



# Shipping Products and Services

## January 2016 Price Change

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**Proposed 2016 Price Change %**

**Shipping Products Changes**

**Service Eliminations**



Develop and implement new shipping product solutions and enhancements that add value and meet customer needs.



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- Priority Mail and First-Class Package Service provide reliable, fast 1 to 3 day transit time nationwide
- Delivery 6 days per week, at no additional charge
- Only carrier in the marketplace to offer ounce-based pricing
- World-class package tracking and visibility
- Multiple options for label generation and payment
- Products offer the best value in the market

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## Expedited Products

Mail Class	Percent Change
<b>First-Class Package Service Commercial Base</b> • Overall (average)	12.8%
<b>Priority Mail Express</b> • Overall (average) • Retail • Commercial Base • Commercial Plus	15.6% 14.4% 17.7% 48.2%
<b>Priority Mail</b> • Overall (average) • Retail • Commercial Base • Commercial Plus	9.8% 8.6% 9.4% 13.3%

## Ground Products

Mail Class	Percent Change
<b>Parcel Select</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall (average)</li> <li>• DNDC</li> <li>• DSCF</li> <li>• DDU</li> <li>• Ground</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;">3.1%</p> <p style="text-align: right;">5.1%</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4.9%</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4.5%</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1.9%</p>
<b>Parcel Select Lightweight</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall (average)</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;">23.5%</p>
<b>Parcel Return Service</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall (average)</li> <li>• RDU</li> <li>• RSCF</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;">5.0%</p> <p style="text-align: right;">5.0%</p> <p style="text-align: right;">5.0%</p>
<b>Standard Post</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right;">10.0%</p>

## Extra and Value-Added Services

Mail Class	Percent Change
<b>Adult Signature Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Required</li> <li>• Restricted Delivery</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;">up 3.6% to \$5.70 up 3.5% to \$5.95</p>
<b>Premium Forwarding Service</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residential and Commercial Online enrollment fee per application</li> <li>• Enrollment fee paid at the retail counter</li> <li>• Weekly Residential reshipment charge</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;">up 3.6% to \$18.65 \$17.10  \$18.65 \$18.65</p>
<b>Package Intercept</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">up 3.3% to \$12.55</p>
<b>Pickup on Demand</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily Fee will remain the same</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;">\$20.00</p>

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- The Postal Service is restructuring Click-N-Ship to offer only retail prices
- Click-N-Ship will no longer be an authorized payment method for Priority Mail Express and Priority Mail Commercial Base pricing



**Change:** Introduce new Pharmaceutical and Medical Visibility for Negotiated Service Agreements (NSAs) only.

- Mail Class Extra Service Code (ESC):

ESC	Description
401	Pharmaceutical
402	Medical Supplies

- Product availability:

Domestic	International
Priority Mail Express	Priority Mail Express International
Priority Mail	Priority Mail International
First-Class Package Service	First-Class Package International Service
Parcel Select	
Parcel Select Lightweight	

- New events and alerts
- Longer retention period (5 years)
- Not visible on the package

SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION	COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Complete items 1, 2, and 3.</li> <li>■ Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.</li> <li>■ Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.</li> </ul>	<p>A. Signature <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agent <input type="checkbox"/> Addressee</span></p> <p>X <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Agent <input type="checkbox"/> Addressee</span></p> <p>B. Received by (<i>Printed Name</i>) <span style="float: right;">C. Date of Delivery</span></p> <hr/> <p>D. Is delivery address different from item 1? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If YES, enter delivery address below: <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>1. Article Addressed to:</p>    <p>9590 9401 0000 5191 0000 12</p>	<p>3. Service Type <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Priority Mail Express® <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mail™</span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Adult Signature <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mail Restricted Delivery</span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Adult Signature Restricted Delivery <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mail Restricted Delivery</span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Certified Mail® <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt for Merchandise</span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Certified Mail Restricted Delivery <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Signature Confirmation™</span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Collect on Delivery <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Signature Confirmation Restricted Delivery</span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Signature Confirmation Restricted Delivery</span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Insured Mail <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Signature Confirmation Restricted Delivery</span></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Insured Mail Restricted Delivery (over \$500)</p>
<p>2. Article Number (<i>Transfer from service label</i>)</p>	
<p>PS Form 3811, July 2015 PSN 7530-02-000-9053</p>	<p>Domestic Return Receipt</p>

**Front of Form**

- 3811, Domestic Return Receipt and linkage to any Extra Service. (i.e. Certified Mail)
- Increase visibility by placing barcode on form
- Intelligent Mail barcode on the Sender's address side (front) and Acceptance side (back) of the Return Receipt.
- Barcodes must be scanned upon acceptance and delivery.

