

Delivery Confirmation

The Delivery Confirmation™ service fee is built into the price for certain Priority Mail and Parcel Select parcels and can be purchased separately for other packages. For First-Class Mail parcels and Package Services parcels, the retail option fee increases to 75 cents, and the electronic option fee is now 18 cents. For Priority Mail, the retail option fee increases to 65 cents, and the electronic option — including with Click-N-Ship® service — remains free. For Standard Mail parcels and NFM's, the electronic option fee increases to 18 cents.

Insurance

The new pricing for insured mail keeps it reliable, easy, and affordable. All insured pieces will have a barcoded label and receive a delivery scan. A signature will not be required at delivery for insured items with an indemnity of \$200 or less (insurance without a signature, formerly minimum insurance). Insurance purchased for more than \$200, will receive a signature and scan at delivery (insurance with a signature).

The standards for filing an indemnity claim have also been updated to include an online claims filing process, initially for insurance purchased using Click-N-Ship service, or on eBay shipments.

Return Receipt Service

The electronic option Return Receipt service fee decreases to 85 cents. Hard copy Return Receipt service requested at the time of mailing increases to \$2.15. Return Receipt requested after mailing increases to \$3.80. With the changes (noted above) to merchandise insurance, Return Receipt service can be added only to items insured for more than \$200.

Other Services

Mailing and Permit Fees

The permit imprint application fee and all annual mailing fees increase to \$175. Annual accounting fees (account maintenance fees) increase to \$550. These new fees apply only to first-time payments and renewals. Customers with current fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until it is time to renew.

Post Office Boxes and Caller Service

Overall, Post Office box and Caller Service fees are increasing. However, individual box holders at different locations may experience a wide variety of price changes as part of our continuing efforts to realign Post Office box

fees, as well as Caller Service fees, with our costs for each location. Up-to-date fee group information can be found on *webBATS*, as well as in Publication 431, *Post Office Box Fee Groups*. The new fees apply only to new rentals and renewals. Current Post Office box holders (and customers paying Caller Service fees) do not begin paying the new fees until their current rental period expires and it is time to renew. Post Office box and Callers Service fees may be paid for up to two semi-annual periods at a time (i.e., up to 1 year in advance).

Onsite meter services will no longer be offered and the fees associated with onsite meter service, meter resetting, examination, and checking meters in and out of service have been eliminated.

DMM Rates Module

On the following pages are the Rates and Fees tables taken from the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®). For ease of use, these tables are displayed in the DMM format. You can also find this information online at www.usps.com/ratecase.

Rates and Fees

Effective
May 14, 2007

RETAIL RATES

Express Mail
Priority Mail
First-Class Mail
Media Mail
Library Mail
Parcel Post

DISCOUNT RATES

Letters

First-Class Mail
Standard Mail

Flats

First-Class Mail
Media Mail
Library Mail
Standard Mail
Bound Printed Matter

Parcels

First-Class Mail
Standard Mail
Bound Printed Matter
Parcel Post
Media Mail
Library Mail

Periodicals

FEES

Extra Services
Recipient Services
Mailer Services
Other Fees and Charges

Postal Explorer pe.usps.com



Express Mail

RETAIL LETTERS, FLATS, & PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Service ¹			Weight Not Over (pounds)	Service ¹		
	Custom Designed	Next Day & Second Day PO to PO	Next Day & Second Day PO to Addressee		Custom Designed	Next Day & Second Day PO to PO	Next Day & Second Day PO to Addressee
1/2 ²	\$14.15	\$13.85	\$16.25	40	\$107.65	\$107.35	\$109.75
1	17.40	17.10	19.50	41	109.80	109.50	111.90
2	19.30	19.00	21.40	42	111.95	111.65	114.05
3	22.40	22.10	24.50	43	114.10	113.80	116.20
4	25.50	25.20	27.60	44	116.25	115.95	118.35
5	28.60	28.30	30.70	45	118.40	118.10	120.50
6	31.70	31.40	33.80	46	120.55	120.25	122.65
7	34.80	34.50	36.90	47	122.70	122.40	124.80
8	37.90	37.60	40.00	48	124.85	124.55	126.95
9	41.00	40.70	43.10	49	127.00	126.70	129.10
10	43.15	42.85	45.25	50	129.15	128.85	131.25
11	45.30	45.00	47.40	51	131.30	131.00	133.40
12	47.45	47.15	49.55	52	133.45	133.15	135.55
13	49.60	49.30	51.70	53	135.60	135.30	137.70
14	51.75	51.45	53.85	54	137.75	137.45	139.85
15	53.90	53.60	56.00	55	139.90	139.60	142.00
16	56.05	55.75	58.15	56	142.05	141.75	144.15
17	58.20	57.90	60.30	57	144.20	143.90	146.30
18	60.35	60.05	62.45	58	146.35	146.05	148.45
19	62.50	62.20	64.60	59	148.50	148.20	150.60
20	64.65	64.35	66.75	60	150.65	150.35	152.75
21	66.80	66.50	68.90	61	152.80	152.50	154.90
22	68.95	68.65	71.05	62	154.95	154.65	157.05
23	71.10	70.80	73.20	63	157.10	156.80	159.20
24	73.25	72.95	75.35	64	159.25	158.95	161.35
25	75.40	75.10	77.50	65	161.40	161.10	163.50
26	77.55	77.25	79.65	66	163.55	163.25	165.65
27	79.70	79.40	81.80	67	165.70	165.40	167.80
28	81.85	81.55	83.95	68	167.85	167.55	169.95
29	84.00	83.70	86.10	69	170.00	169.70	172.10
30	86.15	85.85	88.25	70	172.15	171.85	174.25
31	88.30	88.00	90.40				
32	90.45	90.15	92.55				
33	92.60	92.30	94.70				
34	94.75	94.45	96.85				
35	96.90	96.60	99.00				
36	99.05	98.75	101.15				
37	101.20	100.90	103.30				
38	103.35	103.05	105.45				
39	105.50	105.20	107.60				

1. Same Day Airport service is currently suspended.
2. The 1/2-pound rate is charged for matter sent in an Express Mail flat-rate envelope provided by the USPS, regardless of weight.



Priority Mail

RETAIL LETTERS, CARDS, FLATS, & PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Zone ^{1,2,3,4,5}						
	Local, 1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	\$4.60	\$4.60	\$4.60	\$4.60	\$4.60	\$4.60	\$4.60
2	4.60	4.90	5.30	6.20	6.55	7.00	7.50
3	5.05	5.70	6.40	8.25	9.10	9.65	10.55
4	5.70	6.65	7.70	10.20	11.10	12.20	13.45
5	6.30	7.55	8.90	11.90	12.90	14.35	15.85
6	6.85	8.25	10.00	12.95	13.10	14.75	16.05
7	7.35	8.85	11.00	13.95	14.35	16.40	18.30
8	7.75	9.60	11.95	14.90	15.60	18.00	20.55
9	8.15	10.25	12.50	15.90	16.85	19.60	22.85
10	8.50	10.75	13.10	16.95	18.25	21.30	25.05
11	8.80	11.20	13.65	17.95	19.75	22.90	26.35
12	9.15	11.70	14.20	18.95	21.30	24.10	27.50
13	9.50	12.20	14.75	20.00	22.85	25.05	28.45
14	9.80	12.70	15.35	20.90	24.10	26.50	29.85
15	10.15	13.20	15.90	21.55	24.65	26.75	30.50
16	10.35	13.45	16.20	22.00	25.20	27.35	31.25
17	10.50	13.70	16.50	22.55	25.85	28.05	32.10
18	10.70	13.90	16.80	23.00	26.35	28.60	32.85
19	11.10	14.15	17.10	23.55	27.00	29.30	33.70
20	11.60	14.35	17.40	23.95	27.50	29.85	34.40
21	12.00	14.55	17.70	24.35	27.95	30.40	35.10
22	12.50	14.80	17.95	24.90	28.60	31.10	35.95
23	12.90	15.00	18.45	25.30	29.10	31.65	36.60
24	13.35	15.20	19.00	25.85	29.70	32.35	37.50
25	13.85	15.40	19.65	26.25	30.15	32.85	38.15
26	14.25	15.60	20.25	26.80	30.80	33.55	39.35
27	14.70	15.80	20.85	27.20	31.25	34.05	40.80
28	15.15	16.00	21.40	27.55	31.70	34.55	42.30
29	15.60	16.20	22.05	27.90	32.10	35.00	43.70
30	16.10	16.40	22.65	28.30	32.55	35.50	45.15
31	16.50	16.55	23.25	28.65	32.95	35.95	46.65
32	16.95	16.95	23.85	29.00	33.40	36.80	48.10
33	17.40	17.40	24.40	29.35	33.80	37.85	49.50
34	17.85	17.85	25.05	30.00	34.80	38.90	50.95
35	18.30	18.30	25.65	30.65	35.75	39.95	52.40
36	18.75	18.75	26.25	31.30	36.70	41.05	53.85
37	19.20	19.20	26.95	31.90	37.65	42.10	55.30
38	19.65	19.65	27.50	32.55	38.70	43.10	56.75
39	20.05	20.05	28.25	33.20	39.65	44.20	58.25
40	20.45	20.45	28.90	33.85	40.55	45.20	59.65
41	20.85	20.85	29.50	34.20	41.50	46.25	61.10
42	21.25	21.25	30.25	34.90	42.40	47.35	62.55
43	21.65	21.65	30.90	35.70	43.45	48.40	64.00
44	22.05	22.05	31.50	36.50	44.35	49.50	65.45

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Zone ^{1,2,3,4,5}						
	Local, 1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
45	\$22.45	\$22.45	\$32.20	\$37.25	\$45.30	\$50.55	\$66.90
46	22.85	22.85	32.90	38.00	46.25	51.60	68.35
47	23.25	23.25	33.50	38.80	47.30	52.70	69.75
48	23.65	23.65	34.25	39.60	48.25	53.75	71.25
49	24.05	24.05	34.90	40.30	49.15	54.85	72.70
50	24.40	24.40	35.55	41.10	50.10	55.90	74.15
51	24.85	24.85	36.20	41.90	51.05	56.95	75.60
52	25.20	25.20	36.90	42.70	52.10	58.00	77.05
53	25.65	25.65	37.50	43.45	53.00	59.10	78.50
54	26.00	26.00	38.15	44.25	53.90	60.10	79.90
55	26.45	26.45	38.90	45.05	54.85	61.10	81.35
56	26.80	26.80	39.50	45.75	55.90	62.20	82.85
57	27.25	27.25	40.15	46.50	56.80	63.25	84.30
58	27.60	27.60	40.85	47.30	57.75	64.30	85.70
59	28.05	28.05	41.50	48.10	58.70	65.35	87.20
60	28.40	28.40	42.15	48.90	59.70	66.40	88.65
61	28.85	28.85	42.90	49.65	60.70	67.45	90.10
62	29.20	29.20	43.50	50.45	61.60	68.50	91.50
63	29.65	29.65	44.20	51.25	62.55	69.55	92.95
64	30.00	30.00	44.85	52.05	63.50	70.55	94.45
65	30.45	30.45	45.45	52.70	64.50	71.65	95.90
66	30.80	30.80	46.15	53.50	65.40	72.70	97.30
67	31.25	31.25	46.90	54.30	66.35	73.70	98.80
68	31.60	31.60	47.50	55.10	67.30	74.80	100.20
69	32.05	32.05	48.15	55.90	68.30	75.85	101.65
70	32.45	32.45	48.90	56.65	69.25	76.90	103.10

1. Parcels addressed for delivery to zones 1-4 (including local) that weigh less than 20 pounds but measure more than 84 inches in combined length and girth (but not more than 108 inches) are charged the applicable rate for a 20-pound parcel (balloon rate).
2. Parcels addressed for delivery to zones 5-8 that exceed 1 cubic foot (1,728 cubic inches) are charged based on the actual weight or the dimensional weight (as calculated in 123.1.4), whichever is greater.
3. For keys and ID devices that weigh:
 - Up to 13 ounces, refer to retail First-Class Mail parcel rates.
 - More than 13 ounces but not more than 1 pound, \$5.30.
 - More than 1 pound but not more than 2 pounds, \$6.00.
4. \$4.60 is charged for matter sent in a Priority Mail flat-rate envelope provided by the USPS, regardless of weight or destination.
5. \$9.15 is charged for material sent in a Priority Mail flat-rate box provided by the USPS, regardless of weight or destination.



Retail Mail

Retail Mail: First-Class Mail



First-Class Mail RETAIL LETTERS AND CARDS

Weight Not Over (ounces)	Single-Piece
1 ¹	\$0.41
2	0.58
3	0.75
3.5 ²	0.92
Card Rate ³	0.26

- Letters that weigh 1 ounce or less and meet one or more of the nonmachinable characteristics in DMM 101.1.2 are subject to the \$0.17 nonmachinable surcharge.
- For weights over 3.5 ounces, see flat-size rates.
- The card rate applies to each single or double postcard when originally mailed; reply half of double postcard must be designed for reply mail purposes only.



First-Class Mail RETAIL FLATS

Weight Not Over (ounces) ¹	Single-Piece
1	\$0.80
2	0.97
3	1.14
4	1.31
5	1.48
6	1.65
7	1.82
8	1.99
9	2.16
10	2.33
11	2.50
12	2.67
13	2.84

- Flat-size pieces with certain characteristics (see 101.2.0) are subject to parcel rates.



First-Class Mail RETAIL PARCELS

Weight Not Over (ounces) ¹	Single-Piece
1	\$1.13
2	1.30
3	1.47
4	1.64
5	1.81
6	1.98
7	2.15
8	2.32
9	2.49
10	2.66
11	2.83
12	3.00
13	3.17

- For keys and ID devices, add \$0.70. If more than 13 ounces, see retail Priority Mail rates.



Media Mail

RETAIL FLATS & PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Single-Piece ¹	Weight Not Over (pounds)	Single-Piece ¹
1	\$2.13	36	\$14.03
2	2.47	37	14.37
3	2.81	38	14.71
4	3.15	39	15.05
5	3.49	40	15.39
6	3.83	41	15.73
7	4.17	42	16.07
8	4.51	43	16.41
9	4.85	44	16.75
10	5.19	45	17.09
11	5.53	46	17.43
12	5.87	47	17.77
13	6.21	48	18.11
14	6.55	49	18.45
15	6.89	50	18.79
16	7.23	51	19.13
17	7.57	52	19.47
18	7.91	53	19.81
19	8.25	54	20.15
20	8.59	55	20.49
21	8.93	56	20.83
22	9.27	57	21.17
23	9.61	58	21.51
24	9.95	59	21.85
25	10.29	60	22.19
26	10.63	61	22.53
27	10.97	62	22.87
28	11.31	63	23.21
29	11.65	64	23.55
30	11.99	65	23.89
31	12.33	66	24.23
32	12.67	67	24.57
33	13.01	68	24.91
34	13.35	69	25.25
35	13.69	70	25.59

1. Machinable parcels may be eligible for barcode discount of \$0.03 per parcel (50-piece minimum).



Library Mail

RETAIL FLATS & PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Single-Piece ¹	Weight Not Over (pounds)	Single-Piece ¹
1	\$2.02	36	\$13.22
2	2.34	37	13.54
3	2.66	38	13.86
4	2.98	39	14.18
5	3.30	40	14.50
6	3.62	41	14.82
7	3.94	42	15.14
8	4.26	43	15.46
9	4.58	44	15.78
10	4.90	45	16.10
11	5.22	46	16.42
12	5.54	47	16.74
13	5.86	48	17.06
14	6.18	49	17.38
15	6.50	50	17.70
16	6.82	51	18.02
17	7.14	52	18.34
18	7.46	53	18.66
19	7.78	54	18.98
20	8.10	55	19.30
21	8.42	56	19.62
22	8.74	57	19.94
23	9.06	58	20.26
24	9.38	59	20.58
25	9.70	60	20.90
26	10.02	61	21.22
27	10.34	62	21.54
28	10.66	63	21.86
29	10.98	64	22.18
30	11.30	65	22.50
31	11.62	66	22.82
32	11.94	67	23.14
33	12.26	68	23.46
34	12.58	69	23.78
35	12.90	70	24.10

1. Machinable parcels may be eligible for barcode discount of \$0.03 per parcel (50-piece minimum).



Parcel Post (Local and Intra-BMC/ASF)

RETAIL PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1, 2, 3, 4}					Nonmachinable ^{1, 2, 4, 5}				
	Zone					Zone				
	Local	1 & 2	3	4	5	Local	1 & 2	3	4	5
1	\$3.42	\$3.67	\$3.70	\$3.78	\$3.96	\$6.29	\$6.54	\$6.57	\$6.65	\$6.83
2	3.80	4.34	4.38	4.47	4.72	6.67	7.21	7.25	7.34	7.59
3	4.15	4.96	5.00	5.11	5.46	7.02	7.83	7.87	7.98	8.33
4	4.47	5.37	5.58	5.69	6.13	7.34	8.24	8.45	8.56	9.00
5	4.76	5.74	6.07	6.21	6.76	7.63	8.61	8.94	9.08	9.63
6	5.03	6.09	6.53	6.67	7.32	7.90	8.96	9.40	9.54	10.19
7	5.24	6.42	6.94	7.10	7.86	8.11	9.29	9.81	9.97	10.73
8	5.42	6.95	7.33	7.50	8.34	8.29	9.82	10.20	10.37	11.21
9	5.60	7.24	7.69	7.90	8.79	8.47	10.11	10.56	10.77	11.66
10	5.77	7.55	8.07	8.53	9.21	8.64	10.42	10.94	11.40	12.08
11	5.93	7.82	8.38	8.86	9.59	8.80	10.69	11.25	11.73	12.46
12	6.09	8.10	8.69	9.18	9.96	8.96	10.97	11.56	12.05	12.83
13	6.25	8.28	8.97	9.48	10.30	9.12	11.15	11.84	12.35	13.17
14	6.39	8.44	9.22	9.81	10.61	9.26	11.31	12.09	12.68	13.48
15	6.53	8.59	9.49	10.07	10.90	9.40	11.46	12.36	12.94	13.77
16	6.68	8.74	9.76	10.33	11.20	9.55	11.61	12.63	13.20	14.07
17	6.80	8.92	10.01	10.61	11.45	9.67	11.79	12.88	13.48	14.32
18	6.93	9.05	10.25	10.84	11.70	9.80	11.92	13.12	13.71	14.57
19	7.05	9.20	10.49	11.08	11.94	9.92	12.07	13.36	13.95	14.81
20	7.19	9.35	10.73	11.28	12.15	10.06	12.22	13.60	14.15	15.02
21	7.30	9.46	10.95	11.49	12.36	10.17	12.33	13.82	14.36	15.23
22	7.42	9.62	11.17	11.71	12.55	10.29	12.49	14.04	14.58	15.42
23	7.53	9.72	11.40	11.93	12.76	10.40	12.59	14.27	14.80	15.63
24	7.65	9.85	11.61	12.15	12.93	10.52	12.72	14.48	15.02	15.80
25	7.76	9.96	11.81	12.35	13.11	10.63	12.83	14.68	15.22	15.98
26	7.86	10.10	12.00	12.56	13.26	10.73	12.97	14.87	15.43	16.13
27	7.97	10.21	12.21	12.76	13.42	10.84	13.08	15.08	15.63	16.29
28	8.07	10.31	12.41	12.94	13.59	10.94	13.18	15.28	15.81	16.46
29	8.18	10.43	12.60	13.13	13.79	11.05	13.30	15.47	16.00	16.66
30	8.29	10.54	12.78	13.31	13.97	11.16	13.41	15.65	16.18	16.84
31	8.38	10.65	12.94	13.49	14.17	11.25	13.52	15.81	16.36	17.04
32	8.46	10.76	13.13	13.67	14.34	11.33	13.63	16.00	16.54	17.21
33	8.57	10.86	13.29	13.83	14.52	11.44	13.73	16.16	16.70	17.39
34	8.63	10.96	13.40	14.00	14.69	11.50	13.83	16.27	16.87	17.56
35	8.70	11.05	13.55	14.16	14.86	11.57	13.92	16.42	17.03	17.73

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Parcel Post (Local and Intra-BMC/ASF)

RETAIL PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1, 2, 3, 4}					Nonmachinable ^{1, 2, 4, 5}				
	Zone					Zone				
	Local	1 & 2	3	4	5	Local	1 & 2	3	4	5
36	For parcels over 35 pounds, use nonmachinable rates.					\$11.65	\$14.01	\$16.53	\$17.18	\$17.89
37	---	---	---	---	---	11.70	14.13	16.65	17.34	18.05
38	---	---	---	---	---	11.76	14.22	16.78	17.49	18.21
39	---	---	---	---	---	11.85	14.32	16.91	17.63	18.36
40	---	---	---	---	---	11.93	14.39	17.01	17.78	18.51
41	---	---	---	---	---	12.01	14.52	17.16	17.87	18.66
42	---	---	---	---	---	12.07	14.58	17.26	17.98	18.80
43	---	---	---	---	---	12.15	14.66	17.37	18.05	18.94
44	---	---	---	---	---	12.24	14.77	17.48	18.13	19.07
45	---	---	---	---	---	12.30	14.83	17.57	18.35	19.20
46	---	---	---	---	---	12.35	14.96	17.69	18.42	19.44
47	---	---	---	---	---	12.44	15.05	17.78	18.50	19.83
48	---	---	---	---	---	12.50	15.12	17.90	18.55	20.24
49	---	---	---	---	---	12.56	15.22	18.00	18.61	20.64
50	---	---	---	---	---	12.62	15.26	18.09	18.67	21.06
51	---	---	---	---	---	12.71	15.38	18.17	18.74	21.48
52	---	---	---	---	---	12.75	15.47	18.31	18.80	21.92
53	---	---	---	---	---	12.82	15.51	18.38	18.83	22.37
54	---	---	---	---	---	12.91	15.58	18.43	18.90	22.83
55	---	---	---	---	---	12.97	15.66	18.50	18.96	23.02
56	---	---	---	---	---	13.01	15.75	18.55	19.03	23.10
57	---	---	---	---	---	13.08	15.84	18.57	19.06	23.24
58	---	---	---	---	---	13.15	15.91	18.63	19.11	23.33
59	---	---	---	---	---	13.22	15.99	18.67	19.16	23.43
60	---	---	---	---	---	13.24	16.08	18.70	19.19	23.54
61	---	---	---	---	---	13.36	16.16	18.76	19.25	23.63
62	---	---	---	---	---	13.39	16.23	18.80	19.33	23.72
63	---	---	---	---	---	13.47	16.30	18.82	19.42	23.81
64	---	---	---	---	---	13.53	16.38	18.85	19.50	23.91
65	---	---	---	---	---	13.58	16.46	18.90	19.58	23.98
66	---	---	---	---	---	13.62	16.55	18.93	19.67	24.09
67	---	---	---	---	---	13.73	16.62	18.96	19.77	24.16
68	---	---	---	---	---	13.78	16.65	18.99	19.82	24.24
69	---	---	---	---	---	13.79	16.75	19.02	19.91	24.33
70	---	---	---	---	---	13.80	16.82	19.06	20.00	24.41
Oversized	---	---	---	---	---	28.82	41.78	42.17	43.01	44.28

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RETAIL PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7}							Nonmachinable ^{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7}						
	Zone							Zone						
	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	\$4.38	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$8.27	\$8.39	\$8.39	\$8.39	\$8.39	\$8.39	\$8.39
2	4.50	4.80	5.20	5.67	6.00	6.15	6.15	8.39	8.69	9.09	9.56	9.89	10.04	10.04
3	4.95	5.60	6.30	7.02	7.05	7.33	7.93	8.84	9.49	10.19	10.91	10.94	11.22	11.82
4	5.60	6.55	7.47	7.78	8.04	8.45	9.25	9.49	10.44	11.36	11.67	11.93	12.34	13.14
5	6.20	7.45	8.23	8.59	8.98	9.50	10.50	10.09	11.34	12.12	12.48	12.87	13.39	14.39
6	6.75	8.15	8.97	9.36	9.83	10.48	11.77	10.64	12.04	12.86	13.25	13.72	14.37	15.66
7	7.25	8.61	9.67	10.09	10.64	11.44	12.88	11.14	12.50	13.56	13.98	14.53	15.33	16.77
8	7.65	8.94	10.36	10.79	11.41	12.32	14.08	11.54	12.83	14.25	14.68	15.30	16.21	17.97
9	8.05	9.27	10.99	11.47	12.14	13.14	15.21	11.94	13.16	14.88	15.36	16.03	17.03	19.10
10	8.40	10.37	11.62	12.12	12.84	13.92	16.17	12.29	14.26	15.51	16.01	16.73	17.81	20.06
11	8.70	10.69	12.22	12.75	13.52	14.68	17.08	12.59	14.58	16.11	16.64	17.41	18.57	20.97
12	8.96	10.97	12.80	13.36	14.17	15.40	17.96	12.85	14.86	16.69	17.25	18.06	19.29	21.85
13	9.14	11.22	13.37	13.95	14.80	16.10	18.80	13.03	15.11	17.26	17.84	18.69	19.99	22.69
14	9.32	11.53	13.91	14.53	15.41	16.77	19.61	13.21	15.42	17.80	18.42	19.30	20.66	23.50
15	9.48	11.79	14.44	15.09	15.99	17.43	20.40	13.37	15.68	18.33	18.98	19.88	21.32	24.29
16	9.62	12.04	14.96	15.64	16.56	18.06	21.16	13.51	15.93	18.85	19.53	20.45	21.95	25.05
17	9.80	12.25	15.46	16.18	17.12	18.67	21.89	13.69	16.14	19.35	20.07	21.01	22.56	25.78
18	9.93	12.48	15.78	16.70	17.66	19.27	22.61	13.82	16.37	19.67	20.59	21.55	23.16	26.50
19	10.10	12.71	16.13	17.21	18.18	19.85	23.30	13.99	16.60	20.02	21.10	22.07	23.74	27.19
20	10.22	12.92	16.42	17.71	18.70	20.41	23.98	14.11	16.81	20.31	21.60	22.59	24.30	27.87
21	10.37	13.14	16.72	18.20	19.19	20.96	24.64	14.26	17.03	20.61	22.09	23.08	24.85	28.53
22	10.49	13.31	17.02	18.69	19.68	21.50	25.28	14.38	17.20	20.91	22.58	23.57	25.39	29.17
23	10.63	13.55	17.33	19.16	20.16	22.02	25.90	14.52	17.44	21.22	23.05	24.05	25.91	29.79
24	10.73	13.72	17.58	19.62	20.62	22.54	26.51	14.62	17.61	21.47	23.51	24.51	26.43	30.40
25	10.87	13.90	17.85	20.08	21.08	23.04	27.11	14.76	17.79	21.74	23.97	24.97	26.93	31.00
26	10.97	14.07	18.10	20.53	21.53	23.53	27.69	14.86	17.96	21.99	24.42	25.42	27.42	31.58
27	11.12	14.25	18.33	20.97	21.97	24.01	28.26	15.01	18.14	22.22	24.86	25.86	27.90	32.15
28	11.21	14.42	18.60	21.40	22.39	24.48	28.82	15.10	18.31	22.49	25.29	26.28	28.37	32.71
29	11.34	14.60	18.84	21.83	22.81	24.94	29.36	15.23	18.49	22.73	25.72	26.70	28.83	33.25
30	11.44	14.74	19.05	22.24	23.23	25.39	29.90	15.33	18.63	22.94	26.13	27.12	29.28	33.79
31	11.57	14.89	19.27	22.66	23.63	25.83	30.42	15.46	18.78	23.16	26.55	27.52	29.72	34.31
32	11.65	15.05	19.49	23.06	24.03	26.27	30.94	15.54	18.94	23.38	26.95	27.92	30.16	34.83
33	11.75	15.21	19.71	23.46	24.42	26.69	31.44	15.64	19.10	23.60	27.35	28.31	30.58	35.33
34	11.87	15.31	19.88	23.86	24.81	27.11	31.93	15.76	19.20	23.77	27.75	28.70	31.00	35.82
35	11.97	15.48	20.09	24.25	25.19	27.53	32.42	15.86	19.37	23.98	28.14	29.08	31.42	36.31

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	Zone							Zone						
	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
36	For parcels over 35 pounds, use nonmachinable rates.							\$15.95	\$19.50	\$24.20	\$28.52	\$29.45	\$31.82	\$36.79
37	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.05	19.62	24.35	28.90	29.81	32.22	37.26
38	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.14	19.79	24.53	29.27	30.17	32.61	37.72
39	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.25	19.88	24.70	29.65	30.53	33.00	38.17
40	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.34	20.04	24.89	30.01	30.88	33.38	38.62
41	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.46	20.17	25.04	30.37	31.22	33.76	39.06
42	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.54	20.28	25.21	30.73	31.56	34.12	39.49
43	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.60	20.40	25.38	31.08	31.90	34.49	39.92
44	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.70	20.49	25.52	31.42	32.23	34.85	40.34
45	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.79	20.63	25.69	31.77	32.55	35.20	40.75
46	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.88	20.74	25.85	32.11	32.87	35.55	41.16
47	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.99	20.87	25.98	32.31	33.19	35.89	41.56
48	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.06	20.97	26.15	32.48	33.51	36.23	41.95
49	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.12	21.09	26.28	32.65	33.81	36.56	42.35
50	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.20	21.17	26.39	32.82	34.12	36.90	42.73
51	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.31	21.30	26.55	32.98	34.42	37.22	43.11
52	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.37	21.40	26.68	33.13	34.72	37.54	43.48
53	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.48	21.48	26.77	33.28	35.01	37.86	43.86
54	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.54	21.62	26.93	33.43	35.30	38.17	44.22
55	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.61	21.66	27.06	33.58	35.59	38.49	44.58
56	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.71	21.82	27.17	33.73	35.87	38.79	44.94
57	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.79	21.90	27.30	33.86	36.15	39.09	45.29
58	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.85	21.99	27.41	34.00	36.43	39.39	45.64
59	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.94	22.08	27.54	34.13	36.71	39.69	45.98
60	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.02	22.17	27.67	34.26	36.98	39.98	46.32
61	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.13	22.30	27.76	34.38	37.25	40.27	46.66
62	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.19	22.36	27.88	34.51	37.51	40.56	46.99
63	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.24	22.47	27.99	34.62	37.77	40.84	47.31
64	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.31	22.53	28.08	34.74	38.03	41.12	47.64
65	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.39	22.64	28.20	34.86	38.29	41.40	47.96
66	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.49	22.73	28.29	34.96	38.55	41.67	48.28
67	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.57	22.82	28.41	35.08	38.80	41.94	48.59
68	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.62	22.90	28.53	35.18	39.05	42.21	48.90
69	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.68	22.96	28.62	35.29	39.30	42.48	49.21
70	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.78	23.08	28.72	35.38	39.54	42.74	49.51
Oversized	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	50.54	55.19	58.28	69.40	83.99	97.82	127.24

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Discount Letters

Discount Letters: First-Class Mail



First-Class Mail

DISCOUNT LETTERS & CARDS

Weight Not Over (ounces)	Automation				Nonautomation
	5-Digit	3-Digit	AADC	Mixed AADC	Presorted
1	\$0.312	\$0.334	\$0.341	\$0.360	\$0.373 ¹
2	0.437	0.459	0.466	0.485	0.543
3	0.562	0.584	0.591	0.610	0.713
3.5	0.687	0.709	0.716	0.735	0.883 ²
Card Rate ³	0.191	0.204	0.208	0.220	0.241

1. Letters that weigh 1 ounce or less and meet one or more of the nonmachinable characteristics in DMM 201.1.2 are subject to the \$0.17 nonmachinable surcharge.
2. The maximum weight for machinable letter preparation is 3.3 ounces.
3. The card rate applies to each single or double postcard when originally mailed; reply half of double postcard must be designed for reply mail purposes only.

**Standard Mail Regular**

DISCOUNT LETTERS – ENHANCED CARRIER ROUTE & AUTOMATION

	Entry Discount	Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR) ¹			Automation			
		Saturation	High Density	Basic	5-Digit	3-Digit	AADC	Mixed AADC
Letters weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.177	\$0.186	\$0.226	\$0.218	\$0.233	\$0.238	\$0.252
	DBMC	0.144	0.153	0.193	0.185	0.200	0.205	0.219
	DSCF	0.135	0.144	0.184	0.176	0.191	0.196	---
	DDU	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
more than 3.3 oz. ² per pound rate	None	0.621	0.621	0.621	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739
	DBMC	0.462	0.462	0.462	0.580	0.580	0.580	0.580
	DSCF	0.418	0.418	0.418	0.536	0.536	0.536	---
	DDU	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
+		+	+	+	+	+	+	+
per piece rate		0.049 ³	0.058 ³	0.098 ³	0.069 ³	0.084 ³	0.089 ³	0.103 ³

1. ECR letters that are not automation-compatible and barcoded (201.3.0) are mailable at the flat-size rates (243.6.4 or 243.6.5). Mailers may not pay ECR flat rates and claim the DDU discount for letter-size pieces.

2. For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces, each piece is subject to both a per piece rate and a per pound rate. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by per piece rate. Multiply the number of pounds of the mailing by per pound rate. Add both totals.

3. Per piece rate for ECR letters and automation letters that weigh more than 3.3 ounces but less than (or equal to) 3.5 ounces includes a discount that equals the applicable flat-size rate (3.3 ounces or less) minus the applicable letter piece rate (3.3 ounces or less).

**Standard Mail Regular**

DISCOUNT LETTERS – NONAUTOMATION

	Entry Discount	Machinable		Nonmachinable ¹			
		AADC	Mixed AADC	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC
Letters weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.246	\$0.255	\$0.328	\$0.411	\$0.440	\$0.520
	DBMC	0.213	0.222	0.295	0.378	0.407	0.487
	DSCF	0.204	---	0.286	0.369	0.398	---
	DDU	---	---	---	---	---	---

1. For pieces over 3.3 ounces, see Standard Mail Not Flat-Machinable rates.



Discount Letters

Discount Letters: Standard Mail Nonprofit



Standard Mail Nonprofit

DISCOUNT LETTERS – ENHANCED CARRIER ROUTE & AUTOMATION

	Entry Discount	Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR) ¹			Automation			
		Saturation	High Density	Basic	5-Digit	3-Digit	AADC	Mixed AADC
Letters weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.108	\$0.117	\$0.157	\$0.127	\$0.142	\$0.147	\$0.161
	DBMC	0.075	0.084	0.124	0.094	0.109	0.114	0.128
	DSCF	0.066	0.075	0.115	0.085	0.100	0.105	---
	DDU	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
more than 3.3 oz. ² per pound rate	None	0.432	0.432	0.432	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622
	DBMC	0.273	0.273	0.273	0.463	0.463	0.463	0.463
	DSCF	0.229	0.229	0.229	0.419	0.419	0.419	---
	DDU	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
+		+	+	+	+	+	+	+
per piece rate		0.019 ³	0.028 ³	0.068 ³	0.001 ³	0.016 ³	0.021 ³	0.035 ³

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3. Per piece rate for ECR letters and automation letters that weigh more than 3.3 ounces but less than (or equal to) 3.5 ounces includes a discount that equals the applicable flat-size rate (3.3 ounces or less) minus the applicable letter piece rate (3.3 ounces or less).



Standard Mail Nonprofit

DISCOUNT LETTERS – NONAUTOMATION

	Entry Discount	Machinable		Nonmachinable ¹			
		AADC	Mixed AADC	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC
Letters weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.155	\$0.164	\$0.237	\$0.320	\$0.349	\$0.429
	DBMC	0.122	0.131	0.204	0.287	0.316	0.396
	DSCF	0.113	---	0.195	0.278	0.307	---
	DDU	---	---	---	---	---	---

1. For pieces over 3.3 ounces, see Standard Mail Not Flat-Machinable rates.


First-Class Mail
DISCOUNT FLATS

Weight Not Over (ounces) ¹	Automation				Nonautomation
	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC	Presorted
1	\$0.383	\$0.484	\$0.567	\$0.686	\$0.699
2	0.553	0.654	0.737	0.856	0.869
3	0.723	0.824	0.907	1.026	1.039
4	0.893	0.994	1.077	1.196	1.209
5	1.063	1.164	1.247	1.366	1.379
6	1.233	1.334	1.417	1.536	1.549
7	1.403	1.504	1.587	1.706	1.719
8	1.573	1.674	1.757	1.876	1.889
9	1.743	1.844	1.927	2.046	2.059
10	1.913	2.014	2.097	2.216	2.229
11	2.083	2.184	2.267	2.386	2.399
12	2.253	2.354	2.437	2.556	2.569
13	2.423	2.524	2.607	2.726	2.739

1. Flat-size pieces with certain characteristics (see 301.1.3 through 1.5) are subject to parcel rates.


Media Mail
DISCOUNT FLATS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	5-Digit	Basic
1	\$1.30	\$1.80
2	1.64	2.14
3	1.98	2.48
4	2.32	2.82
5	2.66	3.16


Library Mail
DISCOUNT FLATS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	5-Digit	Basic
1	\$1.24	\$1.71
2	1.56	2.03
3	1.88	2.35
4	2.20	2.67
5	2.52	2.99



Discount Flats

Discount Flats: Standard Mail



Standard Mail Regular DISCOUNT FLATS

	Entry Discount	Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR) ¹			Automation ¹				Nonautomation ¹			
		Saturation ²	High Density	Basic	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC
Flats weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.187	\$0.205	\$0.249	\$0.335	\$0.392	\$0.424	\$0.477	\$0.363	\$0.427	\$0.461	\$0.515
	DBMC	0.154	0.172	0.216	0.302	0.359	0.391	0.444	0.330	0.394	0.428	0.482
	DSCF	0.145	0.163	0.207	0.293	0.350	0.382	---	0.321	0.385	0.419	---
	DDU	0.136	0.154	0.198	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
more than 3.3 oz. ³ per pound rate	None	0.621	0.621	0.621	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739
	DBMC	0.462	0.462	0.462	0.580	0.580	0.580	0.580	0.580	0.580	0.580	0.580
	DSCF	0.418	0.418	0.418	0.536	0.536	0.536	---	0.536	0.536	0.536	---
	DDU	0.373	0.373	0.373	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
+		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
per piece rate		0.059	0.077	0.121	0.186	0.243	0.275	0.328	0.213	0.277	0.311	0.365

1. Flat-size pieces with certain characteristics (see 301.1.3 through 1.5) are subject to not flat-machinable or parcel rates.
2. For ECR flats with a detached address label, add \$0.015 per piece.
3. For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces, each piece is subject to both a per piece rate and a per pound rate. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by per piece rate. Multiply the number of pounds of the mailing by per pound rate. Add both totals.



