

# **CASS**<sup>™</sup>

## **Technical Guide**



**Cycle 0**

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## Purpose

The CASS certification process is designed in cooperation with the mailing industry to improve the accuracy and deliverability of addresses for mail qualifying for postal discounts. The CASS software program provides hardware and software manufacturing, service bureaus, and commercial mailers a common measure by which to test the quality of address-matching software. Software tests for CASS certification are evaluated by the U.S. Postal Service® Addressing & Geospatial Technology (AGT), and the results are returned to the developer to provide useful diagnostics for correcting software deficiencies.

## Overview

The CASS certification process consists of two parts:

1. The Stage I file is optional and is used to measure and diagnose the performance of software that is being certified. This file is not returned to the CASS Department.

The Stage I file can be downloaded from our website at <https://postalpro.usps.com/certifications/cass>.

2. The Stage II is the test file that is evaluated by the CASS Department and is used to acquire CASS certification. Developers are not permitted to allow another company or service bureau to process the Stage II file.

CASS certification includes DPV® or DSF2®, LACS<sup>Link</sup>®, and Suite<sup>Link</sup>®. RDI™ certification is optional so is eLOT® with DPV certification. Both can be included with a CASS certification test.

If more information is needed, contact the CASS Department at 800-642-2914 or via email at [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov).

## Certification Fees

The fee for all CASS tests is listed in the [Price List \(Notice 123\)](#) in the Address Management Systems (AMS) section.

The exception will be multiple platform (operating system) testing for the same product, version, and configuration. In this case, only the first test that passes will be billed.

CASS customers are billed based on the number of separate software configurations certified, not the number of Stage II files ordered.

Customers are billed as certification is achieved. Billing procedures are coordinated with our Accounts Receivable Department. **All certification test fees are payable within 30 days of the billing date.**



## Products Needed for CASS Certification

### Address Information System (AIS) Products

- ZIP + 4®
- City/State
- ZIPMove
- eLOT® (optional when using DPV® licensed product)
- RDI™ (optional)
- Delivery Statistics (required with DSF<sup>2</sup>® testing)

The AIS Products are available through Customer Care at AGT. Customer Care is available at 800-238-3150 option 0 or via email at [aisproducts.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:aisproducts.ncsc@usps.gov).

### Licensed Products

- DPV® or DSF<sup>2</sup>®
- LACS<sup>Link</sup>®
- Suite<sup>Link</sup>®

The licensed products cannot be shipped outside of the United States. These products are available through the Licensing Department at AGT. The Licensing Department is available at 800-589-5766 or via email at [ncoalink@usps.gov](mailto:ncoalink@usps.gov).

The USPS® also offers an Address Matching System Application Program Interface (AMS API) as an address matching engine through the Licensing Department at AGT. The API includes the AIS Products, DPV®, LACS<sup>Link</sup>® and Suite<sup>Link</sup>®.

Documentation and guidelines for CASS certification is available through the CASS Department. The CASS Department also administers and evaluates the CASS certification process.

To establish a CASS account, customers must complete the Electronic Product Fulfillment Web Access Request Form (PS Form 5116). The form is available online at <https://about.usps.com/forms/ps5116.pdf> and in this guide. The form can be sent as an email attachment to [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov) or fax to 650-577-2509.

The CASS Department is available at 800-642-2914 or via email at [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov).

### Data for Testing

CASS developers who write their own software must subscribe to the AIS and Link Products or the AMS API prior to requesting a CASS test.

USPS provides static data to all software developers for every product that is used for testing. This data must be used for all CASS and MASS tests. The static data is available via the EPF website at <https://epf.usps.gov> in the Product Type “CASS / MASS Test Files”. For end user certification, the company that developed the software must provide the static data to all end users and must advise them to use this data for all certification tests. Failure to use the static data will result in test failure.

ZIP +4, City State, ZIPMove and DPV or DSF<sup>2</sup>, LACS<sup>Link</sup> and Suite<sup>Link</sup> products are mandatory for all tests. End users are required to use all these products in a production environment.

## Certification Testing

The CASS certification process consists of the Stage I and Stage II files.

- Stage I is a file with answers provided by the CASS Department that is used to analyze your software.
- Stage II is the certification test that is required to achieve CASS certification.

### Stage I

Stage I is a self-administered test that helps developers measure and diagnose the performance of their address matching software when it is applied to a CASS test address file. The results of Stage I processing are not reviewed by the AGT and have no effect on CASS certification.

The Stage I file contains one copyright header record, three DSF<sup>2</sup>® header records and 150,000 test address records. The Stage I file is available on our website for organizations that are developing address matching software at <https://postalpro.usps.com/certifications/cass>. Contact the CASS Department at 800-642-2914 or via email at [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov) if there are questions about the file. Please provide the CASS key and the response from your software if there are questions about specific records.

### Stage II

The Stage II file is the test file used to certify address matching software performance. The Stage II file contains one copyright header record for a DPV test and 150,000 test records. The DSF<sup>2</sup> test will have three additional header records and 150,000 test address records. This test file is graded by the CASS Department. To attain CASS certification, address matching software must achieve the required score on the Stage II test. The file must be processed with static data that is provided by the USPS on the EPF website. End users who wish to CASS certify software purchased from another certified company must request the static test data from that company.

## Test Types

The CASS Department provides and evaluates several types of tests.

## Merge Test

Evaluates address matching software performance as it pertains to correcting and standardizing addresses for 5-digit, carrier route, ZIP + 4®, DPV®, LACS<sup>Link</sup>®, and Suite<sup>Link</sup>®. RDI™ can be added as an option for this test type.

## Merge/eLOT® Test

Evaluates address matching software performance as it pertains to correcting and standardizing addresses for 5-digit, carrier route, ZIP + 4®, DPV® or DSF<sup>2</sup>®, LACS<sup>Link</sup>®, and Suite<sup>Link</sup>® and eLOT. RDI™ can be added as an option for this test type.

## Utility Tests

These tests allow certification for these specific products. The certifications do not expire until changes are made to the product data.

- Z4Change (See Appendix 6)
- RDI (See Appendix 8)

## Licensed Products

### DPV®/DSF<sup>2</sup>®

DPV or DSF<sup>2</sup> confirms whether an address is deliverable by the USPS and is mandatory for all users. Developers' certifying both DPV and DSF<sup>2</sup> are required to take two separate tests. See Appendix 5.

### LACS<sup>Link</sup>®

LACS<sup>Link</sup> is mandatory for all users. When a new LACS converted address is found the new address must be returned. If the new address is not returned, only the 5-digit ZIP Code™ associated with the original input address can be returned. Developers should contact the Licensing Department at 800-589-5766 for more information. See Appendix 9.

### Suite<sup>Link</sup>®

The Suite<sup>Link</sup> product should be queried when an address matches to a street or highrise default record. For CASS testing, when a business name match is found and a secondary number is returned, the new suite information **must be appended to the original address**. See Appendix 10.

## Certification Overview

CASS offers an address matching certification process that provides the mailing industry with a method whereby a software manufacturer's CASS certification can function as a blanket certification for all users of an address matching software package. The requirement that each user of address matching software attain CASS certification is only necessary in certain situations.

Manufacturer certification is available only to companies that develop address matching software. The manufacturer box on the front of the CASS order Forms must be checked.

All user modifications to a CASS Certified™ product must be certified separately by the end user and information about the new drivers or APIs must be listed on the CASS Order Form.

Customers who wish to integrate certified software with another product or software driver must certify the integrated product as new software with a different name from the original packaged software. These customers are classified as integrators.

Customers who wish to take a CASS test to be listed as a Vendor Service Bureau would take a User-Defined Certification test using the original CASS certified software name.

The USPS has a policy of revoking certification of any user-modified address matching software that has not been CASS Certified by the end user.

## **Manufacturer Certification**

### **New Customers**

Customers must subscribe to all products that will be used for certification.

To receive access to the static test data and Stage II test files, complete and sign an Electronic Product Fulfillment Web Access Request Form (PS Form 5116). Email the completed form to [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov) or fax to 650-577-2509.

Before granting access to the data we will confirm you have subscribed and completed all documentation for all required products.

### **All Customers**

To obtain CASS certification, order a CASS Stage II file using the CASS Order Form, check the appropriate box on page one (1) for the certification type you are seeking. Identify how the software will be used, select all items that apply on the order form and complete page two (2). The order form must be signed and dated. An electronic signature is acceptable. A Terms and Conditions document must be completed for the first current certification requirement cycle test. An Electronic Product Fulfillment Web Access Request Form (PS Form 5116) must be on file to request access to an internet account to receive the Stage II files and upload the CASS test results and reports.

Requesting manufacturer certification ensures that the company will be listed as a software developer in USPS® documents and on PostalPro™ in the Products Guide at [https://postalpro.usps.com/cass/SoftwareManufacturers\\_CurrentCycle](https://postalpro.usps.com/cass/SoftwareManufacturers_CurrentCycle) unless the company chooses not to be listed.

If the address matching software attempting certification has optional processing parameters that affect the address matching logic, a printed statement of the parameters to be used in processing the Stage II file must be attached to the CASS Order Form.

The same software version number may be certified for multiple specific configurations and platforms (operating systems). A configuration is a three alphanumeric character identifier associated with a software name and version number that represents a specific set of parameter settings. The configuration is assigned by the software developer.

Static test data provided by the CASS Certification Department must be used for all testing. Software developers **must** provide the static data to all end users who wish to test their software or API. Failure to use static data will result in test failure.

The address matching software being certified must be capable of generating a facsimile of the CASS Summary Report (PS Form 3553) located in Appendix 1. The software must also contain technology that disables access to outdated or expired USPS data as described in *DMM® 602 Section 9.3.1* and should not print the PS Form 3553 if the software has undergone any modifications.

The PS Form 3553 must be computer generated from the CASS software. The software must be able to identify the current CASS Certified™ configurations and must not print a PS Form 3553 when a non-CASS Certified configuration is used to process an address list.

All CASS developers and MASS™ manufacturers are required to provide a hardcopy of the PS Form 3553 for evaluation to ensure the facsimile meets USPS® standards. The form may be faxed to 650-577-2509 or emailed to [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov). The PS Form 3553 must be included in the answer file that is returned for grading in the first header record. The file layout for the header record is included in this guide.

## User Certification

Vendors, service bureaus, and mailers who have special requirements for using address matching software in a configuration that has been CASS Certified by a software developer must apply for user defined certification and select the appropriate check boxes on the CASS Order Form.

This certification can include an integration of additional drivers not included in the original software developers CASS Certified product. Select the Integrator/Manufacturer box and any other check boxes that apply for this request on the CASS Order Form. This product will have a different name from the originally CASS certified software.

Static test data must be provided by the software developer for the CASS Certified software used in the integrated product. This data must be used for all testing. Failure to use this data will result in test failure.

## Platform Certification

CASS requires that all separate platforms for a single product be individually CASS tested and certified. The term “platform” refers to any differently compiled operating system.

Multiple platforms with different configurations are subject to all testing fees.

Waivers will not be considered. There will be a ten (10) day turnaround period for each test submission. This timeframe may vary depending on the number of tests received for grading. Tests will be reviewed in the order they are received.

