



May 2015 Release: Overview of Key Changes

This document provides an overview of key price changes effective May 31, 2015.

FIRST-CLASS MAIL®

Key Single Piece Prices

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| Stamp Price (remains the same) | \$0.49 |
| Meter Price | \$0.485 |
| Single-Piece Flats (remains the same) | \$0.98 |
| Single-Piece Cards | \$0.35 |
| Retail Parcels | \$2.54 |
| International Global Forever Stamp | \$1.20 |
| Non-machinable International Letters | \$1.46 |
| International Postcards | \$1.20 |
| International Flats | \$2.38 |

- Additional ounce increases from \$0.21 to \$0.22

Presort / Bulk Prices

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| Mixed AADC Automation Letters | \$0.439 |
| 3-Digit Automation Letters | \$0.416 |
| 5-Digit Automation Letters | \$0.391 |

- Presort letters up to 2 oz charged the 1-oz price
- Additional ounce remains at \$0.13

EXTRA SERVICES

- Price of PO Boxes will increase 5.9%
- Price of Certified Mail will increase 4.8%
- Price of Return Receipt will increase 3.8%
- Price of Registered Mail will increase 2.6%
- Price of Insurance will increase 4.9%
- Price of Collect On Delivery (COD) will increase 5.4%
- Price of all other services will decrease 9.3%

MULTIPLE MAIL CLASSES

Full-Service IMb™ Discounts

- All Full-Service Intelligent Mail barcode discounts remain in place for Standard Mail (\$0.001), Periodicals (\$0.001), and First-Class Mail (\$0.003).

Simplified Special Services

- Free USPS Tracking for First-Class Mail Parcels, BPM Flats, and Library and Media Mail
- Add an Adult Signature option with Certified Mail
- Provide signatures for items insured for more than \$500

STANDARD MAIL®

Key Standard Mail Prices

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| Letters (5-Digit Auto entered at Origin) | \$0.266 |
| Flats (5-Digit Auto Flat entered at Origin) | \$0.394 |
| Carrier Route (Flat entered at Origin) | \$0.300 |
| High-Density/Saturation Ltrs (entered at Origin) | \$0.204 |
| High Density/Saturation Flats (entered at Origin) | \$0.212 |
| EDDM-Retail | \$0.183 |

Detached Address Labels (DALs)

- Price increase to 3.6 cents from 3.4 cents

Standard Nonprofit Mail Prices

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|---|---------|
| Letters (5-Digit Auto entered at Origin) | \$0.143 |
| Flats (5-Digit Auto Flat entered at Origin) | \$0.249 |
| Carrier Route (Flat entered at Origin) | \$0.222 |
| High-Density/Saturation Ltrs (entered at Origin) | \$0.123 |
| High Density/Saturation Flats (entered at Origin) | \$0.132 |

PERIODICALS

- Barcoded Machinable Flats Carrier Route Basic (Piece Rates) price will increase 2.5%
- Barcoded Machinable Flats 5-Digit (Piece Rates) price will increase 1.7%
- Outside and Inside County Periodicals increase 2%

PACKAGE SERVICES

- Package Services now consists of Alaska Bypass, Bound Printed Matter (BPM) flats, BPM parcels, Media Mail, and Library Mail
- \$0.001 IMb barcode discount is retained for BPM Flats
- Price of Media Mail/Library Mail increases 2.3%
- BPM flats increases .4% and BPM parcels increase 2.6%

COMPETITIVE PRICE CHANGE

- No price change for Priority Mail Express, Priority Mail, or Pickup on Demand
- New zoned prices based on origin ZIP Code for Priority Mail International (PMI) destined to Canada
- An increase to 66 pounds for the maximum weight for PMI Rate Group 17 (Netherlands)
- Combines insurance tables for Priority Mail Express International and PMI to simplify pricing

POSTAGE STATEMENTS

For a complete list of postage statement changes for the May release, reference the links within the blue sidebar under the header "May 2015 Price Change Information" on Postal Explorer <http://pe.usps.gov/>

Federal Register Notice on mailing changes <http://pe.usps.gov/FederalRegisterNotices.asp>

May 2015 Price Change proposal is on Postal Explorer (<http://pe.usps.com>) in the blue bar on the left side



May 2015 Release: Flats Sequencing System Changes

This document provides an overview of the PostalOne!® software release enhancements being implemented May 17, 2015 and key price changes effective May 31, 2015.

STANDARD MAIL

Pricing for FSS Sorted Mail

- Per piece price for FSS eligible pieces in scheme bundles on/in any container at all entry points
- Per piece price for FSS eligible pieces in scheme bundles on/in FSS scheme and facility containers entered at the DFSS
- FSS sort for CR High Density/High Density Plus remains optional:
 - ⇒ Pay FSS prices if FSS prepped
 - ⇒ Pay HD Carrier Route prices if prepped as HD Carrier Route

Pricing for CR Flats: Non-FSS Zones

- Per piece price for 5-Digit/Scheme pallets with all Carrier Route bundles at all entry levels
- Maintain per piece price for Merged 5-Digit pallets that contains Carrier Route and 5-D bundles

PERIODICALS

Pricing for FSS Sorted Mail

- Created a piece price for FSS Flats
- Bundles priced to encourage scheme containers
- Introduced FSS scheme Sack and Tub prices
- Introduces FSS facility Pallet, Sack and Tub prices

Pricing for CR Flats: Non-FSS Zones

- Introduce a pure Carrier Route pallet price for 5-Digit pallets with all Carrier Route bundles at all entry levels

Bound Printed Matter

Bound Printed Matter Flats

- FSS piece prices for FSS scheme bundles at all entry points except DDU