Standard Mail Nonprofit DISCOUNT FLATS

	Entry Discount	Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR) ¹			Automation ¹				Nonautomation ¹			
		Saturation ²	High Density	Basic	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC
Flats weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.118	\$0.136	\$0.180	\$0.212	\$0.269	\$0.301	\$0.354	\$0.237	\$0.301	\$0.335	\$0.389
	DBMC	0.085	0.103	0.147	0.179	0.236	0.268	0.321	0.204	0.268	0.302	0.356
	DSCF	0.076	0.094	0.138	0.170	0.227	0.259	---	0.195	0.259	0.293	---
	DDU	0.067	0.085	0.129	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
more than 3.3 oz. ³ per pound rate	None	0.432	0.432	0.432	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622
	DBMC	0.273	0.273	0.273	0.463	0.463	0.463	0.463	0.463	0.463	0.463	0.463
	DSCF	0.229	0.229	0.229	0.419	0.419	0.419	---	0.419	0.419	0.419	---
	DDU	0.184	0.184	0.184	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
+		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
per piece rate		0.029	0.047	0.091	0.086	0.143	0.175	0.228	0.111	0.175	0.209	0.263

1. Flat-size pieces with certain characteristics (see 301.1.3 through 1.5) are subject to not flat-machinable or parcel rates.
2. For ECR flats with a detached address label, add \$0.015 per piece.
3. For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces, each piece is subject to both a per piece rate and a per pound rate. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by per piece rate. Multiply the number of pounds of the mailing by per pound rate. Add both totals.



Bound Printed Matter

DISCOUNT CARRIER ROUTE & PRESORTED FLATS

		Carrier Route			Presorted ²		
		Rate per piece	+	Rate per pound	Rate per piece	+	Rate per pound
Each piece is subject to both a piece rate and a pound rate. ¹							
Zone	Local, 1 & 2	\$1.178	+	\$0.122	\$1.289	+	\$0.122
	3	1.178	+	0.148	1.289	+	0.148
	4	1.178	+	0.195	1.289	+	0.195
	5	1.178	+	0.249	1.289	+	0.249
	6	1.178	+	0.311	1.289	+	0.311
	7	1.178	+	0.359	1.289	+	0.359
	8	1.178	+	0.477	1.289	+	0.477
	<i>Destination Entry</i>						
DBMC	1 & 2	0.861	+	0.086	0.972	+	0.086
	3	0.861	+	0.124	0.972	+	0.124
	4	0.861	+	0.164	0.972	+	0.164
	5	0.861	+	0.218	0.972	+	0.218
DSCF		0.478	+	0.083	0.589	+	0.083
DDU		0.394	+	0.040	0.505 ³	+	0.040

1. Multiply the number of pounds in the mailing by rate per pound. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by rate per piece. Add both totals.
2. For barcode discount, deduct \$0.03 per piece (automation-compatible flats only). Barcode discount not available for pieces mailed at presorted DDU rates.
3. Each flat must weigh more than 1 pound to be eligible for presorted DDU rate.



Bound Printed Matter

NONPRESORTED FLATS

Weight Not Over (pounds) ¹	Zone							
	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1.0	\$1.96	\$2.01	\$2.07	\$2.14	\$2.22	\$2.29	\$2.46	
1.5	1.96	2.01	2.07	2.14	2.22	2.29	2.46	
2.0	2.05	2.11	2.19	2.29	2.39	2.49	2.71	
2.5	2.14	2.22	2.32	2.44	2.57	2.69	2.97	
3.0	2.23	2.32	2.44	2.59	2.74	2.89	3.22	
3.5	2.32	2.43	2.57	2.74	2.92	3.09	3.48	
4.0	2.41	2.53	2.69	2.89	3.09	3.29	3.73	
4.5	2.50	2.64	2.82	3.04	3.27	3.49	3.99	
5.0	2.59	2.74	2.94	3.19	3.44	3.69	4.24	
6.0	2.77	2.95	3.19	3.49	3.79	4.09	4.75	
7.0	2.95	3.16	3.44	3.79	4.14	4.49	5.26	
8.0	3.13	3.37	3.69	4.09	4.49	4.89	5.77	
9.0	3.31	3.58	3.94	4.39	4.84	5.29	6.28	
10.0	3.49	3.79	4.19	4.69	5.19	5.69	6.79	
11.0	3.67	4.00	4.44	4.99	5.54	6.09	7.30	
12.0	3.85	4.21	4.69	5.29	5.89	6.49	7.81	
13.0	4.03	4.42	4.94	5.59	6.24	6.89	8.32	
14.0	4.21	4.63	5.19	5.89	6.59	7.29	8.83	
15.0	4.39	4.84	5.44	6.19	6.94	7.69	9.34	

1. For barcode discount, deduct \$0.03 per piece (machinable parcels only, 50-piece minimum).



Discount Parcels



First-Class Mail DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (ounces) ¹	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Single-Piece ²
1	\$0.704	\$0.837	\$0.891	\$1.13
2	0.874	1.007	1.061	1.30
3	1.044	1.177	1.231	1.47
4	1.214	1.347	1.401	1.64
5	1.384	1.517	1.571	1.81
6	1.554	1.687	1.741	1.98
7	1.724	1.857	1.911	2.15
8	1.894	2.027	2.081	2.32
9	2.064	2.197	2.251	2.49
10	2.234	2.367	2.421	2.66
11	2.404	2.537	2.591	2.83
12	2.574	2.707	2.761	3.00
13	2.744	2.877	2.931	3.17

- A \$0.05 surcharge applies to pieces in 3-digit and ADC sacks that:
 - Do not bear a correct POSTNET or UCC/EAN Code 128 barcode (708.5).
 - Weigh less than 2 ounces.
 - Are irregularly shaped, such as tubes, rolls, and triangles.
- Use single-piece rate for mixed ADC sortation.



Standard Mail Regular

DISCOUNT PARCELS

	Entry Discount	Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR)			Machinable ¹			Irregular ¹			
		Saturation ²	High Density	Basic	5-Digit	BMC	Mixed BMC	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC
Parcels weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.369	\$0.378	\$0.499	---	---	---	\$0.607	\$0.653	\$0.914	\$1.129
	DBMC	0.336	0.345	0.466	---	---	---	0.574	0.620	0.881	1.096
	DSCF	0.327	0.336	0.457	---	---	---	0.565	0.611	0.872	---
	DDU	0.318	0.327	0.448	---	---	---	0.556	---	---	---
more than 3.3 oz. ³ per pound rate	None	0.621	0.621	0.621	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739
	DBMC	0.462	0.462	0.462	0.580	0.580	---	0.580	0.580	0.580	0.580
	DSCF	0.418	0.418	0.418	0.536	---	---	0.536	0.536	0.536	---
	DDU	0.373	0.373	0.373	0.491	---	---	0.491	---	---	---
+		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
per piece rate		0.241	0.250	0.371	0.346	0.716	0.909	0.457	0.503	0.764	0.979

1. For nonbarcoded parcels, add \$0.05 per piece. The surcharge does not apply to pieces sorted to 5-digit ZIP Codes.

2. For ECR parcels with a detached address label, add \$0.015 per piece.

3. For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces, each piece is subject to both a per piece rate and a per pound rate. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by per piece rate. Multiply the number of pounds of the mailing by per pound rate. Add both totals.



Standard Mail Nonprofit

DISCOUNT PARCELS

	Entry Discount	Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR)			Machinable ¹			Irregular ¹			
		Saturation ²	High Density	Basic	5-Digit	BMC	Mixed BMC	5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC	Mixed ADC
Parcels weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.300	\$0.309	\$0.430	---	---	---	\$0.481	\$0.527	\$0.788	\$1.003
	DBMC	0.267	0.276	0.397	---	---	---	0.448	0.494	0.755	0.970
	DSCF	0.258	0.267	0.388	---	---	---	0.439	0.485	0.746	---
	DDU	0.249	0.258	0.379	---	---	---	0.430	---	---	---
more than 3.3 oz. ³ per pound rate	None	0.432	0.432	0.432	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622
	DBMC	0.273	0.273	0.273	0.463	0.463	---	0.463	0.463	0.463	0.463
	DSCF	0.229	0.229	0.229	0.419	---	---	0.419	0.419	0.419	---
	DDU	0.184	0.184	0.184	0.374	---	---	0.374	---	---	---
+		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
per piece rate		0.211	0.220	0.341	0.244	0.614	0.807	0.355	0.401	0.662	0.877

1. For nonbarcoded parcels, add \$0.05 per piece. The surcharge does not apply to pieces sorted to 5-digit ZIP Codes.

2. For ECR parcels with a detached address label, add \$0.015 per piece.

3. For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces, each piece is subject to both a per piece rate and a per pound rate. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by per piece rate. Multiply the number of pounds of the mailing by per pound rate. Add both totals.



Standard Mail Regular

NOT FLAT-MACHINABLE

	Entry Discount	Not Flat-Machinable ¹			
		5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC/BMC	Mixed ADC/BMC
Pieces weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.460 ²	\$0.506	\$0.767	\$1.028
	DBMC	0.427	0.473	0.734	0.995
	DSCF	0.418	0.464	0.725	---
	DDU	0.409	---	---	---
more than 3.3 oz. ³ per pound rate	None	0.739	0.739	0.739	0.739
	DBMC	0.580	0.580	0.580	0.580
	DSCF	0.536	0.536	0.536	---
	DDU	0.491	---	---	---
+		+	+	+	+
per piece rate		0.310	0.356	0.617	0.878

1. For nonbarcoded pieces, add \$0.05 per piece. The surcharge does not apply to pieces sorted to 5-digit ZIP Codes.
2. Customized MarketMail pieces pay \$0.460 per piece.
3. For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces, each piece is subject to both a per piece rate and a per pound rate. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by per piece rate. Multiply the number of pounds of the mailing by per pound rate. Add both totals.



Standard Mail Nonprofit

NOT FLAT-MACHINABLE

	Entry Discount	Not Flat-Machinable ¹			
		5-Digit	3-Digit	ADC/BMC	Mixed ADC/BMC
Pieces weighing 3.3 oz. or less per piece rate	None	\$0.334 ²	\$0.380	\$0.641	\$0.902
	DBMC	0.301	0.347	0.608	0.869
	DSCF	0.292	0.338	0.599	---
	DDU	0.283	---	---	---
more than 3.3 oz. ³ per pound rate	None	0.622	0.622	0.622	0.622
	DBMC	0.463	0.463	0.463	0.463
	DSCF	0.419	0.419	0.419	---
	DDU	0.374	---	---	---
+		+	+	+	+
per piece rate		0.208	0.254	0.515	0.776

1. For nonbarcoded pieces, add \$0.05 per piece. The surcharge does not apply to pieces sorted to 5-digit ZIP Codes.
2. Customized MarketMail pieces pay \$0.334 per piece.
3. For pieces weighing more than 3.3 ounces, each piece is subject to both a per piece rate and a per pound rate. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by per piece rate. Multiply the number of pounds of the mailing by per pound rate. Add both totals.

**Bound Printed Matter**

DISCOUNT PARCELS

		Carrier Route			Presorted ²		
		Rate per piece	+	Rate per pound	Rate per piece	+	Rate per pound
Each piece is subject to both a piece rate and a pound rate. ¹							
Zone	Local, 1&2	\$1.336	+	\$0.122	\$1.447	+	\$0.122
	3	1.336	+	0.148	1.447	+	0.148
	4	1.336	+	0.195	1.447	+	0.195
	5	1.336	+	0.249	1.447	+	0.249
	6	1.336	+	0.311	1.447	+	0.311
	7	1.336	+	0.359	1.447	+	0.359
	8	1.336	+	0.477	1.447	+	0.477
	<i>Destination Entry</i>						
DBMC	1&2	1.019	+	0.086	1.130	+	0.086
	3	1.019	+	0.124	1.130	+	0.124
	4	1.019	+	0.164	1.130	+	0.164
	5	1.019	+	0.218	1.130	+	0.218
DSCF		0.636	+	0.083	0.747	+	0.083
DDU		0.552	+	0.040	0.663	+	0.040

1. Multiply the number of pounds in the mailing by rate per pound. Multiply the number of pieces in the mailing by rate per piece. Add both totals.

2. Machinable presorted parcels may be eligible for barcode discount of \$0.03 per parcel (50-piece minimum), except for parcels mailed at presorted DDU or DSCF rates.

**Bound Printed Matter**

NONPRESORTED PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds) ¹	Zone						
	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.0	\$2.12	\$2.17	\$2.23	\$2.30	\$2.38	\$2.45	\$2.62
1.5	2.12	2.17	2.23	2.30	2.38	2.45	2.62
2.0	2.21	2.27	2.35	2.45	2.55	2.65	2.87
2.5	2.30	2.38	2.48	2.60	2.73	2.85	3.13
3.0	2.39	2.48	2.60	2.75	2.90	3.05	3.38
3.5	2.48	2.59	2.73	2.90	3.08	3.25	3.64
4.0	2.57	2.69	2.85	3.05	3.25	3.45	3.89
4.5	2.66	2.80	2.98	3.20	3.43	3.65	4.15
5.0	2.75	2.90	3.10	3.35	3.60	3.85	4.40
6.0	2.93	3.11	3.35	3.65	3.95	4.25	4.91
7.0	3.11	3.32	3.60	3.95	4.30	4.65	5.42
8.0	3.29	3.53	3.85	4.25	4.65	5.05	5.93
9.0	3.47	3.74	4.10	4.55	5.00	5.45	6.44
10.0	3.65	3.95	4.35	4.85	5.35	5.85	6.95
11.0	3.83	4.16	4.60	5.15	5.70	6.25	7.46
12.0	4.01	4.37	4.85	5.45	6.05	6.65	7.97
13.0	4.19	4.58	5.10	5.75	6.40	7.05	8.48
14.0	4.37	4.79	5.35	6.05	6.75	7.45	8.99
15.0	4.55	5.00	5.60	6.35	7.10	7.85	9.50

1. For barcode discount, deduct \$0.03 per piece (automation-compatible flats only, 50-piece minimum).



Parcel Post (Local and Intra-BMC/ASF—Single-Piece)

DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1, 2, 3, 4}					Nonmachinable ^{1, 2, 4, 5}				
	Zone					Zone				
	Local	1 & 2	3	4	5	Local	1 & 2	3	4	5
1	\$3.42	\$3.67	\$3.70	\$3.78	\$3.96	\$6.29	\$6.54	\$6.57	\$6.65	\$6.83
2	3.80	4.34	4.38	4.47	4.72	6.67	7.21	7.25	7.34	7.59
3	4.15	4.96	5.00	5.11	5.46	7.02	7.83	7.87	7.98	8.33
4	4.47	5.37	5.58	5.69	6.13	7.34	8.24	8.45	8.56	9.00
5	4.76	5.74	6.07	6.21	6.76	7.63	8.61	8.94	9.08	9.63
6	5.03	6.09	6.53	6.67	7.32	7.90	8.96	9.40	9.54	10.19
7	5.24	6.42	6.94	7.10	7.86	8.11	9.29	9.81	9.97	10.73
8	5.42	6.95	7.33	7.50	8.34	8.29	9.82	10.20	10.37	11.21
9	5.60	7.24	7.69	7.90	8.79	8.47	10.11	10.56	10.77	11.66
10	5.77	7.55	8.07	8.53	9.21	8.64	10.42	10.94	11.40	12.08
11	5.93	7.82	8.38	8.86	9.59	8.80	10.69	11.25	11.73	12.46
12	6.09	8.10	8.69	9.18	9.96	8.96	10.97	11.56	12.05	12.83
13	6.25	8.28	8.97	9.48	10.30	9.12	11.15	11.84	12.35	13.17
14	6.39	8.44	9.22	9.81	10.61	9.26	11.31	12.09	12.68	13.48
15	6.53	8.59	9.49	10.07	10.90	9.40	11.46	12.36	12.94	13.77
16	6.68	8.74	9.76	10.33	11.20	9.55	11.61	12.63	13.20	14.07
17	6.80	8.92	10.01	10.61	11.45	9.67	11.79	12.88	13.48	14.32
18	6.93	9.05	10.25	10.84	11.70	9.80	11.92	13.12	13.71	14.57
19	7.05	9.20	10.49	11.08	11.94	9.92	12.07	13.36	13.95	14.81
20	7.19	9.35	10.73	11.28	12.15	10.06	12.22	13.60	14.15	15.02
21	7.30	9.46	10.95	11.49	12.36	10.17	12.33	13.82	14.36	15.23
22	7.42	9.62	11.17	11.71	12.55	10.29	12.49	14.04	14.58	15.42
23	7.53	9.72	11.40	11.93	12.76	10.40	12.59	14.27	14.80	15.63
24	7.65	9.85	11.61	12.15	12.93	10.52	12.72	14.48	15.02	15.80
25	7.76	9.96	11.81	12.35	13.11	10.63	12.83	14.68	15.22	15.98
26	7.86	10.10	12.00	12.56	13.26	10.73	12.97	14.87	15.43	16.13
27	7.97	10.21	12.21	12.76	13.42	10.84	13.08	15.08	15.63	16.29
28	8.07	10.31	12.41	12.94	13.59	10.94	13.18	15.28	15.81	16.46
29	8.18	10.43	12.60	13.13	13.79	11.05	13.30	15.47	16.00	16.66
30	8.29	10.54	12.78	13.31	13.97	11.16	13.41	15.65	16.18	16.84
31	8.38	10.65	12.94	13.49	14.17	11.25	13.52	15.81	16.36	17.04
32	8.46	10.76	13.13	13.67	14.34	11.33	13.63	16.00	16.54	17.21
33	8.57	10.86	13.29	13.83	14.52	11.44	13.73	16.16	16.70	17.39
34	8.63	10.96	13.40	14.00	14.69	11.50	13.83	16.27	16.87	17.56
35	8.70	11.05	13.55	14.16	14.86	11.57	13.92	16.42	17.03	17.73

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**Parcel Post (Local and Intra-BMC/ASF—Single-Piece)**

DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1, 2, 3, 4}					Nonmachinable ^{1, 2, 4, 5}				
	Zone					Zone				
	Local	1 & 2	3	4	5	Local	1 & 2	3	4	5
36	---	---	---	---	---	\$11.65	\$14.01	\$16.53	\$17.18	\$17.89
37	---	---	---	---	---	11.70	14.13	16.65	17.34	18.05
38	---	---	---	---	---	11.76	14.22	16.78	17.49	18.21
39	---	---	---	---	---	11.85	14.32	16.91	17.63	18.36
40	---	---	---	---	---	11.93	14.39	17.01	17.78	18.51
41	---	---	---	---	---	12.01	14.52	17.16	17.87	18.66
42	---	---	---	---	---	12.07	14.58	17.26	17.98	18.80
43	---	---	---	---	---	12.15	14.66	17.37	18.05	18.94
44	---	---	---	---	---	12.24	14.77	17.48	18.13	19.07
45	---	---	---	---	---	12.30	14.83	17.57	18.35	19.20
46	---	---	---	---	---	12.35	14.96	17.69	18.42	19.44
47	---	---	---	---	---	12.44	15.05	17.78	18.50	19.83
48	---	---	---	---	---	12.50	15.12	17.90	18.55	20.24
49	---	---	---	---	---	12.56	15.22	18.00	18.61	20.64
50	---	---	---	---	---	12.62	15.26	18.09	18.67	21.06
51	---	---	---	---	---	12.71	15.38	18.17	18.74	21.48
52	---	---	---	---	---	12.75	15.47	18.31	18.80	21.92
53	---	---	---	---	---	12.82	15.51	18.38	18.83	22.37
54	---	---	---	---	---	12.91	15.58	18.43	18.90	22.83
55	---	---	---	---	---	12.97	15.66	18.50	18.96	23.02
56	---	---	---	---	---	13.01	15.75	18.55	19.03	23.10
57	---	---	---	---	---	13.08	15.84	18.57	19.06	23.24
58	---	---	---	---	---	13.15	15.91	18.63	19.11	23.33
59	---	---	---	---	---	13.22	15.99	18.67	19.16	23.43
60	---	---	---	---	---	13.24	16.08	18.70	19.19	23.54
61	---	---	---	---	---	13.36	16.16	18.76	19.25	23.63
62	---	---	---	---	---	13.39	16.23	18.80	19.33	23.72
63	---	---	---	---	---	13.47	16.30	18.82	19.42	23.81
64	---	---	---	---	---	13.53	16.38	18.85	19.50	23.91
65	---	---	---	---	---	13.58	16.46	18.90	19.58	23.98
66	---	---	---	---	---	13.62	16.55	18.93	19.67	24.09
67	---	---	---	---	---	13.73	16.62	18.96	19.77	24.16
68	---	---	---	---	---	13.78	16.65	18.99	19.82	24.24
69	---	---	---	---	---	13.79	16.75	19.02	19.91	24.33
70	---	---	---	---	---	13.80	16.82	19.06	20.00	24.41
Oversized	---	---	---	---	---	28.82	41.78	42.17	43.01	44.28

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Parcel Post (Inter-BMC/ASF—Single-Piece)

DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7}							Nonmachinable ^{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7}						
	Zone							Zone						
	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	\$4.38	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$8.27	\$8.39	\$8.39	\$8.39	\$8.39	\$8.39	\$8.39
2	4.50	4.80	5.20	5.67	6.00	6.15	6.15	8.39	8.69	9.09	9.56	9.89	10.04	10.04
3	4.95	5.60	6.30	7.02	7.05	7.33	7.93	8.84	9.49	10.19	10.91	10.94	11.22	11.82
4	5.60	6.55	7.47	7.78	8.04	8.45	9.25	9.49	10.44	11.36	11.67	11.93	12.34	13.14
5	6.20	7.45	8.23	8.59	8.98	9.50	10.50	10.09	11.34	12.12	12.48	12.87	13.39	14.39
6	6.75	8.15	8.97	9.36	9.83	10.48	11.77	10.64	12.04	12.86	13.25	13.72	14.37	15.66
7	7.25	8.61	9.67	10.09	10.64	11.44	12.88	11.14	12.50	13.56	13.98	14.53	15.33	16.77
8	7.65	8.94	10.36	10.79	11.41	12.32	14.08	11.54	12.83	14.25	14.68	15.30	16.21	17.97
9	8.05	9.27	10.99	11.47	12.14	13.14	15.21	11.94	13.16	14.88	15.36	16.03	17.03	19.10
10	8.40	10.37	11.62	12.12	12.84	13.92	16.17	12.29	14.26	15.51	16.01	16.73	17.81	20.06
11	8.70	10.69	12.22	12.75	13.52	14.68	17.08	12.59	14.58	16.11	16.64	17.41	18.57	20.97
12	8.96	10.97	12.80	13.36	14.17	15.40	17.96	12.85	14.86	16.69	17.25	18.06	19.29	21.85
13	9.14	11.22	13.37	13.95	14.80	16.10	18.80	13.03	15.11	17.26	17.84	18.69	19.99	22.69
14	9.32	11.53	13.91	14.53	15.41	16.77	19.61	13.21	15.42	17.80	18.42	19.30	20.66	23.50
15	9.48	11.79	14.44	15.09	15.99	17.43	20.40	13.37	15.68	18.33	18.98	19.88	21.32	24.29
16	9.62	12.04	14.96	15.64	16.56	18.06	21.16	13.51	15.93	18.85	19.53	20.45	21.95	25.05
17	9.80	12.25	15.46	16.18	17.12	18.67	21.89	13.69	16.14	19.35	20.07	21.01	22.56	25.78
18	9.93	12.48	15.78	16.70	17.66	19.27	22.61	13.82	16.37	19.67	20.59	21.55	23.16	26.50
19	10.10	12.71	16.13	17.21	18.18	19.85	23.30	13.99	16.60	20.02	21.10	22.07	23.74	27.19
20	10.22	12.92	16.42	17.71	18.70	20.41	23.98	14.11	16.81	20.31	21.60	22.59	24.30	27.87
21	10.37	13.14	16.72	18.20	19.19	20.96	24.64	14.26	17.03	20.61	22.09	23.08	24.85	28.53
22	10.49	13.31	17.02	18.69	19.68	21.50	25.28	14.38	17.20	20.91	22.58	23.57	25.39	29.17
23	10.63	13.55	17.33	19.16	20.16	22.02	25.90	14.52	17.44	21.22	23.05	24.05	25.91	29.79
24	10.73	13.72	17.58	19.62	20.62	22.54	26.51	14.62	17.61	21.47	23.51	24.51	26.43	30.40
25	10.87	13.90	17.85	20.08	21.08	23.04	27.11	14.76	17.79	21.74	23.97	24.97	26.93	31.00
26	10.97	14.07	18.10	20.53	21.53	23.53	27.69	14.86	17.96	21.99	24.42	25.42	27.42	31.58
27	11.12	14.25	18.33	20.97	21.97	24.01	28.26	15.01	18.14	22.22	24.86	25.86	27.90	32.15
28	11.21	14.42	18.60	21.40	22.39	24.48	28.82	15.10	18.31	22.49	25.29	26.28	28.37	32.71
29	11.34	14.60	18.84	21.83	22.81	24.94	29.36	15.23	18.49	22.73	25.72	26.70	28.83	33.25
30	11.44	14.74	19.05	22.24	23.23	25.39	29.90	15.33	18.63	22.94	26.13	27.12	29.28	33.79
31	11.57	14.89	19.27	22.66	23.63	25.83	30.42	15.46	18.78	23.16	26.55	27.52	29.72	34.31
32	11.65	15.05	19.49	23.06	24.03	26.27	30.94	15.54	18.94	23.38	26.95	27.92	30.16	34.83
33	11.75	15.21	19.71	23.46	24.42	26.69	31.44	15.64	19.10	23.60	27.35	28.31	30.58	35.33
34	11.87	15.31	19.88	23.86	24.81	27.11	31.93	15.76	19.20	23.77	27.75	28.70	31.00	35.82
35	11.97	15.48	20.09	24.25	25.19	27.53	32.42	15.86	19.37	23.98	28.14	29.08	31.42	36.31

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**Parcel Post (Inter-BMC/ASF—Single-Piece)**

DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7}							Nonmachinable ^{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7}						
	Zone							Zone						
	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
36	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	\$15.95	\$19.50	\$24.20	\$28.52	\$29.45	\$31.82	\$36.79
37	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.05	19.62	24.35	28.90	29.81	32.22	37.26
38	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.14	19.79	24.53	29.27	30.17	32.61	37.72
39	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.25	19.88	24.70	29.65	30.53	33.00	38.17
40	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.34	20.04	24.89	30.01	30.88	33.38	38.62
41	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.46	20.17	25.04	30.37	31.22	33.76	39.06
42	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.54	20.28	25.21	30.73	31.56	34.12	39.49
43	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.60	20.40	25.38	31.08	31.90	34.49	39.92
44	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.70	20.49	25.52	31.42	32.23	34.85	40.34
45	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.79	20.63	25.69	31.77	32.55	35.20	40.75
46	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.88	20.74	25.85	32.11	32.87	35.55	41.16
47	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	16.99	20.87	25.98	32.31	33.19	35.89	41.56
48	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.06	20.97	26.15	32.48	33.51	36.23	41.95
49	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.12	21.09	26.28	32.65	33.81	36.56	42.35
50	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.20	21.17	26.39	32.82	34.12	36.90	42.73
51	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.31	21.30	26.55	32.98	34.42	37.22	43.11
52	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.37	21.40	26.68	33.13	34.72	37.54	43.48
53	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.48	21.48	26.77	33.28	35.01	37.86	43.86
54	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.54	21.62	26.93	33.43	35.30	38.17	44.22
55	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.61	21.66	27.06	33.58	35.59	38.49	44.58
56	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.71	21.82	27.17	33.73	35.87	38.79	44.94
57	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.79	21.90	27.30	33.86	36.15	39.09	45.29
58	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.85	21.99	27.41	34.00	36.43	39.39	45.64
59	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	17.94	22.08	27.54	34.13	36.71	39.69	45.98
60	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.02	22.17	27.67	34.26	36.98	39.98	46.32
61	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.13	22.30	27.76	34.38	37.25	40.27	46.66
62	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.19	22.36	27.88	34.51	37.51	40.56	46.99
63	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.24	22.47	27.99	34.62	37.77	40.84	47.31
64	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.31	22.53	28.08	34.74	38.03	41.12	47.64
65	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.39	22.64	28.20	34.86	38.29	41.40	47.96
66	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.49	22.73	28.29	34.96	38.55	41.67	48.28
67	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.57	22.82	28.41	35.08	38.80	41.94	48.59
68	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.62	22.90	28.53	35.18	39.05	42.21	48.90
69	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.68	22.96	28.62	35.29	39.30	42.48	49.21
70	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	18.78	23.08	28.72	35.38	39.54	42.74	49.51
Oversized	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	50.54	55.19	58.28	69.40	83.99	97.82	127.24

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Parcel Select DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1,2}						Nonmachinable ^{1,2}						
	DDU	DSCF	DBMC/ASF Zone				DDU	DSCF		DBMC/ASF Zone ⁴			
			1 & 2	3	4	5		5-Digit	3-Digit ³	1 & 2	3	4	5
1	\$1.40	\$1.90	\$2.38	\$2.72	\$3.05	\$3.91	\$1.40	\$1.90	\$2.86	\$4.52	\$4.86	\$5.19	\$6.05
2	1.47	2.11	2.68	3.35	3.99	4.67	1.47	2.11	3.07	4.82	5.49	6.13	6.81
3	1.52	2.30	2.96	3.95	4.85	5.41	1.52	2.30	3.26	5.10	6.09	6.99	7.55
4	1.58	2.47	3.24	4.52	5.58	6.08	1.58	2.47	3.43	5.38	6.66	7.72	8.22
5	1.63	2.63	3.49	5.05	6.10	6.71	1.63	2.63	3.59	5.63	7.19	8.24	8.85
6	1.68	2.79	3.73	5.54	6.53	7.27	1.68	2.79	3.75	5.87	7.68	8.67	9.41
7	1.72	2.93	3.95	5.99	6.92	7.81	1.72	2.93	3.89	6.09	8.13	9.06	9.95
8	1.76	3.07	4.17	6.43	7.28	8.29	1.76	3.07	4.03	6.31	8.57	9.42	10.43
9	1.81	3.21	4.38	6.84	7.66	8.74	1.81	3.21	4.17	6.52	8.98	9.80	10.88
10	1.85	3.33	4.58	7.24	8.48	9.16	1.85	3.33	4.29	6.72	9.38	10.62	11.30
11	1.88	3.45	4.77	7.63	8.81	9.54	1.88	3.45	4.41	6.91	9.77	10.95	11.68
12	1.92	3.57	4.96	8.00	9.13	9.91	1.92	3.57	4.53	7.10	10.14	11.27	12.05
13	1.96	3.69	5.14	8.33	9.43	10.25	1.96	3.69	4.65	7.28	10.47	11.57	12.39
14	1.99	3.79	5.32	8.59	9.76	10.56	1.99	3.79	4.75	7.46	10.73	11.90	12.70
15	2.03	3.92	5.49	8.87	10.02	10.85	2.03	3.92	4.88	7.63	11.01	12.16	12.99
16	2.06	4.03	5.65	9.14	10.28	11.15	2.06	4.03	4.99	7.79	11.28	12.42	13.29
17	2.09	4.14	5.81	9.35	10.56	11.40	2.09	4.14	5.10	7.95	11.49	12.70	13.54
18	2.13	4.24	5.96	9.54	10.79	11.65	2.13	4.24	5.20	8.10	11.68	12.93	13.79
19	2.16	4.35	6.12	9.71	11.03	11.89	2.16	4.35	5.31	8.26	11.85	13.17	14.03
20	2.19	4.45	6.26	9.89	11.23	12.10	2.19	4.45	5.41	8.40	12.03	13.37	14.24
21	2.22	4.54	6.41	10.07	11.41	12.31	2.22	4.54	5.50	8.55	12.21	13.55	14.45
22	2.25	4.64	6.55	10.22	11.60	12.50	2.25	4.64	5.60	8.69	12.36	13.74	14.64
23	2.27	4.73	6.68	10.40	11.77	12.71	2.27	4.73	5.69	8.82	12.54	13.91	14.85
24	2.30	4.83	6.82	10.55	11.93	12.88	2.30	4.83	5.79	8.96	12.69	14.07	15.02
25	2.33	4.91	6.95	10.70	12.08	13.06	2.33	4.91	5.87	9.09	12.84	14.22	15.20
26	2.36	5.00	7.08	10.82	12.23	13.21	2.36	5.00	5.96	9.22	12.96	14.37	15.35
27	2.38	5.09	7.21	10.99	12.37	13.37	2.38	5.09	6.05	9.35	13.13	14.51	15.51
28	2.41	5.18	7.33	11.15	12.49	13.51	2.41	5.18	6.14	9.47	13.29	14.63	15.65
29	2.43	5.26	7.45	11.28	12.65	13.64	2.43	5.26	6.22	9.59	13.42	14.79	15.78
30	2.46	5.34	7.57	11.41	12.76	13.79	2.46	5.34	6.30	9.71	13.55	14.90	15.93
31	2.48	5.42	7.69	11.51	12.86	13.92	2.48	5.42	6.38	9.83	13.65	15.00	16.06
32	2.51	5.51	7.81	11.65	12.98	14.05	2.51	5.51	6.47	9.95	13.79	15.12	16.19
33	2.53	5.58	7.92	11.76	13.10	14.15	2.53	5.58	6.54	10.06	13.90	15.24	16.29
34	2.55	5.66	8.03	11.88	13.19	14.27	2.55	5.66	6.62	10.17	14.02	15.33	16.41
35	2.58	5.74	8.14	12.00	13.31	14.38	2.58	5.74	6.70	10.28	14.14	15.45	16.52

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- Regardless of weight, a parcel that meets any of the criteria in 401.2.3.2 must pay the nonmachinable rates.
- Rates include the \$0.96 nonmachinable surcharge. The nonmachinable surcharge does not apply to parcels mailed at oversized rates or parcels sent with special handling.
- Rates include the \$2.14 nonmachinable surcharge. The nonmachinable surcharge does not apply to parcels mailed at oversized rates or parcels sent with special handling.



Parcel Select DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	Machinable ^{1,2}						Nonmachinable ^{1,2}						
	DDU	DSCF	DBMC/ASF Zone				DDU	DSCF		DBMC/ASF Zone ⁴			
			1 & 2	3	4	5		5-Digit	3-Digit ³	1 & 2	3	4	5
36	---	---	---	---	---	---	\$2.60	\$5.81	\$6.77	\$10.40	\$14.72	\$15.54	\$16.62
37	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.62	5.88	6.84	10.51	14.82	15.63	16.72
38	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.64	5.94	6.90	10.61	14.94	15.72	16.82
39	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.66	6.02	6.98	10.72	15.05	15.80	16.91
40	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.69	6.08	7.04	10.82	15.16	15.88	16.98
41	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.71	6.14	7.10	10.92	15.29	15.95	17.07
42	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.73	6.22	7.18	11.02	15.39	16.04	17.15
43	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.75	6.28	7.24	11.12	15.50	16.12	17.52
44	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.77	6.34	7.30	11.21	15.58	16.19	17.88
45	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.79	6.40	7.36	11.31	15.66	16.38	18.28
46	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.81	6.47	7.43	11.40	15.78	16.44	18.66
47	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.83	6.53	7.49	11.50	15.87	16.50	19.05
48	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.85	6.58	7.54	11.58	15.98	16.58	19.46
49	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.87	6.64	7.60	11.67	16.06	16.64	19.86
50	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.89	6.70	7.66	11.77	16.16	16.68	20.28
51	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.90	6.76	7.72	11.85	16.24	16.74	20.70
52	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.92	6.80	7.76	11.94	16.35	16.80	21.14
53	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.94	6.85	7.81	12.03	16.41	16.85	21.59
54	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.95	6.90	7.86	12.11	16.47	16.91	22.05
55	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.96	6.97	7.93	12.19	16.52	16.97	22.24
56	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.98	7.02	7.98	12.28	16.56	17.00	22.32
57	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.99	7.07	8.03	12.36	16.60	17.04	22.46
58	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.00	7.12	8.08	12.44	16.65	17.09	22.55
59	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.01	7.18	8.14	12.52	16.68	17.13	22.65
60	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.02	7.22	8.18	12.60	16.72	17.16	22.76
61	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.04	7.26	8.22	12.68	16.76	17.21	22.85
62	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.05	7.31	8.27	12.76	16.80	17.30	22.94
63	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.06	7.36	8.32	12.83	16.83	17.38	23.03
64	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.07	7.42	8.38	12.91	16.86	17.44	23.13
65	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.08	7.45	8.41	12.99	16.90	17.52	23.20
66	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.10	7.50	8.46	13.06	16.94	17.62	23.31
67	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.11	7.55	8.51	13.13	16.96	17.68	23.38
68	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.12	7.58	8.54	13.20	16.97	17.75	23.46
69	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.13	7.64	8.60	13.28	17.00	17.82	23.55
70	---	---	---	---	---	---	3.14	7.68	8.64	13.35	17.03	17.91	23.63
Oversized	---	---	---	---	---	---	7.36	13.56	13.56	21.08	29.49	39.77	41.33

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Discount Parcels

Discount Parcels: Media Mail



Media Mail

DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	5-Digit	Basic ¹	Weight Not Over (pounds)	5-Digit	Basic ¹
1	\$1.30	\$1.80	36	\$13.20	\$13.70
2	1.64	2.14	37	13.54	14.04
3	1.98	2.48	38	13.88	14.38
4	2.32	2.82	39	14.22	14.72
5	2.66	3.16	40	14.56	15.06
6	3.00	3.50	41	14.90	15.40
7	3.34	3.84	42	15.24	15.74
8	3.68	4.18	43	15.58	16.08
9	4.02	4.52	44	15.92	16.42
10	4.36	4.86	45	16.26	16.76
11	4.70	5.20	46	16.60	17.10
12	5.04	5.54	47	16.94	17.44
13	5.38	5.88	48	17.28	17.78
14	5.72	6.22	49	17.62	18.12
15	6.06	6.56	50	17.96	18.46
16	6.40	6.90	51	18.30	18.80
17	6.74	7.24	52	18.64	19.14
18	7.08	7.58	53	18.98	19.48
19	7.42	7.92	54	19.32	19.82
20	7.76	8.26	55	19.66	20.16
21	8.10	8.60	56	20.00	20.50
22	8.44	8.94	57	20.34	20.84
23	8.78	9.28	58	20.68	21.18
24	9.12	9.62	59	21.02	21.52
25	9.46	9.96	60	21.36	21.86
26	9.80	10.30	61	21.70	22.20
27	10.14	10.64	62	22.04	22.54
28	10.48	10.98	63	22.38	22.88
29	10.82	11.32	64	22.72	23.22
30	11.16	11.66	65	23.06	23.56
31	11.50	12.00	66	23.40	23.90
32	11.84	12.34	67	23.74	24.24
33	12.18	12.68	68	24.08	24.58
34	12.52	13.02	69	24.42	24.92
35	12.86	13.36	70	24.76	25.26

1. Machinable parcels may be eligible for barcode discount of \$0.03 per parcel (50-piece minimum).

**Library Mail**

DISCOUNT PARCELS

Weight Not Over (pounds)	5-Digit	Basic ¹	Weight Not Over (pounds)	5-Digit	Basic ¹
1	\$1.24	\$1.71	36	\$12.44	\$12.91
2	1.56	2.03	37	12.76	13.23
3	1.88	2.35	38	13.08	13.55
4	2.20	2.67	39	13.40	13.87
5	2.52	2.99	40	13.72	14.19
6	2.84	3.31	41	14.04	14.51
7	3.16	3.63	42	14.36	14.83
8	3.48	3.95	43	14.68	15.15
9	3.80	4.27	44	15.00	15.47
10	4.12	4.59	45	15.32	15.79
11	4.44	4.91	46	15.64	16.11
12	4.76	5.23	47	15.96	16.43
13	5.08	5.55	48	16.28	16.75
14	5.40	5.87	49	16.60	17.07
15	5.72	6.19	50	16.92	17.39
16	6.04	6.51	51	17.24	17.71
17	6.36	6.83	52	17.56	18.03
18	6.68	7.15	53	17.88	18.35
19	7.00	7.47	54	18.20	18.67
20	7.32	7.79	55	18.52	18.99
21	7.64	8.11	56	18.84	19.31
22	7.96	8.43	57	19.16	19.63
23	8.28	8.75	58	19.48	19.95
24	8.60	9.07	59	19.80	20.27
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31	10.84	11.31	66	22.04	22.51
32	11.16	11.63	67	22.36	22.83
33	11.48	11.95	68	22.68	23.15
34	11.80	12.27	69	23.00	23.47
35	12.12	12.59	70	23.32	23.79

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Periodicals (Rates subject to change on July 15, 2007)

Outside-County—Excluding Science-of-Agriculture

POUND RATES

(Per pound or fraction)

Advertising portion:

LETTERS, FLATS, & PARCELS	
Zone	Rate
DDU	\$0.167
DSCF	0.214
DADC	0.235
1 & 2	0.261
3	0.281
4	0.332
5	0.410
6	0.491
7	0.589
8	0.672

Nonadvertising portion: \$0.203

PIECE RATES (Per addressed piece)

Presort Level	LETTERS	FLATS	LETTERS, FLATS, & PARCELS
	Automation ¹	Automation ¹	Nonautomation
Basic	\$0.296	\$0.343	\$0.393
3-Digit	0.262	0.298	0.341
5-Digit	0.206	0.238	0.270
Carrier Route			
<i>Basic</i>	---	---	0.172
<i>High Density</i>	---	---	0.138
<i>Saturation</i>	---	---	0.118

1. Lower maximum weight applies: letter-size at 3 ounces (or 3.3 ounces for heavy letters); flat-size at 20 ounces (301.3 compatible) and 6 pounds (707.25.3 compatible).