## Software Updates

For each required testing cycle software must increment the cycle field to the new cycle name. The software version number must change from the previous cycle with the left-most four numeric characters. See Appendix 2.

Since static data must be used for all testing, the product date will be 9999YYYY (cycle year). The ZIP + 4® file processed date will be the date the test is processed. The validation dates will be calculated based on the file processed date.

## Version Control

The CASS/MASS Products Guide will display the version number up to the cycle field value and all platforms certified for a specific software product.

When a CASS Certified product is modified for any reason, the software developer must contact the CASS Department to determine if recertification is necessary. The CASS Department recognizes that all product modifications do not involve changes to the core functionality of the address matching logic. Changes made to fix a specific problem like a program ABEND, or to provide a customer a specific interface generally will not require recertification. However, all changes must be reported regardless of their purposes.

The CASS Department will review the proposed change and notify the developer whether they must submit for recertification within five (5) business days. If the CASS Department fails to respond within this time, the developer can assume approval. However, the CASS Department reserves the right to require recertification of the specific release to verify continued compliance with CASS requirements.

Developers faced with an urgent need to provide a patch to their customers may do so without prior notification and clearance by the CASS Department. However, developers must report the emergency release to the CASS Department within two days. Failure of notification may result in decertification of the modified product and rescinding of any postage discounts obtained while using the modified product.

*Note: Postage discounts may be rescinded retroactively.*

Developers must report modifications in writing via email notification to [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov) or fax to 650-577-2509. For more information, contact the CASS Department at 800-642-2914.

## Media Configurations

The CASS Stage II file is only available via Electronic Product Fulfillment.

## Electronic Fulfillment

Attributes		
Record Length	=	900 Characters

Add two bytes for CRLF.

## Stage File Description

### Copyright Header Record Layout

The header record on the CASS Stage I and Stage II test files is a copyright record. The CASS Summary Report (PS Form 3553) has been incorporated into the header record. Software developers must return the PS Form 3553 electronically. The following table also identifies header record components for DPV® and DSF<sup>2</sup>®. See Appendix 5.

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
1	Filler	03	001	003
2	File Version Month	02	004	005
3	File Version Day	02	006	007
4	File Version Year	04	008	011
5	Copyright Symbol	11	012	022
6	Sequence Number	03	023	025
7	Customer Name	09	026	034
8	System Name	05	035	039
9	Stage Number	06	040	045
10	3553 A1 CASS Z4Change Company Name	40	046	085
11	3553 A1 eLOT Company Name	40	086	125
12	3553 A1 CASS Z4Change Configuration	03	126	128
13	3553 A1 eLOT Configuration	03	129	131
14	3553 A1 CASS Z4Change Software Name	30	132	161
15	3553 A1 CASS Z4Change Software Version	16	162	177
16	3553 A1 eLOT Software Name	30	178	207
17	3553 A1 eLOT Software Version	16	208	223
18	3533 B1 List Processor Name	25	224	248
19	3553 B2 Master File Process Date	08	249	256
20	3553 B2 Z4Change Process Date	08	257	264
21	3553 B2 eLOT Process Date	08	265	272
22	3553 B2 Carrier Route Process Date	08	273	280
23	3553 B3 ZIP +4/DPV Database Date	08	281	288
24	Filler	08	289	296
25	3553 B3 eLOT Database Date (9999YYYY)	08	297	304
26	3553 B3 Carrier Route Database Date (9999YYYY)	08	305	312
27	3553 B4 Address List Name	25	313	337
28	3553 B5 Number Lists Processed	03	338	340
29	3553 B6 Total Records Submitted	06	341	346
30	3553 C1 Total Records ZIP +4/DPV Coded	06	347	352
31	3553 C1 ZIP +4/DPV Valid From Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	353	360
32	3553 C1 ZIP +4/DPV Valid To Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	361	368
33	3553 C2 Total Records Z4Change Coded	06	369	374
34	Filler	38	375	412



35	3553 C4 Total Records 5-Digit Coded	06	413	418
36	3553 C4 5 Digit Valid From Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	419	426
37	3553 C4 5 Digit Valid To Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	427	434
38	3553 C5 Total Records Carrier Route Coded	06	435	440
39	3553 C5 Carrier Route Valid From Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	441	448
40	3553 C5 Carrier Route Valid To Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	449	456
41	3553 C6 eLOT Records eLOT Coded	06	457	462
42	3553 C6 eLOT Valid From Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	463	470
43	3553 C6 eLOT Valid To Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	471	478
44	Filler	08	479	486
45	Z4Change Date (MMDDYYYY)	08	487	494
46	3553 Total High-rise Exact	06	495	500
47	3553 Total High-rise Default	06	501	506
48	3553 Total Rural Route Exact	06	507	512
49	3553 Total Rural Route Default	06	513	518
50	3553 Total LACS	06	519	524
51	3553 Total EWS	06	525	530
52	3553 Total Suite <sup>Link</sup>	06	531	536
53	Filler	40	537	576
54	DPV/ DSF <sup>2</sup> Data Used F=Full, L=Flat, S=Split	01	577	577
55	Filler	308	578	885
56	Platform for Test	12	886	897
57	Configuration for Test	03	898	900

## Copyright Header Record

The header record on the CASS Stage I and Stage II test files is a copyright record. The CASS Summary Report (PS Form 3553) has been incorporated into the header record. Software developers must return the PS Form 3553 electronically. The following table also identifies header record components for DPV<sup>®</sup> and DSF<sup>2®</sup>. See Appendix 5.

## Completing the PS Form 3553

Completion and submission of the PS Form 3553 is a requirement for CASS certification. Data returned on the PS Form 3553 must agree with the data returned in the Stage II file or derived from the mailpieces read during the CASS and MASS grading process.

Software must populate the electronic Stage II file returned for official grading with the PS Form 3553 summary information in the header record.

## Copyright Header Records Data Element Definitions

- A1, A4, A7: CASS/Z4Change/eLOT Certified Company Name
- Name of the company seeking certification.
  - End-user modification of any certified product requires independent certification by the end-user.
- A2, A5, A8: CASS/Z4Change/eLOT Software Name and Version
- The software name must be the name of the software product submitted for certification. The software version is the version number submitted for certification. The version number must adhere to the version control standard (Appendix 2) and consists of a version number, revision number, CASS cycle alpha-identifier, and, if applicable, manufacturer number. The entire version, revision, and cycle number must be reflected on the PS Form 3553, but the *CASS/MASS Certified Products Guide* will list only the version number.
- A3, A6, A9: CASS/Z4Change/eLOT Configuration
- A 3-character alpha-numeric identifier associated with a specific software name a version number that represents a set of software parameter settings.
- A2-1: MASS-Certified Company Name
- The name of the company seeking MASS certification.
- A2-2: MASS-Certified Software Name and Version
- The name and version of the product certified by the system manufacturer.
- A2-3: MASS Configuration
- The configuration of the product certified by the system manufacturer.
- A2-4: MASS MLOCR Serial Number
- The specific serial number of the device that is MASS tested.
- B1: List Processor Name
- The name of the company or person(s) responsible for processing the address list(s) or mailpieces.
- B2(a, b, c, d): Date List Processed
- Enter the date the address list is processed. If processing lasts for more than one day, list the first day of processing. For Z4change processing, the Master File Date List Processed field must indicate the date the entire master file was first processed. The Z4Change Date List Processed field must indicate the date on which Z4Change processing occurred and the date must not be older than three years after the Master File Date List Processed.
    - Format: MM/DD/YYYY
- B3(a, b, c, d): Date of Database

- The product release date of the USPS Address Information System (AIS) products. All certified software must contain technology that disables access to outdated Postal Service data as described in the *Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)* 602. Products may show the date in either MM/YY or MM/DD/YYYY format. Where and MM/YY format is used, the assumed DD value is 15.
  - Static Data 99/YY or 99/99/YYYY or MM/DD/YYYY (regular data date)  
Ex. 99/15 or 99/99/2017 or MM/15/2014

- B4: List Name or ID No.
- The name or identification number of the address list. If more than one list is used, leave blank. If the identification number is used, the number MUST be preceded by "ID#".
- B5: Number of Lists
- Enter the number of lists used to produce the mailing. For CASS and MASS testing, the value should always be 1.
- B6: Total Records submitted for Processing
- Number of records in the address file(s) or total number of mailpieces processed.
- Ca1: ZIP +4/DPV Confirmed
- Total number of DPV confirmed records assigned a + 4 add-on
- Ca2: ZIP +4/DPV Confirmed Validation Period "From" Date
- Must be the same date as B2/Date List Processed. This date is 30 days before the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month or bi-monthly or no later than 105 days after the file date.
- Ca2: ZIP +4/DPV Confirmed Validation Period "To" Date
- 180 days after the ZIP + 4 "From" date
- Cb1: Z4Change Processed
- Total number of Z4Change processed records when applicable is the total number of records extracted from an address file including all address records with ZIP + 4 codes requiring Z4Change reprocessing and any address records with a blank ZIP + 4 code.
- Cb2: Z4Change Processed "From" Date and "To" Date
- Blank unless a Z4Change file is processed
- Cc1: 5-Digit Total Coded
- Total number of 5-digit assigned or retained from the input address during processing.
- Cc2: 5-Digit Validation Period "From" Date
- Must be the same date as B2/Date List Processed. This date is 30 days before the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month or bi-monthly or no later than 105 days after the file date.
- Cc2: 5-Digit Validation Period "To" Date

- 365 days after the 5-Digit “From” Date
- Cd1 CRRT Total Coded
- Total number of records assigned a carrier route during processing.
- Cd2: CRRT Validation Period “From” Date
- Must be the same date as B2/Date List Processed. This date is 30 days before the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month or bi-monthly or not late than 105 days after the file date.
- Cd2: CRRT Validation Period “To” Date
- 90 days after the CRRT “From” Date
- Ce1: eLOT Assigned Total Coded
- Total number of eLOT sequence number and an ascending or descending code assigned during processing
- Ce2: eLOT Validation Period “From” Date
- Must be the same date as B2/Date List Processed. This date is 30 days before the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month or bi-monthly or no later than 105 days after the file date.
- Ce2: eLOT Validation Period “To” Date
- 90 days after the eLOT “From” Date

## Qualitative Statistical Summary

Software developers must populate the Qualitative Statistical Summary information fields on the CASS Summary Report (PS Form 3553). This section includes a summary of counts in specified areas obtained on records on any processed list.

## Configuration for Test

- The 3-character alpha-numeric configuration assigned by the software developer for the software that’s being certified.

## Test Address Record

The test address records in the CASS Stage I and II files contain miscellaneous elements, input elements, and answer elements comprising the actual test address records. Each test address record's individual input elements may or may not be correct in format, standardization, or accuracy. The following table identifies test address record components.