**Back of Form and New Location for Barcode**

**USPS TRACKING#**




First-Class Mail  
Postage & Fees Paid  
USPS  
Permit No. G-10

9590 9401 0000 5191 0000 12

**United States Postal Service**

• Sender: Please print your name, address, and ZIP+4® in this box•



Change	Details
<p><b>Eliminate First-Class Package Service (FCPS) Commercial Plus Pricing (CPP)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CPP for First-Class Package Service will be eliminated in its entirety</li> <li>• Any FCPS CPP presented after change will be charged the <b>single-piece</b> Commercial Base price based on the weight of the mailpiece</li> <li>• Mailers are highly encouraged to switch all Shipping Services File entries to the <b>single-piece</b> (SP) rate indicator for First Class</li> </ul>
<p><b>Eliminate Commercial Base &amp; NSA presort tiers:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 5-Digit</li> <li>2. 3-Digit</li> <li>3. ADC</li> <li>4. Mixed ADC</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove Line C, “Single Pc/From Std Mail Mailing” from PS Form 3600-FCM</li> <li>• FCPS CB prices will provide for only single-piece prices by weight (in ounces)</li> <li>• Irregular Parcels surcharge remains</li> <li>• No change to IMpb Noncompliant fee (\$.20 per pc)</li> <li>• FCPS CB pieces <u>will still not be</u> sealed against inspection (FCM content must be sent as PM or Retail FCM)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Create new Commercial Base price tiers for FCPS weight breaks 14 oz. - 15.999 oz.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create additional weight tiers</li> <li>• Ounces available from 1 to 15.999</li> <li>• Will only support single piece pricing</li> <li>• No additional minimums will apply and agreement will not be required</li> <li>• Pricing available for Commercial mailers</li> </ul>

## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for First-Class Package Service

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Parcel Routing Barcode	Discount and Surcharge	Discount or Surcharge Amount	Rate (Including Barcoding or Machinability Surcharges)
3	36	38	37	39	66	D: 59 S: 57	D: 60 S: 58	2.0 file version detail record 1
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	500	D:470-471 S: 461-462	D:472-478 S: 463-469	1.6/1.7 file version detail record 1
FC	3	N	U3	00	0	N1	0000200	3-Digit Commercial Plus /Non-barcoded Surcharge
FC	3	N	U3	00	1		0000000	3-Digit Commercial Plus
FC	3	N	U5	00	0, 1		0000000	5-Digit Commercial Plus
FC	3	N	UA	00	0	N1	0000200	ADC Commercial Plus /Non-barcoded Surcharge
FC	3	N	UA	00	1		0000000	ADC Commercial Plus
FC	3	N	US	00	1		0000000	Single-Piece Commercial Plus

## Eliminated Rate Indicators for First-Class:

Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator Description
2B	First-Class Machinable Single Piece
2C	First-Class Machinable ADC
2D	First-Class Machinable 3-digit
2F	First-Class Machinable 5-digit

## First-Class Package Service (Sample Only)

Commercial Base - Parcels

Weight Not Over (ounces)	Single Piece
1	\$x.xx
2	x.xx
3	x.xx
4	x.xx
5	x.xx
6	x.xx
7	x.xx
8	x.xx
9	x.xx
10	x.xx
11	x.xx
12	x.xx
13	x.xx
14	x.xx
15	x.xx
15.999	x.xx

**Change:** Product name changes will better identify USPS Ground Shipping Products to customers:



Renamed Parcel Select Nonpresort to **Parcel Select Ground (PSG)**

- “GND” is an acceptable abbreviation for “Ground” in labeling
- Added Balloon to Postage Statement (PS Form 3605) for Parcel Select Destination Entry