Discounts for each eligible addressed piece:

- Nonadvertising adjustment for each 1% of nonadvertising content: \$0.00078.
- Destination delivery unit (DDU): \$0.019.
- Destination SCF (DSCF): \$0.008.
- Destination ADC (DADC): \$0.002.
- Destination entry pallet: \$0.016.
- Pallet (other than destination entry pallet): \$0.005.

Outside-County—Science-of-Agriculture

POUND RATES

(Per pound or fraction)

Advertising portion:

LETTERS, FLATS, & PARCELS	
Zone	Rate
DDU	\$0.125
DSCF	0.160
DADC	0.176
1 & 2	0.196
3	0.281
4	0.332
5	0.410
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Periodicals (Rates subject to change on July 15, 2007)

In-County

POUND RATES (Per pound or fraction)		PIECE RATES (Per addressed piece)		
LETTERS, FLATS, & PARCELS		LETTERS	FLATS	LETTERS, FLATS, & PARCELS
Zone	Rate	Automation¹	Automation¹	Nonautomation
DDU	\$0.109	Basic	\$0.049	\$0.103
None	0.142	3-Digit	0.047	0.095
		5-Digit	0.045	0.085
		Carrier Route		
		<i>Basic</i>	---	0.049
		<i>High Density</i>	---	0.033
		<i>Saturation</i>	---	0.027

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Destination delivery unit (DDU) discount for each addressed piece: \$0.006.

Ride-Along Rate—per Ride-Along piece: \$0.131

Extra Services

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Individual Pieces	Fee
Individual article (Form 3817)	\$1.05
Duplicate copies of Form 3817 or mailing bill, per page	1.05
Firm mailing books (Form 3877), per article listed (minimum 3)	0.35
Bulk Quantities	Fee
For first 1,000 pieces (or fraction thereof)	\$5.50
Each additional 1,000 pieces (or fraction thereof)	0.60
Duplicate copy of Form 3606	1.05

CERTIFIED MAIL Fee—\$2.65

COLLECT ON DELIVERY (COD)

Amount to be collected or insurance coverage desired, whichever is higher ¹	Fee
\$0.01 to \$50	\$5.10
50.01 to 100	6.25
100.01 to 200	7.40
200.01 to 300	8.55
300.01 to 400	9.70
400.01 to 500	10.85
500.01 to 600	12.00
600.01 to 700	13.15
700.01 to 800	14.30
800.01 to 900	15.45
900.01 to 1,000	16.60
Additional COD Services	Fee
Restricted delivery ²	\$4.10
Notice of nondelivery	3.40
Alteration of COD charges	3.40
Designation of new addressee	3.40
Registered COD ³	4.55

1. For Express Mail COD shipments valued at \$100 or less, the COD fee is based on the amount to be collected. Express Mail insurance automatically provides up to \$100 merchandise insurance.

2. Not available with Express Mail COD.

3. Regardless of amount to be collected or insurance value.

CONFIRM

Subscription Level	Subscription Fee and Term	Additional ID Code Fee and Term	Additional Scans Fee and Number
Silver	\$2,000 3 months	\$750 each 3 months \$2,000 annual	\$500 block of 2 million scans
Gold	\$6,000 12 months	\$750 each 3 months \$2,000 annual	\$750 block of 6 million scans
Platinum	\$19,500 12 months	\$750 each 3 months \$2,000 annual	NA

CONFIRMATION SERVICES

Delivery Confirmation		Fee
First-Class Mail (parcels only)	Retail	\$0.75
	Electronic	0.18
Priority Mail	Retail	0.65
	Electronic	0.00
Package Services (parcels only) ¹	Retail	0.75
	Electronic	0.18
Standard Mail (parcels only)	Retail	0.18
	Electronic	0.18

1. No charge for Parcel Select electronic option.

Signature Confirmation		Fee
First-Class Mail (parcels only)	Retail	\$2.10
	Electronic	1.75
Priority Mail	Retail	2.10
	Electronic	1.75
Package Services (parcels only)	Retail	2.10
	Electronic	1.75

INSURANCE

Insurance (Amount for Merchandise Insurance Coverage Desired)	Fee ¹
\$0.01 to \$50	\$1.65
50.01 to 100	2.05
100.01 to 200	2.45
200.01 to 300	4.60
300.01 to 400	5.50
400.01 to 500	6.40
500.01 to 600	7.30
600.01 to 5,000 (maximum liability is \$5000)	\$7.30 plus \$0.90 per \$100 or fraction thereof over \$600 in declared value

1. Bulk insurance discount \$0.80 per piece. (See 503.4.4 for eligibility.)

Express Mail Insurance (Amount for Merchandise Insurance Coverage Desired)	Fee ¹
\$0.01 to \$100.00	\$0.00
100.01 to 200.00	0.75
200.01 to 500.00	2.10
500.01 to 5,000.00	\$2.10 plus \$1.35 for each \$500 or fraction thereof over \$500

1. Express Mail merchandise maximum coverage: \$5,000. Document reconstruction maximum liability: \$100.

Extra Services

REGISTERED MAIL

Declared Value	Fee (in addition to postage)	Declared Value	Fee (in addition to postage) ¹		
\$0.00	\$9.50	\$25,000.01 to \$15,000,000	\$38.75 + handling charge of \$1.10 per each \$1,000 or fraction thereof over first \$25,000		
0.01 to 100	10.15				
100.01 to 500	11.25				
500.01 to 1,000	12.35				
1,000.01 to 2,000	13.45				
2,000.01 to 3,000	14.55				
3,000.01 to 4,000	15.65				
4,000.01 to 5,000	16.75				
5,000.01 to 6,000	17.85				
6,000.01 to 7,000	18.95				
7,000.01 to 8,000	20.05				
8,000.01 to 9,000	21.15				
9,000.01 to 10,000	22.25				
10,000.01 to 11,000	23.35				
11,000.01 to 12,000	24.45				
12,000.01 to 13,000	25.55				
13,000.01 to 14,000	26.65				
14,000.01 to 15,000	27.75				
15,000.01 to 16,000	28.85				
16,000.01 to 17,000	29.95				
17,000.01 to 18,000	31.05	Over \$15,000,000	\$16,511.25 + amount determined by USPS based on weight, space, and value		
18,000.01 to 19,000	32.15				
19,000.01 to 20,000	33.25				
20,000.01 to 21,000	34.35				
21,000.01 to 22,000	35.45				
22,000.01 to 23,000	36.55				
23,000.01 to 24,000	37.65				
24,000.01 to 25,000	38.75				
				Additional Services	
				Fee (in addition to postage)	
				COD Collection Charge (maximum amount collectible is \$1,000)	\$4.55
				Restricted Delivery	4.10
				Return Receipts, requested at time of mailing showing to whom, signature, date of delivery, and addressee's address (if different)	2.15
				Return Receipts, requested at time of mailing (receive electronically)	0.85
				Return Receipts, requested after mailing showing only to whom and date delivered	3.80

1. Fees for articles valued over \$25,000 are for handling only. Maximum amount of insurance coverage available is \$25,000.

RESTRICTED DELIVERY

Fee, per item, in addition to postage and other fees—\$4.10

RETURN RECEIPT FOR MERCHANDISE (FORM 3804)

Requested at time of mailing—\$3.50

Delivery record—\$3.80

SPECIAL HANDLING

Weight	Fee
Not more than 10 pounds	\$6.90
More than 10 pounds	9.60

RETURN RECEIPT

Return Receipt (In conjunction with another service)	Fee
Requested at time of mailing (receive by mail)	\$2.15
Requested at time of mailing (receive electronically)	0.85
Requested after mailing (Form 3811-A) (receive by fax, mail, or e-mail)	3.80

Recipient Services

CALLER SERVICE

Fee Group	For Each Separation Provided Per Semiannual (6-month) Period	
	Fee	
1	\$630.00	
2	550.00	
3	485.00	
4	475.00	
5	465.00	
6	415.00	
7	370.00	

Additional Fees and Services

For each reserved call number, per calendar year	\$38.00
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POST OFFICE BOX SERVICE

Fee Group	Box Size and Fee per Semiannual (6-month) Period				
	1	2	3	4	5
1	\$42.00	\$64.00	\$118.00	\$242.00	\$390.00
2	35.00	54.00	94.00	184.00	326.00
3	28.00	46.00	84.00	150.00	250.00
4	20.00	34.00	52.00	102.00	196.00
5	18.00	26.00	48.00	88.00	148.00
6	13.00	20.00	35.00	62.00	110.00
7	10.00	16.00	28.00	48.00	86.00
E ¹	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Additional Fees and Services

Deposit per key issued	\$1.00
Key duplication or replacement (after first 2 keys), each	6.00
Post office box lock replacement, each	14.00

1. Eligibility and location determined by USPS.

PREMIUM FORWARDING SERVICE

Enrollment fee—\$10.00
Weekly reshipment charge—\$11.95

Mailer Services

ADDRESS CORRECTION SERVICE

Per manual notice issued—\$0.50

Per electronic notice (or manual notice for electronic option customers) issued:

- First-Class Mail—\$0.06
- Other than First-Class Mail—\$0.25

Per automated notice issued:

- First-Class Mail letters (first two notices)—\$0.00
- First-Class Mail letters (per additional notice)—\$0.05
- Standard Mail letters (first two notices)—\$0.02
- Standard Mail letters (per additional notice)—\$0.15

ADDRESS SEQUENCING SERVICE

Per card removed by the USPS for an incorrect or undeliverable address or added for a missing or new address—\$0.33

BULK PARCEL RETURN SERVICE

Annual permit fee—\$175.00

Annual account maintenance fee—\$550.00

Per piece returned, regardless of weight—\$2.10

For Standard Mail machinable parcels only.

MERCHANDISE RETURN SERVICE

Annual permit fee—\$175.00

Annual account maintenance fee (for advance deposit account)—\$550.00

PICKUP SERVICE FEE

For Express Mail, Priority Mail, and Parcel Post:

Per Pickup on Demand or Custom Designed delivery stop—\$14.25

SHIPPER PAID FORWARDING

Annual account maintenance fee—\$550.00

For Standard Mail machinable parcels and most Package Services parcels.

BUSINESS REPLY MAIL

Business Reply Mail (BRM)	High Volume	Basic
Annual permit fee	\$175.00	\$175.00
Annual account maintenance fee	550.00	None
1-ounce letter rate + per piece ¹	0.41 + 0.08	0.41 + 0.70
1-ounce flat rate + per piece ¹	0.80 + 0.08	0.80 + 0.70
1-ounce parcel rate + per piece ¹	1.13 + 0.08	1.13 + 0.70
Card rate + per piece	0.26 + 0.08	0.26 + 0.70
Qualified Business Reply Mail (QBRM)	High Volume	Basic
Annual permit fee	\$175.00	\$175.00
Annual account maintenance fee	550.00	550.00
Quarterly fee	1,800.00	None
1-ounce letter rate + per piece ²	0.380 + 0.005	0.380 + 0.05
Card rate + per piece	0.230 + 0.005	0.230 + 0.05

1. \$0.17 each additional ounce; apply Priority Mail rates for pieces over 13 ounces.

2. Second ounce or fraction—\$0.17.

Mailer Services

MAILING LIST SERVICE

For correction of name and address on occupant lists, per name on list—\$0.33. Minimum per list (30 items)—\$9.90

For sorting mailing lists on cards by 5-digit ZIP Code, per 1,000 addresses or fraction—\$110.00

For address changes provided to election boards and voter registration commissions, per Form 3575—\$0.32

PARCEL RETURN SERVICE

Annual permit fee—\$175.00

Annual account maintenance fee—\$550.00

PARCEL RETURN SERVICE— RETURN DELIVERY UNIT

LENGTH PLUS GIRTH	RATE
Not over 108 inches	\$2.20
Oversized (Over 108 inches up to 130 inches)	8.08

PARCEL RETURN SERVICE— RETURN BMC MACHINABLE

Weight Not Over (pounds) ¹	RBMC Zones 1 & 2	RBMC Zone 3	RBMC Zone 4	RBMC Zone 5
1	\$2.22	\$2.25	\$2.33	\$2.51
2	2.89	2.93	3.02	3.27
3	3.51	3.55	3.66	4.01
4	3.92	4.13	4.24	4.68
5	4.29	4.62	4.76	5.31
6	4.64	5.08	5.22	5.87
7	4.93	5.49	5.65	6.41
8	5.50	5.88	6.05	6.89
9	5.79	6.24	6.45	7.34
10	6.04	6.62	7.08	7.76
11	6.19	6.93	7.41	8.14
12	6.38	7.24	7.73	8.51
13	6.55	7.52	8.03	8.85
14	6.71	7.77	8.36	9.16
15	6.84	8.04	8.62	9.45
16	6.98	8.31	8.88	9.75
17	7.15	8.56	9.16	10.00
18	7.26	8.80	9.39	10.25
19	7.42	9.04	9.63	10.49
20	7.54	9.23	9.83	10.70
21	7.66	9.41	10.04	10.91
22	7.79	9.56	10.26	11.10
23	7.90	9.77	10.48	11.31
24	8.00	9.91	10.70	11.48
25	8.11	10.07	10.90	11.66
26	8.23	10.21	11.11	11.81
27	8.34	10.37	11.31	11.97
28	8.42	10.52	11.45	12.14
29	8.53	10.68	11.58	12.34
30	8.64	10.80	11.71	12.52
31	8.74	10.91	11.82	12.72
32	8.86	11.05	11.95	12.89
33	8.93	11.18	12.05	13.07
34	9.04	11.28	12.16	13.21
35	9.11	11.42	12.25	13.33

1. Parcels that measure in combined length and girth:
- More than 84 inches but not more than 108 inches, and the piece weighs less than 20 pounds, use 20-pound rates (balloon rate).
 - More than 108 inches but not more than 130 inches, use oversized rates (regardless of weight).

Mailer Services

PARCEL RETURN SERVICE—RETURN BMC NONMACHINABLE

Weight Not Over (pounds) ¹	RBMC Zones 1 & 2	RBMC Zone 3	RBMC Zone 4	RBMC Zone 5	Weight Not Over (pounds) ¹	RBMC Zones 1 & 2	RBMC Zone 3	RBMC Zone 4	RBMC Zone 5
1	\$5.09	\$5.12	\$5.20	\$5.38	50	\$12.90	\$15.52	\$16.05	\$17.02
2	5.76	5.80	5.89	6.14	51	12.99	15.57	16.08	17.07
3	6.38	6.42	6.53	6.88	52	13.03	15.67	16.12	17.10
4	6.79	7.00	7.11	7.55	53	13.05	15.71	16.13	17.14
5	7.16	7.49	7.63	8.18	54	13.11	15.73	16.17	17.17
6	7.51	7.95	8.09	8.74	55	13.15	15.76	16.20	17.21
7	7.80	8.36	8.52	9.28	56	13.20	15.78	16.23	17.25
8	8.37	8.75	8.92	9.76	57	13.26	15.78	16.23	17.29
9	8.66	9.11	9.32	10.21	58	13.31	15.81	16.25	17.33
10	8.91	9.49	9.95	10.63	59	13.35	15.82	16.27	17.37
11	9.06	9.80	10.28	11.01	60	13.41	15.83	16.27	17.40
12	9.25	10.11	10.60	11.38	61	13.45	15.84	16.30	17.44
13	9.42	10.39	10.90	11.72	62	13.49	15.85	16.36	17.47
14	9.58	10.64	11.23	12.03	63	13.54	15.85	16.42	17.52
15	9.71	10.91	11.49	12.32	64	13.59	15.85	16.45	17.56
16	9.85	11.18	11.75	12.62	65	13.62	15.89	16.50	17.59
17	10.02	11.43	12.03	12.87	66	13.68	15.89	16.56	17.63
18	10.13	11.67	12.26	13.12	67	13.73	15.90	16.63	17.67
19	10.29	11.91	12.50	13.36	68	13.73	15.90	16.66	17.70
20	10.41	12.10	12.70	13.57	69	13.80	15.90	16.72	17.75
21	10.53	12.28	12.91	13.78	70	13.84	15.90	16.77	17.79
22	10.66	12.43	13.13	13.97	Oversized	27.39	27.78	28.62	29.89
23	10.77	12.64	13.35	14.18					
24	10.87	12.78	13.57	14.35					
25	10.98	12.94	13.77	14.53					
26	11.10	13.08	13.98	14.68					
27	11.21	13.24	14.18	14.84					
28	11.29	13.39	14.32	15.01					
29	11.40	13.55	14.45	15.21					
30	11.51	13.67	14.58	15.39					
31	11.61	13.78	14.69	15.59					
32	11.73	13.92	14.82	15.76					
33	11.80	14.05	14.92	15.94					
34	11.91	14.15	15.03	16.08					
35	11.98	14.29	15.12	16.20					
36	12.10	14.43	15.25	16.35					
37	12.19	14.52	15.33	16.42					
38	12.24	14.61	15.39	16.48					
39	12.31	14.71	15.45	16.54					
40	12.36	14.77	15.49	16.61					
41	12.45	14.88	15.54	16.67					
42	12.48	14.95	15.60	16.72					
43	12.53	15.03	15.66	16.75					
44	12.60	15.10	15.71	16.79					
45	12.64	15.16	15.89	16.84					
46	12.72	15.25	15.93	16.87					
47	12.78	15.30	15.96	16.91					
48	12.82	15.39	15.99	16.95					
49	12.89	15.46	16.02	16.98					

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Other Fees and Charges

ANNUAL MAILING FEES (per 12-month period)

First-Class Mail Presort, per office of mailing—\$175.00
 Standard Mail—\$175.00
 Parcel Select—\$175.00
 Presorted Media Mail—\$175.00
 Presorted Library Mail—\$175.00
 Bound Printed Matter (destination entry)—\$175.00

DETACHED ADDRESS LABELS

For Standard Mail, Enhanced Carrier Route, Flats and Parcels:
 Per detached address label—\$0.015

PARCEL AIRLIFT (PAL)

Weight not more than 2 pounds—\$0.50
 Weight not more than 3 pounds—\$1.00
 Weight not more than 4 pounds—\$1.45
 Weight not more than 30 pounds—\$2.00

PERIODICALS APPLICATION FEES

Original entry—\$395.00
 Additional entry—\$65.00
 Reentry—\$45.00
 Registration for news agents—\$40.00

PERMIT IMPRINT

Application fee—\$175.00

MONEY ORDERS

Service	Fee
Domestic money order	
\$0.01 to \$500	\$1.05
\$500.01 to \$1,000	1.50
Postal military money order (issued by military facilities)	0.30
Inquiry fee (includes the issuance of a copy of a paid money order)	5.00
Maximum amount per money order—\$1,000	

PLAIN STAMPED ENVELOPES

Fee, in addition to the postage value preprinted on the envelope:

TYPE	FEE	
	Each	500
Size 6-3/4	\$0.09	\$14.50
Size 10	0.09	16.50

PERSONALIZED STAMPED ENVELOPES

Fee, in addition to the postage value preprinted on the envelope:

TYPE	FEE	
	50	500
Size 6-3/4	\$4.25	\$20.00
Size 10	4.25	23.00

STAMPED CARDS

Fee, in addition to the postage value preprinted on the card:

TYPE	FEE
Single Card	\$0.02
Double Card	0.04
Sheet of 40 cards (uncut)	0.80

REPOSITIONABLE NOTES

First-Class Mail letters and flats—\$0.005
 Periodicals letters and flats—\$0.015
 Standard Mail letters and flats—\$0.015

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Publications

Up-to-date Domestic Mail Manual, Quick Service Guides, International Mail Manual, and more.

Rate Calculators

Use the retail and business rate calculators to compute rates.

Domestic Rate Charts

Rates and Fees Reference is available as a PDF and HTML document.

Zone Charts

Access up-to-date National Zone Charts.

Summary of International Price and Product Changes

International mail products are being realigned to make them clear-cut and easy to use. The changes introduce the familiar and trusted USPS® domestic product names — First-Class Mail®, Priority Mail®, and Express Mail® service — into the international product portfolio for retail customers. Commercial customers may contact the Postal Service's Global Business group for more information about customized business mailing solutions.

The realignment merges all economy services including Publishers' Periodicals and Books and Sheet Music into categories with better service. Economy services (that use surface transportation) account for only 2.7 percent of total international volume. The declining volumes indicate that demand for faster services has increased at the expense of services that use surface transportation to foreign destinations. As a result, efficient international surface delivery networks have diminished and costs have dramatically increased. In addition, the lack of efficient surface delivery networks has led to lengthy and inconsistent delivery times for economy service to many destinations.

Periodicals mailers who previously mailed their publications at Publishers' Periodicals prices in bulk may now use International Priority Airmail® (IPA®), M-bag, and International Surface Air Lift® (ISAL®) service, using a permit imprint on the copies and submitting PS Form 3700, *Postage Statement – International Mail*. Single-piece mailing options will be First-Class Mail International and Priority Mail International, using postage stamps, a postage meter, a postage validation imprinter (PVI) label, or PC Postage® to apply the appropriate First-Class Mail International or Priority Mail International price to each mailpiece.

Effective Monday, May 14, with the corresponding changes to domestic prices and fees, international products will consist of the following: Global Express Guaranteed® (GXG®), Express Mail International®, Priority Mail International, and First-Class Mail International and will be available for purchase at Post Offices™ as well as online at www.usps.com.

Previous Products	New Products	Features
Global Express Guaranteed (documents) Global Express Guaranteed (nondocuments)	Global Express Guaranteed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1–3 business day delivery. ■ Tracking available. ■ Money-back delivery guarantee.¹ ■ Insurance included.
Global Express Mail	Express Mail International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 3–5 business day delivery.² ■ Tracking available. ■ Service guarantee to Australia, China, Hong Kong, Republic of Korea (South Korea), and Japan. ■ Insurance included. ■ Flat-rate envelope.
Airmail Parcel Post Economy Parcel Post Global Priority Mail	Priority Mail International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 6–10 business day delivery.² ■ Tracking to major destinations. ■ Limited Insurance included.³ ■ Flat-rate envelope and flat-rate box options available.
Airmail Letter Post Economy Letter Post	First-Class Mail International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Available worldwide. ■ Registered Mail service available.

1. Some restrictions apply. See IMM 215.

2. Average delivery times may vary based on origin and destination.

3. Insurance is not available for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope.

In addition to the above, aerogrammes will be eliminated. Previously purchased aerogrammes can be mailed as First-Class Mail International; however, since the First-Class Mail International price is higher, additional postage would have to be affixed.

Available online tools will make international mailing easier than ever, by combining Customs forms and address labels for many products shipped using the Internet. Online mailing will also offer discounts for international postage purchased using Click-N-Ship[®] service at www.usps.com or through authorized postage vendors. Customers purchasing postage online will qualify for postage discounts as follows:

- GXG shipments — 10 percent.

- Express Mail International shipments — 8 percent.
- Priority Mail International shipments — 5 percent.

Mailers will also be able to use the same Express Mail and Priority Mail packaging for international shipments that they use for domestic. This includes the popular Express Mail Flat-Rate Envelope, as well as the flat-rate options for Priority Mail including two flat-rate boxes. Customers may continue using existing international packaging supplies as long as they remain available.

Although this redesign includes increases in international product prices, postal products are still priced lower than comparable services of other international carriers. Here are highlights of the new international retail product offerings:

Global Express Guaranteed

Global Express Guaranteed[®] (GXG[®]) is an expedited delivery service provided through an alliance with FedEx Express. The existing “document” and “nondocument” price structures will be combined into one. GXG provides reliable, high-speed, date-certain service (1–3 business

days) with money-back delivery guarantee to over 190 countries. Insurance up to \$100 per shipment is included. Mailers may purchase additional insurance as limited by destination country, content, or value.

Express Mail International

Express Mail International[®] (formerly Global Express Mail) provides reliable, 3–5 business day delivery to more than 190 countries with money-back delivery guarantee to select destinations. Specific average-days-for-delivery information to major destinations will be available via the online postage rate calculator as well as at Post Offices.

Express Mail International will now offer the same packaging and flat-rate option available for domestic Express Mail. The flat-rate envelope is \$22 for Canada and Mexico and \$25 for all other countries. Document reconstruction

insurance and merchandise insurance up to \$100 will be provided at no additional cost. Additional insurance coverage may be purchased at the mailer’s option. The fee for optional Express Mail International merchandise insurance coverage will be reduced to 75 cents for each \$100 or fraction thereof, up to a maximum of \$5,000 coverage per shipment — see the Individual Country Listings in the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual* (IMM[®]).

Priority Mail International

Available to more than 190 countries, Priority Mail International service offers 6–10 business day delivery and the same flat-rate packaging options as domestic Priority Mail service. There is a flat-rate envelope option — \$9 for Canada and Mexico, and \$11 for all other countries — and two flat-rate box options — \$23 for Canada and Mexico, and \$37 for all other countries. There is a 4-pound weight limit for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope and a 20-pound weight limit for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Boxes. Tracking information will be available. Limited insurance coverage is included on Priority Mail Interna-

tional items with the exception of the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope, where Registered Mail service will be available at the mailer’s option.

First-Class Mail International

This service provides a reliable and economical means of sending correspondence (e.g., letters and postcards), documents, and lightweight merchandise weighing up to

4 pounds. Extra services, such as Registered Mail and Return Receipt, may be added on a country-specific basis. See the Individual Country Listings in the IMM.

Extra Services

With the exception of the elimination of Recorded Delivery service, the structure of Extra Services (formerly Special Services) available with international mailings will remain the same.

International Priority Airmail

International Priority Airmail™ (IPA®) continues as a bulk mailing service for First-Class Mail International items with average delivery times of 3–7 business days. Presort, non-presort, and drop ship discounts as well as volume discounts for commercial customers who meet

international customized mail program requirements will remain available. Each IPA mailing must weigh a minimum of 11 pounds. A separate price group is being established for Australia. In addition, IPA M-bag service is being introduced.

International Surface Air Lift

International Surface Air Lift® (ISAL®) will continue as a bulk mailing service for items weighing up to 4 pounds with average delivery times of 7–14 business days. Each ISAL mailing must weigh a minimum of 50 pounds. Presort, direct ship, and drop ship discounts as well as volume

discounts for commercial customers who meet international customized mail program requirements remain available. M-bags (direct sacks of printed matter sent to one addressee) may be sent using ISAL service. In addition, a separate price group is being established for Australia.

M-Bags

M-bags are direct sacks of printed matter sent to one addressee and priced based on the weight of the bag and contents. M-bags travel by air transportation. Additional information regarding M-bags can be found in IMM 260.

The International Rate Tables and Rate Groups begin on page [62](#), and (destination) country listings defining the redesigned rate groups begin on page [72](#). Additional information regarding the international changes, including fact sheets, and frequently asked questions, are available in this *Postal Bulletin*. Also, information is available online at www.usps.com/ratecase, click *Read about International Mail Changes*.

International Rate Tables and Rate Groups

Global Express Guaranteed

Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6	Rate Group 7	Rate Group 8
0.5	\$28.50	\$28.75	\$37.00	\$75.00	\$38.00	\$38.00	\$37.00	\$52.00
1	41.00	42.50	49.00	93.00	58.00	55.00	47.00	65.00
2	44.50	47.50	56.00	107.75	65.75	63.45	54.20	80.90
3	48.00	52.50	63.00	122.50	73.50	71.90	61.40	96.80
4	51.50	57.50	70.00	137.25	81.25	80.35	68.60	112.70
5	55.00	62.50	77.00	152.00	89.00	88.80	75.80	128.60
6	58.50	67.50	84.00	166.75	96.75	97.25	83.00	144.50
7	62.00	72.50	91.00	181.50	104.50	105.70	90.20	160.40
8	65.50	77.50	98.00	196.25	112.25	114.15	97.40	176.30
9	69.00	82.50	105.00	211.00	120.00	122.60	104.60	192.20
10	72.50	87.50	112.00	225.75	127.75	131.05	111.80	208.10
11	75.35	90.65	116.30	237.00	132.65	137.45	116.05	218.10
12	78.20	93.80	120.60	248.25	137.55	143.85	120.30	228.10
13	81.05	96.95	124.90	259.50	142.45	150.25	124.55	238.10
14	83.90	100.10	129.20	270.75	147.35	156.65	128.80	248.10
15	86.75	103.25	133.50	282.00	152.25	163.05	133.05	258.10
16	89.60	106.40	137.80	293.25	157.15	169.45	137.30	268.10
17	92.45	109.55	142.10	304.50	162.05	175.85	141.55	278.10
18	95.30	112.70	146.40	315.75	166.95	182.25	145.80	288.10
19	98.15	115.85	150.70	327.00	171.85	188.65	150.05	298.10
20	101.00	119.00	155.00	338.25	176.75	195.05	154.30	308.10
21	103.85	122.15	159.30	349.50	181.65	201.45	158.55	318.10
22	106.70	125.30	163.60	360.75	186.55	207.85	162.80	328.10
23	109.55	128.45	167.90	372.00	191.45	214.25	167.05	338.10
24	112.40	131.60	172.20	383.25	196.35	220.65	171.30	348.10
25	115.25	134.75	176.50	394.50	201.25	227.05	175.55	358.10
26	118.10	137.90	180.80	405.75	206.15	233.45	179.80	368.10
27	120.95	141.05	185.10	417.00	211.05	239.85	184.05	378.10
28	123.80	144.20	189.40	428.25	215.95	246.25	188.30	388.10
29	126.65	147.35	193.70	439.50	220.85	252.65	192.55	398.10
30	129.50	150.50	198.00	450.75	225.75	259.05	196.80	408.10
31	132.35	153.65	202.30	462.00	230.65	265.45	201.05	418.10
32	135.20	156.80	206.60	473.25	235.55	271.85	205.30	428.10
33	138.05	159.95	210.90	484.50	240.45	278.25	209.55	438.10
34	140.90	163.10	215.20	495.75	245.35	284.65	213.80	448.10
35	143.75	166.25	219.50	507.00	250.25	291.05	218.05	458.10
36	146.60	169.40	223.80	518.25	255.15	297.45	222.30	468.10
37	149.45	172.55	228.10	529.50	260.05	303.85	226.55	478.10
38	152.30	175.70	232.40	540.75	264.95	310.25	230.80	488.10
39	155.15	178.85	236.70	552.00	269.85	316.65	235.05	498.10
40	158.00	182.00	241.00	563.25	274.75	323.05	239.30	508.10
41	160.10	184.10	245.30	571.50	279.55	329.20	243.45	516.60
42	162.20	186.20	249.60	579.75	284.35	335.35	247.60	525.10
43	164.30	188.30	253.90	588.00	289.15	341.50	251.75	533.60
44	166.40	190.40	258.20	596.25	293.95	347.65	255.90	542.10
45	168.50	192.50	262.50	604.50	298.75	353.80	260.05	550.60
46	170.60	194.60	266.80	612.75	303.55	359.95	264.20	559.10
47	172.70	196.70	271.10	621.00	308.35	366.10	268.35	567.60
48	174.80	198.80	275.40	629.25	313.15	372.25	272.50	576.10
49	176.90	200.90	279.70	637.50	317.95	378.40	276.65	584.60
50	179.00	203.00	284.00	645.75	322.75	384.55	280.80	593.10
51	181.10	205.10	288.30	654.00	327.55	390.70	284.95	601.60
52	183.20	207.20	292.60	662.25	332.35	396.85	289.10	610.10
53	185.30	209.30	296.90	670.50	337.15	403.00	293.25	618.60
54	187.40	211.40	301.20	678.75	341.95	409.15	297.40	627.10
55	189.50	213.50	305.50	687.00	346.75	415.30	301.55	635.60

Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6	Rate Group 7	Rate Group 8
56	191.60	215.60	309.80	695.25	351.55	421.45	305.70	644.10
57	193.70	217.70	314.10	703.50	356.35	427.60	309.85	652.60
58	195.80	219.80	318.40	711.75	361.15	433.75	314.00	661.10
59	197.90	221.90	322.70	720.00	365.95	439.90	318.15	669.60
60	200.00	224.00	327.00	728.25	370.75	446.05	322.30	678.10
61	202.10	226.10	331.30	736.50	375.55	452.20	326.45	686.60
62	204.20	228.20	335.60	744.75	380.35	458.35	330.60	695.10
63	206.30	230.30	339.90	753.00	385.15	464.50	334.75	703.60
64	208.40	232.40	344.20	761.25	389.95	470.65	338.90	712.10
65	210.50	234.50	348.50	769.50	394.75	476.80	343.05	720.60
66	212.60	236.60	352.80	777.75	399.55	482.95	347.20	729.10
67	214.70	238.70	357.10	786.00	404.35	489.10	351.35	737.60
68	216.80	240.80	361.40	794.25	409.15	495.25	355.50	746.10
69	218.90	242.90	365.70	802.50	413.95	501.40	359.65	754.60
70	221.00	245.00	370.00	810.75	418.75	507.55	363.80	763.10