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
1	Customer ID	09	001	009
2	CASS Key	11	010	020
3	Category Subcategory Indicator*	02	021	022
4	Original or Alternate Return Information*	01	023	023
5	Firm or Recipient Input	40	024	063
6	Primary Delivery Address Line Input	64	064	127
7	Second Delivery Address Line Input	64	128	191
8	Urbanization Input	28	192	219
9	Last Line Input	42	220	261
10	Filler Input	50	262	311
11	Firm Name Answer	40	312	351
12	Primary Delivery Address Line Answer	64	352	415
13	Second Delivery Address Line Answer	64	416	479
14	Urbanization Answer	28	480	507
15	City Name Answer	28	508	535
16	State Code Answer	02	536	537
17	ZIP Code Answer	05	538	542
18	ZIP + 4 Add-On Answer	04	543	546
19	Delivery Point Answer	02	547	548
20	Carrier Route Answer	04	549	552
21	Record Type Code	01	553	553
22	Default Flag	01	554	554
23	Locatable Address Conversion Indicator	01	555	555
24	PMB Designator	04	556	559
25	PMB Number	08	560	567
26	Non-Deliverable Record Indicator*	01	568	568
27	Early Warning System (EWS)	01	569	569
28	Enhanced line of Travel (eLOT) Sequence Number	04	570	573
29	Enhanced line of Travel (eLOT) A/D Answer	01	574	574
30	PO Box Only Flag	01	575	575
31	ZIP5 Valid Flag (ZIP Code Include in PS Form 3553)	01	576	576
32	Multiple Response ZIP + 4 Answer 1*	09	577	585
33	Multiple Response ZIP + 4 Answer 2*	09	586	594
34	Original Delivery Point*	02	595	596
35	Filler ZIP+4	48	597	644
36	DPV Confirmation Indicator (A)	01	645	645
37	DPV CMRA Indicator (C)	01	646	646
38	DPV Drop Indicator (D)	01	647	647
39	DPV False Positive Indicator (F)	01	648	648
40	DPV Vacant Indicator (V)	01	649	649

41	DPV NoStat Indicator (X)	01	650	650
42	DPV Non-Delivery Day Flag (Y)	01	651	651
43	DPV Non-Delivery Day Values (Z)	07	652	658
44	DPV NoStat Reason Code (R)	02	659	660
45	DPV No Secure Location (U)	01	661	661
46	DPV Door Not Accessible (N)	01	662	662
47	DPV Throwback Indicator (T)	01	663	663
48	DPV PBSA Indicator (P)	01	664	664
49	Enhanced DPV Return Code	01	665	665
50	DPV Footnote 1	02	666	667
51	DPV Footnote 2	02	668	669
52	DPV Footnote 3	02	670	671
53	DPV Footnote 4	02	672	673
54	DPV Footnote 5	02	674	675
55	Filler DPV	25	676	700
56	DSF <sup>2</sup> Business Indicator (B)	01	701	701
57	DSF <sup>2</sup> Educational Indicator (E)	01	702	702
58	DSF <sup>2</sup> Drop Count (K)	03	703	705
59	DSF <sup>2</sup> LACS Indicator (L)	01	706	706
60	DSF <sup>2</sup> Seasonal Indicator (S)	01	707	707
61	DSF <sup>2</sup> Delivery Type (1,2,3,4)	01	708	708
62	DSF <sup>2</sup> Pseudo Sequence Number**	04	709	712
63	Filler DSF <sup>2</sup>	25	713	737
64	Residential Delivery Indicator	01	738	738
65	LACS <sup>Link</sup> Indicator	01	739	739
66	LACS <sup>Link</sup> Return Code	02	740	741
67	Suite <sup>Link</sup> Return Code	02	742	743
68	Filler	157	744	900

\* Fields populated within Stage I file only.

\*\* Valid only for DSF<sup>2</sup> test.

( ) last letter of the DPV table

- DPV®/DSF<sup>2</sup>® - See Appendix 5
- LACS<sup>Link</sup>® - See Appendix 9
- Suite<sup>Link</sup>® - See Appendix 10

*Note: Add two bytes for  
CRLF.*

## Test Address Data Element Definitions

### Carrier Route Answer

The carrier route answer must be returned exactly as it appears on the database. If the address matching software is unable to determine the carrier route answer, fill the field with spaces.

If is permissible to assign carrier route information in multiple-response conditions. However, a carrier route cannot be assigned unless a valid ZIP Code™ is assigned. When an input address produces a multiple response, a carrier route can be assigned only when all multiple response candidate records contain the same 5-digit ZIP Code and carrier routes. In all cases, when the ZIP Code answer is determined to be incorrect, the carrier route answer will be considered incorrect regardless of whether

it is a valid carrier route. Failure to assign a carrier route answer will not be graded as incorrect in a multiple response situation.

## CASS Key

A unique alphanumeric identifier associated with each test address record on the Stage I and State II files.

Field Description: Alphanumeric

Comments: Use this key to reference Stage file questions when discussing address with the CASS Department.

**Examples:** 9945684587

## Category/Subcategory Indicator

This field in the Stage I file contains a two (2) byte code identifying the type of test address given.

Field Description: See Appendix 3 "Translation of Error Codes and Special Flags".

## City Name Answer

Contains an acceptable mailing name returned by the software.

Field Description: Alphanumeric

Comments: The Stage I file contains the answer for each test address for all product categories. If the input city name is a valid mailing name, the City Name Answer field must contain a standard version for the input city name or official 13-character abbreviation.

If the input city name is a valid mailing name, this field must contain one of the following answers:

- Preferred last line city name associated with the ZIP + 4 record matched if override city name condition exists or its official 13-character abbreviation.
- Preferred last line city name at the 5-digit level, its official 13-character abbreviation or input city name if override condition does not exist.

## Customer ID

The customer identification number in the CASS system for Stage files. The ID is assigned by the CASS Department and should be used for all correspondence with the US Postal Service concerning CASS certification.

Field Description Alphanumeric

**Example:** 00009ZAB3

### Default Flag Indicator

Indicated the record processed obtained a match to a highrise, rural route or street default record in the ZIP + 4 product.

Field Description Y = The default flag indicator is set  
N or Blank = Acceptable

### Primary Delivery Address Answer /Second Delivery Address Line Answer

Line 1 and Line 2 must contain the correct, standardized delivery address line returned by the software. Guideline for delivery address line standardization can be found in the *Postal Addressing Standards* (Publication 28).

### Original or Alternate Return Information

Indicates whether a delivery answer other than the one provided in the Delivery Answer field is permitted.

Field Description	A	=	Alternate answer (See Alternate Answer File)
	O	=	Original answer
	1	=	Different Address Line 1 Answer from Alternate Answer File
	2	=	Different Address Line 2 Answer from Alternate Answer File
	B	=	Different Address Line 1 & 2 Answer from Alternate Answer File
	L	=	Different Last Line Answer from Alternate Answer File
	F	=	Different Firm Answer from Alternate Answer File
			(Other codes may be added)

### Primary Delivery Address Line Input/Second Delivery Address Line Input

Contains the test delivery address line information

Field Description Alphanumeric

Comments: Each element of the Delivery Address Line 1 Input field may or may not be separated from each adjacent element by a single space. Elements may be spelled out or abbreviated, or they may also be incorrect.

Customers who wish to be certified for the CASS Stage II process for any CASS product category must place the correct, standardized version of the Delivery Address Input field into the Delivery Address Answer field. If the customer's address matching software is unable to match to the correct address record and return the correct standardized delivery



address answer, the delivery address input should be returned to the answer field.

If the input delivery address field contains a unit designator and/or secondary value, it must be included in the Delivery Address Answer field returned. Any Delivery Address Answer field generated from the test delivery address input should follow the guidelines discussed in the *Postal Addressing Standards* (Publication 28).

### Delivery Point Answer

Contains the last two digits of the house/box number, or when an “H” record is matched the secondary unit number representing the delivery point information to form the 11-digit or delivery point code (DPC).

Field Description    Numeric (0 through 9)

### DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Confirmation Indicator

DPV Return Code that indicates whether an address is a valid delivery: dph.hsa

See Appendix 5

### DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> CMRA Indicator

Table should be queried based on the return codes Y, D, S, N or Blank returned from the dph.hsa table: dph.hsc

DPH/HSA	Y	D	S	N	Blank
CMRA/HSC	Y or N	Y, N, or Blank	Y or N	Blank	Blank

### DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Door Not Accessible

Flag indicates addresses where USPS cannot knock on a door to deliver mail: dph.hsn

Field Description    Y        = Address was found in the table  
                               N        = Address was not found in the table  
                               Blank    = Address was not presented to the table

### DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Drop Indicator

Flag indicates mail is delivered to a single receptable at a site: dph.hsd

Field Description    Y        = Address was found in the table  
                               N        = Address was not found in the table  
                               Blank    = Address was not presented to the table

## DPV/DSF2 False Positive Indicator

Table should be queried based on the return codes Y, D, S, N or Blank returned from the dph.hsa table: dph.hsf

DPH/HSA	Y	D	S	N	Blank
FALSEPOS/HSF	Blank	Blank	Blank	Y or N	Blank

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Footnotes 1 through 5

Fields are used to return one or more footnotes that must be set in accordance with DPV/ DSF<sup>2</sup> License Requirements. See Appendix 5 and DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Licensing materials for footnote flag values.

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> NoStat Indicator

Contains the results of the call to the DPV NoStat table: dph.hsx

Field Description	Y	=	Address was found in the table
	N	=	Address was not found in the table
	Blank	=	Address was not presented to the table

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> NoStat Reason Code

Indicates the NoStat type: dph.hsr

- 1 – IDA (Internal Drop Address) – Addresses that do not receive mail directly from the USPS but are delivered to a drop address that services them.
- 2 – CDS NoStat – Addresses that have not yet become deliverable. For example, a new subdivision where lots and primary numbers have been determined, but no structure exists yet for occupancy.
- 3 – Collision – Addresses that do not actually DPV confirm. In this case, the ‘Y’ should be set to ‘N’ on the DPV ‘A’ table and all other table values should be blank.
- 4 – CMZ (College, Military and Other Types) – ZIP + 4 records USPS has incorporated into the data.
- 5 – Regular NoStat – Indicates addresses not receiving delivery and the addresses are not counted as possible deliveries.
- 6 – Secondary Required – The address requires secondary information.

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Non-Delivery Day Flag

Flag indicates mail delivery is not performed every day of the week: dph.hsy

Field Description	Y	=	Address was found in the table
	N	=	Address was not found in the table
	Blank	=	Address was not presented to the table

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Non-Delivery Day Values

Values of days that mail is not delivered: dph.hsz

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> No Secure Location

Flag indicates door is accessible, but package will not be left due to security concerns: dph.hsu

Field Description    Y        = Address was found in the table  
                           N        = Address was not found in the table  
                           Blank   = Address was not presented to the table

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> PBSA Indicator

Table should be queried based on the return codes Y, D, S, N or Blank from the dph.hsa table:  
 dph.hsp

<b>DPH/HSA</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Blank</b>
PBSA/HSP	Y or N	Y, N, or Blank	Y or N	Blank	Blank

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Throback Indicator

Mail is not delivered to the street address: dph.hst

Field Description    Y        = Address was found in the table  
                           N        = Address was not found in the table  
                           Blank   = Address was not presented to hash table

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Vacant Indicator

Contains the results of the call to the DPV Vacant table: dph.hsv

Field Description    Y        = Address was found in the table  
                           N        = Address was not found in the table  
                           Blank   = Address was not presented to hash table

## DSF<sup>2</sup> Business Indicator

Indicates a business address: dph.hsb

## DSF<sup>2</sup> Delivery Type

Field contains the results of the call to the DPV® Delivery Type Hash Tables: dph.hs1, dph.hs2, dph.hs3 and dph.hs4. When a “Y” is returned from one of these tables, software must indicate which table in which the address was found.

