



Release 23.0.0 – Notes – Version 1

The *PostalOne!* 23.0.0 Release is scheduled for January 4, 2009 to introduce price changes for Shipping Services. These Release Notes are to notify you of what is scheduled in this release and how it affects the following areas.

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1. Mailers

The primary focus of Release 23.0.0 is to implement software upgrades to the system to support Shipping Services price changes that will become effective January 4, 2009. Those upgrades include, but are not limited to, new products and services (Priority Mail Flat-Rate Padded Envelopes, Priority Mail ½ lb pricing, Priority Mail Cubic Tier pricing). We will also address issues identified in previous Full-Service Releases during this release.

The following items will be included in *PostalOne!* Release 23.0.0 and are of interest to external users of *PostalOne!*

1.1. General Information

PostalOne! will be updated to implement changes to the system to support the price changes for Shipping Services. Prices and fees used shall be those specified in the Federal Register, Domestic Mail Manual and Ratefold (Notice 123).

The system will be updated to be comparable to the hardcopy postage statement effective January 4, 2010. This will include changes to all line numbering, section ordering and formatting.

1.2. Manage Mailing Activity

1.2.1. Balance and Fees

The system will be modified to adjust permit fee expiration in the Test Environment for Mailers (TEM) to ensure the data more closely replicates the production environment. 49114

1.2.2. Postal Wizard

The following changes apply to customers participating in electronic data exchange using the Postal Wizard as a means of electronic submission:

1.2.2.1. General

The Mailer online Help will be updated for changes since the last update. 50427.

The system will be modified to allow users to remain logged in to *PostalOne!* when returning to the Business Customer Gateway (BCG) by clicking on the Home hyperlink after completing and submitting a postage statement. 49504

The system will display a Customer Reference ID field, edit box, and label on online views, review screens, and receipt pages for PS Form 3602, PS Form 3600, and PS 3605 for all postage payment methods. The changes include permit types Metered, Precanceled, and OMAS (OI, OM). 51760, 51784, 51791, 50467, 50468, 50472, 50641, 50642, 50469, 50643, 50644, 50645, 50646, 50647, 50648, 51761, 51774, 51775, 51777, 51778, 50978, 50984, 50981, 50988, 50991, 51756, 50979, 50983, 50985, 50987, 50980, 50994, 50989, 50992

1.2.2.2. Data Entry

The system will no longer require the capture of the Exemption and Exclusion Legend/Proof of Filing Citation (EEL/PFC) and will remove all associated references and data entry options for this field from all International postage statements, online and downloadable (PDF, CSV, XLS) views. 50169, 50163, 60166, 50176, 50170, 50168, 50172, 50175, 50174, 50171, 50173

The system will be corrected to allow users to enter information for second and subsequent postage statements of a Combined mailing after the first statement is entered and submitted. 49622

1.2.2.3. Price Change

The system will be updated to support the Shipping Services price change effective January 4, 2010. Prices will change for Express Mail, Parcel Select – Destination Entry, and Priority Mail (Retail, Commercial Plus and Commercial Base). Changes also include introduction of the Priority Mail Commercial Plus Flat-rate Padded Envelope, a Priority Mail Commercial Plus ½ pound price, a Priority Mail Commercial Plus Cubic Tier pricing and changing the Priority Mail one pound price to a zoned price. 334, 50164, 50167, 50154, 50155, 50313

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The system will add a section for address matching for First-Class Mail (PS Form 3600) and Standard Mail (PS Form 3602). Users will be able to enter a date or select a date from a calendar dropdown for any address matching or carrier route sequencing dates that are applicable to the mailing. 51847, 51820, 51822, 51818, 51823, 51833, 51832, 51814, 51830

Parcel Post single-piece (nonbarcoded and oversized) entry will be moved to new Section G and OBMC Presort will move to new Section F. 50946, 50950, 50971

1.2.3. Electronic Data Exchange

1.2.3.1. Mail.dat

The following changes apply to customers participating in electronic data exchange using Mail.dat as a means of electronic submission:

a. Mail.dat Processing

As a reminder, with this release it is required that mailers download the latest Mail.dat software. The latest Mail.dat software is available for download from the Electronic Data Exchange page off the Business Customer Gateway.