Express Mail International

Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6	Rate Group 7	Rate Group 8	Rate Group 9	Rate Group 10
0.5	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$19.75
1	23.25	25.50	28.00	27.50	30.50	27.00	32.00	32.00	30.00	22.50
2	25.00	30.00	32.00	30.50	34.75	31.00	37.00	36.85	34.75	25.25
3	26.75	34.50	36.00	33.50	39.00	35.00	42.00	41.70	39.50	28.75
4	28.50	39.00	40.00	36.50	43.25	39.00	47.00	46.55	44.25	32.25
5	30.25	43.50	44.00	39.50	47.50	43.00	52.00	51.40	49.00	35.50
6	32.00	46.10	47.85	43.00	51.25	47.00	57.00	56.40	53.75	39.00
7	33.75	48.70	51.70	46.50	55.00	51.00	62.00	61.40	58.50	42.50
8	35.50	51.30	55.55	50.00	58.75	55.00	67.00	66.40	63.25	46.00
9	37.25	53.90	59.40	53.50	62.50	59.00	72.00	71.40	68.00	49.50
10	39.00	56.50	63.25	57.00	66.25	63.00	77.00	76.40	72.75	52.25
11	41.50	59.10	67.10	61.10	70.00	68.25	82.35	81.40	78.00	55.75
12	44.00	61.70	70.95	65.20	73.75	73.50	87.70	86.40	83.25	59.25
13	46.50	64.30	74.80	69.30	77.50	78.75	93.05	91.40	88.50	62.50
14	49.00	66.90	78.65	73.40	81.25	84.00	98.40	96.40	93.75	66.00
15	51.50	69.50	82.50	77.50	85.00	89.25	103.75	101.40	99.00	69.25
16	54.00	72.10	86.35	81.60	88.75	94.50	109.10	106.40	104.25	72.75
17	56.50	74.70	90.20	85.70	92.50	99.75	114.45	111.40	109.50	76.00
18	59.00	77.30	94.05	89.80	96.25	105.00	119.80	116.40	114.75	79.50
19	61.50	79.90	97.90	93.90	100.00	110.25	125.15	121.40	120.00	82.75
20	64.00	82.50	101.75	98.00	103.75	115.50	130.50	126.40	125.25	86.25
21	66.50	85.10	105.60	102.10	107.50	120.75	135.85	131.40	130.50	89.75
22	69.00	87.70	109.45	106.20	111.25	126.00	141.20	136.40	135.75	93.00
23	71.50	90.30	113.30	110.30	115.00	131.25	146.55	141.40	141.00	96.50
24	74.00	92.90	117.15	114.40	118.75	136.50	151.90	146.40	146.25	99.75
25	76.50	95.50	121.00	118.50	122.50	141.75	157.25	151.40	151.50	103.25
26	79.00	98.10	124.85	122.60	126.25	147.00	162.60	156.40	156.75	106.50
27	81.50	100.70	128.70	126.70	130.00	152.25	167.95	161.40	162.00	110.00
28	84.00	103.30	132.55	130.80	133.75	157.50	173.30	166.40	167.25	113.25
29	86.50	105.90	136.40	134.90	137.50	162.75	178.65	171.40	172.50	116.75
30	89.00	108.50	140.25	139.00	141.25	168.00	184.00	176.40	177.75	120.25
31	91.50	111.10	144.10	143.10	145.00	173.25	189.35	181.40	183.00	123.50
32	94.00	113.70	147.95	147.20	148.75	178.50	194.70	186.40	188.25	127.00
33	96.50	116.30	151.80	151.30	152.50	183.75	200.05	191.40	193.50	130.25
34	99.00	118.90	155.65	155.40	156.25	189.00	205.40	196.40	198.75	133.75
35	101.50	121.50	159.50	159.50	160.00	194.25	210.75	201.40	204.00	137.00
36	104.00	124.10	163.35	163.60	163.75	199.50	216.10	206.40	209.25	140.50
37	106.50	126.70	167.20	167.70	167.50	204.75	221.45	211.40	214.50	144.00
38	109.00	129.30	171.05	171.80	171.25	210.00	226.80	216.40	219.75	147.25
39	111.50	131.90	174.90	175.90	175.00	215.25	232.15	221.40	225.00	150.75
40	114.00	134.50	178.75	180.00	178.75	220.50	237.50	226.40	230.25	154.00
41	116.50	137.10	182.60	184.10	182.50	225.75	242.85	231.40	235.50	157.50
42	119.00	139.70	186.45	188.20	186.25	231.00	248.20	236.40	240.75	160.75
43	121.50	142.30	190.30	192.30	190.00	236.25	253.55	241.40	246.00	164.25
44	124.00	144.90	194.15	196.40	193.75	241.50	258.90	246.40	251.25	167.50
45	126.50	147.50	198.00	200.50	197.50	246.75	264.25	251.40	256.50	171.00
46	129.00	150.10	201.85	204.60	201.25	252.00	269.60	256.40	261.75	174.50
47	131.50	152.70	205.70	208.70	205.00	257.25	274.95	261.40	267.00	177.75
48	134.00	155.30	209.55	212.80	208.75	262.50	280.30	266.40	272.25	181.25
49	136.50	157.90	213.40	216.90	212.50	267.75	285.65	271.40	277.50	184.50
50	139.00	160.50	217.25	221.00	216.25	273.00	291.00	276.40	282.75	188.00
51	141.50	163.10	221.10	225.10	220.00	278.25	296.35	281.40	288.00	191.25
52	144.00	165.70	224.95	229.20	223.75	283.50	301.70	286.40	293.25	194.75
53	146.50	168.30	228.80	233.30	227.50	288.75	307.05	291.40	298.50	198.00
54	149.00	170.90	232.65	237.40	231.25	294.00	312.40	296.40	303.75	201.50
55	151.50	173.50	236.50	241.50	235.00	299.25	317.75	301.40	309.00	205.00
56	154.00	176.10	240.35	245.60	238.75	304.50	323.10	306.40	314.25	208.25
57	156.50	178.70	244.20	249.70	242.50	309.75	328.45	311.40	319.50	211.75
58	159.00	181.30	248.05	253.80	246.25	315.00	333.80	316.40	324.75	215.00

Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6	Rate Group 7	Rate Group 8	Rate Group 9	Rate Group 10
59	161.50	183.90	251.90	257.90	250.00	320.25	339.15	321.40	330.00	218.50
60	164.00	186.50	255.75	262.00	253.75	325.50	344.50	326.40	335.25	221.75
61	166.50	189.10	259.60	266.10	257.50	330.75	349.85	331.40	340.50	225.25
62	169.00	191.70	263.45	270.20	261.25	336.00	355.20	336.40	345.75	228.75
63	171.50	194.30	267.30	274.30	265.00	341.25	360.55	341.40	351.00	232.00
64	174.00	196.90	271.15	278.40	268.75	346.50	365.90	346.40	356.25	235.50
65	176.50	199.50	275.00	282.50	272.50	351.75	371.25	351.40	361.50	238.75
66	179.00	202.10	278.85	286.60	276.25	357.00	376.60	356.40	366.75	242.25
67	-	-	-	290.70	-	362.25	381.95	361.40	372.00	245.50
68	-	-	-	294.80	-	367.50	387.30	366.40	377.25	249.00
69	-	-	-	298.90	-	372.75	392.65	371.40	382.50	252.25
70	-	-	-	303.00	-	378.00	398.00	376.40	387.75	255.75

Express Mail International – Flat Rate

Destination Country	Large Envelope (9.5" x 12.5")
Canada and Mexico	\$22.00
All Other Countries	25.00

Priority Mail International*

Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6	Rate Group 7	Rate Group 8	Rate Group 9	Rate Group 10
1	\$16.00	\$16.50	\$21.00	\$18.50	\$20.00	\$18.50	\$21.00	\$20.00	\$18.00	\$10.20
2	17.30	19.75	25.25	21.75	24.00	22.70	25.50	24.00	21.60	12.10
3	18.60	23.00	29.50	25.00	28.00	26.90	30.00	28.00	25.20	14.30
4	19.90	26.25	33.75	28.25	32.00	31.10	34.50	32.00	28.80	16.60
5	21.20	29.50	38.00	31.50	36.00	35.30	39.00	36.00	32.40	18.70
6	22.50	31.80	41.60	34.65	39.30	39.90	43.50	40.35	35.90	20.90
7	23.80	34.10	45.20	37.80	42.60	44.50	48.00	44.70	39.40	23.10
8	25.10	36.40	48.80	40.95	45.90	49.10	52.50	49.05	42.90	25.40
9	26.40	38.70	52.40	44.10	49.20	53.70	57.00	53.40	46.40	27.70
10	27.70	41.00	56.00	47.25	52.50	58.30	61.50	57.75	49.90	29.90
11	29.10	43.30	59.60	50.85	55.80	62.90	65.85	62.10	53.40	32.20
12	30.50	45.60	63.20	54.45	59.10	67.50	70.20	66.45	56.90	34.40
13	31.90	47.90	66.80	58.05	62.40	72.10	74.55	70.80	60.40	36.60
14	33.30	50.20	70.40	61.65	65.70	76.70	78.90	75.15	63.90	38.70
15	34.70	52.50	74.00	65.25	69.00	81.30	83.25	79.50	67.40	40.90
16	36.10	54.80	77.60	68.85	72.30	85.90	87.60	83.85	70.90	42.90
17	37.50	57.10	81.20	72.45	75.60	90.50	91.95	88.20	74.40	44.85
18	38.90	59.40	84.80	76.05	78.90	95.10	96.30	92.55	77.90	46.85
19	40.30	61.70	88.40	79.65	82.20	99.70	100.65	96.90	81.40	48.85
20	41.70	64.00	92.00	83.25	85.50	104.30	105.00	101.25	84.90	50.80
21	43.10	66.30	95.60	86.85	88.80	108.90	109.35	105.60	88.40	52.80
22	44.50	68.60	99.20	90.45	92.10	113.50	113.70	109.95	91.90	54.80
23	45.90	70.90	102.80	94.05	95.40	118.10	118.05	114.30	95.40	56.75
24	47.30	73.20	106.40	97.65	98.70	122.70	122.40	118.65	98.90	58.75
25	48.70	75.50	110.00	101.25	102.00	127.30	126.75	123.00	102.40	60.70
26	50.10	77.80	113.60	104.85	105.30	131.90	131.10	127.35	105.90	62.65
27	51.50	80.10	117.20	108.45	108.60	136.50	135.45	131.70	109.40	64.65
28	52.90	82.40	120.80	112.05	111.90	141.10	139.80	136.05	112.90	66.60
29	54.30	84.70	124.40	115.65	115.20	145.70	144.15	140.40	116.40	68.55
30	55.70	87.00	128.00	119.25	118.50	150.30	148.50	144.75	119.90	70.55
31	57.10	89.30	131.60	122.85	121.80	154.90	152.85	149.10	123.40	72.50
32	58.50	91.60	135.20	126.45	125.10	159.50	157.20	153.45	126.90	74.45
33	59.90	93.90	138.80	130.05	128.40	164.10	161.55	157.80	130.40	76.40
34	61.30	96.20	142.40	133.65	131.70	168.70	165.90	162.15	133.90	78.35
35	62.70	98.50	146.00	137.25	135.00	173.30	170.25	166.50	137.40	80.30
36	64.10	100.80	149.60	140.85	138.30	177.90	174.60	170.85	140.90	82.40
37	65.50	103.10	153.20	144.45	141.60	182.50	178.95	175.20	144.40	84.50
38	66.90	105.40	156.80	148.05	144.90	187.10	183.30	179.55	147.90	86.65
39	68.30	107.70	160.40	151.65	148.20	191.70	187.65	183.90	151.40	88.70
40	69.70	110.00	164.00	155.25	151.50	196.30	192.00	188.25	154.90	90.80
41	71.10	112.30	167.60	158.85	154.80	200.90	196.35	192.60	158.40	92.85
42	72.50	114.60	171.20	162.45	158.10	205.50	200.70	196.95	161.90	94.95
43	73.90	116.90	174.80	166.05	161.40	210.10	205.05	201.30	165.40	97.05
44	75.30	119.20	178.40	169.65	164.70	214.70	209.40	205.65	168.90	99.10
45	76.70	-	182.00	173.25	168.00	219.30	213.75	210.00	172.40	101.20
46	78.10	-	185.60	176.85	171.30	223.90	218.10	214.35	175.90	103.25
47	79.50	-	189.20	180.45	174.60	228.50	222.45	218.70	179.40	105.35
48	80.90	-	192.80	184.05	177.90	233.10	226.80	223.05	182.90	107.45
49	82.30	-	196.40	187.65	181.20	237.70	231.15	227.40	186.40	109.50
50	83.70	-	200.00	191.25	184.50	242.30	235.50	231.75	189.90	111.55
51	85.10	-	203.60	194.85	187.80	246.90	239.85	236.10	193.40	113.65
52	86.50	-	207.20	198.45	191.10	251.50	244.20	240.45	196.90	115.70
53	87.90	-	210.80	202.05	194.40	256.10	248.55	244.80	200.40	117.85
54	89.30	-	214.40	205.65	197.70	260.70	252.90	249.15	203.90	119.90
55	90.70	-	218.00	209.25	201.00	265.30	257.25	253.50	207.40	122.00
56	92.10	-	221.60	212.85	204.30	269.90	261.60	257.85	210.90	124.05
57	93.50	-	225.20	216.45	207.60	274.50	265.95	262.20	214.40	126.15
58	94.90	-	228.80	220.05	210.90	279.10	270.30	266.55	217.90	128.20
59	96.30	-	232.40	223.65	214.20	283.70	274.65	270.90	221.40	130.30

Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6	Rate Group 7	Rate Group 8	Rate Group 9	Rate Group 10
60	97.70	-	236.00	227.25	217.50	288.30	279.00	275.25	224.90	132.35
61	99.10	-	239.60	230.85	220.80	292.90	283.35	279.60	228.40	134.45
62	100.50	-	243.20	234.45	224.10	297.50	287.70	283.95	231.90	136.50
63	101.90	-	246.80	238.05	227.40	302.10	292.05	288.30	235.40	138.65
64	103.30	-	250.40	241.65	230.70	306.70	296.40	292.65	238.90	140.70
65	104.70	-	254.00	245.25	234.00	311.30	300.75	297.00	242.40	142.80
66	106.10	-	257.60	248.85	237.30	315.90	305.10	301.35	245.90	144.85
67	-	-	-	252.45	240.60	320.50	309.45	305.70	249.40	146.95
68	-	-	-	256.05	243.90	325.10	313.80	310.05	252.90	149.00
69	-	-	-	259.65	247.20	329.70	318.15	314.40	256.40	151.10
70	-	-	-	263.25	250.50	334.30	322.50	318.75	259.90	153.20

* Merchandise is permitted, but written communications having the nature of current and personal correspondence are not permitted.

Priority Mail International – Flat Rate

Priority Mail International – Flat-Rate Envelope*

Destination Country	Large Envelope (9.5" x 12.5")
Canada and Mexico	\$9.00
All Other Countries	11.00

* May contain items that may be sent as First-Class Mail International. The maximum weight is 4 lbs.

Priority Mail International – Flat-Rate Box*

Destination Country	Box
Canada and Mexico	\$23.00
All Other Countries	37.00

* Merchandise is permitted, but written communications having the nature of current and personal correspondence are not permitted. The maximum weight is 20 lbs. or the limit set by the individual country.

Online Discounts*

Service	Global Express Guaranteed	Express Mail International	Priority Mail International
Discount	10%	8%	5%

* These discounts are available to customers who pay for postage online or through authorized postage vendors.

First-Class Mail International

Weight Not Over (Oz.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6
1	\$0.69	\$0.69	\$0.90	\$0.90	\$0.90	\$0.61
2	1.00	1.12	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.07
3	1.31	1.55	2.70	2.70	2.70	1.53
4	1.62	1.98	3.60	3.60	3.60	1.99
5	1.93	2.41	4.50	4.50	4.50	2.45
6	2.24	2.84	5.40	5.40	5.40	2.92
7	2.55	3.27	6.30	6.30	6.30	3.38
8	2.86	3.70	7.20	7.20	7.20	3.84
12	3.76	5.10	8.80	8.65	8.65	5.15
16	4.66	6.50	10.40	10.10	10.10	6.21
20	5.56	7.90	12.00	11.55	11.55	7.27
24	6.46	9.30	13.60	13.00	13.00	8.33
28	7.36	10.70	15.20	14.45	14.45	9.39
32	8.26	12.10	16.80	15.90	15.90	10.45
36	9.16	13.50	18.40	17.35	17.35	11.51
40	10.06	14.90	20.00	18.80	18.80	12.57
44	10.96	16.30	21.60	20.25	20.25	13.63
48	11.86	17.70	23.20	21.70	21.70	14.69
52	12.76	19.10	24.80	23.15	23.15	15.75
56	13.66	20.50	26.40	24.60	24.60	16.81
60	14.56	21.90	28.00	26.05	26.05	17.87
64	15.46	23.30	29.60	27.50	27.50	18.93

Postcards and Postal Cards

Destination Country	Postage Rate
Canada and Mexico	\$0.69
Marshall Islands and Micronesia	0.52
All Other Countries	0.90

IPA and IPA M-Bags

International Priority Airmail

Rate Group	Per Piece	Full Service Per Lb.	ISC Drop Shipment Per Lb.
1	\$0.33	\$4.55	\$3.55
2	0.15	6.10	5.10
3	0.32	7.50	6.50
4	0.32	7.70	6.70
5	0.15	6.50	5.50
6	0.15	5.80	4.80
7	0.15	7.50	6.50
8	0.12	8.00	7.00
9	0.27	8.25	7.25
Worldwide	0.25	8.50	7.50

International Priority Airmail M-Bag – Full Service

Rate Group	Full Service Per Lb.
1	\$2.10
2	2.70
3	3.60
4	5.15
5	4.40
6	4.20
7	4.95
8	4.85
9	5.60

Note: M-bags are subject to the minimum rate for 11 lbs.

International Priority Airmail M-Bag – ISC Drop Shipment

Weight Not Over (Lb.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6	Rate Group 7	Rate Group 8	Rate Group 9
5	\$19.30	\$25.00	\$30.85	\$44.50	\$38.75	\$38.65	\$44.80	\$42.50	\$47.75
6	19.75	25.60	31.85	46.25	39.90	39.45	45.95	43.85	49.60
7	20.20	26.20	32.85	48.00	41.05	40.25	47.10	45.20	51.45
8	20.65	26.80	33.85	49.75	42.20	41.05	48.25	46.55	53.30
9	21.10	27.40	34.85	51.50	43.35	41.85	49.40	47.90	55.15
10	21.55	28.00	35.85	53.25	44.50	42.65	50.55	49.25	57.00
11	22.00	28.60	36.85	55.00	45.65	43.45	51.70	50.60	58.85
Each additional pound or fraction of a pound	2.00	2.60	3.35	5.00	4.15	3.95	4.70	4.60	5.35

ISAL and ISAL M-Bags**International Surface Air Lift**

Rate Group	Per Piece	Full Service Per Lb.	Direct Shipment Per Lb.	ISC Drop Shipment Per Lb.
1	\$0.32	\$3.20	\$2.70	\$2.20
2	0.15	5.15	4.65	4.15
3	0.30	4.00	3.50	3.00
4	0.32	4.35	3.85	3.35
5	0.15	5.45	4.95	4.45
6	0.15	5.55	5.05	4.55
7	0.15	5.45	4.95	4.45
8	0.12	6.60	6.10	5.60
9	0.22	4.45	3.95	3.45

International Surface Air Lift M-Bag – Full Service and Direct Shipment

Rate Group	Full Service Per Lb.	Direct Shipment Per Lb.
1	\$1.60	\$1.60
2	1.70	1.70
3	2.00	2.00
4	2.80	2.80
5	2.35	2.35
6	2.35	2.35
7	2.60	2.60
8	3.25	3.25
9	3.00	3.00

Note: M-bags are subject to the minimum rate for 11 lbs.

International Surface Air Lift M-Bag — ISC Drop Shipment

Weight Not Over (Lb.)	Rate Group 1	Rate Group 2	Rate Group 3	Rate Group 4	Rate Group 5	Rate Group 6	Rate Group 7	Rate Group 8	Rate Group 9
5	\$15.90	\$14.30	\$11.45	\$16.25	\$12.90	\$14.40	\$12.05	\$16.20	\$18.25
6	16.00	14.85	12.75	18.40	14.60	15.85	14.35	19.00	20.25
7	16.10	15.40	14.05	20.55	16.30	17.30	16.65	21.80	22.25
8	16.20	15.95	15.35	22.70	18.00	18.75	18.95	24.60	24.25
9	16.30	16.50	16.65	24.85	19.70	20.20	21.25	27.40	26.25
10	16.40	17.05	17.95	27.00	21.40	21.65	23.55	30.20	28.25
11	16.50	17.60	19.25	29.15	23.10	23.10	25.85	33.00	30.25
Each additional pound or fraction of a pound	1.50	1.60	1.75	2.65	2.10	2.10	2.35	3.00	2.75

M-Bags

Rate Groups	Weight Not Over 11 Lbs.	Additional Per Lb.
RG 1 (Canada)	\$18.70	\$1.70
RG 2 (Mexico)	24.20	2.20
RG 3 (Europe IC/Israel)	31.35	2.85
RG 4 (Japan/Aus/NZ)	49.50	4.50
RG 5 (All Other Countries-retail)	43.45	3.95

Extra Services

Service	Fee
International Postal Money Orders	\$3.85
International Reply Coupons	2.00
International Business Reply Card	0.90
International Business Reply Envelope (up to 2 oz.)	1.40
Customs Clearance and Delivery Fee	5.35
Certificate of Mailing	1.05
Restricted Delivery	4.10
Registered Mail	10.15
Return Receipt	2.15
Pickup On-Demand Fee	14.25

Priority Mail International Insurance

Indemnity Limit Not Over	Canada	All Other Countries
\$50	\$1.65	\$2.40
100	2.05	3.30
200	2.45	4.20
300	4.60	5.10
400	5.50	6.00
500	6.40	6.90
600	7.30	7.80
675	8.20	(¹)
700	(¹)	8.70
² Add'l Indemnity	(¹)	0.90

1. Not Applicable.

2. Each additional \$100 or fraction. See Individual Country Listings for maximum indemnity.

Ordinary Priority Mail International Weight and Indemnity Limits*

Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Indemnity	Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Indemnity	Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Indemnity	Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Indemnity	Weight Not Over (Lbs.)	Indemnity
1	61.28	15	103.00	29	144.72	43	186.44	57	228.16
2	64.26	16	105.98	30	147.70	44	189.42	58	231.14
3	67.24	17	108.96	31	150.68	45	192.40	59	234.12
4	70.22	18	111.94	32	153.66	46	195.38	60	237.10
5	73.20	19	114.92	33	156.64	47	198.36	61	240.08
6	76.18	20	117.90	34	159.62	48	201.34	62	243.06
7	79.16	21	120.88	35	162.60	49	204.32	63	246.04
8	82.14	22	123.86	36	165.58	50	207.30	64	249.02
9	85.12	23	126.84	37	168.56	51	210.28	65	252.00
10	88.10	24	129.82	38	171.54	52	213.26	66	254.98
11	91.08	25	132.80	39	174.52	53	216.24	67	257.96
12	94.06	26	135.78	40	177.50	54	219.22	68	260.94
13	97.04	27	138.76	41	180.48	55	222.20	69	263.92
14	100.02	28	141.74	42	183.46	56	225.18	70	266.90

* This excludes the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope.

Global Express Guaranteed Insurance

Insurance Not Over	All Countries
\$100	No fee
Add'l Insurance*	\$0.75

* Each additional \$100 or fraction. See Individual Country Listings for maximum indemnity.

Express Mail International Merchandise Insurance

Amount of Coverage	Fee
\$0.01 to \$100.00	\$0.00
100.01 to 200.00	0.75
200.01 to 500.00	2.10
500.01 to 1,000.00	3.45
1,000.01 to 1,500.00	4.80
1,500.01 to 2,000.00	6.15
2,000.01 to 2,500.00	7.50
2,500.01 to 3,000.00	8.85
3,000.01 to 3,500.00	10.20
3,500.01 to 4,000.00	11.55
4,000.01 to 4,500.00	12.90
4,500.01 to 5,000.00	14.25

Country Listing

Country	GXG ¹ Rate Group	EMI ² Rate Group	EMI Max. Weight Limit (Lb.)	PMI ³ Rate Group	PMI Max. Weight Limit (Lb.)	PMI Insurance Indemnity Limit (\$)	FCMI ⁴ Rate Group	IPA & ISAL ⁵ Rate Group
A								
Afghanistan	6	-	-	5	66	-	5	8
Albania	4	4	22	4	44	-	5	5
Algeria	4	8	44	8	44	-	5	8
Andorra	5	5	66	5	66	5000	3	3
Angola	4	7	44	7	44	-	5	8
Anguilla	7	9	44	9	22	415	5	6
Antigua & Barbuda	7	-	-	9	22	60	5	6
Argentina	8	9	44	9	44	5000	5	6
Armenia	4	4	44	4	44	875	5	8
Aruba	7	9	44	9	44	830	5	6
Ascension	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5
Australia	6	3	44	3	66	3644	4	9
Austria	5	5	66	5	66	5000	3	3
Azerbaijan	4	4	44	4	70	2915	5	8
B								
Bahamas	7	9	44	9	22	1458/560 ⁶	5	6
Bahrain	6	8	44	8	44	-	5	8
Bangladesh	6	6	44	6	44	5000	5	8
Barbados	7	9	44	9	44	238	5	6
Belarus	4	4	44	4	66	1312	5	5
Belgium	3	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
Belize	8	9	44	9	44	1600	5	6
Benin	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Bermuda	7	9	44	9	44	440	5	6
Bhutan	6	6	44	6	66	22	5	8
Bolivia	8	9	44	9	70	-	5	6
Bosnia-Herzegovina	4	4	66	4	44	5000	5	5
Botswana	4	7	44	7	66	73	5	8
Brazil	8	9	66	9	66	2915	5	6
British Virgin Islands	7	-	-	9	44	500	5	6
Brunei Darussalam	4	6	44	6	44	-	5	7
Bulgaria	4	4	44	4	70	1115	5	5
Burkina Faso	4	7	66	7	66	969	5	8
Burma (Myanmar)	-	-	-	6	22	-	5	8
Burundi	4	7	22	7	66	5000	5	8
C								
Cambodia	8	6	44	6	66	-	5	7
Cameroon	4	7	44	7	66	5000	5	8
Canada	1	1	66	1	66	675	1	1
Cape Verde	4	7	44	7	44	-	5	8
Cayman Islands	7	9	44	9	44	-	5	6
Central African Republic	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Chad	4	7	44	7	44	185	5	8
Chile	8	9	33	9	44	-	5	6
China	6	3	66	3	66	1222	5	7
Colombia	8	9	44	9	66	999	5	6
Comoros	-	-	-	7	44	690	5	8

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Congo, Democratic Republic of the	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Congo, Republic of the	4	7	44	7	44	1685	5	8
Costa Rica	8	9	44	9	66	-	5	6
Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)	4	7	66	7	66	5000	5	8
Croatia	4	4	66	4	66	5000	5	5
Cuba	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	6
Cyprus	6	4	70	4	70	5000	5	8
Czech Republic	4	4	66	4	66	5000	5	5
D								
Denmark	5	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
Djibouti	4	7	44	7	44	880	5	8
Dominica	7	9	44	9	44	-	5	6
Dominican Republic	7	9	44	9	44	-	5	6
E								
Ecuador	8	9	66	9	66	-	5	6
Egypt	6	8	44	8	66	1685	5	8
El Salvador	8	9	33	9	44	-	5	6
Equatorial Guinea	4	7	44	7	22	-	5	8
Eritrea	4	7	66	7	44	-	5	8
Estonia	4	4	66	4	70	2187	5	5
Ethiopia	4	8	44	8	66	-	5	8
F								
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	6
Faroe Islands	5	5	44	5	70	5000	3	5
Fiji	8	6	44	6	44	-	5	7
Finland	5	5	66	5	70	650	3	3
France	3	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
French Guiana	8	9	66	9	66	5000	5	6
French Polynesia	4	6	44	6	66	4519	5	7
G								
Gabon	4	7	44	7	44	523	5	8
Gambia	4	-	-	7	66	-	5	8
Georgia, Republic of	4	4	66	4	44	1458	5	8
Germany	3	5	66	5	70	500	3	3
Ghana	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Gibraltar	4	-	-	5	44	-	3	3
Great Britain & Northern Ireland	3	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
Greece	5	5	66	5	44	650	3	3
Greenland	5	-	-	4	66	5000	3	3
Grenada	7	9	22	9	44	350	5	6
Guadeloupe	7	9	66	9	66	5000	5	6
Guatemala	8	9	44	9	44	-	5	6
Guinea	4	7	44	7	66	948	5	8
Guinea-Bissau	4	7	44	7	66	2915	5	8
Guyana	8	9	44	9	44	10	5	6
H								
Haiti	7	9	70	9	55	-	5	6
Honduras	8	9	44	9	44	-	5	6
Hong Kong	3	3	66	3	66	5000	5	7
Hungary	4	4	44	4	44	5000	5	5

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I								
Iceland	5	5	44	5	70	650	3	3
India	6	6	44	6	44	2189	5	8
Indonesia	6	6	22	6	44	-	5	7
Iran	-	-	-	8	44	-	5	8
Iraq	6	8	44	8	66	-	5	8
Ireland (Eire)	3	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
Israel	6	8	33	8	44	-	3	3
Italy	3	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
J								
Jamaica	7	9	44	9	22	-	5	6
Japan	3	3	66	3	66	5000	4	4
Jordan	6	8	66	8	66	-	5	8
K								
Kazakhstan	4	6	44	6	44	5000	5	8
Kenya	4	7	44	7	70	131	5	8
Kiribati	-	-	-	6	44	-	5	7
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	7
Korea, Republic of (South)	6	3	66	3	44	5000	5	7
Kuwait	6	8	44	8	66	2000	5	8
Kyrgyzstan	4	6	44	6	44	5000	5	5
L								
Laos	8	6	44	6	44	-	5	7
Latvia	4	4	44	4	70	1458	5	5
Lebanon	6	-	-	8	66	65	5	8
Lesotho	4	7	44	7	44	440	5	8
Liberia	4	7	44	7	44	440	5	8
Libya	-	-	-	8	44	-	5	8
Liechtenstein	5	5	66	5	66	5000	3	3
Lithuania	4	4	44	4	70	5000	5	5
Luxembourg	3	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
M								
Macao	3	6	66	6	70	4227	5	5
Macedonia, Republic of	4	4	66	4	70	2380	5	5
Madagascar	4	7	66	7	44	199	5	8
Malawi	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Malaysia	6	6	66	6	66	1429	5	7
Maldives	6	6	44	6	66	-	5	8
Mali	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Malta	5	5	66	5	66	-	5	8
Marshall Islands	4	10	70	10	70	-	6	3
Martinique	7	9	66	9	66	5000	5	6
Mauritania	4	7	44	7	44	635	5	8
Mauritius	4	7	44	7	44	165	5	8
Mexico	2	2	66	2	44	-	2	2
Micronesia	4	10	70	10	70	-	6	3
Moldova	4	4	44	4	70	2915	5	8
Mongolia	4	6	44	6	66	-	5	7
Montserrat	7	-	-	9	44	2200	5	6

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Morocco	4	8	66	8	66	5000	5	8
Mozambique	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
N								
Namibia	4	7	44	7	44	4405	5	8
Nauru	-	6	44	6	44	220	5	7
Nepal	6	6	44	6	44	-	5	7
Netherlands	3	5	66	5	44	650	3	3
Netherlands Antilles	7	9	44	9	44	5000	5	6
New Caledonia	8	6	44	6	66	1775	5	7
New Zealand	6	6	44	6	66	1025	4	4
Nicaragua	8	9	44	9	66	-	5	6
Niger	4	7	70	7	70	-	5	8
Nigeria	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Norway	5	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
O								
Oman	6	8	44	8	44	575	5	8
P								
Pakistan	6	6	22	6	70	867	5	8
Panama	8	9	66	9	70	-	5	6
Papua New Guinea	8	6	44	6	44	445	5	7
Paraguay	8	9	44	9	66	-	5	6
Peru	8	9	66	9	70	-	5	6
Philippines	6	6	44	6	44	-	5	7
Pitcairn Island	-	-	-	6	22	-	5	7
Poland	4	4	44	4	44	5000	5	5
Portugal	5	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
Q								
Qatar	6	8	44	8	70	-	5	8
R								
Reunion	4	-	-	9	66	5000	5	8
Romania	4	4	22	4	70	5000	5	5
Russia	4	4	44	4	44	5000	5	5
Rwanda	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
S								
St. Christopher (St. Kitts) & Nevis	7	9	44	9	44	242	5	6
Saint Helena	-	-	-	7	44	170	5	8
Saint Lucia	7	9	44	9	44	-	5	6
Saint Pierre & Miquelon	-	-	-	4	66	5000	5	6
Saint Vincent & Grenadines	7	9	44	9	22	130	5	6
San Marino	3	5	66	5	66	5000	3	3
Sao Tome & Principe	-	-	-	7	44	440	5	5
Saudi Arabia	4	8	66	8	66	-	5	8
Senegal	4	7	44	7	66	936	5	8
Serbia-Montenegro (Yugoslavia)	4	5	70	5	70	5000	5	5
Seychelles	4	7	44	7	70	-	5	8
Sierra Leone	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Singapore	3	6	66	6	66	5000	5	7
Slovak Republic (Slovakia)	4	5	66	5	66	650	5	5
Slovenia	4	5	66	5	66	650	5	5
Solomon Islands	-	6	44	6	44	-	5	7

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Somalia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
South Africa	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Spain	5	5	66	5	44	650	3	3
Sri Lanka	6	6	44	6	66	35	5	8
Sudan	-	7	44	7	44	-	5	8
Suriname	8	-	-	9	44	535	5	6
Swaziland	4	7	44	7	44	560	5	8
Sweden	5	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
Switzerland	5	5	66	5	66	650	3	3
Syrian Arab Republic (Syria)	6	8	44	8	70	-	5	8
T								
Taiwan	3	6	33	6	44	1350	5	7
Tajikistan	-	6	44	6	66	5000	5	8
Tanzania	4	7	22	7	66	248	5	8
Thailand	6	6	44	6	66	1458	5	7
Togo	4	7	44	7	70	-	5	8
Tonga	4	-	-	6	44	515	5	7
Trinidad & Tobago	7	9	44	9	44	-	5	6
Tristan da Cunha	-	-	-	7	22	-	5	8
Tunisia	4	8	44	8	66	3834	5	8
Turkey	6	4	44	4	66	952	5	5
Turkmenistan	4	6	44	6	44	729	5	5
Turks & Caicos Islands	7	-	-	9	44	-	5	6
Tuvalu	-	-	-	6	55	675	5	7
U								
Uganda	4	7	22	7	66	-	5	8
Ukraine	4	4	44	4	66	5000	5	8
United Arab Emirates	6	8	44	8	70	5000	5	8
Uruguay	8	9	44	9	66	-	5	6
Uzbekistan	4	-	-	6	70	5000	5	8
V								
Vanuatu	8	6	22	6	44	-	5	7
Vatican City	3	5	66	5	44	2380	3	3
Venezuela	8	9	44	9	66	-	5	6
Vietnam	6	6	44	6	70	-	5	7
W								
Wallis & Futuna Islands	4	-	-	6	66	1615	5	7
Western Samoa	4	6	44	6	44	295	5	7
Y								
Yemen	6	8	66	8	66	820	5	8
Z								
Zambia	4	7	44	7	66	-	5	8
Zimbabwe	4	7	44	7	44	-	5	8

1. Global Express Guaranteed®.

2. Express Mail International®.

3. Priority Mail International.

4. First-Class Mail International.

5. International Priority Airmail® (IPA®) and International Surface Air Lift® (ISAL®). ISAL service is not available to all countries. See IMM Individual Country Listings for availability.

6. Bahamas: PMI Indemnity limit is 1458 to Nassau and Freeport and 560 to all other locations.

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Communications

Introduction

Here is a brief description of some of the contents of the Field Implementation Kit that are designed to help you effectively communicate the price and product changes to employees and customers. *Note: This kit does not contain information on the changes to Periodicals mail scheduled for implementation July 15.*

Quick Tips for Retail Units — Getting Prepared for Price Implementation

Useful tips are outlined for preparing your staff, your office, your customers, and most of all, you, for the upcoming implementation. Also included are retail rate implementation action items and checklists for Retail Operations, Alternate Access Channels, Vending, Stamps by Mail, and IRTs.

Stand-up Talks

Several stand-up talks are provided for postmasters and supervisors to use when preparing to talk to employees. The talks are designed to address impacts specific to employee groups. The better we communicate with our employees, the easier the transition will be.

Stand-up talks should be delivered as soon as possible, especially those talks directed to employees with frequent contact with customers. The talks address the following functional areas:

- Managers and administrative employees.
- Retail associates.
- Bulk mail center and auxiliary facilities employees.
- Business mail entry employees (including mailpiece design analysts).
- Clerks, mail handlers, city carriers, and rural carriers at delivery units.

- Processing and distribution clerks and mail handlers.
- International Service Center employees.

Fact Sheets and Frequently Asked Questions

The kit provides fact sheets for all classes of mail, extra services and other fees, and international mail. The fact sheets answer questions that could arise from customers and explain the changes in detail. The frequently asked questions (FAQs) and answers are intended to help you respond to customers and employees.

Letter Templates

The kit contains sample letter templates to use when corresponding with customers. You may use the text to develop your own localized letters or handouts. Words in bracketed italics should be deleted and replaced with customized information specific to your office, customers, and needs.

Phone Script/Talking Points — Responding to Customer Questions

The Phone Script/Talking Points is another useful tool that can be used by postmasters, Consumer Affairs managers, and others when responding to customer questions and concerns. Keep a copy near every telephone in your office.

Tools and Resources

Tools and resources include informational DVDs, webinar schedules, and other helpful information on the upcoming changes. This information is listed by employee group for your convenience. Also, a list of current district rate implementation coordinators is provided. Rate implementation coordinators are an excellent resource to help answer questions on the changes.

Quick Tips for Retail Units — Getting Prepared for Price Implementation

Preparing Your Staff

- Make certain all retail associates receive and participate in the formal rate case training.
- Utilize the rate case training DVD to re-enforce the formal training.
- Conduct stand-up talks starting on page [92](#). Distribute the carrier tear pads to carriers and the Quick Reference Guides, Notice 3-P template, and Smart Mat to retail associates (see Retail Tools Table).
- Ensure retail associates have a sufficient supply of booklets and sheetlets of the *Forever Stamp*[™], which will be available for sale on April 12, 2007.
- Ensure retail associates have a sufficient supply of new stamps and 2-cent stamps.
- Make certain that swing room posters are posted in employee break areas.

Retail Tools

Title	PSIN	PSN	Distribution	Target Receipt Date
Quick Reference Guide	7610-10-000-0490	PUB 214	All Post Offices™, stations, and branches, etc.	May 14
Smart Mat (Interim)	N/A	N/A	POS offices	May 14
Smart Mat (Permanent)	7610-10-000-0491	PUB 215	POS offices, CPUs, etc.	Several weeks after May 14
Notice 3-P, Parcel Surcharge Guide Template	7610-07-000-4874		All manual, IRT, and CPU offices	May 14

Preparing Your Office

- Inventory 1-cent and 2-cent stamps on hand. Place special orders at your stamp distribution office (SDO) if more are needed.
- Make sure two automatic distributions of 41 cents stamps are received. Contact your SDO if additional shipments are needed.
- Ensure vending equipment is stocked with new stamps and make-up stamps. Check vending supply several times per day and restock as needed and just before closing. The vending make-up product available will be 50 1-cent stamps (1-cent *American Kestrel*, Item # 314100) for the PCM-1625 and PBM-624s.
- Staff all retail units appropriately to handle increased customer demands in lobbies.
- Make sure postmasters, station managers, and supervisors monitor the lobby and assist customers.
- Review retail rate implementation action items for Retail Operations, APC®, Self Service Vending, Stamps by Mail®, and IRT, all of which are found in this Field Implementation Kit.
- Remove all old price information. Replace with new price information. Ensure updated signage is

installed in the lobby, and that menu boards and parcel slides (if applicable) are updated.

- Place telephone script (see page 121) and new price information (see [DMM Rates Module](#) and [International Rate Tables and Rate Groups](#)) by each telephone.
- Ensure retail associates are confident and ready to answer customer questions on pricing by shape, dimensional-weight pricing for Priority Mail® and Express Mail® Flat-Rate Envelopes, the nonmachinable surcharge, Delivery Confirmation™ and Signature Confirmation™ services for First-Class Mail parcels, and new Priority Mail zones.

Preparing Your Customers

- Inform customers of the new prices and suggest purchasing the *Forever Stamp*™ and new *American Flag* stamp prior to the implementation date.
- Be sure to inform all commercial mail receiving agencies (CMRAs), universities, colleges, hotels, and other large stamp-order customers of the changes and make arrangements for them to buy stamps in advance.
- Ensure point of purchase brochures are distributed and ample supply is on hand.

Frequently Asked Questions for Retail Units – Getting Prepared for Price Implementation

Q. Will international rates change?

A. Yes, in addition to the prices changing, the international product line will be simplified.

Q. Will First-Class Mail® envelopes and stamped cards need to be revalued?

A. No. New envelopes will be available for sale.

Q. Will there be enough quantities of the Forever Stamp™ and new American Flag stamps available for sale?

A. Yes, the initial run will be 3 billion copies of the *Forever Stamp* and 4.5 billion of other

nondenominated stamps. The *Forever Stamp* will remain on sale and an additional 1 billion will be produced this year. Two automatic distributions are scheduled to ensure sufficient quantities are available. Backup supplies are available at your local stamp distribution office (SDO).