Field Description	1	=	Address was found in CURB table	dph.hs1
	2	=	Address was found in NDCBU table	dph.hs2
	3	=	Address was found in Centralized table	dph.hs3
	4	=	Address was found in Other (Door Slot) table	dph.hs4
	Blank	=	Address was not presented	

## DSF<sup>2</sup> Drop Count

Number of customers sharing the same receptacle: dph.hsk

## DSF<sup>2</sup> Educational Indicator

The delivery point is identified as an educational facility: dph.hse

Field Description	Y	=	Address was found in the table
	N	=	Address was not found in the table
	Blank	=	Address was not presented to hash table

## DSF<sup>2</sup> LACS Indicator

Contains the results of the call to the DPV® LACS table: dph.hsl

Field Description	Y	=	Address was found in the table
	N	=	Address was not found in the table
	Blank	=	Address was not presented to the table

## DSF<sup>2</sup> Educational Indicator

Contains the results of the call to the DPV Educational table: dph.hse

Field Description	Y	=	Address was found in the table
	N	=	Address was not found in the table
	Blank	=	Address was not presented to the table

## DSF<sup>2</sup> Pseudo Sequence Number

Sequence number for order of delivery

## DSF<sup>2</sup> Seasonal Indicator

The seasonal indicator specifies whether a given address receives mail only during a specific season: dph.hss

Field Description	Y	=	Address was found in the table
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N = Address was not found in the table  
 Blank = Address was not presented to the table

### Early Warning System (EWS) Flag

Indicates a match has been made to the Early Warning System file.

Field Description Y = Address found in EWS file which results in a ZIP + 4 no match  
 N or Blank = Address not found in EWS file

### eLOT® Asc/Dsc Flag

Contains the correct eLOT ascending/descending code assignment for the corresponding ZIP + 4/CRRT matched record on the Stage I file.

### eLOT Sequence

Reflects the correct eLOT sequence number assigned for the corresponding ZIP + 4 matched record in the Stage I file.

Field Description 4-digit numeric when populated, otherwise blank

*Note: The CRRT that is assigned during ZIP + 4 matching **MUST** be used to input when querying the eLOT data file.*

### Enhanced DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Code

More than one DPV return code may be valid for a single address that provide additional description of address. See Appendix 5.

### Firm or Recipient Input

Field may contain the real or fictitious name of an individual, company, building, apartment complex, shopping center, or other entity identifier.

Field Description Alphanumeric

Comments: Information in this field may not be spelled correctly, may be abbreviated or spelled out, and may contain words from the Last Word Abbreviations Table in the Publication 28 or words that are not valid for that firm.

Example:	PLAZA OFFICE	PLAZA OFFICE
	BUILDING NUMBER ONE COMPANY	BLDG NO 1 CO
	INTERNAL BUSINESS MACHINES	IBM

## Firm Name Answer

Field contains the correct, standardized firm name answer. Firm names may be output in the answer field in three ways: 1) exactly as they appear in the ZIP +4® product Business or Firm Name field; 2) abbreviated according to the Business Word Table in the *Postal Addressing Standards* (Publication 28); 3) as shown in the Firm or Recipient Input field.

Field Description    Alphanumeric

## Last Line Input

Field contains the last line information, like the city name, state abbreviation, 5-digit ZIP Code™, and possibly a ZIP + 4 Code.

Field Description    Alphanumeric

Comments:            Field may contain a valid, standardized city name according to the City State Product or *Post Addressing Standards* (Publication 28).

## Locatable Address Conversion System Indicator

The LACS indicator identifies addresses in the ZIP + 4® file that may be converted to new addresses. These address conversions are city-style addresses so that emergency vehicles (e.g. ambulances, police cars etc.) can more easily find these locations. It may also be due to the renaming of streets or renumbering of addresses made by a local municipality. See Appendix 9.

Field Description    L or Blank

Comments:            In the Stage I file, this field (for applicable records) contains the indicator. For the Stage II file, address matching software must identify the specific ZIP + 4 records that contain the LACS indicator and insert an “L” to the appropriate answer field to be scored correctly. Software must query the LACS<sup>Link</sup>® product.

If a new address is found in LACS<sup>Link</sup>, the LACS indicator “L” should not be returned.

## LACS<sup>Link</sup>® Indicator

LACS<sup>Link</sup> indicators are used for CASS testing and should be populated when the LACS<sup>Link</sup> hash tables are queried.

Indicator Values:    Y    =    LACS Record Match

- A new address could be furnished. The input record matched to a record in the master file

                              S    =    LACS record, secondary number dropped from the input address

- The record is a ZIP + 4 street level or highrise match. The input record matched to a master file record, but the input

address had a secondary number and the master file record did not.

- N = No match
  - A new address could not be furnished. The input record could not be matched to a record in the master file.
- Y = Found LACS record, new address would not convert at run time
  - The new address could not be converted to a deliverable address. The input record matched to a record in the master file.
- F = A false positive record was detected

*Note: Testers are required to email the false positive records to [DSF2Stop@usps.gov](mailto:DSF2Stop@usps.gov). See the LACS<sup>Link</sup> Software Developers Guide (SDG) for more information regarding the required format for the email.*

### LACS<sup>Link</sup>® Return Codes

LACS<sup>Link</sup> return code values are A, 00, 14, 92 or blank. See the LACS<sup>Link</sup> SDG for more information on the return code values.

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|--------------------|---|
| Return Code Values | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A = LACS Record Match                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A new address could be furnished. The input record matched to a record in the master file.</li> </ul> </li> <li>00 = No Match                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A new address could not be furnished. The input record could not be matched to a record in the master file.</li> </ul> </li> <li>14 = Found LACS record, new address would not convert at run time                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The new address could not be converted to a deliverable address. The input record matched to a record in the master file.</li> </ul> </li> <li>92 = LACS record secondary number dropped from the input address                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The record is a ZIP + 4 street level or highrise match. The input record matched to a master file record, but the input address had a secondary number and the master file record did not.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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### Multiple response ZIP + 4 Answer 1/Answer 2

Contain multiple ZIP +4 codes that are considered potential candidate records for the delivery address input given.

Field Description      Numeric

Comments:              Fields do not necessarily indicate all candidate records in the ZIP + 4 Product that may be considered potential matches. They are intended to serve as a tool and to assist software developers in analyzing the quality of their software development.

**Example:**              123456789

## Non-Deliverable Record Indicator

Field on the Stage I file indicates the address test question is a valid match to a record on the ZIP + 4® Product. However, the match is made to a non-deliverable (ND) type record.

Field Description	Y	=	Record is an ND type record on the ZIP + 4 Product
	Blank	=	Record is not an ND type record on the ZIP + 4 Product

Comments: The indicator assists in analyzing address matching software.

## PMB-Designator

The field is populated with the parsed PMB designator supplied by the customer's software. The field is required when Delivery Address Line 1 or 2 contains a PMB designator and number regardless of whether the input address causes a match or no match condition. This confirms the ability of software to accurately identify addresses containing the PMG designator.

## PMB-Number

Field contains the parsed PMB number following the PMB designator that is supplied by the customer's software. This field is required when the Delivery Address Line 1 or 2 contains a PMB number regardless of whether the input address causes a match or no match condition. This confirms the ability of the software to accurately identify addresses containing the PMB number.

## PO Box Only Flag

Utilizes "P" as the Copyright Detail Code in the P. O. Box Only portion of the city/state file. The PO Box delivery Zones indicates there is only one ZIP Code for a given facility and the facility has no other form of postal delivery other than a PO Box.

Field Description	Y	=	ZIP Code Classification code "P" identified in the PO Box Only portion of the City/State file.
	N or Blank	=	ZIP Code not found in PO Box Only portion of the City/State file.

## Record Type Code

Software is required to return the record type in all ZIP + 4 matches that DPV confirm. The level match code facilitates identifying or confirming certain software matches when delivery point assignments are erroneous.

Field Description	Single alpha
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## Residential Delivery Indicator

Determines if a delivery point is a business or resident. See Appendix 8.

Field Description	Y	=	Residential Delivery
	N	=	Not Residential Delivery



Blank = Did not query RDI

## State Code Answer

The two alpha character state abbreviation.

## Suite<sup>Link</sup> Return Code

Indicator is only populated when the Suite<sup>Link</sup> tables are queried. The return codes are A, 00 and blank. See Appendix 10.

## Urbanization Answer

Field must contain the correct standardized urbanization name. Guidelines for urbanization standardization can be found in the *Postal Addressing Standards* (Publication 28).

Field Description      Alphanumeric

Comments:              The Stage I file contains and urbanization answer where applicable

When applicable, address matching software must return the correct standardized urbanization name. For grading purposes, when a match is made to a ZIP + 4<sup>®</sup> record for which no urbanization key exists. CASS will only accept return of the input urbanization in the Urbanization Answer field. Software developers are encouraged to implement the policy and retain input urbanization to avoid data loss.

## Urbanization Input

Field contains either the real or fictitious name of an urban development within a geographic area.

Field Description      Alphanumeric

Comments:              Field may contain information with a correct spelling. Information may be abbreviated or spelled out, and some common urbanization prefixes could be dropped.

## ZIP Code™ Answer

Field contains a code that identified a specific geographic delivery area. A 5-digit ZIP Code can represent an area within a state, an area that crosses state boundaries (unusual condition), a single building, or a company that has a very high mail volume. ZIP is an acronym for Zone Improvement Plan.

Field Description      Numbers or spaces

Comments:              Customer seeking CASS certification must place the correct ZIP Code provided by their matching software for the test address in this field when the address DPV confirms or return the ZIP Code when it corresponds with the input city and state.

**ZIP5 Valid Flag (ZIP Code Include in PS Form 3553)**

Field specifies whether to increment the 5-digit coded total column on PS Form 3553.

Field Description	Y	=	Increment the total coded column for records 5-digit coded on PS Form 3553
	N	=	Do not increment the total coded for records 5-digit coded on PS Form 3553

**ZIP + 4® Add-On Answer**

Field contains the correct add-on assignment for the input address based on CASS matching guidelines.