The system will be updated to support the Shipping Services price change effective January 4, 2010. Prices will change for Parcel Select – Destination Entry and Priority Mail (Commercial Base). Changes also include changing the Priority Mail one-pound price to a zoned price. 334, 50164, 50167, 50154, 50155, 50313

1.2.3.2. Mail.XML

General

The system will update the Electronic Data Exchange page to add/update a "Download Mail.XML WSDL files" link to http://ribbs.usps.gov/intelligentmail_guides/documents/tech_guides/xmlspec/wsdl/wsdl.htm. The link will navigate to a page on RIBBS that contains all of the available Web Services Description Language (WSDL) zip files. 49882

The title of the Full-Service Container Visibility links will be changed to Full-Service Start-the-Clock located in Mailing Reports section of the Business Customer Gateway. This name change applies to all screen names and navigational links (breadcrumbs). The system will remove "Change of Address (COA)" from the Full-Service ACS report link. 49999, 50131

1.2.4. Mailing Reports

1.2.4.1. Mailing Summary Report

The system will optimize the query for the Mailing Summary report to prevent timeouts when there is a large volume of data to be returned. 49866

1.3. Manage Electronic Verification Activity – eVS

The following changes apply to customers participating in the electronic verification system (eVS) program:

1.3.1. eVS General

The system will be modified to discontinue filtering Package Identifier Codes (PICs) with service type code "56" from the Product Tracking System (PTS) unmanifested extract report. eVS will transfer PICs from the Missing Manifest Summary to the Unmanifested Report on the 5th of the reconciliation month and will be removed from the Postage Adjustment Factor (PAF) calculation. 47909, 50142

The system will correct the Postage Adjustment Factor (PAF) flag on the eVS/PRS landing page to display as a "Y" based on PAF values for one or more mail classes. 50338

1.3.2. eVS Price Change

The system will be updated to support the price change for Shipping Services for eVS and PRS for Priority Mail, Express Mail, Parcel Select, and Parcel Return Services. The system shall use prices and fees as specified in the Federal Register, the Domestic Mail Manual (DMM), and the Price List (Notice 123) for eVS and PRS. 49702, 50227, 50228, 50229

eVS will use rate indicator "FE" to identify Priority Mail Flat-Rate Envelope mailpieces. 49704

The system will designate Zone "LC" to represent Local Zone for Priority Mail and Express Mail parcels. 49705, 49706

The system shall apply the new prices and fees for postage calculation of samples collected on or after the price change date of January 4, 2010. Current prices will apply for samples reconciled to manifests with mailing dates prior to the price change date. If a sample is missing a manifest, the postage will be calculated based on prices in effect on the date of sampling. The system will accept and process samples for Commercial Plus Flat-Rate padded Envelopes, Commercial Plus 1/2 Pound pricing, Commercial Plus Cubic pricing, and Regular/Medium Flat-Rate Box with the appropriate rate indicators. 49707, 49708, 49709, 49710

The system will accept and process the Commercial Plus Flat-Rate Padded Envelope for mailers eligible for Commercial Plus pricing. The system will charge postage at the Commercial Base Priority Mail single-piece rate using zone and weight calculations for Flat-Rate Padded Envelopes submitted by non-Commercial Plus or non-Commercial Plus Cubic mailers. Rate ingredient "FP" will be used to designate the Flat-Rate Padded Envelope. 49711, 49712, 49713, 49714

The system will support and calculate the Commercial Plus Cubic price tier based on the Length multiplied by Height multiplied by width. There will be five (5) Tiers for pricing applicable as a result of the cubic dimension calculations. The system will validate that the weight for an individual parcel claiming Cubic pricing does not exceed 20 lbs. Pieces claiming Cubic pricing for non-Commercial Plus Cubic mailers will be charged postage at the Priority Mail single-piece rate for their eligible pricing tier using zone and weight calculations. 49718, 49720, 49722, 49723

1.4. Manage Electronic Return Activity – PRS

The following changes apply to customers participating in the Parcel Return Services (PRS) program:

1.4.1. PRS General

The system will be updated to support the price change for Shipping Services for Parcel Return Services Priority Mail (Retail, Commercial and Commercial Base). The system shall use prices and fees as specified in the Federal Register and the Domestic Mail Manual. 50165, 50201

NOTE: If you have any questions or need any assistance regarding the *PostalOne!*® system please contact our *PostalOne!*® Help Desk at **1 – 800 – 522 – 9085**.