Q. Will there be enough 2-cent stamps available for sale?

A. Yes, more than 3 billion 2-cent stamps are being produced. To ensure sufficient quantities are available at every retail unit, two automatic distributions are

scheduled. Backup supplies are available at your local SDO.

Q. *What are the plans to promote the Forever Stamp early?*

A. The *Forever Stamp* will go on sale April 12, 2007. They will be available then in booklets only. Retail associates should encourage customers to purchase the *Forever Stamp* or nondenominated *American Flag* stamps during the weeks preceding the price change. Associates are also being asked to advise customers of the upcoming price change, so that customers have the option of purchasing enough new stamps to avoid a return trip.

Q. *What promotion(s) are planned to encourage customers to purchase 2-cent stamps early?*

A. Retail associates are being asked to offer 2-cent stamps in lieu of change during the weeks preceding the price change. Associates are also being asked to advise customers of the upcoming price change, so that customers have the option of purchasing the nondenominated stamp and avoid a return trip.

Q. *Will there be sufficient stamp stock for vending?*

A. Yes, sufficient quantities will be available. The *Forever Stamp* booklet of 20 along with the nondenominated *American Flag* booklet will be the primary stamp vending booklets. Vending stamp products will **not have** an automatic shipment, and offices with vending equipment must order the product they need.

Q. *Will there be sufficient stamp stock for APC?*

A. Yes, sufficient quantities will be available. This time, additional packets of new *American Flag* stamp and

quantities of the *Forever Stamp* are being produced based on previous orders and usage.

Q. *Will updates for IRTs and POS ONE units be available on time?*

A. Yes, disks for updating IRTs will be sent to district IRT coordinators in May 2007. POS ONE updates will occur over the network.

Q. *Electronic scales are located in our lobbies for customer use. These require a chip containing new prices. How do we obtain updated chips?*

A. Headquarters is **not** supporting any existing scales for this rate case because of the variety of scales in use. Each office will need to contact the manufacturer of their specific scale to identify what is available for the rate case.

Manual offices that were using the obsolete Triner 70 lb. Fan Scale at retail counters will be getting a Pitney Bowes electronic scale shipped directly to them with a Fiscal Year 2007 price chip. For a list of offices scheduled to receive this scale, go to http://blue.usps.gov/delret/L4RetSrvEqp_Vending.htm; under "Projects" click *Electronic Scales*.

Q. *Will there be a suspension of stamp stock limits for the automatic shipments we receive when prices change?*

A. Yes, the stamp stock limit will be temporarily suspended effective April 1 through July 31, 2007. (See page 10 of this *Postal Bulletin* for more information.)

Q. *What do we do with excess stock we receive with the automatic shipments?*

A. Excess stock may be returned as long as it is in the original package. The seal must be intact. Communicate with your SDO prior to returning any stock.

Retail Operations

Retail Operations Time Line

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	Maintain contact with rate implementation coordinator for information-material updates and guidance.	Manager, Retail	Ongoing	
2	Develop contingency plan to address additional lobby traffic.	Manager, Retail	3/14/2007	5/14/2007
3	SDO — Prepare and ship price-related stock.	SDO, Retail	3/8/2007	5/14/2007
4	Upon receiving stock, verify for accuracy. Immediately notify SDO if quantity is not sufficient. Follow normal accounting procedures as described in Handbook F-1, <i>Post Office Accounting Procedures</i> .	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	3/8/2007	
5	Issue <i>Forever Stamp</i> TM stock to retail employees and other retail channels immediately upon receipt.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	4/6/2007	
6	Issue stamp stock to retail employees and other retail channels immediately upon receipt.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	TBD	
7	Rate-case train the trainer.	Retail, Area	3/27/2007	3/28/2007

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
8	Conduct training for the retail-unit employees with the rate-case training material to ensure employees can comply with the new prices and products.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	4/1/2007	
9	Ensure all retail-unit employees are prepared to handle issues regarding new prices. Deliver rate change stand-up talks so retail employees are aware of price changes and how to communicate changes to customers.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	4/1/2007	
10	Ensure that Contract Postal Units (CPUs) and Community Post Offices (CPOs) staff are knowledgeable about the new prices and are prepared to address customer concerns.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	3/30/2007	
11	Ensure CPUs, CPOs, Post Offices™, and retail units receive price charts, posters, brochures, manuals, and publications as applicable.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	4/30/2007	
12	Ensure pre-rate change lobby poster featuring the <i>Forever Stamp</i> is received and placed in the lobby.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	3/26/2007	
13	Ensure rate signage is installed on menu boards and parcel slides in all offices and postal stores.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	Week of April 29, 2007	
14	Ensure all APCs, IRTs (including those at CPUs), electronic scales, and RAMM 60s for CPUs are updated with new prices.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	5/2/2007	
15	Ensure POS system is properly closed out to receive download of new software and data files.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	5/12/2007 or 5/13/2007	
16	Ensure new rate information is displayed in customer lobbies and old price information is removed and disposed of.	Postmasters, Station/ Branch Managers	5/12/2007 or 5/13/2007	5/14/2007

Approved Shippers Time Line

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	Software updates — USPS-approved shippers use postage meters to dispense postage. The postage vendors will automatically update this.	Postage vendors		
2	Stamps — Approved shippers buy stamps from www.usps.com or their local Post Office. The <i>Forever Stamp</i> ™ will go on sale April 12, 2007.	Approved shippers	4/16/2007	Ongoing
3	Communications — Newsletter	AMPC	4/16/2007	4/20/2007
4	Field Guide	HQ Retail Access Channels	2/12/2007	5/14/2007
5	The USPS Approved Shipper Product Guide will need to be updated.	HQ Retail Access Channels	1/11/2007	5/14/2007
6	USPS-approved shipper signage will need to be updated.	HQ Retail Access Channels	3/12/2007	5/14/2007

APC Time Line

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	Software updates — Programming must be done. There will be an automatic download of software prior to the rate case that is packaged in a wrapper. It will be activated the day before or the day of the rate case.	Raleigh ITEA	10/3/2006	4/27/2007
2	Post Activity — Clean up sites that did not get the software download.	Raleigh ITEA	4/21/2007	4/27/2007
3	Data Updates — Files developed by USPS will be distributed but not activated until the date of the price change.	Raleigh ITEA	4/21/2007	4/27/2007
4	Stamps — Offices will receive new stamps to support the price changes.	SDO	TBD	5/14/2007

Contract Postal Unit Time Line

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	Software updates — A chip will be sent to RAMM 60 sites. IRTs will get updates from their local Post Office. Meters will be updated by the manufacturer or vendor.	Vendors/Local Post Offices	11/1/2006	5/1/2007
2	Stamps — RAMM 60 sites need to order stamps. Other sites (meters and IRT) will receive stamps from the SDO.	ABN/SDO	11/1/2006	4/1/2007

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
3	Communications — Instruction on chip install will be provided with chip. Updated poster will be provided to all sites and updated menu boards to PB sites. There is separate training for RAMM 60 sites. Other CPU locations should be trained through their local Post Office. The Web site will be updated as necessary.	Retail/Vendors/Local Post Offices	11/1/2006	5/1/2007

IRT Time Line

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	Receive <i>Forever Stamp</i> ™ update diskettes v66 release notes/ installation instructions for IRTs in bulk via Express Mail service.	IRT Coordinator	3/22/2007	3/22/2007
2	Contact the IRT hotline at 800-247-6478 if an insufficient quantity or no diskettes are received by the expected date.	IRT Coordinator	3/23/2007	3/23/2007
3	Mail IRT <i>Forever Stamp</i> ™ v66 software and information to IRT sites, including CPUs, immediately after they are received.	IRT Coordinator	3/23/2007	
4	Contact the district IRT coordinator by telephone and/or e-mail if no disk is received.	IRT Coordinator	3/28/2007	3/28/2007
5	Install update disk before opening for business on April 1 or next day of business.	IRT Coordinator	4/1/2007	4/1/2007
6	Receive rate-change diskettes v67 and release notes/installation instructions for IRTs in bulk via Express Mail service.	IRT Coordinator	4/23/2007	4/23/2007
7	Contact the IRT hotline at 800-247-6478 if an insufficient quantity or no diskettes are received by the expected date.	IRT Coordinator	4/24/2007	4/24/2007
8	Mail IRT rate change software and information to IRT sites, including CPUs, immediately after expected date.	IRT Coordinator	4/25/2007	3/27/2007
9	Contact the district IRT coordinator by telephone and/or e-mail if no disk is received.	Postmaster of IRT Office	5/1/2007	5/1/2007
10	Install update disk before opening for business on the first day of the price change. Install on IRTs by following instructions.	Postmaster of IRT Office	5/5/2007	5/14/2007
11	If update disk is found to be faulty at the last minute, do not wait for a new disk to be mailed. Borrow an update disk from a neighboring retail unit.	Postmaster of IRT Office	ASAP	

POS Time Line

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	Software updates — Programming must be done. There will be an automatic download of software that is packaged in a wrapper prior to the rate case. It will be activated the day before or the day of the rate case.	Raleigh ITEA	4/17/2007	5/7/2007
2	Post activity — Clean up sites that did not get the software download.	Raleigh ITEA	4/18/2007	5/7/2007
3	Data updates — Files developed by USPS will be distributed but not activated until the date of the price change.	Raleigh ITEA	5/2/2007	5/14/2007
4	Stamps — Offices will receive new stamps to support the rate case. The <i>Breast Cancer Research</i> semipostal stamp revaluation process is instructed in this issue of the <i>Postal Bulletin</i> for the rate case on May 14, 2007.	SDO	TBD	5/14/2007
5	Communications — A Functionality Guide will be distributed electronically 2 weeks prior to the software release.	Retail Operations	4/1/2007	5/14/2007
6	Rate case training.	Retail Operations	4/1/2007	4/21/2007

RAMM 60 Time Line

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	Software updates — Chip will be sent to RAMM 60 sites.	HQ Retail Access Channels	11/1/2006	5/1/2007
2	Stamps — RAMM 60 sites need to order stamps.	RAMM 60 Sites	11/1/2006	Ongoing
3	Communications — Instruction on chip install will be provided with chip. Updated poster will be provided to all sites and updated menu boards to PB sites. RAMM 60 sites will have specific training for their locations that needs to be provided by the local Post Office.	HQ Retail Access Channels	11/1/2006	5/1/2007

Lobby Scale Upgrade Information

Individual offices will be responsible for updating their scales in Post Offices™. Headquarters (HQ) will not be coordinating any support for scales. Contact your specific scale manufacturer for instructions on entering new price information.

Mechanical Scales (Fan Scales)

Smaller Post Offices and some retail units use small fan scales (12 oz., 16 oz., and 2 lb.) at the retail counter. HQ will

not be purchasing price charts for these scales. HQ is replacing the obsolete 70 lb. Triner fan scales in identified offices. These offices will be receiving a Pitney Bowes electronic scale with a FY 2007 rate chip at the beginning of May from the vendor. For a list of offices receiving the electronic scale go to the Web site at http://blue.usps.gov/delret/L4RetSrvEqp_Vending.htm; under "Projects," click on *Electronic Scales*.

Alternate Channels

Vending Time Line

Rate Case Checklist Task	Responsibility	Time Line	
		Start	Complete
1 Download the new product identifiers. These are found on the Retail Service Equipment Web site at http://eagmnmsg10d/VFO/vfo_2007RateCase.htm . See Item Prices for Rate Change Vending Products for the complete list of products by item number.	Vending servicing employee, supervisor	April 6, 2007	
2 a) Stock machines (PBSM-624 and PC-1625) with the old booklets and <i>Forever Stamp™</i> booklets on April 14, 2007. Follow the instructions in the machine model maintenance series handbooks. Pricing updates can be found on the Web site at http://eagmnmsg10d/VFO/vfo_2007RateCase.htm . b) Set the prices on the keypad for newer machines or on the program board for older machines. c) Change the product display as necessary.	Vending servicing employee	April 14, 2007	
3 Print Label 223 for the single-stamp vending machines. New labels can be downloaded from the Web site at http://eagmnmsg10d/VFO/vfo_2007RateCase.htm .	Vending servicing employee	April 21, 2007	

Sample Label 223, May 2007

Label 223 — May 2007				
1-41c 4-1c for 45c Use as of 5/14/07	1-41c 4-1c for 45c Use as of 5/14/07	1-41c 4-1c for 45c Use as of 5/14/07	1-41c 4-1c for 45c Use as of 5/14/07	1-41c 4-1c for 45c Use as of 5/14/07
2-41c 3-1c for 85c Use as of 5/14/07	2-41c 3-1c for 85c Use as of 5/14/07	2-41c 3-1c for 85c Use as of 5/14/07	2-41c 3-1c for 85c Use as of 5/14/07	2-41c 3-1c for 85c Use as of 5/14/07
3-41c 2-1c for \$1.25 Use as of 5/14/07	3-41c 2-1c for \$1.25 Use as of 5/14/07	3-41c 2-1c for \$1.25 Use as of 5/14/07	3-41c 2-1c for \$1.25 Use as of 5/14/07	3-41c 2-1c for \$1.25 Use as of 5/14/07
5-41c for \$2.05 Use as of 5/14/07	5-41c for \$2.05 Use as of 5/14/07	5-41c for \$2.05 Use as of 5/14/07	5-41c for \$2.05 Use as of 5/14/07	5-41c for \$2.05 Use as of 5/14/07
PRICES FOR SINGLE-STAMP VENDING MACHINES				

Label 223 is used in single-stamp machines to identify the available stamps. New Label 223 labels can be downloaded from the Web site at http://eagrnmsg10d/VFO/vfo_2007RateCase.htm.

Item Prices for Rate Change Vending Products

Item #	Price	Description	For Machines
314100	\$.50	50 1-cent <i>American Kestrel</i>	PCM-1625B and PBSM-624s
315900	.60	30 2-cent <i>Navajo Necklace</i>	PCM-1625B and PBSM-624s
569900	7.38	ATM <i>Forever Stamp</i> Sheetlets of 18	Automated Postal Centers (APCs)
676500	8.20	Book of 20 <i>Forever Stamp</i> Booklets (Straight)	PCM-1625B
676511	8.20	Book of 20 <i>Forever Stamp</i> Booklets (X-Cross)	PBSM-624, PBSM-624B PBM-2A, 6, 7
784401	41.00	Nondenominated <i>American Flag</i> Coil of 100	PCM-1625B
225000	1.40	Pineapple Banded Stamped Postcards	PCM-1625B, PBSM-624s
367200	5.50	<i>Breast Cancer Research</i> Semipostal Stamp Vending Stamp Pack of 10	PCM-1625B
781500	30.00	1-cent <i>Tiffany Lamp</i> Coil of 3000	53 Series — Single-Stamp Machines
784500	1,230.00	Nondenominated <i>American Flag</i> Coil of 3000	All Single-Stamp Machines and PBSM-624

Vending Model and Instructions

Price change instructions for vending models can be found on the Retail Service Equipment Web site: http://eagrnmsg10d/VFO/vfo_2007RateCase.htm for the following vending machines: PBM-2A, PBM-6, PBM-7, PBSM-624, PBSM-624B, PCM-1625B, PSM-22, PSM-22B PSM-53C Modified, and PSM-53D. Available in two formats: 1. Model Manual. 2. User friendly guide specific to FY 07 Rate Case. Obsolete machines will not have instructions and you will have to use instructions of current model counterparts. Replace obsolete models with current models.

Forever Stamp Booklets (20 stamps)

As of April 14, 2007, all vending sites with PBM-624 and PCM-1625 are eligible to stock and sell the new *Forever Stamp*, for the price change effective May 14, 2007. These stamps are in 20-stamp booklets at a cost of \$8.20.

All shipments have been completed and are available at accountable paper depository (APD), stamp distribution office (SDO), and stamp service center (SSC) locations. Stock these booklets in postal book/stamp machine (PBSM) models PBSM-624 and PBSM-624B, and in postal commodity machine (PCM) models PCM-1625A and PCM-1625B. These stamps will **not** be an automatic shipment. You will need to order the appropriate stock for your vending machines.

From April 14, 2007, to May 13, 2007, stock these machines with *both* the *Forever Stamp* booklet and the

existing 39-cent booklets. Beginning May 14, 2007, 39-cent booklets must be removed and replaced with the *Forever Stamp* booklets.

The book of 50 1-cent *American Kestrel* stamps will be the vending make-up stamp package placed in PBSM-624s and PCM-1625s on April 30, 2007.

Use the numbers from the table above when ordering these vending products from your SDO. As other vending products become available, they will be announced in the *Postal Bulletin*.

Automated Postal Center (APC)

As of April 14, 2007, all APC sites are eligible to stock the Repository/Vault with the new *Forever Stamp* for the rate change effective May 14, 2007.

The *Forever Stamp* in sheetlet form cannot be put into the kiosk for sale until May 14, 2007. The stamps come in 18-stamp sheetlets at a cost of \$7.38. From April 14, 2007, to May 13, 2007, *Forever Stamp* sheetlets should remain in the APC Repository/Vault until the effective sale date of May 14, 2007.

Beginning on May 14, 2007, any 39-cent and 37-cent sheetlets must be removed from the APC kiosk and Repository/Vault and replaced with the new *Forever Stamp* sheetlets.

Use the numbers from the following table when ordering the APC sheetlet from your SDO.

Item #	Price	Description	For Machines
569900	\$7.38	ATM <i>Forever Stamp</i> Sheetlet of 18	Automated Postal Centers (APCs)

Automated Postal Center (APC) Checklist

Table Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	As of April 12, 2007, all APC sites are eligible to stock the new <i>Forever Stamp</i> sheetlet in the Repository/Vault for the rate change effective May 14, 2007.	APC supervisor APC servicing employee	April 12, 2007	
2	These stamps come in 18-stamp <i>Forever Stamp</i> sheetlets at a cost of \$7.38. From April 14, 2007, to May 13, 2007, sheetlets should remain in the APC Repository/Vault until being loaded in the APC kiosk on May 14th.	APC supervisor APC servicing employee	April 12, 2007	
3	Beginning on May 14, 2007, all 37-cent sheetlets and 39-cent stamps must be removed from the APC kiosk and Repository/Vault and replaced with the new <i>Forever Stamp</i> sheetlets.	APC supervisor APC servicing employee	May 14, 2007	

Automated Postal Centers

Retail Access Channels – Stamps by Mail Time Line

Task	Responsibility	Time Line		
		Start	Complete	
1	Distribute SBM template to areas, district offices, and centralized and decentralized SBM fulfillment sites. Once price is confirmed, the templates will be e-mailed to the area retail managers, who will be requested to share the information with district retail managers and SBM fulfillment sites. See Attachment A.	Headquarters	April 2007	April 2007
2	Make sufficient copies of rate template to go with order forms. Distribute template once price is confirmed. Fulfillment personnel will include template with all orders until order form with new prices is completed.	District Retail Specialists and Postmasters	April 2007	
3	Distribute new rate change insert. Include with fulfillment of all orders. Insert to be distributed to areas and districts by rate implementation team. Areas and districts will provide this to SBM fulfillment sites.	District Retail Specialists and Postmasters	April 2007	
4	Distribute rate change letter to customers who have submitted orders using old order forms after the rate implementation has taken effect. This letter is to be used after prices have changed and the customer has paid according to old prices. Print sufficient copies of letter from the rate package. See Attachment B.	District Retail Specialists and Postmasters	May 2007	
5	Review SBM General Information letter. See Attachment C.	District Retail Specialists and Postmasters	April 2007	
6	Share the following information with SBM centralized and decentralized fulfillment sites. SBM order forms (PS Forms 3227-A and 3227-B) with new prices will be provided between April 1 and April 30 to the 50 centralized sites and those decentralized sites that placed orders with the printer (Cyril-Scott) for the April 1, 2007, print run. For additional details, please refer to <i>Postal Bulletin</i> 22199 (2-1-07, page 59). The next print cycle cut-off date for decentralized sites to order brochures (order forms) is May 14, 2007.	District Retail Specialists and Postmasters	April 2007	

Stamps by Mail — Attachments A–C

Retail Access Channels — Stamps by Mail Template, Attachment A

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE®		STAMPS BY MAIL® ORDER FORM	
Please fill out clearly and completely.			
AREA CODE	DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER	0407	04/07
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	
Company Name (if applicable)			
Mailing Address/PO Box		Apt./Suite	
City	State	ZIP+4®	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	QTY. COST
1	41¢ First-Class™ Rate Roll(s) – 100 Stamps per roll – U.S. Flag	\$41.00	
2	41¢ First-Class Rate Booklet(s) – 20 Stamps per booklet – Forever Stamp	\$8.20	
3	2¢ Stamps – 20 Stamps – Navajo Jewelry*	\$4.40	
4	80¢ Stamps – 5 Stamps – Mount McKinley**	\$4.00	
5	17¢ Stamps – 10 Stamps – Big Horn Sheep***	\$1.70	
*May be combined for the \$ 41 First-Class Rate			
**First ounce for First-Class Rate Flat-Sized Mail			
***Additional ounce for First-Class Rate for Letter and Flat Mail. Expected availability – June 2007			
Total Cost of Order		\$	
<small>PRIVACY Act Statement: Your information will be used to fulfill your request. Collection is authorized by 39 U.S.C. 401, 403, & 404.</small>			
<small>Providing the information is voluntary, but if not provided, we may not process your transaction. We do not disclose your information to third parties without your consent, except to facilitate the transaction, to act on your behalf or request, or as legally required. This includes the following limited circumstances: to a congressional office on your behalf; to financial entities regarding financial transaction issues; to a U.S. Postal Service auditor; to entities, including law enforcement, as required by law or in legal proceedings; and to contractors and other entities aiding us to fulfill the service [service providers]. For more information regarding our privacy policy visit us at usps.com.</small>			
PS Form 3227-A – April 2007		©2007 United States Postal Service	

Retail Access Channels — Stamps by Mail Customers Template for Postal Service Letterhead, Attachment B

Dear Stamps by Mail Customer:

The Postal Service has changed prices and fees for all classes of mail and extra services effective Monday, May 14, 2007.

We received your Stamps by Mail order after the price change. Rather than return your order to you unfulfilled, we have enclosed the value of new stamps equal to your payment. We are also enclosing an order form with the new prices. When you are ready to place another order, please use the enclosed order form.

Thank you for the continued use of our Stamps by Mail program. We look forward to serving you in the future.

Sincerely,

Name

Title

Retail Access Channels — Stamps by Mail General Information for Retail Managers and Postmasters, Attachment C

The first Stamps by Mail (SBM) order forms to support the new prices will be available between April 1 and April 30, 2007. The old SMB order forms should not be used after the price changes effective, Monday, May 14, 2007, unless you have included a template with the rate or a rate change (brochure) order form.

If the SBM form with the new prices is not available on time, there are several things to be done to ensure customers can continue to use this service and are aware of the price changes:

- Copy the SBM rate change template provided by the area and include with all orders.
- Do not plan any further saturation mailings of the current SBM forms unless you can include the rate change template with the form.
- Ensure that SBM forms with the old prices are not in lobbies beginning May 14, 2007, unless you can include the rate change template with the form.
- If you have a lobby director, have this person distribute SBM order forms with the rate change template to customers in the lobby.

Postage Stamp and Stationery Information

Nondenominated Stamp Issues – First-Class Rate

Description	Adhesive	Item No.	Format	On Sale Date	Stamp Printer
American Flag	PSA	102700	Pane 20	4/12/07	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd.
American Flag	Gum	106400	Pane 100	4/12/07	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd.
American Flag	PSA	784400	Coil 100	4/12/07	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd., Avery Dennison, Sennett Security Products
American Flag	Gum	784500	Coil 3,000	4/12/07	Sennett Security Products
American Flag	PSA	785000	Coil 10,000	4/12/07	Sennett Security Products
American Flag	Gum	785200	Coil 100	4/12/07	Sennett Security Products
American Flag	Gum	785300	Coil 10,000	4/12/07	Sennett Security Products
Forever Stamp	PSA	569900	ATM Sheetlet 18	4/12/07	Avery Dennison
Forever Stamp	PSA	676500	Vending Booklet 20	4/12/07	Sennett Security Products
Forever Stamp	PSA	676511	Vending CC Booklet 20	4/12/07	Sennett Security Products
Forever Stamp	PSA	676600	Double-sided Booklet 20	4/12/07	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd., Avery Dennison, Sennett Security Products

Denominated Stamp Issues – Make-up Rates

Description and Denomination	Adhesive	Item No.	Format	On Sale Date	Stamp Printer
3-cent Silver Coffee Pot	PSA	103300	Pane 20	3/16/2007	Sennett Security Products.
1-cent Tiffany Lamp	PSA	104100	Pane 20	3/16/2007	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd.
2-cent Navajo Jewelry	PSA	107200	Pane 20	3/16/2007	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd., Avery Dennison, Sennett Security Products

Denominated Stamp Issues

Description and Denomination	Adhesive	Item No.	Format	On Sale Date	Stamp Printer
26-cent Florida Panther	PSA	104500	Pane 20	5/12/07	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd.
17-cent Big Horn Sheep	PSA	101500	Pane 20	5/21/07	Avery Dennison.
58-cent Margaret Chase Smith	PSA	102800	Pane 20	6/13/07	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd.
75-cent Harriet Beecher Stowe	PSA	104000	Pane 20	6/13/07	Sennett Security Products
26-cent Florida Panther	Gum	106700	Pane 100	5/12/07	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd.
\$16.25 Marine One Express Mail	PSA	112500	Pane 20	6/13/07	Sennett Security Products
\$4.60 Air Force One Priority Mail	PSA	112600	Pane 20	6/13/07	Sennett Security Products
69-cent Okefenokee Swamp	PSA	570200	Pane 20	6/1/07	Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd.
90-cent Guam	PSA	570300	Pane 20	6/1/07	Avery Dennison

Denominated Stamped Cards^{1 2 3}

Description and Denomination	Item No.	Master Carton Format	Sale Price	On Sale Date
26-cent Pineapple – Single	224700	5,000 Cards	28 cents	5/12/2007
52-cent Pineapple – Reply	224800	2,000 Cards	56 cents	5/12/2007
26-cent Pineapple – Sheets/40	224900	10,000 Cards	28 cents per card; \$11.20 per sheet	5/12/2007
26-cent Pineapple – Banded/5	225000	2,000 Cards	28 cents per card	5/12/2007

1. Stamped cards are printed by Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd.

2. Shipments of all formats will be shipped to the Stamp Distribution Offices (SDOs) by May 9, 2007.

3. Post Offices™ needing quantities of the stamped cards must requisition them from their SDO starting May 1, 2007.

Denominated Stamped Envelopes^{1 2 3}

Description and Denomination	Item No.	Master Carton of Envelopes	Single Sale @ 1	Bulk Sale per 500	On Sale Date
Horses # 10	212300	2,500	50 cents	\$221.50	5/12/2007
Horses # 10 Printed	212390	2,500	NA	\$228.00	5/12/2007
Horses # 10 — 50 Pack	212395	50	NA	\$24.75	5/12/2007
Horses # 10 Window	212400	2,500	50 cents	\$221.50	5/12/2007
Horses # 10 Window Printed	212490	2,500	NA	\$228.00	5/12/2007
Horses # 10 Window — 50 Pack	212495	50	NA	\$24.75	5/12/2007
Horses # 9 Security	212500	2,500	50 cents	\$221.50	5/12/2007
Horses # 9 Security Printed	212590	2,500	NA	\$228.00	5/12/2007
Horses # 9 Security — 50 Pack	212595	50	NA	\$24.75	5/12/2007
Horses # 9 Security Window	212600	2,500	50 cents	\$221.50	5/12/2007
Horses # 9 Security Window Printed	212690	2,500	NA	\$228.00	5/12/2007
Horses # 9 Security Window — 50 Pack	212695	50	NA	\$24.75	5/26/2007
Official Mail # 10	212700	2,500	NA	\$221.50	5/12/2007
Official Mail # 10 Printed	212790	2,500	NA	\$228.00	5/12/2007
Horses # 6 3/4	262300	5,000	50 cents	\$219.50	5/12/2007
Horses # 6 3/4 Printed	262390	5,000	NA	\$225.00	5/12/2007
Horses # 6 3/4 — 50 Pack	262395	50	NA	\$24.75	5/12/2007
Horses # 6 3/4 Window	262400	5,000	50 cents	\$219.50	5/12/2007
Horses # 6 3/4 Window Printed	262490	5,000	NA	\$225.00	5/12/2007
Horses # 6 3/4 Window — 50 Pack	262495	50	NA	\$24.75	5/12/2007

1. Stamped envelopes are printed by MeadWestvaco Envelope Agency.
2. Automatic shipments of Items 212300, 212400, 212500, 212600, 262300, and 262400 will be provided to SDOs prior to April 15, 2007.
3. Post Offices needing quantities of the stamped envelopes must requisition them from their SDO starting May 1, 2007.

Implementation Support Materials

There are a number of items that will be provided to assist you with implementation of the price and product changes:

(The following samples are not scaled to actual size.)

- **Retail Insider Pocket Guide** — The guide will be distributed to all retail associates, postmasters, and branch managers in early April.



- **Domestic and International Price and Product Changes** — This special insert will appear in Area Update publications around April 15.

Domestic and International Price and Product Changes — Monday, May 14

Forever Stamp

The new 41-cent Forever Stamp was issued nationwide April 12. Following its initial release, Forever Stamps will be sold at the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of purchase. The postage value of a Forever Stamp will always be the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of use (mailing). The Forever Stamp will only be available in booklets of 20 for \$8.50, and beginning May 14 at our Automated Postal Centers (APCs) and select automated teller machines (ATMs) in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38. We also issued a nondenominated 41-cent nondenominated flag stamp in coils of 100 and in panes of 20 and 100. Both the Forever Stamp and the flag stamp went on sale April 12.

Pricing by Shape

The new pricing for First-Class Mail puts an emphasis on shape to more accurately reflect our true cost of doing business. The shapes for determining prices are: postcards, letters, large envelopes (flat) and packages.

The single-piece 1-ounce letter rate will increase 2 cents to 41 cents, and the single-piece postcard rate also will increase 2 cents to 20 cents. The single-piece 1-ounce rate for large envelopes will be 80 cents, and the single-piece rate for packages will be \$1.13 for the first ounce. The additional-ounce rate for all single-piece letters, large envelopes and packages will decrease to 17 cents.

Pricing by shape reflects changes in processing and transportation costs. The new pricing system gives customers the opportunity to obtain lower rates as they find ways to prepare their mail in shapes that reduce processing costs for the Postal Service. If the contents (document) intended for a large envelope can be folded and placed into a letter-size envelope, the mailer can save 38 cents on the first ounce. On the other hand, mailers may determine that the perception of a large envelope better communicates their message to the addressee. Likewise, some items traditionally prepared and mailed as a package can be reconfigured and placed in a large (expansion) envelope, saving the mailer 23 cents on the first ounce — additional ounces will be 17 cents each.

4-1/4" max.
3-1/2" min.

Length 5" - 6" max.

Postcard

6-1/8" max.
3-1/2" min.

Length 5" - 11-1/2" max.

Letter

12" max.
6-1/8" min.

Length 11-1/2" - 12" max.

Large Envelope (Flat)

Length
Girth

Package

- **Business Connect™ Kit** — *New Prices for Shipping and Mailing* was shipped to Business Connect postmasters (at stations and branches) to prepare them and their customers for the upcoming changes. The kit contains a customer leave-behind, Domestic Rate Sheet, International Rate Sheet, a sheet of frequently asked questions, and a customizable presentation on DVD.



- **Carrier Tear Pads** — These informational leave-behinds for carriers will provide information to customers who ask about the changes. The target date for receipt is May 1. Distribution information is forthcoming.

Stamp Combination Matrix

Item	Current Price Stamp	Make-up Difference	New Price
First-Class Mail® 1-ounce letter *	\$0.39	\$0.02	\$0.41
First-Class Mail 2-ounce letter	\$0.63	—	\$0.58
First-Class Mail 3-ounce letter	N/A	—	\$0.75
* Nonmachinable surcharge	—	—	\$0.17
First-Class Mail 1-ounce large envelope (flat)	\$0.39	\$0.41	\$0.80
First-Class Mail 2-ounce large envelope (flat)	\$0.63	\$0.34	\$0.97
First-Class Mail 3-ounce large envelope (flat)	N/A	—	\$1.14
First-Class Mail card price	\$0.24	\$0.02	\$0.26
First-Class Mail (all) each add'l. ounce	\$0.24	—	\$0.17
Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelope	\$4.05	\$0.55	\$4.60
Priority Mail 1-pound Price	\$4.05	\$0.55	\$4.60
Priority Mail Flat-Rate Box	N/A	—	\$9.15
Express Mail Flat-Rate Envelope	\$14.40	\$1.85	\$16.25
Express Mail 1/2-pound Price	\$14.40	\$1.85	\$16.25
Express Mail 1-pound Price	N/A	—	\$19.50

Point of Purchase Pricing and Product Change Support

Pre-rate Change Lobby Poster

A pre-rate change lobby poster featuring the *Forever Stamp™* will be shipped to all locations to arrive in offices the week of April 9, 2007. The initial shipment of Rate Change brochures will be included with the poster.

Point of Purchase Elements

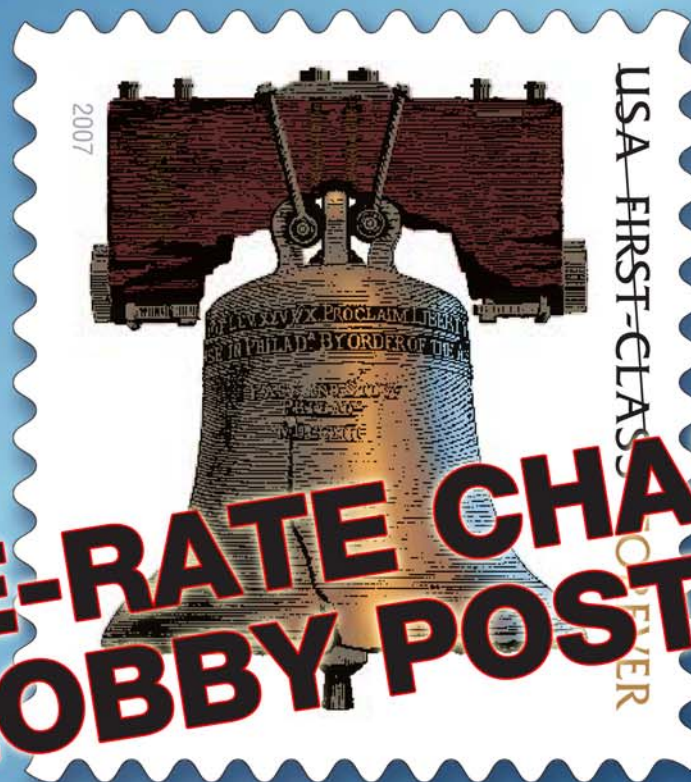
New point of purchase (POP) elements to support the pricing and product changes will be shipped automatically to arrive in offices the week of May 7, 2007. Instructions will direct offices to hold the support material with the new prices for display on May 14, 2007.

In-Store Signage Resources	
■ Mandatory POP Removal Guide Supplement	All locations
■ Signage Instruction Guide	All locations
■ Bilingual Signage Instruction Guide	Select locations
■ Continuity POP Order Catalog	All locations
■ NEW Interactive Backlit Layout Guide	Online only
In-Store Printed Material	
■ Rate Change Brochure	All locations
■ International Shipping Guide	All locations
■ Extra Services Brochure	Select locations
■ Stamps by Mail® Brochure	Select locations
■ Premium Forwarding Service Brochure	Select locations
In-Store Signage	
Menu Boards	
■ Continuity Menu Boards	All locations with menu boards
■ Bilingual Continuity Menu Boards	Select locations
■ No Price Continuity Menu Boards	Select locations
■ CPU Continuity Menu Boards	1,274 Performance-based CPUs
Writing Table Signage	
■ Writing Table Decal	All locations
■ Bilingual Writing Table Decal	Select locations
■ Premium Forwarding Counter Card	Select locations
Counter Signage	
■ Counter mats	Select locations w/o <i>Star Wars</i> insert
Posters	
■ Pre-Rate Change Poster (<i>Forever Stamp™</i>)	All locations
■ Rate Change Lobby Poster (Shape-Based Pricing)	All locations
APC Signage	
■ Rate Change APC Decal	Select locations

New Postage Prices May 14, 2007

Purchase Your NEW Forever Stamp™ Here Today!

- Valid for one-ounce letters indefinitely*
- Eliminates the need to buy additional postage whenever there is a price increase
- Available at your nearest Post Office™ location and online at usps.com



**PRE-RATE CHANGE
LOBBY POSTER**

NEW 41¢ First-Class® Forever Stamp

*The new Forever Stamp costs the same as the First Class single piece, regardless of stamp price. This stamp remains valid for one-ounce letters until the next future price increase.

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Stand-up Talks

Stand-up Talk for Management and Administrative Employees

New price and product changes will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. The changes encompass all classes of domestic mail, extra services and other fees, and international mail. The new pricing system puts an emphasis on shape to more accurately reflect the true cost of doing business.

Today, we will go over key points of the changes to First-Class Mail[®], Priority Mail[®], Express Mail[®], and international mail service.

First-Class Mail Changes

1. Pricing Based on Shape

■ Letters

- The single-piece First-Class Mail 1-ounce letter rate is going up 2 cents to 41 cents.
- The single-piece First-Class Mail letter rate for each additional ounce decreases to 17 cents.
- The First-Class Mail single-piece postcard rate is going up to 26 cents.

■ Large Envelopes (Flats)

- The single-piece First-Class Mail 1-ounce rate for large envelopes (flats) will be 80 cents.
- All large envelopes will be required to be rectangular or square in shape.

■ Packages (Parcels)

The single-piece First-Class Mail 1-ounce package (parcel) price will be \$1.13.

2. Forever Stamp

The *Forever Stamp*[™] will be sold at the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of purchase. The postage value of a *Forever Stamp* will always be the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of mailing.

- The *Forever Stamp* will go on sale at the retail counter on April 12 at a price of 41 cents each. It will be available in booklets of 20 for \$8.20.
- It will also be available in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38 beginning on May 14, at Automated Postal Centers[®] (APCs[®]) and at select automated teller machines (ATMs).
- The *Forever Stamp* will also be available for purchase online at www.usps.com/shop, by mail, or by phone at 800-STAMP 24 (800-782-6724).