Renamed Standard Post to **Retail Ground (RG)**

- No changes to the product features or mailing standards are being made as a result of this change
- Added Limited Overland Routes (LOR) to Notice 123 – Price List

Renamed Retail ROYO Ground to **Retail Ground Return Service**

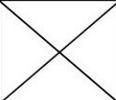
	PARCEL SELECT GND U.S. POSTAGE PAID PERMIT NO. CITY, STATE
<b>USPS PARCEL SELECT GND™</b>	
INTERNET SALES DEPT FAST AND EFFICIENT SUPPLY CO. 10474 COMMERCE BLVD DUPLEX B SILVER SPRING MD 20910-9999	
RONALD RECEIVER C/O RICK RECIPIENT INTERNET PURCHASING OFFICE BIG AND GROWING BUSINESS CO. 8403 LEE HIGHWAY MERRIFIELD VA 22082-9999	
USPS TRACKING #	
	
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	RETAIL GROUND U.S. POSTAGE PAID PERMIT NO. CITY, STATE
<b>USPS RETAIL GROUND™</b>	
INTERNET SALES DEPT FAST AND EFFICIENT SUPPLY CO. 10474 COMMERCE BLVD DUPLEX B SILVER SPRING MD 20910-9999	
RONALD RECEIVER C/O RICK RECIPIENT INTERNET PURCHASING OFFICE BIG AND GROWING BUSINESS CO. 8403 LEE HIGHWAY MERRIFIELD VA 22082-9999	
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- Product features and mailing standards will remain the same
- eVS, NMATS, and manifest codes will remain the same
- Registered trademark in process – Use TM

**Change:** Consolidating Parcel Select Lightweight (PSLW) and Irregular and Machinable.

- Machinable and Irregular price tables to be combined
- The new price table title is “Parcel Select Lightweight-Commercial Parcels”
- One price table based on current irregular table
  - start at 1 ounce and end at 15.999 ounces.
  - sortation levels:
    1. 5-digit (DDU, DSCF, DNDC)
    2. SCF (DSCF and DNDC)
    3. NDC (DNDC and None)
    4. Mixed (NDC/Single Piece (None))
- Mail preparation and other requirements will remain the same
  - Separation of pieces
  - Individual postage statements
  - Processing Category in Shipping Services File

	<b>PARCEL SELECT LIGHTWEIGHT U.S. POSTAGE PAID PERMIT NO. CITY, STATE</b>
<b>USPS PS LIGHTWEIGHT®</b>	
INTERNET SALES DEPT FAST AND EFFICIENT SUPPLY CO. 10474 COMMERCE BLVD DUPLEX B SILVER SPRING MD 20910-9999	
RONALD RECEIVER C/O RICK RECIPIENT INTERNET PURCHASING OFFICE BIG AND GROWING BUSINESS CO. 8403 LEE HIGHWAY MERRIFIELD VA 22082-9999	
<b>USPS TRACKING #</b>	
	
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## Parcel Select Lightweight (Sample Only)

Commercial Parcels

Weight Not Over (ounces)	5-Digit			SCF		NDC		Mixed NDC/ Single Piece
	DDU	DSCF	DNDC	DSCF	DNDC	DNDC	None	None
1	\$x.xx	\$x.xx	\$x.xx	\$x.xx	\$x.xx	\$x.xx	\$x.xx	\$x.xx
2	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
3	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
4	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
5	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
6	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
7	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
8	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
9	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
10	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
11	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
12	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
13	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
14	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
15	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx
15.999	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx	x.xx

## Eliminated Rate Indicators for Parcel Select Lightweight:

Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator Description
A1	Parcel Select Lightweight Same Day Machinable
A3	Parcel Select Lightweight Sunday Delivery Machinable
A5	Parcel Select Lightweight Extended Coverage Machinable

**Change:** Increase Fees for Priority Mail Regional Rate Boxes A (Zones 1-4) and B (Zones 5-9).

- Implement a two-tier zone fee for Regional Rate Boxes A and B paid at retail
- Zones 1-4 will have a \$2.25 fee and Zones 5-9 will have a \$1.00 fee:

Product Accepted at Retail	Current Fee	2016 Fee Zones 1- 4	2016 Fee Zones 5-9
Priority Mail RRB A	75 cents	\$2.25	\$1.00
Priority Mail RRB B	75 cents	\$2.25	\$1.00

- The fee is in addition to the postage
- Maximum weight is still applicable for RRB A 15 lbs. and RRB 20 lbs.