Field Description	Number or spaces
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## CASS Electronic Report Record

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
1	Customer ID	09	001	009
2	CASS Key	08	010	017
3	Category Subcategory Indicator*	02	018	019
4	Original or Alternate Return Information*	010	020	020
5	Firm or Recipient Input	40	021	060
6	Primary Delivery Address Line 1 Input	64	061	124
7	Secondary Delivery Address Line Input	64	125	188
8	Urbanization Input	28	189	216
9	Last Line Input	42	217	258
10	City Input	28	259	286
11	State Input	02	287	288
12	ZIP Code Input	10	289	298
13	Filler Input	50	299	348
14	Firm Name	40	349	388
15	Primary Delivery Address Line	64	389	452
16	Secondary Delivery Address Line	64	453	516
17	Urbanization	28	517	544
18	City Name	28	545	572
19	State Code	02	573	574
20	ZIP Code	057	575	579
21	ZIP + 4 Add-On	04	580	583
22	Delivery Point	02	584	585
23	Carrier Route	04	586	589
24	Record Type Code	01	590	590
25	Default Flag	01	591	591
26	LACS Indicator	01	592	592
27	PMB Designator	04	593	596
28	PMB Number	08	597	604
29	Early Warning System (EWS)	01	605	605
30	eLOT Sequence Number	04	606	609
31	eLOT Ascending/Descending	01	610	610
32	PO Box Only Flag	01	611	611
33	ZIP5 Valid Flag (ZIP Code include in Form 3553)	01	612	612
34	Finance Number	06	613	618
35	Filler Answer	50	619	668
36	DPV Confirmation Indicator – A	01	669	669
37	DPV CMRA Indicator – C	01	670	670
38	DPV Drop Indicator - D	01	671	671
39	DPV False Positive Indicator – F	01	672	672
40	DPV Vacant Indicator – V	01	673	673
41	DPV NoStat Indicator – X	01	674	674
42	DPV Non-Delivery Day - Y	01	675	675
43	DPV Non-Delivery Days – Z	07	676	682
44	DPV NoStat Reason Code – R	03	683	685
45	DPV No-Secure Location – U	01	686	686
46	DPV Door Not Accessible – N	01	687	687
47	DPV Throwback Indicator – T	01	688	688

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
48	DPV PBSA Indicator – P	01	689	689
49	Enhanced DPV Return Code	01	690	690
50	DPV Footnote 1	02	691	692
51	DPV Footnote 2	02	693	694
52	DPV Footnote 3	02	695	696
53	DPV Footnote 4	02	697	698
54	DPV Footnote 5	02	699	700
55	Filler DPV	21	701	721
56	DSF <sup>2</sup> Business Indicator – B	01	722	722
57	DSF <sup>2</sup> Educational Indicator – E	01	723	723
58	DSF <sup>2</sup> Drop Count – K	03	724	726
59	DSF <sup>2</sup> LACS Indicator – L	01	727	727
60	DSF <sup>2</sup> Seasonal Indicator – S	01	728	728
61	DSF <sup>2</sup> Delivery Type – 1,2,3,4	01	729	729
62	DSF <sup>2</sup> Pseudo Sequence Number (not applicable)	04	730	733
63	Filler DSF <sup>2</sup>	25	734	758
64	RDI	01	759	759
65	LACS <sup>Link</sup> Indicator	01	760	760
66	LACS <sup>Link</sup> Return Code	02	761	762
67	Suite <sup>Link</sup> Return Code	02	763	764
68	Filler	60	765	824
69	Firm Name	40	825	864
70	Primary Delivery Address Line	64	865	928
71	Secondary Delivery Address Line	64	929	992
72	Urbanization	28	993	1020
73	City Name	28	1021	1048
74	State Code	02	1049	1050
75	ZIP Code	05	1051	1055
76	ZIP + 4 Add-On	04	1056	1059
77	Delivery Point	02	1060	1061
78	Carrier Route	04	1062	1065
79	Record Type Code	01	1066	1066
80	Default Flag	01	1067	1067
81	LACS Indicator	01	1068	1068
82	PMB Designator	04	1069	1072
83	PMB Number	08	1073	1080
84	Early Warning System (EWS)	01	1081	1081
85	eLOT Sequence Number	04	1082	1085
86	eLOT Ascending/Descending	01	1086	1086
87	PO Box Only Flag	01	1087	1087
88	ZIP5 Valid Flag (ZIP Code include in Form 3553)	01	1088	1088
89	Finance Number (not applicable for customer answer)	06	1089	1094
90	Filler Answer	50	1095	1144

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
91	DPV Confirmation Indicator – A	01	1145	1145
92	DPV CMRA Indicator – C	01	1146	1146
93	DPV Drop Indicator – D	01	1147	1147
94	DPV False Positive Indicator – F	01	1148	1148
95	DPV Vacant Indicator – V	01	1149	1149
96	DPV NoStat Indicator – X	01	1150	1150
97	DPV Non-Delivery Day – Y	01	1151	1151
98	DPV Non-Delivery Days - Z	07	1152	1158
99	DPV NoStat Reason Code - R	02	1159	1160
100	DPV No Secure Location – U	01	1161	1161
101	DPV Door Not Accessible – N	01	1162	1162
102	DPV Throwback Indicator – T	01	1163	1163
103	DPV PBSA Indicator – P	01	1164	1164
104	Filler	01	1165	1165
105	DPV Footnote 1	02	1166	1167
106	DPV Footnote 2	02	1168	1169
107	DPV Footnote 3	02	1170	1171
108	DPV Footnote 4	02	1172	1173
109	DPV Footnote 5	02	1174	1175
110	DPV Filler	22	1176	1197
111	DSF <sup>2</sup> Business Indicator – B	01	1198	1198
112	DSF <sup>2</sup> Educational Indicator – E	01	1199	1199
113	DSF <sup>2</sup> Drop Count – K	03	1200	1202
114	DSF <sup>2</sup> LACS Indicator – L	01	1203	1203
115	DSF <sup>2</sup> Seasonal Indicator – S	01	1204	1204
116	DSF <sup>2</sup> Delivery Type 1,2,3,4	01	1205	1205
117	DSF <sup>2</sup> Pseudo Sequence Number (not applicable)	04	1206	1209
118	Filler DSF <sup>2</sup>	25	1210	1234
119	RDI	01	1235	1235
120	LACS <sup>Link</sup> Indicator	01	1236	1236
121	LACS <sup>Link</sup> Return Code	02	1237	1238
122	Suite <sup>Link</sup> Return Code	02	1239	1240
123	Error Codes	30	1241	1270
124	Filler	60	1271	1330

## Early Warning System (EWS) File Layout

The EWS file consists of records containing partial address information limited to the street name, pre-directionals and post-directionals, and a ZIP Code™. EWS records are culled from a weekly generated ZIP +4 file. URB info will not be added to the EWS file. Also, the EWS file should be checked before going to an Alias record.

For an address record to be EWS eligible, the address is not present on the most recent monthly production ZIP + 4® file. As an input address is processed through address matching software and an inexact match is made, the EWS file should be queried to see if an exact match is available. If an exact match is found on the EWS file CASS expects software to return a no match and set a flag in the Stage II test address record. For CASS testing an exact match is defined as a match to all components of the EWS record including the ZIP Code.

Note: EWS supercedes Alias records.

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
1	ZIP Code	05	01	05
2	Pre-Directional Abbreviation	02	06	07
3	Street Name	28	08	35
4	Suffix Abbreviation	04	36	36
5	Post Directional Abbreviation	02	40	41
6	Filler	46	42	87

## Grading, Scoring, and Certification

CASS Stage II files are graded, scored and analyzed to determine CASS certification status. The test scores may vary based on such factors as address matching software performance and the usage of static test data that is provided by the CASS Department to all software developers.

Software developers must use the static test data for all tests and must also provide this data to any end user who will take a CASS or MASS test using their software. Failure to use this data will result in test failure.

If software attempts to code optional categories and the answers are incorrect, the incorrect match will be counted as an error against the total of the final scoring. Likewise, if software attempts these questions and gets them right it will count toward the total correct score.

Software must attempt to match against every mandatory category. Delivery Point Barcode, eLOT, Perfect Address, DPV®/DSF2®, RDI™ and Suite<sup>Link</sup>® categories require a 100% score. All other categories require a score of 98.5% accuracy. If one of the mandatory categories score is less than 98.5% the entire test fails. If a mandatory category is bypassed or not answered, the test is also considered as a failed test. Subcategories within a mandatory category cannot be bypassed.

All address matching software developers attempting certification of their products are required to provide a PS Form 3553 within the header record of the CASS Stage II file and a hardcopy of the PS Form 3553. If no header record is present, the evaluation process will not occur.

The CASS Department will compare and analyze the hardcopy and electronic PS Form 3553 against the answer field information returned in the State II file. Computation of the PS Form 3553 values must be based on the answers returned during the matching process. In normal operations, if a user chooses to overwrite input fields with output information, production of the PS Form 3553 must be able to discern between processed and unprocessed records. If any errors are identified in the comparison, the grading process will continue. However, certification cannot be issued until a valid PS Form 3553 is submitted to the CASS Department via email attachment to [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov).

## Grading Requirements

DPV® or DSF2®, LACS<sup>Link®</sup> and Suite<sup>Link®</sup> are mandatory for CASS certification. They are not standalone certifications.

### SuiteLink®

For CASS testing, when a secondary value is returned from Suite<sup>Link</sup>, the new suite number must be displayed contiguous to the delivery address line. See Appendix 10.

## 5-Digit Validation

CASS software must validate the city, state and ZIP Code™.

If the output city, state and ZIP Code correspond, the 5-digit ZIP Code can be counted on the PS Form 3553.

A new flag will be populated to determine when the 5-digit ZIP Code is counted on the PS Form 3553.

Field Description	Y	=	ZIP Code validates for city and state. Increment the total 5-Digit Coded on PS Form 3553
	N	=	ZIP Code is not valid for the city and state. Do not increment the 5-Digit Coded on PS Form 3553

## PBSA (Post Officed Box Street Address)

The PBSA table is now a separate table in the DPV® and DSF2® products. CASS software is required to query the PBSA table (dph.hdp) in the same manner as the CMRA table.

PBSA addresses can be identified by the unique carrier route numbers C770-C779 in the PBSA table. The new footnote code “PB” must be returned when the address is found in the PBSA table.

PB – Input address matched to a post office box street address

**Example:** AABBPB

When a PBSA is presented to CASS software with a pound sign (#) designator the “#” may be returned in the output or the secondary value on the ZIP + 4 product.

Input: 555 S B B KING BLVD # 18 Memphis TN 38103	Output: 555 S B B KING BLVD ST # 18 MEMPHIS TN 38103-0387
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Input: 555 S B B KING BLVD # 18 Memphis TN 38103	Output: 555 S B B KING BLVD UNIT 18 MEMPHIS TN 38103-0387
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DPV Return Code: Y  
 PBSA Table: Y  
 DPV Footnote: AABBPB

When a PBSA is presented with any secondary designator other than “#” CASS software must return the designator as it is on the ZIP + 4 product.

Input: 555 S B B KING BLVD APT 18 Memphis TN 38103	Output: 555 S B B KING BLVD UNIT 18 MEMPHIS TN 38103-0387
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Input: 555 S B B KING BLVD STE 18 Memphis TN 38103	Output: 555 S B B KING BLVD UNIT 18 MEMPHIS TN 38103-0387
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DPV Return Code: Y  
 PBSA Table: Y  
 DPV Footnote: AABBPB

**CMRA/PMB**

When an input address contains “PMB”, the PMB number must be ignored for DPV confirmation.

A DPV footnote of “RR” or “R1 must be returned when the address is found in the CMRA table.