Priority Mail Changes

- Dimensional-weight pricing is being introduced for Priority Mail items larger than one cubic foot and destinating to Zones 5–8. Dimensional-weight pricing is based on the cubic capacity of a package (parcel) rather than on weight. It converts the cubic size of an item into a dimensional weight. Large, relatively light-weight packages addressed for delivery to Zones 5–8, could be charged as a heavier-weight item, based on a standard issued by the International Air Transport Association (IATA). This standard is used by other commercial carriers to determine prices for packages shipped by air.
- Dimensional-Weight Pricing Criteria
 - Priority Mail only.
 - Measures more than 1 cubic foot (1,728 inches).
 - Item is destined for Zones 5–8.
- The Priority Mail balloon rate will change. Packages measuring more than 84 inches in combined length and girth and weighing less than 20 pounds will be charged the 20-pound rate as a balloon rate and only applies to local and Zones 1–4. This recognizes the costs of handling and transporting these large parcels, and limits the balloon rate to those items for which ground rather than air transportation is generally used.

Express Mail Changes

The only significant change to Express Mail service will be the addition of a new 1-pound rate. Adding the 1-pound rate provides better value for customers mailing lightweight documents. The new 1-pound rate (Post Office to Addressee) will be \$19.50.

International Mail Changes

New international postage prices and product changes will be effective May 14 along with the domestic rates. The Postal Service[™] has made international products more clear-cut and easy to use. Here are some key points related to international products:

- Trusted USPS domestic product names — First-Class Mail, Priority Mail, and Express Mail services have been extended to international shipping.
- All domestic Express Mail and Priority Mail packaging supplies, including flat-rate envelopes and flat-rate boxes, may be used for international shipments.

Previous Product	New Product	Feature
Global Express Guaranteed® (documents) Global Express Guaranteed (nondocument)	Global Express Guaranteed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1–3 business day delivery. ■ Tracking available. ■ Money-back delivery guarantee.¹ ■ Insurance included.
Global Express Mail®	Express Mail International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 3–5 business day delivery. ■ Tracking available. ■ Service guarantee to Australia, China, Hong Kong, Republic of Korea (South Korea), and Japan. ■ Insurance included. ■ Flat-rate envelope.
Airmail Parcel Post Economy Parcel Post Global Priority Mail®	Priority Mail® International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 6–10 business day delivery. ■ Tracking to major destinations. ■ Limited Insurance included.² ■ Flat-rate envelope and flat-rate box options available.
Airmail Letter Post Economy Letter Post	First-Class Mail International	Registered Mail service available.

1. Restrictions apply. See POS or GXG service guide for money back details.

2. Insurance is not available for the Priority Mail International flat-rate envelope.

1. Global Express Guaranteed (GXG)

- Document and merchandise will be combined into one price.
- New online 10 percent discount.

2. Express Mail International (EMI) — Formerly Global Express Mail

- All domestic packaging may be used for EMI shipments.
- Domestic flat-rate envelope can be used for international shipping.
- Single online shipping/customs form (PS Form 2976-A-EMI).
- New online 8 percent discount.

3. Priority Mail International (PMI) — Formerly Global Priority Mail and Global Air Parcel Post

- Priority Mail International will be available to over 190 countries for items weighing up to country maximum weight limits.
- All domestic Priority Mail packaging can be used for international shipping including the flat-rate envelope and flat-rate boxes.
- Average delivery of 6 to 10 business days to major destinations.
- Tracking to major destinations.
- Limited indemnity coverage provided at no extra charge (except for flat-rate envelopes).
- Insurance available for a fee.

- Domestic Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelopes can be used for international shipping:
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$9.
 - One price to all other countries — \$11.
- Maximum weight of 4 pounds.
- Registered Mail™ service without insurance is available for a fee, check POS ONE or IMM for country-specific availability
- Requires PS Form 2976, *Customs Declaration CN 22*.
- Domestic Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes can be used for international shipping:
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$23.
 - One price to all other countries — \$37.
- Maximum weight of 20 pounds.
 - Requires PS Form 2976-A, *Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note CP 72*.
- Priority Mail International is quick, easy, and convenient.
- Online shipping convenience.
 - Customers can save time and ship from their home or office and receive a 5 percent discount when they pay for postage online.
 - After May 14, 2007, go to www.usps.com/international. Until then, go to www.usps.com/global.
- Order free shipping supplies.

- Print shipping labels with appropriate Customs declaration form in one document, PS Form 2976-PMI or PS Form 2976-A-PMI.
- Request free Carrier Pickup service.

4. First-Class Mail International (FCMI) — Formerly Air Letter Post

- Service available worldwide for items weighing up to 4 pounds.
- Registered Mail service available without insurance.
- Delivery time varies by destination.
- No tracking.
- Economy letter service and aerogrammes no longer available.

Airmail M-bags

- Direct sacks of printed matter to a single addressee.
- Air service only, available worldwide.
- Registered and insured services are not available.
- Delivery time varies by destination.
- No tracking.
- Economy (surface) service is no longer available.

You are encouraged to take the time to review the tools available in the April 5, *Special Postal Bulletin*, which provides details on all of the changes effective on May 14.

Stand-up Talks for Retail Employees

First-Class Mail

New First-Class Mail[®] rates will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. Here are some key points related to First-Class Mail items:

Two Major Changes

1. Pricing Based on Shape

- **Letters**
 - The single-piece First-Class Mail 1-ounce letter rate is going up 2 cents, from 39 cents to 41 cents.
 - The single-piece First-Class Mail letter rate for each additional ounce decreases to 17 cents.
 - The First-Class Mail single-piece postcard rate is going up 2 cents to 26 cents.
- **Large Envelopes (Flats)**
 - The single-piece First-Class Mail 1-ounce rate for large envelopes (flats) will be 80 cents.
 - All large envelopes will be required to be rectangular or square in shape.

- **Packages (Parcels)**

The single-piece First-Class Mail 1-ounce package (parcel) rate will be \$1.13.

2. Forever Stamp

- The *Forever Stamp*[™] will go on sale in April at a price of 41 cents each and will be sold year round.
- The *Forever Stamp* is available in booklets of 20 for \$8.20 and in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38.
- The *Forever Stamp* will be sold at the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of purchase. The postage value of a *Forever Stamp* will always be the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of mailing.
- The *Forever Stamp* will also be available for purchase online at www.usps.com/shop, by mail, or by phone at 800-STAMP 24 (782-6724).

Priority Mail

New Priority Mail and Express Mail rates will be effective May 14, 2007. Here are some key points related to Priority Mail[®] and Express Mail[®] items:

The Changes

- Priority Mail items are defined as First-Class Mail items weighing more than 13 ounces and, at the mailer's option, any other matter (including regular First-Class Mail items) weighing 13 ounces or less. The weight limit for Priority Mail items is 70 pounds. Material weighing over 13 ounces that is required to be mailed via First-Class Mail service must be sent by Priority Mail service.
- Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes will be priced at \$9.15, regardless of weight, contents, or distance traveled.
- The price for the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelope continues to be the same as the (unzoned) 1-pound rate.

Dimensional-Weight Pricing

- Dimensional-weight pricing is an important component of our Priority Mail rates because it allows our prices to better reflect transportation costs. For example, air transportation costs are based on the cubic size (capacity) of the package — not its weight — while our current prices are weight-based. Dimensional-weight pricing applies only to Priority Mail packages larger than 1 cubic foot capacity and traveling to destinations within Zones 5–8 (zones that use air transportation).
- Dimensional-Weight Pricing Criteria:
 1. Applies to Priority Mail items only.
 2. Measures more than 1 cubic foot (1,728 cubic inches).
 3. Destined for Zones 5–8.

Balloon Rate

- Packages measuring more than 84 inches in combined length and girth and weighing less than 20 pounds will be charged the 20-pound rate as a balloon rate. This applies only to local and Zones 1–4. This recognizes the costs of handling and transporting these large parcels. This limits the balloon rate to those items for which ground rather than air transportation is generally used.
- The Priority Mail balloon rate applies only to Zones 1–4.
- The weight for the maximum balloon rate has increased from 15 pounds to 20 pounds.
- No Priority Mail item will ever be subject to both dimensional-weight and balloon-rate pricing.
- Standard USPS-provided Priority Mail packaging is not subject to dimensional-weight or balloon-rate pricing.
- Any fraction of a pound rounds up to the next pound.
- Zone 3 Priority Mail items will be priced separately from “local and Zones 1 and 2.” The Priority Mail Zones are aligned with those used by other classes of mail.
- The maximum size for a Priority Mail item will remain 108 inches combined length and girth (the length or longest side, plus the distance around its thickest part) and 70 pounds.

Express Mail

New Express Mail rates will be effective Monday May 14, 2007. Here are some key points related to Express Mail:

- The only significant change to Express Mail will be the addition of a new 1-pound rate. Adding the 1-pound rate provides better value for customers mailing lightweight documents.
- The new 1-pound rate (Post Office to Addressee) will be \$19.50.
- The 1/2-pound rate (Post Office to Addressee) as well as the Express Mail flat-rate envelope will increase to \$16.25.
- The price for a package weighing over 1 pound and up to 2 pounds (Post Office to Addressee) will be \$21.40.
- The price for a 2-pound package (Post Office to Addressee) will be \$24.50.
- For items shipped using Express Mail service, \$100 of insurance continues to be included at no additional cost.
- The fee for additional Express Mail insurance for items valued from \$100.01 to \$200 will decrease 30 cents to 75 cents.

- There will be no changes to Express Mail Custom Designed service other than price adjustments.
- Express Mail Military Service (EMMS) will remain available at the Post Office to Addressee rates.
- Delivery status of packages is available to customers online at www.usps.com or by calling 800-222-1811.

Package Services

New Package Services rates will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. Here are some key points related to Package Services:

- Package Services mail consists of mailable matter that is neither mailed nor required to be mailed using either First-Class Mail service, or entered as Periodicals mail. Package Services mail includes Bound Printed Matter (BPM), Library Mail, Media Mail, Parcel Post[®], and Parcel Select[®] items.
- The price of a 1-pound Parcel Post item will increase 55 cents to \$4.50.
- The only significant change to Parcel Post and Parcel Select is the revision of the minimum balloon rate from 15 pounds to 20 pounds for parcels measuring larger than 84 inches in combined length and girth.
- Parcel Post items will continue to be assessed the balloon rate based on established criteria (items that measure more than 84 inches and less than 108 inches in combined length and girth). Parcel Post will still apply to local and Zones 1–8.
- Barcodes will be required on all Parcel Select–DBMC parcels, otherwise the parcels will be subject to the Intra BMC/ASF rate.

Extra Services and Other Fees

New Extra Services (formally known as Special Services) rates and other fees will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. Here are key points related to Extra Services and other fees.

Extra Services are enhancements that, for a fee in addition to postage, provide greater security and accountability and include confirmation of mailing, delivery, and receipt; special handling; and payment and acceptance options for mail. Extra Services also provide delivery alternatives and secure options for sending important matter through the mail. Extra Services include Certified Mail[™], Return Receipt, Delivery Confirmation[™], Signature Confirmation[™], Registered Mail[™], and Insurance. Other services include fees for Post Office[™] boxes, Caller Service, Address Change Service (ACS), and other services.

The Changes

Domestic Insurance

- All insured items will now have a barcode.
- Insurance \$200 and under will use PS Form 3813 and will receive a scan at delivery.

- Insurance over \$200 will use PS Form 3813-P and will receive a signature and scan at delivery.
- Prices for insurance coverage have changed as follows:
 - Value up to \$50 will increase by 30 cents to \$1.65.
 - From \$50.01 to \$100 will **decrease** by 25 cents to \$2.05.
 - From \$100.01 to \$200 will **decrease** by 90 cents to \$2.45.
 - From \$200.01 to \$300 will increase by 20 cents to \$4.60.
 - The cost per additional \$100 of insurance will **decrease** 15 cents to 90 cents.
- Additional Express Mail insurance coverage from \$100.01 to \$200 will **decrease** 30 cents to 75 cents.
- Only customers who purchase Delivery Confirmation service or Signature Confirmation service with insurance will be able to view delivery information (using the Delivery Confirmation or Signature Confirmation barcode information) online at www.usps.com.
- Customers purchasing insurance online using Click-N-Ship® service or eBay will be able to file any claims online at www.usps.com.
- Insurance fees have decreased for coverage between \$50.01 and \$200.
- Customers using Click-N-Ship service will continue to have access to no-fee electronic Delivery Confirmation service on Priority Mail items.

Post Office Boxes

- Post Office box fees will be realigned to better reflect the costs the Postal Service incurs at each individual location. As a result, prices at some locations will increase; while prices at other locations will decrease.
- Caller Service fees also will be realigned into the same fee groups as Post Office boxes. Instead of one set price, prices will range from \$370 to \$630, depending on the assigned fee group.
- The new fees will apply to new rentals and renewals. Current Post Office box holders (and customers paying Caller Service fees) do not begin paying the new fees until their current rental period expires and it is time to renew. Post Office box and Caller Service fees may be paid up to two semi-annual periods at a time (i.e., up to 1 year in advance).
- Key deposit remains \$1.
- Key duplication and replacement will increase from \$4.65 to \$6.
- Post Office box lock replacement will increase from \$11.60 to \$14

- The new fees will apply to new rentals and renewals. Current Post Office box holders (and customers paying Caller Service fees) do not begin paying the new fees until their current rental period expires and it is time to renew. Post Office box and Caller Service fees may be paid for up to two semi-annual periods at a time (i.e., up to 1 year in advance).

Certified Mail and Return Receipt

- Certified Mail service will increase to \$2.65.
- Return Receipt Electronic (RRE) option at the time of mailing will **decrease** from \$1.35 to 85 cents.
- Return Receipt service (hard copy) at the time of mailing will increase to \$2.15. Return Receipt requested after mailing will increase to \$3.80.

Delivery Confirmation and Signature Confirmation

- Retail Option Delivery Confirmation fees for First-Class Mail packages and Package Services items will increase to 75 cents, and the electronic option fee will increase to 18 cents.
- Retail Option Delivery Confirmation fees for Priority Mail (retail option) items will increase to 65 cents, and the electronic option will still be available at no additional cost.
- Electronic Option Delivery Confirmation fees for Standard Mail parcels and NFMs will increase to 18 cents.

Money Orders

- The fee for money orders up to \$500 will increase to \$1.10. The fee for money orders of \$500.01 to \$1,000 will increase to \$1.50. The money order inquiry fee will increase to \$5.
- Postal Military Money Orders will increase to 30 cents.

Registered Mail

- Registered Mail service without insurance will increase to \$9.50.
- Registered Mail service with insurance coverage fees will change as follows:
 - Value up to \$100 will increase to \$10.15.
 - From \$100.01 to \$500 will increase to \$11.25.
 - From \$500.01 to \$1,000 will increase to \$12.35.
 - The cost per additional \$1,000 of insurance will increase to \$1.10.

Other Fees

- Pricing of all Business Reply Mail (BRM) returns will be based on shape. In addition, there are increases as well as decreases to certain BRM per-piece fees. The BRM annual permit fee, the annual accounting fee, and QBRM quarterly fees will increase. The new fees apply only to first-time payments and fee

renewals. BRM customers with current annual and quarterly fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until their current payment period expires and it is time to renew.

- The annual permit fee will increase to \$175.
- The per-piece charge for basic BRM will increase to 70 cents.
- The per piece charge for high-volume BRM (with account maintenance fee) will increase to 8 cents.
- Business Reply Mail received at the retail counter should be handled as directed by postmaster/manager.
- The permit imprint application fee and all annual mailing fees will increase to \$175. Annual accounting fees will increase to \$550. The new fees apply only to first-time payments and fee renewals. Customers with current fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until their current payment period expires and it is time to renew.

- The Premium Forwarding Service enrollment fee remains \$10, but the weekly shipment fee will increase to \$11.95 per week. The new weekly fee applies only to customers initially enrolling (or extending) the service and paying on or after Monday, May 14.

International

New international postage rates and product changes will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. Here are some key points related to international products:

- The Postal Service has made international products more clear-cut and easy to use.
- Trusted USPS domestic product names — First-Class Mail, Priority Mail, and Express Mail services have been extended to international shipping.
- All domestic Express Mail and Priority Mail packaging supplies, including flat-rate envelopes and flat-rate boxes, may be used for international shipments.

Previous Product	New Product	Feature
Global Express Guaranteed® (documents) Global Express Guaranteed® (nondocument)	Global Express Guaranteed®	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1–3 business day delivery. ■ Tracking available. ■ Money-back delivery guarantee.¹ ■ Insurance included.
Global Express Mail®	Express Mail® International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 3–5 business day delivery. ■ Tracking available. ■ Service guarantee to Australia, China, Hong Kong, Republic of Korea (South Korea), and Japan. ■ Insurance included. ■ Flat-rate envelope.
Airmail Parcel Post Economy Parcel Post Global Priority Mail®	Priority Mail® International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 6–10 business day delivery. ■ Tracking to major destinations. ■ Limited. ■ Insurance included.² ■ Flat-rate envelope and flat-rate box options available.
Airmail Letter Post Economy Letter Post	First-Class Mail® International	Registered Mail service available.

1. Restrictions apply. See POS or GXG service guide for money-back details.

2. Insurance is not available for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope.

The Changes

■ Global Express Guaranteed (GXG)

- The document and merchandise categories will be combined into one price.
- There is a new online 10 percent discount.

■ Express Mail International (EMI) — Formerly Global Express Mail

- All domestic packaging may be used for EMI shipments.
- Domestic flat-rate envelopes can be used for international shipping.

- Use the single online shipping/customs form (PS Form 2976-A-EMI).
- There is a new online 8 percent discount.
- **Priority Mail International (PMI) — Formerly Global Priority Mail and Global Air Parcel Post**
 - Priority Mail International is now available to over 190 countries for items weighing up to country maximum weight limits.
 - All domestic Priority Mail packaging can be used for international shipping, including the flat-rate envelope and flat-rate boxes.
 - The average delivery time to major destinations is 6 to 10 business days.
 - There is tracking to major destinations.
 - Limited indemnity coverage is provided at no extra charge (except for flat-rate envelopes).
 - Insurance is available for a fee.
 - Domestic Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelopes can be used for international shipping:
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$9.
 - One price to all other countries — \$11.
 - A 4-pound maximum applies as follows:
 - Registered Mail service without insurance is available for a fee. Check POS ONE or IMM for country-specific availability.
 - A PS Form 2976, *Customs Declaration CN 22*, is required.
 - Domestic Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes can be used for international shipping as follows:
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$23.
 - One price to all other countries — \$37.
 - There is a 20-pound maximum.
 - The box requires a PS Form 2976-A, *Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note CP 72*.
- Priority Mail International is quick, easy, and convenient.
 - Online shipping is convenient:
 - Customers can save time and ship from the convenience of their home or office and receive a 5 percent discount when they pay for postage online.
 - Go to www.usps.com/global to do the following:
 - Order free shipping supplies.
 - Print shipping labels with the appropriate customs declaration form, PS Form 2976-PMI or PS Form 2976-A-PMI, in one document.

- Request free Carrier Pickup™ service.

- **First-Class Mail International (FCMI) — Formerly Air Letter Post**

- Service is available worldwide for items weighing up to 4 pounds.
- Registered service is available without insurance.
- The delivery time varies by destination.
- There is no tracking.
- Economy letter service and aerogrammes are no longer available.

Airmail M-bags

- Airmail M-bags are direct sacks of printed matter to a single addressee.
- Air service only is available worldwide.
- Registered and insurance services are not available.
- The delivery time varies by destination.
- There is no tracking.
- Economy (surface) service is no longer available.

Stand-up Talk for Clerks, Mail Handlers, City Carriers, and Rural Carriers at Delivery Units

New price and product changes will be effective Monday, May, 14, 2007. We have previously discussed some of the highlights of the new prices, but today we will discuss how the changes affect our employees and customers and how the product and service changes will specifically impact delivery unit operations. The Postal Reform Law did not affect these changes.

First-Class Mail

The price changes include prices that are based on the shape of mail and the relative costs involved. As shape becomes more important, weight becomes less important. Additionally, the prices are reduced for many letter-size pieces over 1 ounce.

- The single-piece First-Class Mail® 1-ounce letter rate is going up 2 cents to 41 cents.
- The single-piece First-Class Mail rate for each additional ounce will decrease 7 cents to 17 cents.
- The First-Class Mail single-piece card rate is going up to 26 cents.
- A *Forever Stamp*™ is being introduced that will make future price changes more convenient for our customers. The postage value of the *Forever Stamp* will equal the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate at any time in the future without the addition of extra postage.

- Letter-size pieces will be restricted to a maximum weight of 3.5 ounces. A letter-size mailpiece weighing over 3.5 ounces will require the flat-size rates. Letters with nonmachinable characteristics weighing 1 ounce will require the 17 cents surcharge, which includes our additional handling costs.
- All large envelopes (flats) will be required to be rectangular or square, uniformly thick, and flexible. These requirements are being implemented to ensure automation processing. There will also be maximum size requirements. If the flat-size piece does not meet all of these requirements, a surcharge will apply. The minimum price for these large envelopes will be 80 cents.

Priority Mail

We will continue to offer the convenience of Priority Mail[®] service to our customers including the flat-rate envelope, which will be priced at the 1-pound rate of \$4.60. The USPS[®]-produced flat-rate box will be priced at \$9.15, regardless of weight or destination. Additionally, prices for all Priority Mail pieces weighing over 25 pounds will decrease for all zones.

There will be additional changes based on the dimensions of the Priority Mail piece being sent. Detailed explanations of those changes are available to our customers through various sources.

Express Mail

A new 1-pound rate of \$19.50 will be available for Express Mail[®] users. The flat-rate envelope will continue to be available at the 1.2-pound rate of \$16.25.

Extra Services

All domestic insured mailpieces will have a barcoded label and receive a delivery scan. There will still be two labels:

1. Insurance for \$200 and under — the new label will be black and white and will only require a delivery scan.
2. Insurance over \$200 — the label will remain the current blue color and will require a scan and a signature at delivery.

We will not require a signature at delivery for insured items with an indemnity of \$200 or less.

International Mail

International Mail rates will also be adjusted. In addition, the international product portfolio will be simplified to offer more clear-cut choices for customers. International products have been reorganized from eight products into four using the familiar and trusted domestic product names. The four products will be:

- Global Express Guaranteed[®] (GXG[®]) — combines document and nondocument services.

- Express Mail International[®] — replaces Global Express Mail[®].
- Priority Mail International — replaces Global Priority Mail[®], Airmail Parcel Post, and Economy Parcel Post.
- First-Class Mail International — replaces Air and Economy Letter Post.

Aerogrammes have been eliminated.

In addition, an Express Mail International flat-rate envelope will be available — \$22 for Canada and Mexico, and \$25 for all other countries. A Priority Mail International flat-rate envelope — \$9 for Canada and Mexico, and \$11 for all other countries, will also be available, as well as a Priority Mail International flat-rate box — \$23 to Canada and Mexico, and \$37 for all other countries.

Customers will be able to use domestic packaging for all of the above (except GXG) for their international shipments.

In addition, customers who pay for postage online via Click-N-Ship[®] service or through an authorized postage vendor, will receive the following discounts in postage: Global Express Guaranteed, 10 percent; Express Mail International, 8 percent; and Priority Mail International, 5 percent.

Stand-up Talk for Processing and Distribution Clerks and Mail Handlers

New price and product changes will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. The new pricing system puts an emphasis on shape to more accurately reflect our true cost of doing business. We will now discuss product and service changes associated with the upcoming price implementation that will specifically affect processing and distribution operations.

General

- The single-piece First-Class Mail[®] 1-ounce letter rate is going up 2 cents to 41 cents. The First-Class Mail additional-ounce rate (except automation letters) decreases by 7 cents to 17 cents. The First-Class Mail additional-ounce rate for automation letters decreases by 11.2 cents to 12.5 cents. The First-Class Mail single-piece card rate is going up 2 cents to 26 cents.
- We will be introducing the new *Forever Stamp*[™], which will cost the same as a regular First-Class Mail (1-ounce) stamp and be valid for the single-piece, 1-ounce letter rate even in the event of future price increases. The *Forever Stamp* will go on sale at retail counters April 12 at 41 cents each in booklets of 20 for \$8.20. Beginning May 14, our Automated Postal Centers[®] (APCs[®]) and select automated teller machines (ATMs) will sell them in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38. At the same time, we will issue a

nondenominated 41-cent *American Flag* stamp available in coils of 100, 3,000, and 10,000, in panes of 20 and 100, and as individual quantities. The *American Flag* stamp is not a *Forever Stamp* and will always have a value of 41 cents.

Letter Mail

- First-Class Mail and Standard Mail® presorted letters are currently categorized and labeled as automation (BC), machinable (MACH), and nonmachinable (MANUAL). The nonmachinable letters, which are pieces that cannot be processed by our letter sorting equipment, will now cost more. This should encourage letter mailers who do not claim automation discounts to at least prepare automation-compatible letters. In addition, the “manual only” option used by customers when requesting that their letters stay off of automated equipment has been eliminated.
- The preparation of machinable letters that are not pre-barcoded by the customer is now limited to optional origin/entry 3-digit, AADC, and mixed AADC (WKG) trays in order to better match the postal operations that apply barcodes.
- New preparation options will reduce the amount of 1-foot trays and trays containing small volumes (“skin” trays). Also, new preparation requirements for Standard Mail Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR) letters will significantly reduce the instances of carrier route bundles in letter trays, which will result in fuller trays and more-efficient automated processing.

Flats Mail

- First-Class Mail and Standard Mail automation flats must now meet automated flat sorting machine (AFSM) 100 standards with new flexibility and uniform thickness criteria. First-Class Mail rigid pieces can no longer be categorized as flats and will now be prepared as parcels and cost parcel prices. Standard Mail rigid pieces will now be prepared as parcels and cost parcel prices or as new Not Flat-Machinable (NFM) pieces and cost NFM prices (*described further below*). The new flexibility and uniform thickness standards for flat-shaped mail should enhance our ability to automate more flat volume.
- ECR saturation (full coverage) flats accompanied by detached address labels (DALs) will now be surcharged 1.5 cents for each DAL, resulting in a significant reduction in DALs.

Parcels

- Standard Mail irregular parcels (lightweight pieces labeled as “STD IRREG”) will be targeted for processing on small parcel and bundle sorter (SPBS) or automated package processing system (APPS) machines. Specifically, irregular parcels over

2 ounces that are *not* rolls or tubes must be segregated from purely nonmachinable items, and these pieces will now require the application of a barcode, or be surcharged 5 cents each.

- Compact disks (CD-ROMs), small merchandise samples, and other rigid pieces formerly bundled and prepared as flats will now be categorized as Not Flat-Machinable (NFM) pieces and prepared much like other Standard Mail parcels. These lighter weight items (labeled “NFM”) should be processed on SPBS and APPS machines to the greatest extent possible. NFM also require the application of a barcode, or are surcharged 5 cents each. This new category with higher associated prices will provide incentives for customers to convert their rigid pieces to flexible AFSM 100-compatible flats.
- There will now be additional charges based on the dimensions of certain Priority Mail pieces. If the dimensional-weight rate, calculated using the dimensions of the piece, is more than the actual (scale) weight for items larger than 1 cubic foot when addressed to Zones 5–8, the dimensional-weight rate will be charged instead of the actual weight price. This should encourage customers to use more efficient packaging.

Periodicals

- Periodicals changes are delayed until July 15. Periodicals will have a price structure that provides significant incentives for customers to prepare fewer bundles, to prepare pallets and fewer containers, and to enter mail at destination facilities. These changes should lower our costs and reduce the number of sacks throughout our system.

International Mail

International Mail products will be simplified. Effective Monday, May 14, 2007, international products are being reorganized from eight products into four using the familiar and trusted domestic product names:

- Global Express Guaranteed® (GXG®) — combines document and nondocument services into one price.
- Express Mail International® — replaces Global Express Mail service.
- Priority Mail International — replaces Global Priority Mail, Airmail Parcel Post, and Economy Parcel Post service.
- First-Class Mail International — replaces Airmail Letter Post and Economy Letter Post service.

All domestic Express Mail and Priority Mail packaging and supplies including flat-rate envelopes and boxes will be permitted for international shipping.

International rates for the Express Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope will be \$22 to Canada and Mexico, and \$25 for all other countries.

International rates for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope will be \$9 to Canada and Mexico, and \$11 for all other countries.

Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Boxes will be \$23 to Canada and Mexico, and \$37 for all other countries.

Customers will be able to use domestic packaging for all of the above (except GXG) for their international shipments.

In addition, customers who pay for postage online (via Click-N-Ship[®] service) or through a USPS[®]-authorized vendor, will receive the following discounts in postage:

- Global Express Guaranteed — 10 percent.
- Express Mail International — 8 percent.
- Priority Mail International — 5 percent.

Additional information can be found at www.usps.com/ratecase.

Stand-up Talk for Employees at Bulk Mail Centers and Auxiliary Service Facilities

New price and product changes will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. The new pricing system puts an emphasis on shape to more accurately reflect our cost of doing business. We will now discuss product and service changes associated with the upcoming price implementation that will specifically affect bulk mail center operations.

General

- The single-piece First-Class Mail[®] 1-ounce letter rate is going up 2 cents to 41 cents. The single-piece First-Class Mail additional-ounce rate (except automation letters) will decrease by 7 cents to 17 cents. The First-Class Mail additional-ounce rate for automation letters will decrease by 11.2 cents to 12.5 cents. The First-Class Mail single-piece card rate will increase 2 cents to 26 cents.
- We will be introducing the new *Forever Stamp*[™], which will cost the same as a regular First-Class Mail (1-ounce) stamp and be valid for the single-piece, 1-ounce letter rate even in the event of future price increases. The *Forever Stamp* will go on sale at the retail counters on April 12 at a price of 41 cents each in booklets of 20 for \$8.20. Beginning May 14, our Automated Postal Centers (APCs) and select automated teller machines (ATMs) will sell them in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38. At the same time, we will also issue a nondenominated 41-cent *American Flag* stamp available in coils of 100, 3000, and 10,000 in panes of 20 and 100, and in individual quantities. The *American Flag* stamp is not a *Forever Stamp* and will always have a value of 41 cents.

Package Services

- Customers mailing Parcel Select — Destination bulk mail center (DBMC) machinable parcels will now be required to apply a UCC/EAN Code 128 barcode, which will further increase the presence of barcodes on parcels and decrease the need to manually key ZIP Code information.

Standard Mail

- There will be a significant surcharge for nonbarcoded Standard Mail parcels, both irregular and machinable, which will provide even greater incentives for mailers to pre-barcode these small parcels.
- Standard Mail irregular parcels (lightweight pieces labeled as “STD IRREG”) will be targeted for processing on small parcel and bundle sorter (SPBS) or automated package processing system (APPS) machines. Specifically, irregular parcels over 2 ounces that are *not* rolls or tubes must now be segregated from purely nonmachinable items, and these pieces will now require the application of a barcode.
- Compact disks (CD-ROMs), small merchandise samples, and other rigid pieces formerly bundled and prepared as flats will now be categorized as Not Flat-Machinable (NFM) pieces and prepared much like other Standard Mail parcels. These lighter weight items (labeled “NFM”) should be processed on SPBS and APPS machines to the greatest extent possible, and the heavier weight items (labeled “NFM MACH”) should be processed on parcel sorting machines (PSMs).

Periodicals

- Periodicals changes are delayed until July 15. Periodicals will now have a price structure that provides significant incentives for customers to prepare fewer bundles, to prepare pallets and fewer containers, and to enter mail at destination facilities. These changes should lower our costs and reduce the number of sacks throughout our system.

International Mail

International Mail products will be simplified. Effective Monday, May 14, 2007, international products are being reorganized from eight products into four using the familiar and trusted domestic product names:

- Global Express Guaranteed[®] (GXG[®]) — combines document and nondocument services into one price.
- Express Mail International — replaces Global Express Mail[®] service.
- Priority Mail International — replaces Global Priority Mail[®], Airmail Parcel Post, and Economy Parcel Post service.

- First-Class Mail International — replaces Airmail Letter Post and Economy Letter Post service.

All domestic Express Mail[®] and Priority Mail[®] packaging and supplies including flat-rate envelopes and boxes will be permitted for international shipping.

International rates for the Express Mail International[®] Flat-Rate Envelope will be \$22 to Canada and Mexico, and \$25 for all other countries.

Rates for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope will be \$9 to Canada and Mexico, and \$11 for all other countries.

Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Boxes will be \$23 to Canada and Mexico, and \$37 for all other countries.

Customers will be able to use domestic packaging for all of the above (except GXG) for their international shipments.

In addition, customers who pay for postage online (via Click-N-Ship[®] service) or through a USPS-authorized vendor, will receive the following discounts in postage:

- Global Express Guaranteed — 10 percent.
- Express Mail International — 8 percent.
- Priority Mail International — 5 percent.

Additional information can be found at www.usps.com/ratecase.

Stand-up Talk for Business Mail Acceptance Employees (including Mailpiece Design Analysts)

New pricing and product changes will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. We have previously discussed some of the highlights, but today we will discuss how the changes affect our employees and customers and how the pricing and product changes will impact the acceptance function.

We will review changes and key points in the following areas:

- First-Class Mail[®].
- Priority Mail[®].
- Express Mail[®].
- Standard Mail and Nonprofit Standard Mail.
- Package Services.
- Extra Services and Other Fees.
- International Mail.

First-Class Mail

New price and product changes will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. Today we will discuss the changes to First-Class Mail:

The shape of the mailpiece will play a larger role in the pricing of First-Class Mail. Now, letters, flats (large envelopes), and parcels over 1 ounce have the same price at every weight increment. It costs 63 cents to mail a 2-ounce

letter, a 2-ounce flat, or a 2-ounce parcel. The new prices recognize that each of these shapes have substantially different processing costs and should have separate prices.

- The single-piece 1 ounce First-Class Mail letter rate is going up 2 cents to 41 cents.
- The changes in pricing encourage efficiency. For example, if the contents of a flat are folded and placed into a letter-size envelope, the mailer can save as much as 39 cents on the first ounce. On the other hand, a mailer may determine that the aesthetics of a flat-size mailpiece better communicates the message. Likewise, if a parcel's contents can be reconfigured as a machinable flat, the mailer can save up to 33 cents on the first ounce.
- Letters that weigh more than 3.5 ounces, that are rigid, or that exceed one or more of the dimensions for a letter will not be eligible for letter rates.
- Flat-size mailpieces that are rigid or non-uniformly thick, or that exceed one or more of the dimensions for a flat, will be subject to the rates for parcels. The weight limit for First-Class Mail flats and parcels will remain at 13 ounces.
- Another feature of pricing based on shape includes a reduction in the additional-ounce rate, from 24 cents to 17 cents, and results in lower prices for all letters over 1 ounce and all flats over 6 ounces. Similar changes are included in the pricing for workshare mail. The additional-ounce rate for automation letters will decrease from 23.7 cents to 12.5 cents. The additional-ounce rate for automation-rate and presort-rate flats and all parcels will decrease from 23.7 cents to 17 cents. This also eliminates the need for the separate "heavy piece" discount for mailpieces weighing more than 2 ounces.
- The automation carrier route rate for letters will be discontinued. Carrier route presorting by the mailer no longer has the value it once had. Five-digit scheme and (individual) 5-digit preparation provides an attractive option to automation-rate letter mailers and is optimal in terms of efficiency. Otherwise, we will maintain the existing price structure and 150-piece minimums for 5-digit, 3-digit, and automated area distribution center (AADC)-rate automation letter rates.
- "Machinable" letters are not barcoded by the mailer, but can be processed and barcoded on automation equipment at the origin facility. Presorting by the mailer for First-Class Mail machinable letters will consist of origin, 3-digit, AADC, and mixed AADC. All machinable letters pay the presorted rate based on weight. This simplified mail preparation should also reduce workshare costs for mailers.

- Preparation for nonmachinable letters will not change. Letters that do not meet aspect ratio, or that have any other nonmachinable characteristics and weigh 1 ounce or less will pay a 17-cent nonmachinable surcharge. Flats weighing 1 ounce or less will no longer be subject to the nonmachinable surcharge.
- We will implement a new price structure for Presorted Parcels that will include workshare rates that are not available now. To facilitate more-efficient handling of Presorted Parcels, we will require a 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 or POSTNET barcode. A surcharge of 5 cents will apply to nonbarcoded parcels. The surcharge will also apply to all parcels weighing less than 2 ounces and to irregularly shaped parcels such as tubes or rolls, unless prepared in 5-digit scheme or 5-digit containers.

Priority Mail and Express Mail

New price and product changes will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. Today we will discuss the changes to Priority Mail and Express Mail:

Priority Mail

Today, prices for large, lightweight items do not adequately reflect our transportation costs — and heavier items are overpriced. If a lightweight piece is large in size and takes up a lot of space in transportation, it is possible that the price of mailing does not cover our handling costs.

One of the major initiatives of the pricing changes includes the introduction of “dimensional-weight” pricing. Dimensional-weight pricing is based on the cubic size or dimension of the parcel rather than on the weight. Dimensional-weight pricing is a mechanism that converts the cubic size of the parcel into a “weight,” and applies to parcels traveling to Zones 5–8.

The (minimum) balloon-rate pricing remains for local and Zones 1–4, but will no longer apply to Zones 5–8. The minimum price for these parcels will increase to the 20-pound price, up from 15 pounds. The changes will also separate Zone 3 prices from Zone 1 and Zone 2 prices. This aligns the Priority Mail zones with the ones used for all other classes of mail and allows for lower price increases for parcels traveling shorter distances.

The new price for the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes, regardless of weight, contents, or distance traveled, will be \$9.15. The price for the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelope will continue to be the same as the (unzoned) 1-pound price, \$4.60. Also, we will retain the “no fee” electronic Delivery Confirmation™ service.

Express Mail

The only significant change to Express Mail rates is the addition of the 1-pound rate:

Express Mail pieces are mostly lightweight documents that range from 1/2 pound to 2 pounds. To keep Express Mail a viable option for document mailers, we are adding a new 1-pound rate to fill the gap between 1/2 pound and 2 pounds.

Previously, any item over a 1/2 pound was charged the 2-pound rate. Adding the new 1-pound rate will make Express Mail a better value for mailers of lightweight documents. The price for the Express Mail Flat-Rate Envelope will continue to be the 1/2-pound price, \$16.25.

Standard Mail and Nonprofit Standard Mail

Similar to the changes for First-Class Mail, effective Monday, May 14, 2007, pricing of Standard Mail will consider shape. The biggest change in Standard Mail will be for parcels. Today, the pricing for parcels is simple — you just add the residual shape surcharge of 24.2 cents to the prices for flats. But that surcharge doesn't allow us to give larger incentives for presorting and drop shipping parcels. So we've developed separate pricing for parcels, with more presort tiers, and a new DDU-entry option. And we have different preparation guidelines for irregular and machinable parcels — all to help process these pieces more efficiently, and, in turn, keep prices lower.