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Elimination of Shipping Product Offerings	Rates Available to Customer After January 17, 2016
<b>Parcel Return Service Return Network Distribution Center (RNDC)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parcels picked up at RNDC will pay Parcel Select® Ground prices based on weight.</li> </ul>
<b>Priority Mail Express® Flat Rate Box (side load &amp; top loading)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicable Priority Mail Express prices based on weight and zone.</li> </ul>
<b>Parcel Select Origin Network Distribution Center Presort</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parcel Select Ground (formerly Non-presort) prices based on weight and zone.</li> </ul>
<b>Parcel Select Network Distribution Center Presort</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parcel Select Ground (formerly Non-presort) prices based on weight and zone.</li> </ul>
<b>Priority Mail Regional Rate Box® C</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inside Dimensions: 15.25x11.75x11.50</li> <li>- Outside Dimensions: 15.5x12x12</li> <li>- Maximum weight 25 lbs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Priority Mail Regional Rate Boxes A and B will still be available.</li> <li>• Postage may be assessed at the applicable Priority Mail® prices based on weight and zone.</li> </ul>
<b>Critical Mail®</b> (letters and flats)  <b>Critical Mail with Signature</b> (letters and flats)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Priority Mail Flat Rate® Envelope Commercial Plus Prices (CPP).</li> <li>• Priority Mail Flat Rate Envelope CPP &amp; Signature Confirmation fee for electronic labels.</li> </ul>

## Rationale:

- Parcel Return Service (PRS) prices are based on weight, whether items are machinable or nonmachinable, and have the choice of three pickup locations: Returns Destination Unit (RDU), Returns Sectional Center Facility (RSCF) and **Returns Network Distribution Center (RDNC)**. Permit holders or their agents must pick up parcels on a regular schedule.
- This service was eliminated to simplify the offering and due to decline in volume.



## Parcel Return Service - Machinable

Weight Not Over (pounds) <sup>1,2,3</sup>	RDU	RSCF	RNDC Zones 1-5
1	\$2.44	\$3.03	\$3.76
2	2.49	3.42	4.15
3	2.53	3.69	4.55
4	2.57	3.97	4.86
5	2.62	4.23	5.26
6	2.66	4.57	5.68
7	2.70	4.88	6.10
8	2.75	5.19	6.53
9	2.79	5.54	6.97
10	2.84	5.86	7.41
11	2.88	6.18	7.77
12	2.92	6.51	8.14
13	2.97	6.77	8.44
14	3.01	7.02	8.71
15	3.06	7.20	8.91
16	3.10	7.40	9.09
17	3.14	7.56	9.23
18	3.18	7.70	9.37

Categories for PRS RNDC that are affected by this change are:

- Machinable Zones 1-5 / Weights 1-35 / Balloon.
- Nonmachinable Zones 1-5 / Weights 1-70 Balloon / Oversized.
- Remove rate ingredient.

PRS will still be available at RDU and RSCF locations.

## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for PRS RNDC:

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Parcel Routing Barcode	Rate (Including Barcoding or Machinability Surcharges)
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	500	1.6/1.7 file version detail record 1
3	36	38	37	39	66	2.0 file version detail record 1
RP	3	B	SP	01-05	0	RNDC machinable
RP	3	B	BN	01-05	0	RNDC machinable balloon
RP	5	B	SP	01-05	0	RNDC nonmachinable
RP	5	B	BN	01-05	0	RNDC nonmachinable balloon
RP	5	B	OS	01-05	0	RNDC nonmachinable oversized

**PME Flat Rate Boxes (side load and top load, domestic and Dual-Use for international) will be eliminated as a shipping option due to limited usage/demand**

## Dual-Use Priority Mail/Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Box – 1

Dimensions: 11"x 8-1/2" x 5 1/2"

SKU: DEMPMFRB1X



## Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Box - 1

Dimensions: 11"x 8-1/2" x 5 1/2"