- RR Input address matched to CMRA and PMB designator present (PMB 123 or # 123)
- R1 Input address matched to CMRA and PMB designator not present (PMB 123 or # 123)



When a CMRA contains secondary information for the address of the CMRA, “PMB” must be used to denote box information when it is returned on the same line as the primary address (i.e. # is not allowed). Reference: *DMM 508.1.8.2g*

Input: 6 University Dr Apt 500 Ste 206 Amherst MA 01002  DPV Return Code: Y CMRA Table: Y DPV Footnotes: AABRR	Output 1: 6 University Dr STE 206 PMB 500 Amherst MA 01002 -2265  Output 2: STE 206 PMB 500 6 University Dr STE 206 PMB 500 Amherst MA 01002 -2265
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When a CMRA contains two (2) distinct secondary values are presented with “#” sign and neither ZIP +4/DPV confirms, assign the rightmost secondary designator to “PMB” (line 3 or line 4). “#” may be retained for the other invalid secondary value.

Input: 800 VILLAGE WALK # 1 # 101 Guilford CT 06437  DPV Return Code: Y CMRA Table: Y DPV Footnotes: AABRR	Output: PMB 101 (or # 1 PMB 101) 800 VILLAGE WALK # 1 GUILFORD CT 06437-2762
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When a confirmed CMRA does not contain secondary information for the address of the CMRA, box information can be designated using “PMB” (preferred) or “#” (optional).

Input: 800 VILLAGE WALK # 1 Guilford CT 06437  DPV Return Code: S Enhanced DPV Return Code: Y CMRA Table: Y DPV Footnotes: AABRR	Output 1: 800 VILLAGE WALK PMB 1 GUILFORD CT 06437-2762  Output 2: 800 VILLAGE WALK # 1 GUILFORD CT 06437-2762
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When an unconfirmed secondary designator is input it must be change to PMB (line 3 or line 4). When a confirmed CMRA address record contains two (2) distinct secondary values and neither ZIP+4/DPV confirms, assign the rightmost designator to PMB.

Input: 111 HIGHLAND ST UNIT 2 STE 1 MEMPHIS TN 38111  DPV Return Code: S CMRA Table: Y DPV Footnotes: AACRR	Output: PMB 1 (or UNIT 2 PMB 1) 111 HIGHLAND ST UNIT 2 PMB 1 MEMPHIS TN 38111-4640
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## PO Box™ Only Delivery Zones

There is a portion of the City State product that contains PO Box Only Delivery Zones.

The file layout utilizes “P” as the Copyright Detail Code which is different from the existing ZIP Classification code “P” located in the thirteenth (13) position of the City State detail record that indicates there are PO Box and other types of delivers to the community.

These zones have no other form of postal delivery.

A PO Box only flag will be added to CASS testing. Software must return a “Y” when a record is in a PO Box only Delivery Zone.

## R777 and R779 Route Matching

Physical addresses that are assigned to phantom routes R777 and R779 **are not** eligible for street delivery or postage discounts.

- Flagged as a NoStat record
- The ZIP + 4 cannot be returned by CASS software
- Cannot be counted on the PS Form 3553 in the ZIP + 4 Coded /DPV Confirmed fields
- The ZIP + 4 should not be printed on the mailpiece

DPV Footnote “**R7**” must be returned when an address matches to an R777/R779 route and the address DPV confirms. The R7 footnote will correspond with the Enhanced DPV return code “R”.

R7 – Input address matched to a physical address that does not receive delivery from the USPS (R777 or R779)

Input: 40 FLETCHER DR  
PLEASANT HILL TN 38578

Output: 40 FLETCHER DR  
PLEASANT HILL TN 38578

DPV Return Code: Y  
Enhanced DPV: R  
DPV Footnotes: AABBR7  
PS Form 3553: N

When the primary number doesn't DPV confirm the R7 footnote should not be returned. In this case the Enhanced DPV return code is “N”.

R777 and R779 carrier routes should be returned on non-DPV confirmed addresses.

Input:	314 S HOPSON ST LYON MA 38645	312 S HOPSON ST LYON MA 38645
Output:	314 S HOPSON ST LYON MS 38645	312 S HOPSON ST LYON MS 38645
DPV Return Code:	N	Y

Enhanced DPV Return Code:	N	R
DPV Footnotes:	AAM3	AABBR7
PS Form 3553:	N	N

### Single Trailing Alpha on Primary Number

When a primary number is numeric with a Single Trailing Alpha Exception (no secondary present on input) and it does not DPV confirm as returned from the ZIP + 4 match, the Single Trailing Alpha should be dropped for DPV confirmation. If the number then DPV confirms, software must return an “S” for DPV confirmation.

“S” indicates that the secondary information or a trailing alpha was dropped to make a match to DPV.

The returned primary number must be the one returned from the ZIP + 4 match (which includes the trailing alpha).

	<u>Current Rule</u>	<u>New Rule</u>
Input:	341A JAMES AVE COVINGTON TN 38019	341A JAMES AVE COVINGTON TN 38019
EMDP (w/alpha)	3801933280000341A	3801933280000341A
DPV (w/alpha)	N	N (Try w/o Trailing Alpha)
EMDP (w/o Alpha)	NOT ALLOWED	3801933280000341
DPV (w/o Alpha)		
Output:	341A JAMES AVE COVINGTON TN 38019	341A JAMES AVE COVINGTON TN 38019-3328
	Output address must be what was returned from ZIP + 4 Lookup (not what was used in DPV lookup)	341 JAMES AVE # A (not allowed) COVINGTON TN 38019-3328

Valid single trailing alpha primary number /**No alpha exception\*** on the match - The primary number of 13430A matched a pattern on ZIP + 4 data.

	<u>Current Rule</u>	<u>New Rule</u>
Input:	13430A 35 <sup>TH</sup> AVE FLUSHING NY 11354	13430A 35 <sup>TH</sup> AVE FLUSHING NY 11354
DPV Return Code:	N	N (do not query DPV w/o trailing alpha)
Output:	13430A 35 <sup>TH</sup> AVE FLUSHING NY 11354	13430A 35 <sup>TH</sup> AVE FLUSHING NY 11354

\*The alpha was used to make the match to ZIP + 4.

## Deliverable Street/Highrise Default

Addresses in a highrise that have a valid delivery point at the primary number without second are known as deliverable street records. There are also highrise specific addresses at the same primary number.

Currently, an input address without secondary would match to the highrise default, appearing to need secondary information.

To accommodate this type of address, we have modified the matching logic. These types of addresses have been modified. If you have an input address without secondary information that matches to a highrise default and DPV does not show it as a NoStat, drop to the street level match and return the associated information.

This should not be done on addresses that match a highrise default when invalid secondary is included in the input.

Suite<sup>Link®</sup> should be queried before making this check.

Source	Rec Type	Prim Number	Street Indicia	Unit	Sec Range	ZIP Code	ZIP + 4 Range	CRID	No Stat
DSF	S	36	CAPITAL WAY			38004	7924	R006	N
ZIP + 4	H	36	CAPITAL WAY			38004	7985	R006	N/A
ZIP + 4	H	36	CAPITAL WAY	STE	B-E	38004	7986	R006	N/A

	<u>Current Rule</u>	<u>New Rule</u>
Input:	36 CAPITAL WAY ATOKA TN 38004	36 CAPITAL WAY ATOKA TN 38004
Output:	36 CAPITAL WAY ATOKA TN 38004-7985	36 CAPTIAL WAY ATOKA TN 38004-7924
Record Type:	H	S
DPV Return Code:	D	Y
Enhanced DPV Return Code:	N/A	Y
DPV Footnotes:	AAN1	AABB
DPV NoStat	N	N

There are multiple highrise specific records for this primary number. The street record is a stat-ed record.

	<u>Current Rule</u>	<u>New Rule</u>
Input:	36 CAPTIAL WAY STE A ATOKA TN 38004	36 CAPITAL WAY STE A ATOKA TN 38004
Output:	36 CAPITAL WAY STE A ATOKA TN 38004-7985	36 CAPTIAL WAY STE A ATOKA TN 38004-7985
Record Type:	H	H
DPV Return Code:	S	S
Enhanced DPV Return Code:	N/A	S
DPV Footnotes:	AACC	AAC1

DPV NoStat

N

N

There are multiple highrise specific records for this primary number. There is no STE A. The street record is not a NoStat record.

### Military Addressing

Two new military abbreviations as indicated below with the asterisks have been added to the postal database.

- CMR – Consolidated mail Room
- PSC – Postal Service Center
- UNIT
- UMR – United Mail Room \*\*
- OMC – Official Mail Center \*\*

Rec Type	Prim Range	Street Indicia	Unit	Sec Range	ZIP Code	ZIP + 4 Range	CRID
S	1 – 99	UMR 6			09599	0001	C001

Input: UMR 6 BOX 1  
FPO 09599

Output: UMR 6 BOX 1  
FPO AE 09599-0001

DPV Return Code: Y

DPV Footnotes: AAF1

Rec Type	Prim Range	Street Indicia	Unit	Sec Range	ZIP Code	ZIP + 4 Range	CRID
S	1 – 99	OMC 8			09599	0002	C002

Input: OMC 8 BOX 1  
FPO 09599

Output: OMC 8 BOX 1  
FPO AE 09599-0002

DPV Return Code: Y

DPV Footnotes: AAF1

### Fatal Add-On Error

The return of add-on '0000' in the ZIP + 4 or the return or an invalid add-on '9999' in the ZIP + 4 continues to be cause for CASS/MASS certification failure and will require retesting.

## Stage II File Evaluation

Address matching software evaluation is based on the CASS product answer requirement and USPS® *DMM*®, “CASS” section 602.

An address record answer is deemed correct or incorrect based on individual answer fields. If a single answer field or portion of an answer field for fields that require parsing is incorrect, the entire address is considered incorrect and counts as a single error. The grading process generates reports containing statistical scoring information and detailed analysis of the problem areas encountered.

1. Must answer – records must be coded correctly by matching software. If the record is coded incorrectly or left blank it is counted towards the total number of incorrectly coded records.
2. Optional answer – where no answer is bypassed, is not mandatory. If these records are coded incorrectly, they are counted towards the total number of incorrectly coded records. If these records are coded correctly by address matching software, they are counted towards the total number of correctly coded records. If the records are not coded (left blank) or the input is returned, they are not counted towards the total number of correct or incorrectly coded records. Optional answer categories are identified by the sing asterisk on the “Customer No Match Translation of Error Codes & Special Flags” in Appendix 3.
3. Return input record and not assign an add-on code unless the address DPV confirms. In some cases, DPV can be used as a tiebreaker. When a multiple response exists and DPV cannot break the tie, and if all candidate record shares the same 5-digit ZIP Code and carrier route indicator the software may return a valid 5-digit ZIP Code and carrier route in the output record.
4. DPV® or DSF<sup>2</sup>®, LACS<sup>Link</sup>® and Suite<sup>Link</sup>® are mandatory for all tests and production use for all end users. DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> return codes and confirmation codes must be returned for each address record. The new LACS<sup>Link</sup>® converted address must be returned to qualify for postal discounts. If a mailer does not return the new address from LACS<sup>Link</sup> only the 5-digit ZIP Code™ can be returned. The appended Suite<sup>Link</sup>® secondary must be returned when available for testing. The mailer may continue to use the input address with the 5-digit ZIP Code associated with the input address. This address does not qualify for automation discounts.
5. Grading for standardization records may or may not contain an input ZIP Code may have a misspelled city name and may contain a non-mailing name. The address also may contain a numeric street name, misspelled street name, or street names that could possibly be pre or post directional. Address matching software must be able to correctly match the input address with the appropriate carrier route, 5-digit or ZIP + 4® add-on code, and delivery point code. CASS accepts and grades the answer as correct in the standard abbreviated format, completely spelled out, exactly as presented in the USPS Address Information Systems (AIS) Products or the input record for non-matched records. These categories are identified by the three asterisks on the “Customer No Match Translation of Error Codes & Special Flags” in Appendix 3.