- The current price and mail preparation structure for automation letters will not change. Also, the automation basic carrier route rate for Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR) letters will be eliminated.
- However, a change will be that the destination delivery unit (DDU) rates for ECR letters will be discontinued. The DDU-entry rates for flats and parcels will be retained since that is the best entry location for those shapes.
- In general, Standard Mail pieces that are not compatible with automated processing or are parcel-shaped will be priced higher.
- Currently, automation flat rates are offered to some pieces that are not totally compatible with flats automation. These pieces are handled more like parcels, which is more costly. In order to match the prices more closely with costs, the definition of automation- and nonautomation-rate flats is being changed. In short, if a mailpiece is too thick, or too rigid to run on the AFSM 100, it will no longer qualify for flats rates and could be categorized as “Not Flat-Machinable.” This new category will have higher prices than flats, but lower than other parcels.

- The maximum size of ECR flats has been increased to 12" x 15". This will make the maximum size the same for all flats.
- To encourage greater efficiency, there will be separate prices for machinable letters and nonmachinable letters. Machinable letters are not barcoded by the mailer, but can be processed and barcoded on automation at the origin facility. Presorting for machinable letters will consist of optional origin/entry 3-digit, AADC, and mixed AADC. This simplified mail preparation should also reduce workshare costs for mailers.
- The nonmachinable surcharge for Standard Mail letters will be eliminated, and nonmachinable letters will have their own separate prices and preparation. Letters that do not meet aspect ratio, that have any other nonmachinable characteristics, or that may be too rigid will be assessed the prices for nonmachinable letters. Nonmachinable letters must be handled manually, and finer presorting is more valuable so the price structure is being expanded to four separate presort tiers.
- Postal processing and delivery operations have evolved over the past 20 years. ECR flats prepared and mailed with detached address labels (DALs) no longer provide the benefit that they once did. DALs allow a saturation mailer to provide the address and postage on a separate card, rather than on the piece itself, which is more compatible with mail processing operations. The option will still exist, but a surcharge of 1.5 cents each will apply if DALs are used.

Package Services

- A lower increase for drop shipped BPM and Parcel Select mail recognizes the savings generated by mailers who enter mail in bulk at downstream processing and delivery facilities. The (minimum) balloon-rate pricing remains for Parcel Post and Parcel Select to all zones. The new minimum cost for these parcels will be the 20-pound price rather than the 15-pound price.

Extra Services and Other Fees

Extra Services include Certified Mail, Return Receipt, Delivery Confirmation, Signature Confirmation, Registered Mail and insurance. Other services include items such as Post Office boxes and Address Change Service. Here are some of the changes that will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007:

- **OneCode ACS** — This program is an enhancement to the existing Address Change Service program. One method of reducing the volume and cost of undeliverable-as-addressed mail is to provide a correct address to the mailer as soon as possible. This

change uses the new Intelligent Mail® barcode (formerly known as the 4-state barcode) and will allow us to electronically identify an incorrect address on a letter, and then electronically send the corrected address to the mailer at a much lower cost than today.

For First-Class Mail letters using the automated OneCode ACS™, the first two notices of an incorrect address will be provided at no charge; after that, the fee will be 5 cents each. For Standard Mail letters, the first two notices will be 2 cents each, and subsequent notices will be 15 cents each.

- **Redesigned Confirm** — Confirm service enables mailers to obtain information about the status of their letters and flats in the mail processing system. The current Platinum, Gold, and Silver subscription tiers will remain in place. A Platinum subscription will increase from \$10,000 to \$19,500; a Gold subscription will increase from \$4,500 to \$6,000; and a Silver subscription will remain \$2,000. The annual fee for additional Subscriber IDs will remain \$2,000, however, the quarterly fee will increase from \$500 to \$750. Confirm service currently offers the Intelligent Mail barcode for use on letter mail and will begin offering it for flats in the near future. This featured option is called OneCode Confirm™.
- **Business Reply Mail** — Pricing of all Business Reply Mail™ (BRM) returns will be based on shape. In addition, there are increases as well as decreases to certain BRM per-piece fees. The BRM annual permit fee, annual accounting fee, and QBRM quarterly fees will increase. The new fees apply only to first-time payments and fee renewals. BRM customers with current annual and quarterly fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until their current payment period expires and it is time to renew.
- **Certified Mail** — Certified Mail™ service will increase from \$2.40 to \$2.65.
- **Return Receipt** — Return Receipt (hard copy) service at the time of mailing will increase to \$2.15. Electronic option will decrease to 85 cents. The new fee for Return Receipt service requested after mailing will be \$3.80.
- **Delivery Confirmation** — The Delivery Confirmation service fee is built into the price for certain Priority Mail and Parcel Select parcels, and can be purchased separately for other parcels. For First-Class Mail and Parcel Post parcels, the retail option fee will increase to 75 cents, and the electronic option fee will increase to 18 cents. For Priority Mail service, the retail option fee will increase to 65 cents, and the electronic option fee — as well as Delivery Confirmation obtained through Click-N-Ship® service —

remains available at no charge. For Standard Mail parcels, the electronic option fee will increase to 18 cents.

- **Insurance** — All domestic insured items will have a barcode. Insurance \$200 and under will use PS Form 3813 and will receive a scan at delivery. Insurance over \$200 will use PS Form 3813-P and will receive a signature and a scan at delivery. For insurance purchased with Delivery Confirmation™ or Signature Confirmation service, customers will be able to view delivery information using the Delivery Confirmation or Signature Confirmation barcode information online at www.usps.com. Prices for insurance coverage will change as follows:
 - Value up to \$50 will increase to \$1.65.
 - \$50.01 to \$100 will decrease to \$2.05.
 - \$100.01 to \$200 will decrease to \$2.45.
 - \$200.01 to \$300 will increase to \$4.60.
 - The cost per additional \$100 of insurance will decrease to 90 cents.
- **Post Office Boxes** — Post Office™ box fees are realigned to better reflect the costs the Postal Service incurs for each individual location. As a result, prices at some locations will increase, while prices at other locations will decrease. Caller Service fees will also be realigned into the same fee groups as Post Office boxes. Instead of one set price, prices will range from \$370 to \$630, depending on the assigned fee group.
 - Current Post Office box holders (and customers paying Caller Service fees) do not begin paying the new fees until their current rental period expires and it is time to renew. Post Office box and Caller Service fees may be paid for up to two semi-annual periods at a time (i.e., up to 1 year in advance).
- **Registered Mail** — Registered Mail™ service without insurance will increase to \$9.50.
- **Mailing and Permit Fees** — The permit imprint application fee and all annual mailing fees will increase to \$175. Account maintenance fees (annual accounting fees) will increase to \$550. These new fees apply only to first-time payments and fee renewals. Customers with current fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until their current payment period expires and it is time to renew.

International Mail

International Mail products will be simplified. Effective Monday, May 14, 2007, international products are being

reorganized from eight products into four using the familiar and trusted domestic product names:

- Global Express Guaranteed® (GXG®) — combines document and nondocument services into one price.
- Express Mail International® — replaces Global Express Mail™ service.
- Priority Mail International — replaces Global Priority Mail®, Airmail Parcel Post, and Economy Parcel Post service.
- First-Class Mail International — replaces Airmail Letter Post and Economy Letter Post service.

All domestic Express Mail and Priority Mail packaging and supplies including flat-rate envelopes and boxes will be permitted for international shipping.

International rates for the Express Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope will be \$22 to Canada and Mexico and \$25 for all other countries.

International rates for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope will be \$9 to Canada and Mexico and \$11 for all other countries.

Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Boxes will be \$23 to Canada and Mexico and \$37 for all other countries.

Customers will be able to use domestic packaging for all of the above (except GXG) for their international shipments.

In addition, customers who pay for postage online (via Click-N-Ship service) or through a USPS-authorized vendor, will receive the following discounts in postage:

- Global Express Guaranteed — 10 percent.
- Express Mail International — 8 percent.
- Priority Mail International — 5 percent.

Additional information can be found at www.usps.com/ratecase.

Stand-up Talk for International Service Center (ISC) Employees

New price and product changes will be effective Monday, May 14, 2007. The new pricing system puts an emphasis on shape to more accurately reflect our true cost of doing business. Also effective on May 14 are new redesigned international products and new prices.

Here are some key points related to the upcoming changes to International products:

- USPS® domestic product names — First-Class Mail®, Priority Mail®, and Express Mail® services have been extended to International shipping.
- All domestic Express Mail and Priority Mail packaging supplies, including flat-rate envelopes and flat-rate boxes, may be used for international shipments.

Previous Product	New Product	Feature
Global Express Guaranteed (documents) Global Express Guaranteed (nondocuments)	Global Express Guaranteed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1–3 business day delivery. ■ Tracking available. ■ Money-back delivery guarantee.¹ ■ Insurance included.
Global Express Mail	Express Mail International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 3–5 business day delivery. ■ Tracking available. ■ Service guarantee to Australia, China, Hong Kong, Republic of Korea (South Korea), and Japan. ■ Insurance included. ■ Flat-rate envelope.
Airmail Parcel Post Economy Parcel Post Global Priority Mail	Priority Mail International	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 6–10 business day delivery. ■ Tracking to major destinations. ■ Limited Insurance included.² ■ Flat-rate envelope and flat-rate box options available.
Airmail Letter Post Economy Letter Post	First-Class Mail International	Registered Mail service available.

1. Restrictions apply. See POS or GXG service guide for money back details.

2. Insurance is not available for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope.

The Changes

Global Express Guaranteed (GXG)

- Document and merchandise will be combined into one price.
- New online 10 percent discount.

Express Mail International (EMI) — formerly Global Express Mail

- All domestic packaging may be used for EMI shipments.
- Domestic flat-rate envelopes can be used for international shipping.
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$22.
 - One price to all other countries — \$25.
- Single online shipping/customs form (PS Form 2976-A-EMI).
- New online 8 percent discount.

Priority Mail International (formerly Global Priority Mail) — GPM and Air Parcel Post have been combined into one service

Flat-Rate Envelope

- Domestic Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelopes can be used for international shipping:
- Requires PS Form 2976, *Customs Declaration CN 22*.
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$9.

- One price to all other countries — \$11.
- Maximum weight of 4 pounds.
- Registered Mail service without insurance is available for a fee. Check POS ONE or IMM for country-specific availability.

Flat-Rate Boxes and Variable-Weight Packaging

- Domestic Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes can be used for international shipping.
- Requires PS Form 2976-A, *Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note CP 72*.
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$23.
 - One price to all other countries — \$37.
 - Maximum weight of 20 pounds.

Domestic Priority Mail variable-weight packaging can be used for international shipping and requires a Customs declaration.

First-Class Mail International

- First-Class Mail International will replace what we currently know as letter post and economy letter class (LC). This service will not provide tracking or insurance, but continues to offer registered service (determined by destination post) to the customer upon request.
- All features and benefits of this service remain the same, including the 4-pound weight limit.

- Aerogrammes will no longer be available for purchase. Customers will still be allowed to use Aerogrammes they have previously purchased with the addition of proper postage.
- The *Forever Stamp*™ can be used for international mail with the appropriate additional postage affixed.

Fact Sheets (Domestic)

Fact Sheet: First-Class Mail

First-Class Mail is matter that contains personal information, wholly or partially handwritten or typewritten material, or bills and statements of account. Any matter, except for Customized Market Mail®, eligible for mailing may be sent, at the option of the mailer, using First-Class Mail® service. First-Class Mail items are sealed against inspection.

First-Class Mail Highlights

The most significant change for First-Class Mail is the introduction of pricing based on the shape of mail and the relative processing costs. There will be separate prices for letters, large envelopes (flats), and packages (parcels). Prices will decrease for letters weighing over 1 ounce and large envelopes weighing over 6 ounces.

Letters

- The maximum weight for letter-size pieces will be 3.5 ounces.
- The single-piece 1-ounce letter rate will increase to 41 cents, and the single-piece postcard rate will increase to 26 cents. The additional ounce rate will decrease to 17 cents.
- The additional-ounce rate for automation letters will decrease to \$12.5 cents.
- Machinable letters preparation is being changed and will require sorting only to the origin 3-digit, automated area distribution center (AADC), and mixed AADC levels.
- Carrier route automation letters will be eliminated.
- To help reduce the number of “air trays” and the costs of handling mail in letter trays, a “reduced” overflow tray option for automation letters will be included. The definition of a “full letter tray” will be revised to one in which pieces must fill the length of the tray between 85 and 100 percent capacity.
- The “heavy piece discount” will be eliminated as the new pricing structure makes it unnecessary.

Large Envelopes (Flats)

The single piece 1-ounce rate for large envelopes (flats) will be 80 cents.

Additional changes include the following:

- All large envelopes (flats) will be required to be rectangular or square in shape.
- There will be one set of criteria for automation flats including new flexibility standards.

Packages (Parcels)

The single-piece 1-ounce price for packages will be \$1.13.

- The new price structure for parcels will include workshare (presorted) prices. A 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 barcode or POSTNET barcode will be required. If not, a surcharge of 5 cents each will be assessed. This surcharge will also apply to all parcels weighing less than 2 ounces each, as well as to irregularly shaped items such as tubes and rolls, unless prepared in 5-digit scheme or 5-digit sacks.
- Presorted parcel rate levels will be 5-digit and 3-digit.

Customer Opportunities

- Customers may save as much as 39 cents on the first ounce by folding the contents of a flat-size mailpiece (large envelope) into a letter-size mailpiece. Customers can also reconfigure items from a package to fit in a large envelope and save 33 cents on the first ounce.
- The decrease in price to 17 cents for each additional ounce for all mail shapes will result in lower prices for letters weighing over 1 ounce and large envelopes weighing over 6 ounces.
- The additional-ounce rate for presort-rate, letters, flats, parcels, and automation-rate flats is 17 cents. The additional-ounce price for automation letters is 12.5 cents. These reductions along with pricing based on shape eliminate the need for the “heavy piece” discount for mailpieces weighing more than 2 ounces.
- For workshare mail, the additional-ounce rate for letters will decrease to 12.5 cents and the additional-ounce rate for large envelopes and packages will decrease to 17 cents.

Fact Sheet: Priority Mail

Priority Mail® items are defined as First-Class Mail® items weighing more than 13 ounces and, at the mailer's option, any other matter (including regular First-Class Mail items) weighing 13 ounces or less. The weight limit for Priority Mail remains 70 pounds. Material that is required to be mailed at First-Class Mail rates weighing over 13 ounces must be sent via Priority Mail service.

Priority Mail Highlights

The biggest change for Priority Mail service is the introduction of dimensional-weight pricing for items larger than a cubic foot and destined to Zones 5–8. Dimensional-weight pricing is based on the cubic capacity of a package (parcel) rather than on weight. It converts the cubic size of an item into a dimensional weight. If a large package is relatively light and addressed for delivery to Zones 5–8, it could be charged as a heavier-weight item, based on a standard issued by the International Air Transport Association (IATA). This standard is used by other commercial carriers to determine prices for packages shipped by air, and it aligns our Priority Mail prices with the costs we incur for shipping these items by air.

The balloon rate will change. Packages measuring more than 84 inches in combined length and girth and weighing less than 20 pounds will be charged the 20-pound balloon rate, but only to local destinations and Zones 1–4. This recognizes the costs of handling and transporting these large parcels. This limits the balloon rate to those items for which ground rather than air transportation is generally used.

Other changes include:

- Zone 3 Priority Mail items will be priced separately from “local and Zones 1 and 2.” This aligns Priority Mail zones with those used by other classes of mail.
- The maximum size for a Priority Mail item will remain 108 inches combined length and girth (the length or longest side, plus the distance around its thickest part).
- No Priority Mail item will ever be subject to both dimensional-weight and balloon-rate pricing.

Customer Opportunities

- Customers will have the option of using standard USPS®-provided Priority Mail packaging as they are not subject to dimensional-weight pricing or balloon-rate pricing.
- As the size of the box, rather than just the weight, affects the price of mailing, customers are encouraged to prepare their items for shipment using boxes that are close in size to the item being shipped.
- Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes will be priced at \$9.15, regardless of weight, contents, or distance traveled. Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelopes will be priced at \$4.60, the same as the (unzoned) 1-pound rate.

Fact Sheet: Express Mail

Express Mail® is a premium service offering guaranteed next-day and second-day delivery service nationwide, 365 days a year. The service options are as follows:

- Next Day and Second Day Post Office to Addressee.
- Next Day and Second Day Post Office to Post Office.
- Custom Designed.
- Express Mail Military Service.

Express Mail Highlights

The only significant change to Express Mail service will be the addition of a new 1-pound rate. The new 1-pound price will be \$19.50. Previously, an item over a half pound was charged the 2-pound rate. Adding the 1-pound rate provides better value for customers mailing lightweight documents.

- The 1/2-pound Post Office to Addressee price as well as the Express Mail Flat-Rate Envelope price will increase to \$16.25.
- The price for a package weighing over 1 pound and up to 2 pounds will be \$21.40 sent with Post Office to Addressee service.
- The fee for additional Express Mail insurance for items valued from \$100.01 to \$200 will decrease to 75 cents.
- There will be no changes to Express Mail Custom Designed or Next Day Post Office to Post Office service other than price adjustments.
- Express Mail Military Service (EMMS) remains available. EMMS continues to use Post Office to Addressee prices.

Customer Opportunities

- Customers mailing lightweight documents will enjoy the value of the new 1-pound rate.
- Delivery status of packages are available online at www.usps.com or by calling 800-222-1811.
- A waiver of signature option allows letter carriers to leave packages at a delivery address when the package can be left in a safe location.
- Express Mail service corporate accounts are available and provide a single monthly statement.
- Distinctive mailing supplies, including boxes in a variety of sizes, envelopes, tape, and labels are available.
- There is daily delivery, including on Sundays and on all holidays, at no additional charge.

Fact Sheet: Standard Mail

Standard Mail® items consist of mailable matter that is neither mailed nor required to be mailed using First-Class Mail® service, is not entered as Periodicals, and weighs less than 16 ounces.

Standard Mail Highlights

Similar to the changes to First-Class Mail service, which places greater emphasis on mail shape, Standard Mail also emphasizes shape in relation to pricing. As a result, Standard Mail pieces that are not compatible with automated processing equipment, or are parcel-shaped, will be priced higher.

The most significant change to Standard Mail will be for packages (parcels). There will be separate pricing for parcels, additional presort tiers, and a new destination delivery unit (DDU) drop ship option. A new category, Not Flat-Machinable, has been created to include pieces that are too rigid for mechanized handling. There are also different preparation requirements for irregular and machinable parcels. These changes will help to process these pieces more efficiently and keep prices lower.

- DDU-entry rates for Enhanced Carrier Route (ECR) letters will be discontinued.
- Regardless of weight, letters that do not meet aspect ratio, or that have any other nonmachinable characteristics (too rigid, etc.) will pay the rates for nonmachinable letters.
- Separate prices will apply for machinable and nonmachinable letters.
- The nonmachinable surcharge will be eliminated.
- The maximum weight for automation-rate letters will remain 3.5 ounces.
- The automation basic carrier route rate for letters will be eliminated.
- The definition of an automation flat will be changed to better align prices with processing costs.
- A detached address label (DAL) surcharge of 1.5 cents each will apply to ECR flats and irregular parcels prepared and mailed with DALs.
- DDU-entry rates for flats are retained.
- The nonprofit price structure and incentives will mirror those of Standard Mail service.

Customer Opportunities

- Lower increases for heavier items will be reflected in the pound rate.
- Mailers may continue to use the Delivery Confirmation™ electronic option, bulk insurance, and return receipt for merchandise with the new irregular and machinable parcel categories. Only Electronic Option Delivery Confirmation will be available with Not Flat-Machinable items.

Fact Sheet: Package Services

Package Services mail consists of mailable matter that is neither mailed nor required to be mailed using either First-Class Mail®, or entered as Periodicals mail except as permitted or required. Package Services mail includes Bound Printed Matter (BPM), Library Mail, Media Mail, Parcel Post®, and Parcel Select®.

Package Services Highlights

- To simplify options at the retail counter, BPM will no longer be offered as a mailing option. However, we will still accept nonpresorted BPM pieces for mailing at the retail counter (as well as at collection boxes and with letter carriers) when the customer has pre-applied postage using any of the current forms: adhesive stamps, meter strips, PC Postage®.
- The price of a 1-pound Parcel Post item (Zones 3–8) will increase to \$4.50.
- The only significant change to Parcel Post and Parcel Select will be the revision of the minimum weight for the balloon rate from 15 pounds to 20 pounds for parcels measuring larger than 84 inches in combined length and girth.
 - Balloon-rate pricing will continue to apply to eligible Parcel Post and Parcel Select items destined to all zones.
- Barcodes will be required on all Parcel Select–DBMC parcels.
 - The separate barcode discount of 3 cents will continue on BPM, Library Mail, and Media Mail flats and machinable parcels.

Customer Opportunities

- Mailers who drop ship BPM and Parcel Select in bulk will have smaller price increases.
- The new prices for Parcel Select–DBMC parcels will require that they be barcoded.
- For parcels weighing 1 pound or less, customers may wish to consider Priority Mail® service.

Fact Sheet: Extra Services and Other Fees

Extra Services are enhancements that, for a fee in addition to postage, provide greater security and accountability. They include confirmation of mailing, delivery, and receipt; special handling; and payment and acceptance options for mail. Extra Services also provide delivery alternatives and secure options for sending important matter through the mail.

Extra Services include Certified Mail™, Return Receipt, Delivery Confirmation™, Signature Confirmation™, Registered Mail™, Collect-on-Delivery, Restricted Delivery, Certificate of Mailing and Insurance. Other services are Post Office™ boxes, Caller Service, and Address Change Service (ACS).

Domestic Insurance

- All domestic insured items will now have a barcode.
- Insurance \$200 and under will use PS Form 3813 — and will receive a scan at delivery.
- Insurance over \$200 will use PS Form 3813-P and will receive a signature and scan at delivery.
- Prices for insurance coverage have changed as follows:
 - Value up to \$50 will increase by 30 cents to \$1.65.
 - \$50.01 to \$100 will **decrease** by 25 cents to \$2.05.
 - \$100.01 to \$200 will **decrease** by 90 cents to \$2.45.
 - \$200.01 to \$300 will increase by 20 cents to \$4.60.
 - The cost per additional \$100 of insurance will **decrease** 15 cents to 90 cents.
- Additional Express Mail[®] insurance coverage from \$100.01 to \$200 will decrease to 75 cents.
- Customers purchasing insurance with Delivery Confirmation or Signature Confirmation service will be able to view delivery information using the Delivery Confirmation or Signature Confirmation barcode information online at www.usps.com.

Post Office Boxes

- Post Office box fees will be realigned to better reflect the costs the Postal Service[™] incurs for each individual location. As a result, prices at some locations will increase, while prices at other locations will decrease. In addition, fee group assignments may change.
- Caller Service fees will also be realigned into the same fee groups as Post Office boxes. Instead of one set price, prices will range from \$370 to \$630 depending on the assigned fee group.
- Key duplication and replacement fees increase to \$6.
- Key deposit (refundable fee) remains \$1 per key.
- Lock change fees increase to \$14.
- Reserve call number fee per year will increase to \$38.
- The new Post Office box and Caller Service fees apply only to new rentals and renewals. Current Post Office box holders (and customers paying Caller Service fees) do not begin paying the new fees until they renew. Post Office box and Caller Service fees may be paid for up to two semi-annual periods at a time (i.e., up to 1 year in advance).

Certified Mail and Return Receipt

- Certified Mail service will increase to \$2.65.

- Return Receipt Electronic (RRE) option at the time of mailing will **decrease** to 85 cents.
- Return Receipt service (hard copy) at the time of mailing will increase to \$2.15. Return Receipt requested after mailing will increase to \$3.80.

Delivery Confirmation and Signature Confirmation

- Delivery Confirmation fees for First-Class Mail[®] packages and Package Services at retail will increase to 75 cents and the electronic option fee will increase to 18 cents.
- Delivery Confirmation fees for Priority Mail[®] service (retail option) will increase to 65 cents and the electronic option fee including Click-N-Ship[®] will remain free.
- The Delivery Confirmation fees for Standard Mail[®] parcels and NFM's electronic option will increase to 18 cents.

Money Orders

- Fees for domestic money orders are as follows:
 - Value up to \$500 will increase to \$1.05.
 - \$500.01 – \$1,000 will increase to \$1.50.
- The money order inquiry fee will increase to \$5.
- Postal Military Money Orders will increase to 30 cents.

Registered Mail

Registered Mail without insurance will increase to \$9.50. Registered Mail fees with insurance coverage will change as follows:

- Value up to \$100 will increase to \$10.15.
- \$100.01 – \$500 will increase to \$11.25.
- \$500.01 – \$1,000 will increase to \$12.35.
- The cost per additional \$1,000 of insurance will increase to \$1.10.

Other Fees

Pricing of all Business Reply Mail (BRM) returns will be based on shape. In addition, there are increases as well as decreases to certain BRM per-piece fees. These new fees apply only to first-time payments and fee renewals. BRM customers with current annual and quarterly fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until it is time to renew.

BRM fees will be adjusted as follows:

- Annual permit fee will increase to \$175.
- Per-piece charge for Regular will increase to 70 cents.
- Per-piece charge for High Volume will increase to 8 cents.
- The permit imprint application fee and all annual mailing fees will increase to \$175. Annual accounting

fees (account maintenance fees) will increase to \$550. The new fees apply only to first-time payments and fee renewals. Customers with current fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until their current payment period expires.

- The Premium Forwarding Service weekly fee will increase to \$11.95. The enrollment fee remains \$10. The new weekly fee applies only to customers initially enrolling (or extending) the service and paying on or after May 14, 2007.
- For Confirm[®] service, the current Platinum, Gold, and Silver subscription tiers will remain in place. A Platinum subscription will increase from \$10,000 to \$19,500; a Gold subscription will increase from \$4,500 to \$6,000; and a Silver subscription will remain unchanged at \$2,000. The annual fee for additional Subscriber IDs will remain at \$2,000, however, the quarterly fee will increase from \$500 to \$750. New prices apply to new subscriptions or for renewal of existing subscriptions.

Customer Opportunities

- Customers purchasing insurance online using Click-N-Ship[®] service or eBay will be able to initiate claims online at www.usps.com.
- Domestic Insurance fees have decreased for coverage between \$50.01 and \$200.
- Customers using Click-N-Ship service will continue to have access to no-fee electronic Delivery Confirmation on Priority Mail items.
- Items may still be insured up to \$500 when purchased online via Click-N-Ship, eBay, or at an Automated Postal Center[®] (APC[®]).
- For items shipped using Express Mail service, \$100 of insurance continues to be included at no additional cost.
- Customers who purchase Delivery Confirmation service or Signature Confirmation service may continue to view delivery information online at www.usps.com.

Fact Sheets (International)

Fact Sheet: Global Express Guaranteed

Global Express Guaranteed[®] (GXG[®]) service is an international expedited delivery service provided through an alliance with FedEx. GXG provides reliable, high-speed, date-certain service with tracking and money-back delivery guarantee to over 190 countries worldwide. The new GXG service will combine the existing document and non-document price structures into one service. However, customers will still need to specify contents of their GXG shipments when mailing to indicate if the items are document or nondocument. Global Express Guaranteed (GXG) service may be used for shipments that contain documents and general correspondence for which no duty is assessed by the Customs authority of the destinating country, and for shipments that contain nondocuments or other merchandise for which duty may be assessed by the Customs authority of the destinating country. (See IMM 213 for additional standards.)

Global Express Guaranteed Highlights

Global Express Guaranteed, the Postal Service's[™] premium date-certain expedited international service with money-back delivery guarantee¹ offers the following:

- Delivery by FedEx in 1–3 business days to over 190 countries.
- Tracking.

1. Some restrictions apply. Refer to terms and conditions on the back of mailing label for details.

- \$100 insurance included.
- Additional insurance available at the mailer's option.
- Lowest price among competitors — prices start at \$28.50.
- Quick, easy, and convenient online shipping:
 - Customers may save time and ship from their home or office and receive a 10 percent discount when they pay for postage online.
 - Customers can go to www.usps.com/global to do the following:
 - Order free packaging supplies.
 - Print shipping labels.
 - Complete and print a PS Form 6182, *Commercial Invoice*.
 - Request free Carrier Pickup[™] service.
 - Track shipments.

Customer Opportunities

- Customers will be able to order free shipping supplies, print shipping labels, complete and print a PS Form 6182, *Commercial Invoice*, and request free Carrier Pickup at www.usps.com/global.
- Customers who purchase postage online via Click-N-Ship[®] service or through authorized PC Postage[®] vendors will receive a 10 percent discount.

Fact Sheet: Express Mail International

Express Mail International® (EMI) service replaces Global Express Mail™ service. EMI is an expedited mail service that can be used to send documents and merchandise to over 190 countries worldwide. EMI service includes a date-certain, money-back guarantee to select destinations (see *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, International Mail Manual (IMM®) 220 and ICL for availability of this service). To all other destinations, EMI shipments are not guaranteed and are not eligible for a postage refund should delivery be delayed.

Express Mail International Highlights

Express Mail International is a reliable, high-speed mail service available to over 190 countries. It offers:

- Average delivery of 3 to 5 business days to major destinations.
- Tracking.
- \$100 insurance included.
- Additional insurance available at the mailer's option.
- Lowest price among competitors — prices start at \$22.
- Money-back service guarantee to Australia, China, Hong Kong, Japan, and Republic of Korea (South Korea).
- Express Mail Flat-Rate Envelope can be used for international shipping:
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$22.
 - One price to all other countries — \$25.
- POS ONE and IMM country listings show required Customs Form.
- Express Mail International is Quick, Easy, Convenient™:
 - Customers may save time and ship from their home or office and receive an 8 percent discount when they pay for postage online.
 - Customers can go to www.usps.com/global to do the following:
 - Order free packaging supplies.
 - Print shipping labels and Customs Forms all in one document (PS Form 2976-A-EMI).
 - Request free Carrier Pickup™ service.
 - Track shipments.
- Coins, jewelry, watches and other valuables are prohibited in EMI shipments. Always check country-specific prohibitions, restrictions, and observations in the IMM country pages.

Customer Opportunities

- \$100 of insurance provided at no extra charge.
- Express Mail International with money-back guarantee is available to Japan, China, South Korea, Hong Kong, and Australia.
- At www.usps.com/global, customers will be able to order free shipping supplies, print shipping labels with appropriate Customs Forms in one document (PS Form 2976-EMI or PS Form 2976-A-EMI), and request free Carrier Pickup service.
- Customers who purchase postage online via Click-N-Ship® service or through authorized PC Postage® vendors will receive an 8 percent discount.

Fact Sheet: Priority Mail International

Priority Mail International combines Global Priority Mail®, Airmail Parcel Post, and Economy Parcel Post services and is a reliable, cost-effective way to send documents and merchandise to over 190 countries. All domestic Priority Mail® packaging can be used for Priority Mail International shipments including flat-rate envelopes and flat-rate boxes.

Priority Mail International Highlights

Priority Mail International is a reliable cost-effective way to send documents and merchandise to over 190 countries and offers the following:

- Average business day delivery of 6 to 10 days to major destinations.
- Tracking to major destinations.
- Limited indemnity coverage provided at no extra charge.
- Insurance available at the mailer's option.
- Use of domestic Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelopes for international shipping:
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$9.
 - One price to all other countries — \$11.
- Maximum weight of 4 pounds.
- Registered Mail™ service without insurance is available for a fee. Check POS ONE or IMM for country-specific availability.
- Use of domestic Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes for international shipping:
 - One price to Canada and Mexico — \$23.
 - One price to all other countries — \$37.
 - 20-pound maximum weight.
 - Requires PS Form 2976-A, *Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note* — CP 72.

- Quick, easy, and convenient online shipping:
 - Customers can save time and ship from their home or office and receive a 5 percent discount when they pay for postage online.
 - Go to www.usps.com/global to do the following:
 - Order free shipping supplies.
 - Print shipping labels with appropriate Customs forms in one document (PS Form 2976-PMI or PS Form 2976-A-PMI).
 - Request free Carrier Pickup™ service.

Customer Opportunities

- Customers will be able to order free shipping supplies, print shipping labels with appropriate Customs declaration form in one document (PS Form 2976-PMI or PS Form 2976-A-PMI), and request free Carrier Pickup™ service at www.usps.com/global.
- Customers who purchase postage online at www.usps.com, via Click-N-Ship® service, or through authorized PC Postage® vendors will receive a 5 percent discount.

Fact Sheet: First-Class Mail International

First-Class Mail International service replaces Airmail Letter-post, economy letters, and aerogrammes. First-Class Mail International is a service that provides customers with a reliable and economical means of sending

correspondence, documents, and lightweight merchandise weighing up to 4 pounds to foreign destinations that are listed in *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, International Mail Manual (IMM®) 231.4.

First-Class Mail International Highlights

- Service available worldwide for items weighing up to 4 pounds.
- Registered Service available without insurance coverage.
- Delivery time varies by destination.

Airmail M-bags

- Direct sacks of printed matter to a single addressee.
- Air service only, available worldwide.
- Registered Service or Insured Service is not available.
- Delivery time varies by destination.
- No tracking.

Customer Opportunities

- First-Class Mail International provides an economical option for customers shipping lightweight items to foreign destinations.
- Registered Mail™ service is available for purchase with First-Class Mail International items for additional security.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Why are prices going up again?

A. The costs of doing business — for things like fuel, transportation, utilities, and health care benefits — have continued to increase. Without an increase to keep up with rising costs, we face significant losses. Postal Service™ operations are not subsidized by tax dollars. We rely on the sale of postal products and services to cover our operating costs.

Q. The USPS raised prices on January 8, 2006. Why another increase so soon?

A. The January 8, 2006, across-the-board price increase was to meet an escrow payment mandated by Public Law (PL) 108-18. This is the first time since January 2001 that we have restructured our prices. A lot has happened since then. In accordance with our Strategic Transformation Plan, we've made extensive changes to our operations and increased our efficiency. And the market has changed too. We're using this opportunity to reflect changes in operations and respond to market changes. We've done that by re-aligning our classifications (product

descriptions) and their prices. We must ensure that our prices for our products cover their costs.

Q. Why don't you just make the price of a stamp an even 50 cents?

A. No one should have to pay more than necessary. We want to make sure the mail remains a great value. A price increase of more than 2 cents for a First-Class Mail® stamp would impose an unfair share of the burden of operating the Postal Service on First-Class Mail users. A 2-cent increase results in a more equitable distribution of postal costs among all mail classes.

Also, the majority of customers purchase stamps not in singles but in booklets or panes of 10 or 20 stamps, and in coils of 100 or more, so pennies are not usually involved in the transaction.

Q. What is this Forever Stamp that I'm hearing about?

A. The Postal Service is issuing the *Forever Stamp*™, intended to reduce the inconvenience that consumers experience having to acquire new-price postage or "make-up" stamps (1-cent and 2-cent stamps)

prior to the implementation of new prices. The *Forever Stamp* will initially be sold at the new First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate — 41 cents. The value of the *Forever Stamp* will always be the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of use (mailing), unaffected by any subsequent changes.

Customers still need to prepare for the May 14 change, just as they have for previous price adjustments.

Additional postage will need to be affixed to letters weighing in excess of 1 ounce, letters subject to the nonmachinable surcharge, or mailpieces subject to another rate of postage (e.g., large envelopes or packages).

The *Forever Stamp* will be available in Post Offices™ on April 12, 2007.

Q. How much will the *Forever Stamp* cost?

A. The *Forever Stamp* will be available in booklets of 20 for \$8.20 at the retail counter. It will also be available (beginning May 14) from our Automated Postal Centers® (APCs®) and at select automated teller machines (ATMs) in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38.

Q. Will the *Forever Stamp* be available in coils or other formats?

A. No, but a nondenominated *American Flag* stamp is also being issued and will be available in coils of 100, 3,000, and 10,000 and in panes of 20 and 100, as well as in individual quantities.

Q. Can the *Forever Stamp* be used for international mail?

A. Any nondenominated stamps (except those that bear unique markings, such as First-Class Presort, Non-profit Organization) may be affixed to items that are sent to foreign countries. The postage value of such stamps is linked to its appropriate domestic rate (e.g., the *Lady Liberty and U.S. Flag* stamp has a postage value of 39 cents). The postage value of the *Forever Stamp* will be the domestic First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of use (mailing). Since international postage rates are always higher than the comparable domestic rates, additional postage would have to be affixed.

Q. Will the price of the Breast Cancer Research semi-postal stamp change?

A. Yes, this increase in the First-Class Mail letter rate requires us to raise the selling price to 55 cents each to maintain the relationship between price and contribution.

Q. Will there be 17-cent stamps available for the lower First-Class Mail additional-ounce rate?

A. A new 17-cent stamp will be issued in the immediate future.

Q. Can I exchange my 39-cent postage stamps for new 41-cent stamps?

A. No. Unless mistakes were made when originally purchased or stamps were defective when purchased, adhesive stamps are not exchangeable or refundable. You must use 1-cent or 2-cent stamps to make up the difference.

Q. Did the price for First-Class Mail postcards increase?

A. Yes, the new price is 26 cents for postcards eligible for the card price.

Q. Where can I find additional information regarding the new rates and fees?

A. For additional information on domestic (as well as international) changes, see the January/February and March/April issues of *MailPro* at www.usps.com/mailpro.

First-Class Mail

Q. Is there still a nonmachinable surcharge for First-Class Mail?

A. Yes, the nonmachinable surcharge continues to apply to letters weighing 1 ounce or less, and will be 17 cents. *The Board of Governors has asked the Postal Rate Commission (PRC) to reconsider its recommendation that limits the surcharge to 1-ounce letters instead of applying it to letters of any weight (up to the 3.5-ounce maximum for letters).*

Q. Will large envelopes weighing 1 ounce or less continue to be subject to a nonmachinable surcharge?

A. No, since large envelopes will have their own price structure (flats prices), the nonmachinable surcharge no longer applies.

Q. Why do all the prices for letters only go up to 3.5 ounces?

A. With pricing by shape, the maximum weight for letters is now 3.5 ounces. Letters weighing more than 3.5 ounces would be subject to the flats prices (the prices for large envelopes). The maximum weight for large envelopes and packages remains 13 ounces.

Q. Is there still a "heavy-piece" discount for automation-rate and presort-rate mail weighing more than 2 ounces?

A. No. Separate price schedules for letters and flats (such as large envelopes) make the heavy-piece discount unnecessary. With these separate schedules comes a lower additional-ounce rate that decreases

to 12.5 cents for automation letters and 17 cents for presorted letters and flats.