SKU: EMFRB1X



## Priority Mail/Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Box – 2

Dimensions: 11"x 7/8" x 3-3/8 " x 13-5/8"

SKU: DEMPMFRB2X



## Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Box -2

Dimensions: 11"x 7/8" x 3-3/8 " x 13-5/8"

SKU: EMFRB2X



**Boxes will be removed from:**

Postal Store / CNS	Order Form	Package Intercept
Premium Forward Service - C	PME Manual Entry Screens	Postage Statement
Retail Systems	Self Service Kiosk	Retail Locations

## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Boxes:

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Parcel Routing Barcode	Rate (Including Barcoding or Machinability Surcharges)
3	36	38	37	39	66	2.0 file version detail record 1
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	500	1.6/1.7 file version detail record 1
EX	3	N	E8	00	0, 1	Flat Rate Box – PO to Addressee
EX	3	N	E9	00	0, 1	Flat Rate Box – Hold for Pickup
EX	3	N	EE	00	0, 1	Flat Rate Box – Sunday/Holiday Delivery

## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Box 10:30 AM:

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Parcel Routing Barcode	Discount and Surcharge	Discount or Surcharge Amount	Rate (Including Barcoding or Machinability Surcharges)
3	36	38	37	39	66	D: 59 S: 57	D: 60 S: 58	2.0 file version detail record 1
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	500	D:470-471 S: 461-462	D:472-478 S: 463-469	1.6/1.7 file version detail record 1
EX	3	N	1Q	00	0, 1	G2	0005000	PME 10:30 AM Flat Rate Box – PO to Addressee
EX	3	N	1R	00	0, 1	G2	0005000	PME 10:30 AM Flat Rate Box – Hold for Pickup

## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Boxes

<b>Rate Indicator</b>	<b>Rate Indicator Description</b>
E8	Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Box PO to Addressee
E9	Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Box Hold For Pickup (HFP)
EE	Priority Mail Express Flat Rate Box Sunday Holiday Fee
1Q	Priority Mail Express 10:30AM Dlvry - Flat Rate Box
1R	Priority Mail Express 10:30AM Dlvry - Flat Rate Box HFP
1S	Priority Mail Express 10:30AM Dlvry - Flat Rate Box Sun/Hol Fee

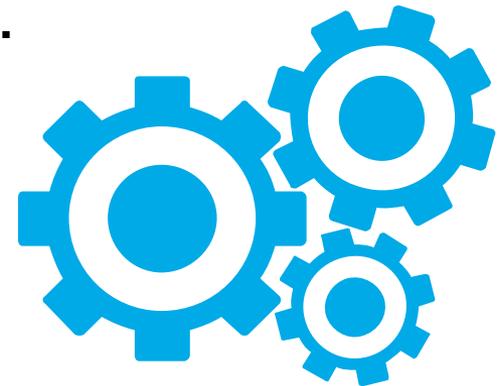
## **Rationale:**

Eliminate the Origin Network Distribution Center (ONDC) and Network Distribution Center (NDC) Presort pricing for Parcel Select to streamline the Parcel Select products while maintaining three options for shippers:

1. Parcel Select Ground (formerly Nonpresort)
2. Parcel Select Destination Delivery Unit (DDU)
3. Destination Sectional Center Facility (DSCF)

## **Changes to systems and documents include:**

- Remove Parcel Select ONDC Presort and NDC Presort from Notice 123.
- Remove from Postage Statement PS Form 3605 (E&F).
- Remove the current rate indicator for the services.



## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for Parcel Select ONDC Presort and NDC Presort:

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Parcel Routing Barcode	Discount and Surcharge	Discount or Surcharge Amount	Rate (Including Barcoding or Machinability Surcharges)
<u>3</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>D: 59</u> <u>S: 57</u>	<u>D: 60</u> <u>S: 58</u>	<u>2.0 file version detail record 1</u>
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	500	D:470-471 S: 461-462	D:472-478 S: 463-469	1.6/1.7 file version detail record 1
PS	3	N	BN	01-09	0	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort balloon mach
PS	3	N	BN	01-09	0	D3	0000000	NDC Presort balloon mach
PS	3	N	BN	01-09	1	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort balloon machinable
PS	3	N	BN	01-09	1	D3	0000000	NDC Presort balloon machinable
PS	3	N	SP	01-09	0	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort mach
PS	3	N	SP	01-09	0	D3	0000000	NDC Presort mach
PS	3	N	SP	01-09	1	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort machinable
PS	3	N	SP	01-09	1	D3	0000000	NDC Presort machinable
PS	5	N	BN	01-09	0	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort balloon nonmach
PS	5	N	BN	01-09	1	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort balloon nonmach
PS	5	N	BN	01-09	0	D3	0000000	NDC Presort balloon nonmach
PS	5	N	BN	01-09	1	D3	0000000	NDC Presort balloon nonmach

## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for Parcel Select ONDC Presort and NDC Presort:

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Parcel Routing Barcode	Discount and Surcharge	Discount or Surcharge Amount	Rate (Including Barcoding or Machinability Surcharges)
PS	5	N	OS	01-09	0	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort oversize nonmach
PS	5	N	OS	01-09	1	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort oversize nonmach
PS	5	N	OS	01-09	0	D3	0000000	NDC Presort oversize nonmach
PS	5	N	OS	01-09	1	D3	0000000	NDC Presort oversize nonmach
PS	5	N	SP	01-09	0, 1	D2	0000000	ONDC Presort nonmach
PS	5	N	SP	01-09	0, 1	D3	0000000	NDC Presort nonmach

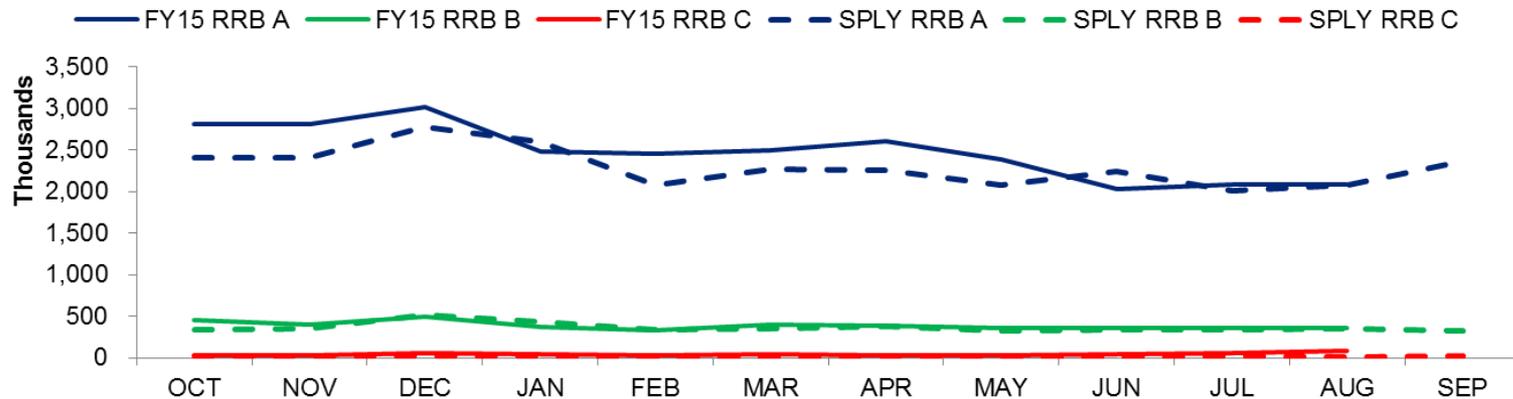
## Priority Mail Regional Rate Box C is being eliminated as a shipping option

- Low customer usage.
- Customers will be charged single-piece Priority Mail Commercial Base or Retail prices by weight and zone after January 17, 2016.
- Will be removed from similar systems as PME Flat Rate Boxes.



**Priority Mail Regional Rate Boxes A and B will still be available.**

**Priority Mail Regional Rate Box Volume  
FY15 August YTD & SPLY by Month**



## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for Priority Mail Regional Rate Box C:

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Parcel Routing Barcode	Rate (Including Barcoding or Machinability Surcharges)
3	36	38	37	39	66	2.0 file version detail record 1
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	500	1.6/1.7 file version detail record 1
PM	3	N	C8	LC,01-09	0, 1	Regional Rate Box C

## Eliminated Rate Indicators for Priority Mail Regional Rate Box C:

Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator Description
C8	Priority Mail Regional Rate Box C
1C	Priority Mail International - Regional Rate Box C

## Rationale:

The costs of providing the customized packaging along with low usage indicates this product is not performing well enough to cover cost and to be a profitable offering.