6. Normalization is required for subcategory MA. Some PO Box, Rural Route and Highway Contract input addresses often appear on a mailing list with the following words and must be converted to the proper format. This category is identified by the four asterisks on the “Customer No Match Translation of Error Codes & Special Flags” in Appendix 3.

INPUT	OUTPUT
Drawer 10	PO BOX 10
Drawer A	PO BOX A
Caller 10	PO BOX 10
Lockbox 10	PO BOX 10
Firm Caller A	PO BOX A
Bin A	PO BOX A
Rural Route 1	RR 1
FDR Route 1	RR 1
Star Route 1	HC 1
Highway Contract 1	HC1

Record Type	Answer = AGT Answer	Answer = Other Answer	Answer = Return of Input Address
Must Answer	Add 1 to Correct Count	Add 1 to Incorrect Count	Add 1 to Incorrect Count
Optional Answer	Add 1 to Correct Count	Add 1 to Incorrect Count	Add 0 to Incorrect Count and 1 to Correct Count
Must Return Input	Add 1 to Correct Count	Add 1 to Incorrect Count	Add 1 to Correct Count

## Scoring

Minimum accuracy percentages required to achieve a passing score for CASS product categories include the following:

5-Digit	98.5% or higher
Carrier Route	98.5% or higher
ZIP + 4/DP	98.5% or higher
LACSLink®	98.5% or higher
DPBC	100%
eLOT	100%
Perfect Address	100%
DPV®	100%
DSF <sup>2®</sup>	100%
RDI™	100%
SuiteLink®	100%

*Note: Merge and Merge/eLOT require the same scores as above. However, the delivery point code must be correctly assigned for 100% of all ZIP + 4/DPV confirmed records. If a passing score is not achieved in any single category the entire test fails.*

## Analysis

A grading output analysis report is provided when the required minimum score is not achieved. The report contains the following reports:

- *CASS Statistical Summary* – Divided into two parts
  - Part 1 contains percentage-based information on address matching software by CASS product categories
  - Part 2 contains percentage-based information by special flag categories within a CASS product category.
- *CASS Statistical Summary Error Message Summary*
  - Contains count-based information on the errors encountered on customer answer records. The information is presented according to code within a special flag.
- *Customer No Match Report*
  - Contains detailed information about the customer address records that have been graded and scored as incorrect. The report provided the original CASS input.

## Certification

When the required minimum scoring levels are achieved, the address matching software will be certified. The CASS Department issues a certification letter acknowledging certification has been achieved for a certified software product. In addition, the certified company's name will be included in the CASS MASS Certified Products Guide unless the company doesn't want to be listed.



## Delivery Point Barcode Rules (Primary)

<p><b>1. General Rule</b></p> <p>Address: 1234 MAIN ST (PO BOX 44, RR 1 BOX 154, HC 1 BOX 1264)  DPBC: 34 (44, 54, 64)</p> <p>Use last two digits. Print code characters in DPBC representing last two digits of primary street number (or post office box, rural route box, or highway contract route number).</p>	<p><b>8. Leading/Embedded Alphas</b></p> <p>Address: 23S411 MAIN ST (23S4 MAIN ST, 2W3S1 MAIN ST, 2AA1 MAINS ST)  DPBC: 11 (04, 01, 01)</p> <p>Print code characters in DPBC representing last two digits to right of alphas. If single digit to right of alphas, add leading zero.</p>
<p><b>2. No Numbers</b></p> <p>Address: MAIN St (RR 1, HC 1)  DPBC: 99 (99, 99)</p> <p>Use 99. Print code characters in DPBC representing last two digits of primary street number (or PO Box, rural route, or highway contract route number).</p>	<p><b>9. Slashes (/)</b></p> <p>Address: 123/4 MAIN ST (PO BOX ¼, RR 1 BOX 123/124/125, HC BOX 11/13)  DPBC: 99 (99, 99, 99)</p> <p>Print code characters in DPBC representing 99 whenever a slash appears directly next to numeric in the primary street number.</p>
<p><b>3. Single Digits</b></p> <p>Address: 8 MIAN St (PO BOX 1, RR 1 BOX 2, HC 1 BOX 3)  DPBC: 08 (01, 02, 03)</p> <p>Add leading zero. Print code characters in DPBC representing leading zero and single digit.</p>	<p><b>10. Other Embedded Symbols</b></p> <p>Address: 1.23 MAIN ST (PO BOX 1-3, RR 1 BOX 1.23, HC 3 BOX 11*7)  DPBC: 23 (03, 23, 07)</p> <p>Use last two digits to right of the symbol. Print code characters in DPBC representing last two digits to the right of all symbols (except slashes), such as periods and hyphens appearing in primary street numbers. If single digit to right, add leading zero.</p>
<p><b>4. Fractional Number</b></p> <p>Address: 1234 ½ MAIN ST (PO BOX 1 ½, RR 1 BOX 2 ¾, HC 1 BOX 10 ¼)  DPBC: 34 (01, 02, 10)</p> <p>Ignore fraction. Print code characters in DPBC representing two digits to left of fraction. If single digit to left of fraction, add leading zero.</p>	<p><b>11. Embedded Spaces</b></p> <p>Address: 1 23 MAIN ST (PO BOX 1 3, RR 1 BOX 1 7, HC 1 BOX 12 34)  DPBC: 23 (03, 07, 34)</p> <p>Treat embedded spaces like other symbols (Rule 10). Print code characters in DPBC representing last two digits to right of space. If single digit to right, add leading zero.</p>
<p><b>5. Trailing Alphas</b></p> <p>Address: 1234A MAIN ST (PO BOX 4A, RR 1 BOX 154A, HC 1 BOX 1264AA)  DPBC: 34 (04, 54, 64)</p> <p>Ignoring trailing alphas. Print code characters in DPBC representing last two digits to left of space and alphas. If single digit to left of space and alphas, add leading zero.</p>	<p><b>12. Numeric Street Names</b></p> <p>Address: 8 33 ST (123 7<sup>th</sup> ST)  DPBC: 08 (23)</p> <p>Ignore numeric street name. Print code characters in DPBC representing last two digits of primary street number (Rule 1).</p>
<p><b>6. Spaces and Alphas</b></p> <p>Address: 1234 A MAIN ST (PO BOX 4 AA, RR 1 BOX 154 A, HC1 BOX 1264 AA)  DPBC: 34 (04, 54, 64)</p> <p>Ignoring space and alphas. Print code characters in DPBC representing two digits to left of space and alphas. If single digit to left of space and alphas, add leading zero.</p>	<p><b>13. All other Anomalies</b></p> <p>Use 99. Print code characters in DPBC representing 99 for conditions not covered by Rules 1 – 12.</p>
<p><b>7. Alphas Only</b></p> <p>Address: A Main St (PO Box AA, RR 1 Box X, HC 1 Box AB)  DPBC: 99 (99, 99, 99)</p> <p>Ignore alphas and se 99. Print code characters in DPBC representing 99 when alphas appear as the only primary street number.</p>	

## Calculating Delivery Points for Military, RR, and HC Default matches

CASS grading procedure for calculating delivery points for military, RR, and HC matches require delivery point values be assigned based on the input box number when one is present. When an input box number is not present, the delivery point value is “99”.

### Unique ZIP Code Matrix

CONDITION	CRID/RECORD TYPE	DPC
Normal Matching (No input ZIP or No input + 4 or Input ZIP + 4 corresponds to Matched record)	Use CRID/Record Type associated With ZIP + 4 record	Assign Based on Normal DPC Derivation Rules
Input of Assigned ZIP + 4 Valid (doesn't correspond to matched Record)	Use CRIS/Record Type Associated With Input ZIP + 4	Assign Based on the Primary Street Number
Input or Assigned ZIP + 4 invalid	Default CRID to 'C000' and Record Type matches the style of input address	Assign Based on the Primary Street Number

*Note: Set the Default flag when the assigned ZIP + 4 Code matches to a highrise default or a default add-on '0001' (default for Unique).*

## Delivery Point Barcode Rules (Secondary)

### Special Characters and Fractions in Secondary Address Values

When the input secondary address contains embedded special characters like dashes or periods, they must be ignored when calculating the DPC. For example, when calculating the DPC for secondary address A2-5, use the same algorithm used for secondary address A25.

Slashes and embedded spaces can exist in secondary address values. Ignore any fractional components in the input secondary address when computing the DPC unless the fraction is the only value in the secondary address. See Rule 8 on page 45 for secondary addresses consisting of only a fraction.

Examples:

Secondary Address Value	Secondary Range Matched	DPC	Rule
5 ½	1-10	05	1
2 1/3 C	2 1/3A-2 1/3D	02	1
A8 ¼	A6 ¼-A12 ¼	18	4

### Pattern Differences between Input Secondary Addresses and ZIP + 4 Product

There can be situations in which the input secondary address pattern differs from the pattern for the secondary address found in the ZIP + 4® product. For example, an input address may be shown as “APT 5A” and matched to a secondary range of “1-10” in the ZIP + 4 product. This would be correct because a single trailing alpha character is considered to fall within an all-numeric range. When an input address contains a single trailing alpha character and is matched to an all-numeric range, calculate the DPB using the input secondary address format.

**Example:**

Secondary Address Value	Secondary Range Matched	DPC	Rule
5A	1-10	51	3

Another situation that can occur may require swapping the alpha and numeric components of the secondary address to match a corresponding pattern on the ZIP + 4 product. For example, an input secondary address value of A7 is considered a match to secondary range 1A-10A by swapping the input alpha and numeric values to create 7A. This is valid only when a similar pattern for the secondary address exists in the ZIP + 4 product. A leading alpha character may not be swapped to make to an all numeric secondary range. When an input secondary address value requires swapping the alpha and numeric values to match to a corresponding pattern in the ZIP + 4 product, use the swapped format to calculate the DPC regardless of whether the swapped value is retained for output in the address.

**Example:**

Secondary Address Value	Swapped Format Of Input Secondary Address Value	ZIP + 4 Product Secondary Range Matched	DPC	Rule
A7	7A	1A-10A	71	3
6B	B6	B1-B10	26	4

## Secondary Numbers Used as Primary Number Values

When a secondary numeric value is used as the primary number in an address, always calculate the DPC assignment based on the secondary number, regardless of how the number is presented in the address. For example, assuming an input address of

Input: 1800 IDS TOWER  
MINNEAPOLIS MN 55402

Output: 80 S 8<sup>TH</sup> ST STE 1800  
MINNEPOLIS MN 55402-2123

The DPC for the input address must be calculated based on the value 1800, regardless of how the address is ultimately displayed on a mailpiece.