- Q. *Does the price structure and related mail preparation standards for automation letters change?*
- A. Aside from the elimination of automation carrier route rates, there are no changes to the automation letters rate structure or the existing 150-piece minimums associated with the optional 5-digit, 3-digit, and automated area distribution center (AADC) rates.

Priority Mail

- Q. *Is there a new price for the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes?*
- A. Yes. The Priority Mail® Flat-Rate Boxes are now a permanent feature of our product line, and the new price is \$9.15, regardless of weight, contents, or distance traveled. *The Board of Governors has asked the PRC to reconsider its recommended rate, which is higher than proposed.*
- Q. *What is the new price for the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelope?*
- A. The price for the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelope continues to be the same as the 1-pound rate — \$4.60.
- Q. *Why is dimensional-weight pricing important with Priority Mail service?*
- A. Dimensional-weight pricing is an important component because it allows prices to better reflect our transportation costs. Air transportation costs are based on the cubic capacity (size) of the package while previous prices were all weight-based. Dimensional-weight pricing applies only to Priority Mail packages larger than 1 cubic foot capacity and traveling to destinations within Zones 5–8 (zones that use air transportation).
- Q. *With the new dimensional-weight pricing for Priority Mail packages, is there still the (minimum) balloon rate?*
- A. Yes; but only for packages (measuring larger than 84-inches combined length and girth) traveling locally and to Zone 1–4 destinations. The new minimum rate will be 20 pounds.
- Q. *Are packages measured the same way for dimensional-weight pricing as with balloon-rate pricing?*
- A. No. Dimensional weight is based on cubic inches by measuring (in inches) and multiplying the length by the width by the height. If the result is greater than 1,728, divide it by 194 (the “dim factor”). The result is the dimensional-weight. Balloon rate is determined by measuring the length and girth combined, and if

the result is greater than 84 inches, balloon-rate pricing may apply.

- Q. *What if the resulting dimensional weight is more than 70 pounds?*
- A. The package would be charged the applicable 70-pound rate.
- Q. *Would anything mailed in our Priority Mail containers be subject to dimensional-weight pricing or the balloon-rate?*
- A. No. None of our standard Priority Mail containers available online or at Post Offices, would be subject to dimensional-weight or balloon-rate pricing.
- Q. *Would mailings expedited using “Priority Mail Open-and-Distribute,” be subject to dimensional-weight pricing?*
- A. Mailings of other classes of mail enclosed in USPS®-supplied containers for expedited service as Priority Mail Open and Distribute (formerly Priority Mail Drop Shipment) to destination postal facilities would not be subject to dimensional-weight pricing.

Express Mail

- Q. *What is the most significant change for Express Mail service?*
- A. The addition of 1-pound rates to fill the gap between the (minimum) 1/2-pound rate and 2-pound rate, now makes Express Mail® service a better value for mailers of lightweight documents. The new Post Office to Addressee 1-pound rate is \$19.50. Previously, mailers with any piece weighing over 1/2 pound and under 2 pounds were charged the 2-pound price.
- Q. *What is the new price for the Express Mail Flat-Rate Envelope?*
- A. The price for the Express Mail Flat-Rate Envelope continues to be the same as the 1/2-pound rate. The Post Office to Addressee price is \$16.25.
- Q. *Is insurance still included in the base price for Express Mail service?*
- A. Yes, merchandise insurance is provided against loss, damage, or rifling up to a maximum liability of \$100. Additional insurance may be purchased, at the mailer’s option.
- Q. *Does dimensional-weight pricing apply to Express Mail shipments?*
- A. No.

Standard Mail

- Q. *What are the major changes to Standard Mail service?*
- A. The four major changes to Standard Mail® service are the following: Separate price structures for ma-

chinable and nonmachinable letters; four separate presort and price tiers for flats; separate price structures for irregular and machinable parcels (that includes a new destination delivery unit (DDU) entry price); and the creation of the “Not Flat-Machinable” or NFM category.

Q. Is there a higher nonmachinable surcharge for letters?

A. The nonmachinable surcharge for Standard Mail letters is discontinued and replaced with separate nonmachinable prices for letters that do not meet the aspect ratio or that have any nonmachinable characteristics.

Q. Has the maximum weight for automation-rate letters increased?

A. No. The maximum weight for automation-rate letters (letters with the barcode in the address block and prepared in a sealed envelope) remains 3.5 ounces.

Q. Are there any changes to the requirements for self-mailers and booklets prepared as automation-rate letters?

A. No.

Q. Do the price structure and related mail preparation standards for automation-rate letters change?

A. Aside from the elimination of automation basic enhanced carrier route (ECR) rates, there are no changes to the automation-rate letters price structure or the existing 150-piece minimums associated with the optional 5-digit, 3-digit, and AADC prices.

Q. Have any ECR categories been eliminated?

A. The basic automation rate for letters is eliminated, as well as the DDU entry rate for ECR letters. Due to changes in our automated processing, DDU entry of ECR letters is no longer advantageous.

Q. Why have the 3/5 and basic rates for machinable letters been changed to AADC and mixed-AADC rates?

A. This change establishes letter rates that parallel corresponding presort levels. Machinable letters can be processed and barcoded on USPS® automation at the origin facility therefore, with the exception of optional origin/entry 3-digit trays, preparation by the mailer to finer sortation levels is unnecessary.

Q. Why were the 3/5 and basic prices for flats split into separate 5-digit, 3-digit, ADC, and mixed-ADC rates?

A. We created rates for flats that parallel the presort levels and better reflect worksharing efforts. These changes apply to both automation-rate and nonautomation-rate flats.

Q. What are the minimum piece requirements for automation and nonautomation flats 5-digit and 3-digit rate categories?

A. We did not change the bundle and sacking requirements, including the minimums. For mail prepared on pallets and for automation-rate flats prepared in sacks, pieces prepared in a 5-digit scheme/5-digit bundle would get the 5-digit rate. Likewise, pieces prepared in a 3-digit scheme/3-digit bundle would get the 3-digit rate. For nonautomation flats prepared in sacks, the rates continue to be based on the level of the sack in which the bundles are placed.

Q. What is the definition of “uniform thickness” for flats? If a flat is not uniformly thick, would it have to be mailed as a parcel, or Not Flat-Machinable piece?

A. All flats must be uniformly thick so that any bumps, protrusions, or other irregularities do not cause more than 1/4-inch variance in thickness. The outer edges of the mailpiece (up to 1 inch) would not be considered when measuring variance in thickness. Also, if the contents are significantly smaller than the envelope, wrapper, or sleeve, they must be secured to prevent shifting of more than 2 inches within the mailpiece. Flat-size pieces not meeting the uniform-thickness standard must be mailed as either Not Flat-Machinable (NFM) pieces or as parcels.

Q. With separate rate categories for irregular parcels, machinable parcels, and NFM pieces, is there a residual shape surcharge?

A. No, the residual shape surcharge (RSS) is discontinued.

Q. What is the new NFM category?

A. We created the NFM category for pieces that previously qualified as automation flats by virtue of the UFSM 1000 guidelines (which no longer exist). Many of these pieces were handled as parcels, especially at delivery. Since such pieces do not meet the processing specifications of the AFSM 100 for flats, they no longer qualify as Standard Mail flats.

Q. What is the required preparation for NFM pieces?

A. There is no bundling for most NFMs; mailers prepare pieces as follows:

- NFMs weighing less than 6 ounces — optional 5-digit/scheme, 3-digit, ADC, and mixed-ADC containers.
- NFMs weighing 6 ounces or more — optional 5-digit/scheme, optional administrative support facility (ASF), bulk mail center (BMC), and mixed-BMC containers.

Note: NFMs weighing 6 ounces or more are not eligible for 3-digit rates, and pieces prepared in ASF/

BMC containers qualify for the ADC rate. To give mailers access to deeper discounts, we also allow 5-digit rates for 5-digit bundles placed directly on pallets. In addition, the DDU-entry rate is available for NFM sorted to 5-digit destinations. There is no minimum quantity for 5-digit NFM entered at a DDU.

Q. Is there a barcode discount available for machinable parcels?

A. No, the value of the barcode is factored into the rate, and a 5-cent surcharge would apply to all parcels and NFM pieces that are not barcoded, unless the parcels are placed into 5-digit containers.

Q. I see there are new barcode requirements for all the parcel categories. Can I use the same barcode on all parcels to avoid the 5-cent surcharges?

A. Irregular parcels (regardless of weight) and NFM pieces weighing less than 6 ounces: either a 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 or a POSTNET barcode is acceptable.

Machinable parcels and NFM pieces weighing 6 ounces or more: a 5-digit UCC/EAN Code 128 must be used.

Q. Will Extra Services (formerly Special Services) be available for use with Standard Mail parcels and NFM?

A. Electronic Option Delivery Confirmation™, bulk insurance, and Return Receipt for merchandise services are available with the irregular and machinable parcel categories. Only Electronic Option Delivery Confirmation is available with NFM pieces.

Q. Are there changes to Standard Mail Nonprofit mailings?

A. Nonprofit prices (categories) and incentives continue to mirror those of commercial Standard Mail prices.

Package Services

Q. Are there any changes to Parcel Post?

A. The significant change to Parcel Post® service (and Parcel Select® service) is the revision of the minimum balloon rate from 15 pounds to 20 pounds, for parcels measuring larger than 84 inches in combined length and girth.

Q. Is there still a barcode discount for Parcel Select parcels?

A. No. The new prices reflect the savings, and barcodes are now required on (machinable) Parcel Select-DBMC parcels. Barcodes facilitate efficient verification and processing and are necessary for no-fee electronic Delivery Confirmation service. The majority of Parcel Select parcels are barcoded by mailers and consolidators. Machinable Parcel Select-DBMC par-

cels that do not bear a barcode would be subject to Intra-BMC/ASF rates.

Q. Does dimensional-weight pricing apply to Packages Services mail?

A. No.

Q. I see there is now a surcharge for Standard Mail ECR flats mailed with detached address labels (DALs). Is there a similar surcharge for BPM flats and irregular parcels mailed with DALs?

A. No.

Q. Can postage for Bound Printed Matter eligible items be purchased at the retail counter?

A. No. To simplify options at the retail counter, Bound Printed Matter (BPM) will no longer be offered. However, we will still accept nonpresorted BPM pieces for mailing at the retail window (as well as for mailing at collection boxes and giving to letter carriers, as appropriate) when the customer pre-applies postage using any of the current forms — adhesive stamps, meter strips, PC Postage®.

Extra Services and Other Fees

Q. Is no-fee electronic Delivery Confirmation service still available?

A. Yes, it continues with Priority Mail (including Click-N-Ship® service) and Parcel Select parcels.

Q. Are there any changes to address correction-related fees, including the Standard Mail weighted fee, for returns?

A. Yes there are significant changes to Address Change Service™ (ACS) including the new OneCode ACS™ using the Intelligent Mail® barcode (formerly the 4-state customer barcode), as well as new options for mailers requiring forwarding service for their Standard Mail items. Low-cost OneCode ACS fees are initially available for First-Class Mail and Standard Mail letters.

There are minor increases as well as decreases in Business Reply Mail (BRM) per-piece charges. Also, BRM returns will be subject to the appropriate First-Class Mail rates for letters, large envelopes (flats), and parcels.

Q. Will BRM standards be changed to make use of the Intelligent Mail barcode?

A. No, there are no “format” changes for BRM.

Q. Will Priority Mail parcels using a BRM label, or Merchandise Return Service label, be subject to balloon-rate or dimensional-weight pricing?

A. Yes, parcels greater than 84 inches combined length and girth returned from within Zones 1–4, will be subject to balloon-rate pricing. Parcels greater than

1 cubic foot capacity and returned from Zone 5 or beyond will be subject to Priority Mail dimensional-weight pricing.

Q. Will the fees for Premium Forwarding Service change?

A. The enrollment (application) fee remains \$10, but the weekly shipment fee increases to \$11.95 per week. The new weekly fee applies only to customers initially enrolling or extending and paying on or after May 14. PS Form 8176, *Premium Forwarding Service (PFS) Application*, is being updated to reflect this change (under Terms and Conditions #6).

Q. Will new point-of-purchase materials be available with the new weekly price for PFS?

A. Yes, both the brochure (Publication 615) and the stand-up counter card (Sign 615) are being prepared with the new weekly shipment fee. (Most Post Offices will need only one stand-up counter card.) Details will follow in an upcoming *Postal Bulletin*.

Q. What should postmasters do with the old PFS stand-up signs and hand-outs?

A. Recycle those that are out-of-date.

Q. If a residential customer has both a Post Office box and a street address and wants to use PFS, can he/she file one application and pay one weekly fee?

A. No. Two applications and two weekly service fees are required. See "Terms and Conditions #3" of the PFS application.

Q. Have Post Office box fees changed?

A. Yes. With our continuing efforts to realign Post Office box prices with our costs, the fee groups for some individual Post Offices will change, which may result in increases or decreases for some box holders. The new fees apply only to new rentals and renewals. Current Post Office box holders do not begin paying the new fees until their current rental period expires and it is time to renew.

Q. Aside from general price increases, did Caller Service fees change?

A. We are realigning Caller Service fees in the same fee groups as Post Office box fees, and depending on location, customers may see increases or decreases. Previously, Caller Service fees were the same at all locations. The new fees apply only to first-time users and renewals. Current customers paying Caller Service fees do not begin paying the new fees until their current period expires and it is time to renew.

Q. My company reserves multiple Caller Service numbers for future use, are those fees realigned into fee groups, also?

A. No. The caller number reservation fee remains a single fee at \$38. As with Caller Service fees, current customers do not begin paying the \$38 fee until the next calendar year.

Q. Do permit fees increase?

A. Yes. All annual mailing fees and the permit imprint application fee increased to \$175; and all annual accounting fees (account maintenance fees) increase to \$550. These new fees apply only to first-time payments and fee renewals. Customers with current fees paid do not begin paying the new fees until it is time to renew.

Q. I see Pickup on Demand[®] service increases from \$13.25 to \$14.25. What about Carrier Pickup service?

A. Carrier Pickup[™] service remains available at no charge.

Q. Are there any new addressing requirements associated with OneCode ACS[™]?

A. No. Consistent with the goal of reducing undeliverable-as-addressed (UAA) mail, we encourage mailers to use every tool possible to improve the quality of their address lists.

International Mail

Q. Why are international prices going up?

A. The costs of doing business, for things like fuel, transportation, foreign delivery, and utilities, have continued to increase. This is the first time since 2001 that we have proposed any restructuring to our prices. The January 8, 2006, increase was implemented to meet an escrow payment mandated by Public Law (PL) 108-18. This increase for 2007 is needed to cover the increase in operating costs.

Q. When do the international changes take effect?

A. International changes will be implemented concurrent with the domestic changes, Monday, May 14.

Q. Where can I get more detailed information on the changes?

A. For additional information on international (as well as domestic) changes, see the January/February and March/April issues of *MailPro* at www.usps.com/mailpro.

Q. Why are changes being proposed to international mail?

A. We are restructuring our products to better meet customer needs.

Q. What kinds of services have customers requested?

A. Customers have expressed the desire for clear and concise product options to choose from. They would like to have the same quick, easy, and convenient

shipping options that are available domestically. Also, customers have stated a preference for using the same USPS-provided packaging for both domestic and international shipments, free Carrier Pickup service, and better tracking and package visibility — all at the Postal Service's competitive prices.

Q. What are some of the major changes to international mail?

A. The changes include a simplification and rebranding of all international products. Eight international products with overlapping prices and service standards will be combined into four: Global Express Guaranteed® (GXG®), Express Mail International®, Priority Mail International, and First-Class Mail International.

Q. What international products are eliminated?

A. The product simplification eliminates Economy (surface) products including economy Parcel Post; economy Letter Post; Publishers' Periodicals, Books, and Sheet Music; and economy M-bags. All these services will have comparable air product offering alternatives. In addition, Aerogrammes and Recorded Delivery service will be eliminated. First-Class Mail International letters and cards are alternatives to Aerogrammes, and Registered Mail is an alternative for Recorded Delivery.

Q. What are some new international services?

A. Customers will have the convenience of the use of domestic shipping supplies, including "flat-rate" options, as well as increased visibility and more specific delivery times to major destinations. Additionally, online shippers will qualify for discounts of up to 10 percent when paying postage online through www.usps.com and authorized postage vendors.

Q. Will each of the four products offer insurance and tracking?

A. GXG and Express Mail International include insurance covering up to \$100 for loss, damage, rifling, or document reconstruction. Priority Mail International also includes limited insurance coverage. Additional merchandise insurance is available at the mailer's option. Tracking is included in the price of these products.

Q. Were all international mail prices adjusted?

A. Yes, all international product prices were increased an average of 13 percent. The price adjustment for First-Class Mail International will average 8.6 percent. The 1-ounce letter rate to Canada or Mexico will increase from 63 cents to 69 cents (9.5 percent) and the 1-ounce letter rate to all other countries will increase from 84 cents to 90 cents (7.1 percent).

Q. What are the new prices for Express Mail International Flat-Rate Envelopes?

A. The Express Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope price will be \$22 for Canada and Mexico, and \$25 for all other countries.

Q. Will the Postal Service provide free packaging for these services? If so, what will the sizes be and for what class?

A. Yes. We will continue to provide GXG packaging. Customers using other international products will be able to use the same packaging they use for domestic shipping. Therefore, all Express Mail packaging can be used for Express Mail International, including the flat-rate envelope; all Priority Mail packaging can be used for Priority Mail International, including the flat-rate envelope, the flat-rate boxes and all other Priority Mail packaging supplies and labels. These can be ordered online at www.usps.com/shipping-supplies or by calling 800-610-8734.

Q. I'm hearing the Priority Mail Flat-Rate Box is now available for international use. Is that true?

A. Yes. Up to a 20-pound limit, or allowable contents, Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Boxes will be \$23 to Canada and Mexico, and \$37 for all other countries.

Q. Is there a Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelope for international at a single price?

A. The Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope price will be \$9 for Canada and Mexico, and \$11 for all other countries. The weight limit for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelope is 4 pounds.

Q. Did the USPS propose balloon-rate or dimensional-weight pricing for Priority Mail International packages?

A. No. However, dimensional-weight pricing will continue for applicable Global Express Guaranteed shipments.

Q. Will pricing based on shape apply to First-Class Mail International items?

A. No.

Mailing options for Books and Sheet Music and Publishers' Periodicals include International Priority Air-mail (IPA®), M-bag, and International Surface Air Lift® (ISAL®) service. "Single-piece" mailing options would be First-Class Mail International and Priority Mail International service.

Q. What product lines can be sent with Registered Mail service?

A. Registered Mail service (without insurance) will be available for purchase for all First-Class Mail

International items and for the Priority Mail International Flat-Rate Envelopes. See the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual*, (IMM[®]) for country restrictions.

Q. Other than the rates, will there be any other changes to IPA and ISAL service?

A. Yes, a separate rate group is being established for Australia, and an IPA M-bag option is being introduced.

Q. Are there any significant changes to Extra Services?

A. The structure of Extra Services, formerly known as Special Services, remains unchanged except for the elimination of Recorded Delivery service.

Q. Is there any change to initiating an inquiry for the new international mail categories?

A. For international mail, an inquiry must be initiated before a claim can be submitted. For GXG, Express Mail International, and Priority Mail International, customers should call 800-222-1811 to initiate an inquiry. Upon determination that a claim can be filed, we will provide you with a claim packet containing detailed instructions. If a customer receives an article from a foreign country in damaged condition, or with some or all contents missing, he/she needs to take the mailing container, wrapping, packaging, and any other contents to any Post Office for inspection. The postmaster will verify damage and give the customer a PS Form 2855, *Claim for Indemnity-International Registered Mail, Insured, Ordinary Parcel and Express Mail*, to complete.

Note that for Registered Mail service, regardless of the declared value of a registered item, the maximum amount of indemnity payable for loss, damage, or rifling is \$44.86.

Q. Can domestic stamped envelopes be used for international mail?

A. Yes, but since international postage rates are always higher than the postage value, additional postage would have to be affixed.

Q. Were the prices for postcards eliminated?

A. No, postcards are part of First-Class Mail International service. The prices for eligible cards will be 69 cents to Canada and Mexico, 52 cents to the Marshall Islands and Micronesia, and 90 cents to all other countries. Remember, for postcard rates, cards can be no larger than 4-1/4 by 6 inches.

Q. Are International Reply Coupons (IRCs) still available?

A. Yes, the selling price will be \$2.00 each. IRCs are exchangeable in any other UPU-member country for a stamp(s) representing the minimum postage for an unregistered air letter.

Q. Is there still a nonmachinable surcharge for letters?

A. Yes, the nonmachinable surcharge for First-Class Mail International letters weighing 1 ounce or less is increased to 17 cents. As always, 1-ounce letters that do not meet aspect ratio or that have any nonmachinable characteristics would be subject to the nonmachinable surcharge.

Q. I see that Aerogrammes are no longer available, but can Aerogrammes still be mailed?

A. Aerogrammes can be mailed as First-Class Mail International items; however, since the First-Class Mail International price is higher, additional postage would have to be affixed.

Phone Script/Talking Points

Responding to Customer Questions

Please explain why postage prices increase.

The cost of doing business — things like fuel, transportation, utilities, labor, and health care benefits — has continued to increase. In addition, we are adding 1.6 million new delivery addresses each year. You might be surprised to know that Postal Service™ operations are not subsidized by tax dollars. We rely on the sale of postal products and services to cover our operating costs.

Tell me about the new prices.

First-Class Mail

First-Class Mail® rate changes are designed to encourage more-efficient mail preparation. Customers can save postage by reconfiguring material intended for large envelopes into letter-size envelopes, and packages into large envelopes.

The single-piece First-Class Mail 1-ounce letter price is going up 2 cents to 41 cents.

The single-piece First-Class Mail letter price for each additional ounce decreases 7 cents to 17 cents.

The First-Class Mail postcard rate is going up 2 cents to 26 cents.

Priority Mail

The major change to Priority Mail® is the addition of dimensional-weight pricing used to account for transportation costs, which are based on how much space an item occupies in air transportation. Dimensional-weight pricing applies only to Priority Mail items larger than 1 cubic foot capacity and traveling to destinations in Zones 5–8.

The current “balloon” (minimum) rate will remain for local and Zones 1–4, but no longer applies to Zones 5–8. The minimum price for balloon-rate items will be the appropriate 20-pound price.

The price for Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelopes continues to be the same as the 1-pound price, \$4.60.

The price for Priority Mail Flat-Rate Boxes will be \$9.15.

Express Mail

The price for the Express Mail® Flat-Rate Envelope continues to be the same as the 1/2-pound price. There will be a new 1-pound price of \$19.50. The Post Office to Addressee price is \$16.25.

When will the new prices take effect?

The price increases will go into effect Monday, May 14.

Can I purchase new stamps early and avoid long lines at the Post Office?

New 41-cent First-Class Mail stamps will be available starting May 14. You can now purchase 1-cent and 2-cent

stamps to add to 39-cent stamps to make up the new 41-cent First-Class Mail 1-ounce letter rate.

The Postal Service is issuing two nondenominated stamps, the *Forever Stamp*™ and the *American Flag* stamp, to reduce the inconvenience of consumers having to acquire new-price postage or “make-up” stamps (1-cent and 2-cent stamps) prior to the implementation of new prices. The *Forever Stamp* will initially be sold at the new First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate, 41 cents, but its “value” will always be the First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of use (mailing), unaffected by any future price changes.

Additional postage will need to be affixed to letters weighing in excess of 1 ounce, letters subject to the non-machinable surcharge, or mailpieces subject to another postage price (e.g., large envelopes or packages).

The *Forever Stamp* will be available April 12 in booklets of 20 for \$8.20. It will also be available beginning May 14 from our Automated Postal Centers® (APCs®) and at select automated teller machines (ATMs) in sheetlets of 18 for \$7.38.

Customers still need to prepare for the May 14 change, just as they have for previous price adjustments.

Buy stamps as early as possible. There are many convenient options to purchase stamps — at www.usps.com, by phone at 1-800-STAMP24, by mail, and at Post Offices through retail lobby vending equipment.

Can the *Forever Stamp* be used on international mail?

Any nondenominated stamps (except those that bear unique markings, such as First-Class Presort, Nonprofit Organization) may be affixed to items that are sent to foreign countries. The postage value of such stamps is linked to its appropriate domestic rate (e.g., the *Lady Liberty and U.S. Flag* stamp has a postage value of 39 cents). The postage value of the *Forever Stamp* is always the domestic First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate that is in effect on the day of use (mailing). Since the international postage rates are always higher than the comparable domestic rates, additional postage would have to be affixed.

Can I exchange my 39-cent postage stamps for new 41-cent stamps?

No. Unless mistakes were made when originally purchased, or stamps were defective when purchased, adhesive stamps are not exchangeable or refundable. You can use 1-cent and 2-cent stamps to make up the difference.

Will the fees for Premium Forwarding Service (PFS) change?

The enrollment (application) fee will remain \$10, but the weekly shipment fee will increase to \$11.95 each week. The new weekly fee applies only to customers initially enrolling (or extending) and paying on or after Monday, May 14.

What are the changes for Extra Services?

There are several changes to Extra Services, including:

- Post Office™ box fees will be realigned to better reflect the costs the Postal Service incurs for each individual location. As a result, prices at some locations will increase, while prices at other locations will decrease. Caller Service fees will also be realigned into the same fee groups as Post Office boxes. Instead of one set price, Caller Service fees will range from \$370 to \$630 depending on the assigned fee group.
- The new Post Office box and Caller Service fees will apply to new rentals and renewals. Current Post Office box holders (and customers paying Caller Service fees) do not begin paying the new fees until they renew. Post Office box and Caller Service fees may be paid for up to two semi-annual periods at a time (i.e., up to one year in advance).
- Key duplication and replacement fees will increase to \$6. Key deposit (refundable fee) remains \$1 per key. Lock change fees will increase to \$14.
- All insured items will have a barcode. Insurance \$200 and under (insurance without a signature) will use PS Form 3813, *Insured Mail Receipt*, and will receive a scan at delivery. Insurance over \$200 (insurance with a signature) will use PS Form 3813-P, *Insured Mail Receipt*, and will receive a signature in addition to a scan at delivery. Customers will still need to purchase Delivery Confirmation™ or Signature Confirmation™ service to access delivery status information on their insured items on www.usps.com. Fees for insurance coverage have changed as follows:
 - Value up to \$50 will increase to \$1.65.
 - \$50.01 to \$100 will decrease to \$2.05.
 - \$100.01 to \$200 will decrease to \$2.45.
 - \$200.01 to \$300 will increase to \$4.60.
 - The cost per additional \$100 of insurance will decrease to 90 cents.
- Customers who purchase domestic insurance online through Click-N-Ship® service or eBay will now be able to initiate claims online at www.usps.com.
- The fee for Return Receipt Electronic option has decreased to 85 cents.

Will international mail services change?

Yes. The entire international product line will be streamlined to more closely align our international products with their domestic counterparts. Effective with the domestic changes Monday, May 14, the eight current international products will be merged into four by combining products with overlapping service standards and prices.

Some of the highlights of this realignment include:

- Global Express Guaranteed® document and non-document services will be combined into a single service.
- Global Express Mail® will be renamed Express Mail International®.
- Three current services (Airmail Parcel Post, Economy Parcel Post, and Global Priority Mail®) will be merged into one service called "Priority Mail International."
- Two other current services (Airmail Letter Post and Economy Letter Post) will be merged into a single service named "First-Class Mail International."

Product enhancements of this realignment include the use of domestic packaging supplies, the popular flat-rate envelope option in Express Mail International, the addition of flat-rate box options and flat-rate envelope options to Priority Mail International. Also, we will offer more-specific delivery time and tracking information to major destinations.

In general terms, the prices for international products will increase an average of 13 percent.

For additional information about the pricing changes, please visit www.usps.com/ratecase.

Template for Local Postal Letterhead

Introduction

The following pages contain sample letter templates to use when corresponding with customers about the pricing proposal. You may use the text to develop your own localized letters or handouts.

Local media inquiries should be referred to your local Public Affairs & Communication official. Media inquiries from national media outlets should be referred to the Headquarters Media Relations office, 202-268-2155.

Letter Templates

- Business Reply Mail Customers
- Meter and PC Postage[®] Customers
- Permit Customers

Template for Local Postal Letterhead Business Reply Mail Customers

Dear Customer:

As a valued Business Reply Mail (BRM) customer, we want to keep you informed of changes in postal products, services, prices, and fees. Effective Monday, May 14, postage prices and fees for all domestic and international mail will be changing. The new domestic rates are based on shape, as well as size and weight, and some prices will actually decrease. The new prices better reflect the Postal Service's costs to process and deliver mail.

The impact of these changes on business mail customers will vary depending on the amount and shape (e.g., letters, large envelopes, packages) of the mail you send, mail preparation, class of mail, and any Extra Services you may choose. Listed below are specific highlights from the price changes that pertain to BRM.

The First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter rate will increase to 41 cents, while the additional-ounce rate will decrease to 17 cents. Letters weighing more than 2 ounces will decrease in price. The weight limit for letters is 3.5 ounces.

The single-piece postcard rate will increase to 26 cents.

The basic BRM per-piece charge (without an annual account maintenance fee paid) will increase to 70 cents.

The high-volume BRM per-piece fee (with an annual account maintenance fee paid) will increase to 8 cents. The annual account maintenance fee for advanced deposit (trust fund) accounts will increase to \$550.

Qualified Business Reply Mail

For Qualified Business Reply Mail (QBRM), the single-piece 1-ounce price increases to 38 cents and the 2-ounce rate increases to 55 cents. The card price will be 23 cents. The basic QBRM per-piece charge (without the quarterly

fee) will decrease to 5 cents. The per-piece charge for high-volume QBRM (with the quarterly fee paid) decreases to \$0.005. The QBRM quarterly fee will decrease to \$1,800.

The annual permit fee for all BRM increases to \$175.

For additional information, please give us a call or go to www.usps.com/ratecase.

Sincerely,

Letter Template for Local Postal Letterhead Meter, PC Postage Customers

Dear Meter Customer:

As a valued [meter/PC Postage] customer, we want to keep you informed of changes in postal products, services, prices, and fees. Effective Monday, May 14, postage prices and fees for all domestic and international mail will be changing. The new prices are based on shape, as well as size and weight, and some domestic rates will actually decrease. These prices better reflect the Postal Service's costs to process and deliver mail.

The impact of these changes for business mail customers will vary depending on the amount and shape (e.g., letters, large envelopes, packages) of the mail you send, mail preparation, class of mail, and any Extra Services you may choose.

Listed below are specific highlights from the price changes that may pertain to business mailers.

The First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter price will increase to 41 cents, while the additional-ounce price will decrease to 17 cents. Letters weighing more than 2 ounces will decrease in price. The weight limit for letters is 3.5 ounces.

A large envelope (flat) will increase to 80 cents for the first ounce, and 17 cents each for additional ounce. Large envelopes weighing more than 6 ounces will decrease in price. If the contents (documents) usually placed in a large envelope can be folded and placed into a letter-size envelope, the mailer can save 39 cents on the first ounce.

The new First-Class Mail 1-ounce automation letter rates begin as low as 31.2 cents (12.5 cents for each additional ounce) and the automation-rate for postcards will be as low as 19.1 cents.

Annual mailing fees will increase to \$175.

Delivery Confirmation service will continue to be available in retail and electronic options for Priority Mail, First-Class Mail packages, and Package Services packages. The retail fees for Delivery Confirmation service will be 65 cents with Priority Mail, and 75 cents with First-Class Mail and Package Services packages.

For additional information, please give us a call or go to www.usps.com/ratecase.

Sincerely,

Template for Local Postal Letterhead Permit Customers

Dear Permit Customer:

As a valued permit customer, we want to keep you informed of changes in postal products, services, prices, and fees. Effective Monday, May 14, postage prices and fees for all domestic and international mail will be changing. The new prices will be based on shape, as well as size and weight, and some domestic rates will actually decrease. These prices better reflect the Postal Service's costs to process and deliver mail.

The impact of these changes for business mail customers will vary depending on the amount and shape (e.g., letters, large envelopes, packages) of the mail you send, mail preparation, class of mail, and any Extra Services you may choose.

Listed below are specific highlights from the price changes that may pertain to business mailers.

The First-Class Mail single-piece 1-ounce letter price will increase to 41 cents, while the additional-ounce price will decrease to 17 cents. Letters weighing more than 2 ounces will decrease in price. The weight limit for letters is 3.5 ounces.

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price. If the contents (documents) usually placed in a large envelope can be folded and placed into a letter-size envelope, the mailer can save 39 cents on the first ounce.

The First-Class Mail 1-ounce automation letter rates will begin as low as 31.2 cents (12.5 cents for each additional ounce) and the automation-rate for postcards will begin as low as 19.1 cents.

The First-Class Mail presort rate for letters will increase to 37.3 cents (for the first ounce). The presorted postcard rate will increase to 24.1 cents. The Standard Mail rate for presort machinable letters will increase to 24.6 cents for the new automated area distribution center (AADC) rate, and 25.5 cents for the mixed AADC rate.

Machinable letters (and cards) are automation-compatible (automation friendly), easily processed, and barcoded on USPS automation at the origin facility. Except for origin 3-digit trays, presorting by the mailer now consists of AADC and mixed AADC tray preparation. This simplified mail preparation reduces workshare costs for mailers. Preparation for nonmachinable letters did not change.

For First-Class Mail and Standard Mail automation letters, the price structure maintains the 5-digit, 3-digit AADC and mixed AADC prices. The maximum weight for all automation-rate letters is 3.5 ounces.

Annual mailing fees will increase to \$175.

For additional information, including new postage statements, go to www.usps.com/ratecase.

Sincerely,

Tools and Resources

Preliminary Webinar/Training Schedule by Employee Group

Audience	Title/Course #/Meeting ID	Dial-in # or Location	Date/Time/Availability
Business Mail Acceptance Employees	Webcast Training Schedule: Part 4		
	International and Extra Services/ #40201-29/ Mtg ID: RateC4	866-762-5077 ¹	April 17 1 P.M. EST
	International and Extra Services/ #40201-29/Mtg ID: 2RateC4	866-762-5077 ¹	April 18 1 P.M. EST
	International and Extra Services/ #40201-29/Mtg ID: 3RateC4	866-762-5077 ¹	April 19 1 P.M. EST
	2007 Price/Product Changes (Train the Trainer)	Chicago, IL	April 9-12

Preliminary Webinar/Training Schedule by Employee Group

Audience	Title/Course #/Meeting ID	Dial-in # or Location	Date/Time/Availability
Retail Employees	Rate Case Training (6 Modules)	Locally determined	Beginning April 1, 2007.
	Rate Case Training Facilitator Guide/ #41501-47		http:// trainingmaterials.usps.gov/ desktop-pub/ production/ 4150147_fac.pdf
	Rate Case Training Participant Guide/ #41501-47		http:// trainingmaterials.usps.gov/ desktop-pub/ production/ 4150147_part.pdf
Operations Employees	Rate Case Training DVD	N/A	Week of April 16, 2007.
	Rate Case Operational Impacts Webinars	TBD	Schedule to be provided
Data Collection Technicians	2007 Price and Product Changes	TBD	TBD

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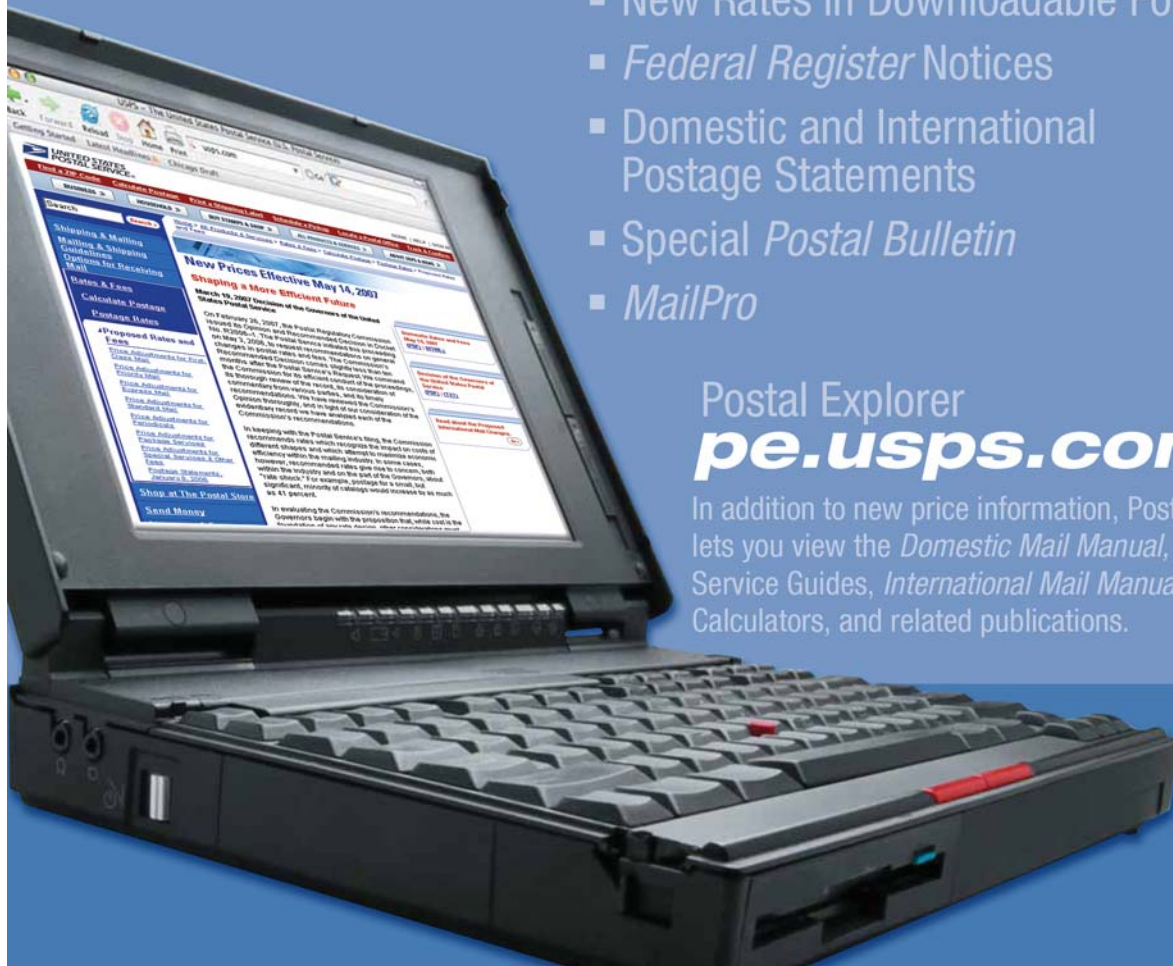


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