

**USPS®**  
**(effective 1/18/09)**  
**Summary of Changes**

**Rate Changes:**

**RETAIL PRICES**

- First Class Mail - no change until May 2009.
- Express Mail is increasing for all weight breaks and all zones.
  - Flat Rate Envelope – Increased from \$16.50 to \$17.50.
- Priority Mail is increasing for all weight breaks and all zones.
  - Regular Flat Rate Envelope is increasing from \$4.80 to \$4.95.
  - Regular Flat Rate Box is increasing from \$9.80 to \$10.35.
  - Large Flat Rate Box is increasing:
    - > For Domestic from \$12.95 to \$13.95.
    - > For APO/FPO from \$10.95 to \$11.95.

**International**

- First Class Mail International - no change until May 2009.
- Global Express Guaranteed is increasing for all price groups and weights.
  - Service is now available to Tonga and Algeria.
- Express Mail International is increasing for all price groups and weights.
  - Flat Rate Envelope to Canada and Mexico is increasing from \$23.95 to \$25.95.
  - Flat Rate Envelope to All Other Countries is increasing from \$25.95 to \$27.95.
- Priority Mail International is increasing for all price groups and weights.
  - Service is no longer allowed to Bolivia (only Flat Rate Envelope and Small Flat Rate Box) and Cuba (only Flat Rate Envelope and Small Flat Rate Box service is available).
  - Flat Rate Envelope is increasing:
    - > Canada and Mexico from \$9.95 to \$10.95.
    - > All other Countries from \$11.95 to \$12.95.
  - Regular Flat Rate Box is increasing:
    - > Canada and Mexico from \$23.95 to \$25.95.
    - > AOC from \$38.95 to \$41.95.
  - Large Flat Rate Box is increasing:
    - > Canada and Mexico from \$29.95 to \$32.95.
    - > AOC from \$49.95 to \$ 53.95.
- Airmail M-Bags is increasing for all weights and price groups.

## **COMMERCIAL PRICES**

- First Class Mail - no change.
- Standard Mail - no change.
- Express Mail is increasing for all weight breaks and all zones.
- Priority Mail is increasing for all weight breaks and all zones.
  - Regular Flat Rate Envelope is increasing from \$4.75 to \$ 4.80
  - Regular Flat Rate Box is increasing from \$9.30 to \$9.85.
  - Large Flat Rate Box is increasing:
    - > For Domestic from \$12.50 to \$13.50.
    - > For APO/FPO from \$10.50 to \$11.50.
- Parcel Select is increasing for the following categories:
  - Machinable and Nonmachinable for all weights, DDU, DSCF, all DBMC/ASF zones.
- Parcel Return Service rates are changing (some increasing/some decreasing) for RBMC Zones 1-5, all weights. (RDU is not changing.)

## **International**

- Global Express Guaranteed is increasing for all price groups and weights.
  - These rates are discounted 10% below the Retail prices.
- Express Mail International is increasing for all price groups and weights.
  - These rates are discounted 8% below the Retail prices.
- Priority Mail International is increasing for all price groups and weights.
  - These rates are discounted 5% below the Retail prices.

## **NEW PRODUCT OFFERINGS**

- Express Mail –Commercial Plus service being added.
  - Flat Rate Envelope \$14.96 (regardless of weight or domestic destination).
- Priority Mail – Commercial Plus service being added.
  - Flat Rate Envelope and Small Flat Rate Box is \$4.75.
  - Regular Flat Rate Box is \$9.67.
  - Large Flat Rate Box is \$13.27, \$11.30 too APO/FPO.
- **Priority Mail Retail Small Flat Rate Box being added. Price is \$4.95**
- Priority Mail Retail International Small Flat Rate Box being added.
  - \$10.95 to Canada and Mexico.
  - \$12.95 to AOC.
  - Max. weight is 4 lbs.
- **Priority Mail Commercial Small Flat Rate Box being added. Price is \$4.80.**
- Priority Mail International Commercial Small Flat Rate Box being added.
  - \$10.40 to Canada and Mexico.
  - \$12.30 to AOC.
  - Max. weight is 4 lbs.

## **DESTINATION COUNTRY CHANGES**

### **Global Express Guaranteed:**

- Equatorial Guinea is now Group 4; max. weight is 70 lbs.
- Syrian Arab Republic is now N/A.
- Tonga is now Group 4; max. weight is 70 lbs.
- Turkmenistan is now N/A.
- Algeria is now Group 4; max. weight is 70 lbs.
- North Korea is still N/A.

### **Priority Mail International:**

- Australia is now Group 10.
- Bolivia max. weight is now 4 lbs, Pkg services are suspended, and Flat Rate Envelope is eligible.
- Congo - Brazzaville is now its own line item in the list. Max. weight is different from other two Congo destinations. (66 lbs. will be the max. weight.)
- Cuba is now group 9; max. weight is 4 lbs. Pkg. Services are N/A. Flat Rate Envelope and Small Flat Rate Box are eligible.
- New Zealand is now Group 10.
- North Korea is still N/A.

### **Express Mail International:**

- Australia is now Group 10.
- Montenegro and Serbia are now split into two separate destinations. (EMI is not available to Montenegro.)
- New Zealand is now Group 10; max. weight is now 55 lbs.
- North Korea is still N/A.