- Elimination will Include:
  1. Letter
  2. Letter with Signature
  3. Flat
  4. Flat with Signature
- Will not support NSAs or 105 CPP Agreements.
- Eliminate service from Priority Mail Postage Statement : PS 3600-PM

Critical Mail—Commercial Plus								
USPS-PRODUCED PACKAGING ONLY								
	Zone <sup>1</sup>							
	Local, 1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Letter <sup>2</sup>	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50	\$3.50
Letter with signature <sup>2</sup>	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60
Flat <sup>3</sup>	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Flat with signature <sup>3</sup>	5.35	5.35	5.35	5.35	5.35	5.35	5.35	5.35

1. 1Mpb Noncompliant Fee \$0.20 per piece.
2. Maximum weight—letters 3 ounces.
3. Maximum weight—flats 13 ounces.

Priority Mail—Permit Imprint—Negotiated Service Agreement (NSA)							
<input type="checkbox"/> Part D Priority Mail		<i>Check box at left if prices are populated in this section.</i>					
Flat Rate & Commercial Prices - NSA		Price	No. of Pieces	Subtotal Postage	Discount Total	Fee Total	Total Postage
D1	Flat Rate Envelopes (EP 14 B,F,H,G,T)						
D2	Padded Flat Rate Envelope						
D3	Legal Flat Rate Envelope						
D4	Small Flat Rate Box						
D5	Medium Flat Rate Box						
D6	Large Flat Rate Box						
D7	Large Flat Rate Box APO/FPO/DPO						
D8	Critical Mail - Letter *						
D9	Critical Mail - Letter with Signature *						
D10	Critical Mail - Flat *						
D11	Critical Mail - Flat with Signature *						

## Eliminated STCs for Critical Mail:

STC #	STC Description
760	Critical Mail: USPS Tracking
761	Critical Mail: USPS Tracking, Insurance <= \$500
762	Critical Mail: USPS Tracking, Insurance > \$500
763	Critical Mail: Signature Confirmation
764	Critical Mail: Signature Confirmation, Insurance <= \$500
766	Critical Mail: Adult Signature Required
767	Critical Mail: Adult Signature Required, Insurance <= \$500
768	Critical Mail: Adult Signature Required, Insurance > \$500
769	Critical Mail: Adult Signature Restricted Delivery
770	Critical Mail: Adult Signature Restricted Delivery, Insurance <= \$500
771	Critical Mail: Adult Signature Restricted Delivery, Insurance > \$500
816	Critical Mail Return Service Letters
818	Critical Mail: Signature Requested
830	Critical Mail: Signature Requested, Insurance <= \$500

STCs will be retired according to the following accelerated plan:

- There will not be a six month grace period where the 14 STC will continue to operate per current standards
- Effective with the January 17 Price Change, the 14 STCs will generate a warning in the Shipping Service File (SSF) Confirmation Error Warning (CEW) report
- After six months the identified STCs will be fully retired and potentially repurposed

## Eliminated Rate Ingredients for Critical Mail:

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Parcel Routing Barcode	Rate (Including Barcoding or Machinability Surcharges)
<b><u>3</u></b>	<b><u>36</u></b>	<b><u>38</u></b>	<b><u>37</u></b>	<b><u>39</u></b>	<b><u>66</u></b>	<b><u>2.0 file version detail record 1</u></b>
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	500	1.6/1.7 file version detail record 1
CM	1	N	AL	01-09	0, 1	Critical Mail Letter
CM	1	N	AS	01-09	0, 1	Critical Mail Letter with Signature
CM	2	N	AF	01-09	0, 1	Critical Mail Flat
CM	2	N	AC	01-09	0, 1	Critical Mail Flat with Signature



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NEW PRODUCTS AND INNOVATION



October 20, 2015

POSTAL CUSTOMER

SUBJECT: USPS Proposed Shipping Product Changes

Effective January 17, 2016, the United States Postal Service® plans to implement changes to several domestic shipping products and services. As an organization, it is our goal to keep customers at the forefront when making product changes. As a result, we are planning to eliminate several offerings, outlined below, in order to streamline and simplify customer options and provide mailers with products that better meet their needs.

You are encouraged to review the Postal Regulatory Commission filing at [www.prc.gov](http://www.prc.gov). Listed below is a brief description of the upcoming changes:

Elimination of Shipping Product Offerings	Rates Available to Customer After January 17, 2016
<b>Parcel Return Service Return Network Distribution Center (RNDC)</b>	Parcels picked up at RNDC will pay Parcel Select® Ground prices based on weight.
<b>Priority Mail Express® Flat Rate Box (side load &amp; top loading)</b>	Applicable Priority Mail Express prices based on weight and zone.
<b>Parcel Select Origin Network Distribution Center Presort and Network Distribution Center Presort</b>	Parcel Select Ground (formerly Non-presort) prices based on weight and zone.
<b>Priority Mail Regional Rate Box® C</b> - Inside Dimensions: 15.25x11.75x11.50 - Outside Dimensions: 15.5x12x12	Priority Mail Regional Rate Boxes A and B will still be available, or postage may be assessed at the applicable Priority Mail® prices based on weight and zone.
<b>Critical Mail®</b> (letters and flats)	Priority Mail Flat Rate® Envelope Commercial Plus Prices (CPP).
<b>Critical Mail with Signature</b> (letters and flats)	Priority Mail Flat Rate Envelope CPP & Signature Confirmation fee for electronic labels.

If you have questions regarding the upcoming changes to the products and services listed above, please send an email to [shippingservices@usps.gov](mailto:shippingservices@usps.gov) or contact your USPS sales representative.

Thank you for shipping with the United States Postal Service. We appreciate your business.

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- 189,583 Letters distributed to customers on October 20 and 21, 2015:
  - Order expedited supplies
  - Permit
  - Commercial Base
  - Commercial Plus

**POSTAL NEWS**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
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**First Price Increase In Three Years for Commercial Priority Mail  
Scheduled for January 2016**

- *No Increase in Forever Stamp Prices or Other Mailing Product Prices*
- *No Increase in Shipping Prices Until After the Holiday Season*

WASHINGTON — Today the United States Postal Service filed notice with the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC) of proposed price changes for its Shipping Services products to take effect next year, following the conclusion of the holiday season. The filing does not include any price increase for First-Class Mail or any other Postal Service Mailing product such as the Forever stamp.

The Postal Service continues to provide excellent value and reliability for the shipping industry along with convenient choices for consumers. The average Shipping Services price change is 9.5 percent which results in an average shipping price of less than \$5.50 per shipment across all shipping products.

The new prices, if approved, represent the first price increase in more than three years for commercial Priority Mail. The average price increase for Priority Mail is 9.8 percent; when calculated over the three-year period since the last increase, the overall Priority Mail price change averages less than 3.3 percent per year.

The PRC will review the prices before they are scheduled to become effective on Jan. 17, 2016. The complete Postal Service price filing with the new prices for all Shipping Services products can be found on the PRC website under the Daily Listings section: <http://www.prc.gov/dockets/daily>.

The Postal Service continues to enable America's e-commerce growth and enhance its portfolio of mailing and shipping solutions to best meet the evolving needs of our business and residential customers.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund our operations. The price changes which the Postal Service has proposed today help to fund our infrastructure and support our ability to provide prompt, reliable and efficient universal service to the American public.

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4	January 2016 Price Change Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://pe.usps.gov/">http://pe.usps.gov/</a></li> <li>• Shipping Services Prices – Excel – Proposed 10/16/15</li> <li>• Shipping Services Prices – CSV – Proposed 10/16/15</li> <li>• Draft January 2016 Postage Statements 10/16/15</li> <li>• Postage Statement List of Changes 10/16/15</li> </ul>
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7	Price List – Notice 123	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://pe.usps.gov/text/dmm300/Notice123.htm">http://pe.usps.gov/text/dmm300/Notice123.htm</a></li> </ul>
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# Questions