## Default Matches to Highrise Records with Secondary Ranges

There are cases in the ZIP + 4® product in which a single highrise record for a primary address with secondary ranges exists and there is no highrise default record, i.e. a “single-coded ‘H’ record condition.”

The input address matches to a highrise default record. DPV® returns a “D” which indicated that secondary is missing. Software must query Suite<sup>Link</sup>®. If no match is found, return the original ZIP + 4 match.

### Example:

ZIP Code	Rec Type	DPV	Prim Range	Street Indicia	Unit	Sec Range	City
78840	S	Y	2201-2299	VETERANS BLVD			DEL RIO
78840	H	Y	2205	VETERANS BLVD	STE	D1-D9	DEL RIO

Developers are instructed to assign the street record ZIP + 4 code for those addresses in which the street name and primary number matches to a highrise record, but the secondary number is out of range and cannot be assigned to a highrise default record. The DPC value will be based upon the primary address value since the match is made to a street record.

### Example:

Input: D5-DALYS GOLD N CHAIN  
2205 VETERANS BLVD  
DEL RIO TX 78840

Output: D5-DALYS GOLD N CHAIN  
2205 VETERANS BLVD STE D5 **Appended Secondary**  
DEL RIO TX 78840-3137

Suite<sup>Link</sup> return code: A

This policy applies when a street or highrise default record is present in the ZIP + 4® product. The highrise default or street default match must be queried with Suite<sup>Link</sup>®.

For CASS testing, the secondary number must be appended to the address. For production mail, if the mailer does not append the secondary number to their original address when one is available from Suite<sup>Link</sup>, the new secondary number must be included in the Intelligent Mail® Barcode to qualify for postal discounts. Otherwise, the address does not qualify for automation discounts.

**Rule 1: Numeric Simple Rule**

The Numeric Simple Rule applies to situation in which the secondary address value only contains numbers (0-9) excluding fractional values or special characters, and the numeric value in the hundreds or thousands place equal zero. The last two digits of the secondary number must become the DPC. See Rule 5, if the numeric value in either the hundreds or thousands place is greater than zero.

Secondary Value	DPC
1	01
2	02
98	98
99	99
7-2	72

Secondary Value	DPC
10001	01
10002	02
10098	98
100 99	99
10007.2	72
10004 23/3	04

**Rule 2: Alphabetic Rule**

The Alphabetic Rule is used when the secondary address value contains only alphabetic characters, excluding fractional values or special characters. Compute the DPC using only the rightmost alphabetic character. Each character of the alphabet is assigned a unique DPC based on a progressive substitution starting at 73 and continuing through 98 (e.g. A = 73, B = 74, Z = 98)

**Example:**

Secondary Value	DPC
A	73
B	74
C	75
W	95
Z	98

Secondary Value	DPC
LA	73
AAB	74
A-C	75
W ½	95
MEZZ	95

**Rule 3: Alphanumeric Rule – Trailing Alpha**

The Alphanumeric Numeric Rule – Trailing applies to alphanumeric secondary addresses in which the last character is an alphabetic character within the range A to Z. Form the DPC from the secondary address according to the following formula:  $DPC = \text{MOD} ((X \cdot 10) + Y)/100$

In this equation, “X” equals the conversion value of the rightmost alphabetic character from the alphanumeric conversion table, and “Y” equals the rightmost non-fractional numeric form value. The term “MOD” refers to the remainder of  $(X + (10 \cdot Y))$ , which is the DPC.

1. Convert the trailing alphabetic character (X) to a numeric value using the Alphanumeric Conversion Table below.
2. Find the rightmost non-fractional digit (Y) and multiply it by 10.
3. Add the rightmost, non-fractional digit (Y) to the value yielded by step 2.
4. Divide the value yielded by step 3 by 100. Take the remainder (MOD) as the DPC.

A = 1	F = 6	K = 21	P = 26	U = 41
B = 2	G = 7	L = 22	Q = 27	V = 42
C = 3	H = 8	M = 23	R = 28	W = 43
D = 4	I = 9	N = 24	S = 29	X = 44
E = 5	J = 0	O = 25	T = 30	Y = 45
				Z = 46

**Examples:** Note: The letter “R” followed by a number is translated as “remainder of.”

SEC VALUE	STEP 1 X	STEP 2 $10 \cdot Y$	STEP 3 ADD SUM STEP 1 + STEP 2	STEP 4 MOD (STEP 3 ANS/100)	DPC
1A	A = 1	$10 \cdot 1 = 10$	$1 + 10 = 11$	$11/100 = 0$ R11	11
10D	D = 4	$10 \cdot 0 = 0$	$4 + 0 = 4$	$4/100 = 0$ R4	04
99Q	Q = 27	$10 \cdot 9 = 90$	$27 + 90 = 117$	$117/100 = 0$ R17	17
A4K	K = 21	$10 \cdot 4 = 40$	$21 + 40 = 61$	$61/100 = 0$ R61	61
2-4M	M = 23	$10 \cdot 4 = 40$	$23 + 40 = 63$	$63/100 = 0$ R63	63
A78Z	Z = 46	$10 \cdot 8 = 80$	$46 + 80 = 126$	$126/100 = 1$ R26	26

**Rule 4: Alphanumeric Rule - Trailing Numeric**

The Alphanumeric Rule – Trailing Numeric applies to alphanumeric secondary addresses with trailing numbers. Derive the DPC from the secondary address according to the following formula:  $DPC = \text{MOD} ((X \cdot 10) + Y)/100$

“X” equals the alphanumeric conversion value of the leftmost alphabetic character, and “Y” equals the rightmost non-fractional numeric value. Within the formula, “MOD” refers to the remainder of  $((X \cdot 10) + Y)/100$ .

1. Convert the first alphabetic character (X) to a number using the Alphanumeric Conversion Table. See Rule 3.
2. Multiply the value yielded in step 1 by 10.
3. Add the rightmost, non-fractional digit (Y) to the value yielded by step 2.
4. Divide the value yielded by step 3 by 100. Take the remainder (MOD) as the DPC.

Example: Note: The letter “R” followed by a number is translated as “remainder of.”

SEC VALUE	STEP 1 X	STEP 2 $10 \cdot Y$	STEP 3 ADD SUM STEP 1 + STEP 2	STEP 4 MOD (STEP 3 ANS/100)	DPC
A1	A = 1	$10 \cdot 1 = 10$	$1 + 10 = 11$	$11/100 = 0$ R11	11
B3	B = 2	$10 \cdot 2 = 20$	$20 + 3 = 23$	$23/100 = 0$ R23	23
4G5	G = 7	$10 \cdot 7 = 70$	$70 + 5 = 75$	$75/100 = 0$ R75	75
Q37	Q = 27	$10 \cdot 27 = 270$	$270 + 7 = 277$	$277/100 = 2$ R77	77
D-33	D = 4	$10 \cdot 4 = 40$	$40 + 3 = 43$	$43/100 = 0$ R43	43
3V-175	V = 42	$10 \cdot 42 = 420$	$420 + 5 = 425$	$425/100 = 4$ R25	25
R2-1/4	R = 28	$10 \cdot 28 = 280$	$280 + 2 = 282$	$282/100 = 2$ R82	82
1A.2	A = 1	$10 \cdot 1 = 10$	$10 + 2 = 12$	$12/100 = 0$ R12	12
44C102	C = 3	$10 \cdot 3 = 30$	$30 + 2 = 32$	$32/100 = 0$ R32	32
B1A9	B = 2	$10 \cdot 2 = 20$	$20 + 9 = 29$	$29/100 = 0$ R29	29

### Rule 5: Numeric Computed Rule

The Numeric Computed Rule applies to numeric secondary addresses when the value of the combination of digits in the hundreds and thousands places is greater than zero.

Note: See Rule 1, if the value in the hundreds and thousands place equals 0.

Compute the DPC from the secondary address according to the following formula:

$$\text{DPC} = 25 \cdot (\text{MOD } (X/4)) + \text{MOD } (Y/25)$$

“X” equals the numeric value of the digits in the thousands and hundreds places, and “Y” equals the value of the digits in the tens and ones places. Within the formula “MOD” refers to the remainder derived from the division process.

1. Extract the numeric digits found in the thousands and hundreds places (X) and divide those by 4.
2. Take the value of the remainder (MOD) from the division in step 1 and multiply that value by 25.

3. Extract the digits found in the tens and ones places (Y). Divide that value by 25 and take the remainder (MOD) to develop the DPC.
4. Add the values derived in steps 2 and 3 to create the DPC. If the sum of the two values derived from steps 2 and 3 is less than 10, add a leading 0 to create a 2-digit value.

SEC VALUE	STEP 1 VALUE OF THOU. & HUND./4	STEP 2 VALUE FROM STEP 1 · 25	STEP 3 VALUE OF TENS & ONES/25	STEP 4 ADD ANSW. STEP 2 + STEP 3	DPC
306	3/4 = 0 R3 = 3	3 · 25 = 75	6/25 = 0 R6 = 6	75 + 6 = 81	81
683	6/4 = 1 R2 = 2	2 · 25 = 50	83/25 = 3 R8 = 8	50 + 8 = 58	58
1001	10/4 = 2 R2 = 2	2 · 25 = 50	1/25 = 0 R1 = 1	50 + 1 = 51	51
8874	88/4 = 22 R0 = 0	0 · 25 = 0	74/25 = 2 R2 = 24	0 + 24 = 24	24
14-102	41/4 = 10 R1 = 1	1 · 25 = 25	2/25 = 0 R2 = 2	25 + 2 = 27	27
1234 ½	12/4 = 3 R1 = 0	0 · 25 = 0	34/25 = 1 R9 = 9	0 + 9 = 9	09

**Rule 6: Address Matched to a ZIP + 4 Record with Blank Secondary Ranges**

When an input address is matched to a highrise record with a secondary designator but no secondary ranges, the software must return DPC 99. These “exceptional” designators do not require a secondary value.

The secondary designators that exist without a secondary range include the following:

- BSMT
- LOWR
- SIDE
- LBBY
- FRNT
- PH
- REAR
- OFC
- UPPR

**Example (ZIP + 4 product):**

ZIP	REC TYPE	CARRIER ROUTE ID	STREET	PRIM LOW/HIGH		O/E	SEC DESG	SEC LOW/HIGH		ZIP + 4 LOW/HIGH	
48322	S	C001	MAIN AVE	101	199	O				2111	2111
48322	H	C001	MAIN AVE	123	123	O				2115	2115
48322	H	C001	MAIN AVE	123	123	O	OFC			2116	2116
48322	H	C001	MAIN AVE	123	123	O	APT	101	108	2117	2117
48322	H	C001	MAIN AVE	123	123	O	APT	201	208	2118	2118



Input: JANE DOE  
 123 MAIN AVE OFFICE  
 WEST BLOOMFIELD MI 48322

Output: JANE DOE  
 123 MAIN AVE OFC  
 WEST BLOOMFIELD MI 48322-2116  
 (DPC 99)

In this example, the input address contains the secondary designator “OFFICE” which is matched to the third record displayed containing the secondary designator “OFC”. Since the record that is matched does not have any secondary ranges shown, the DPC assigned must be “99”.

**Rule 7: Address Matching to a Highrise Default Record**

If a match is made to a default highrise record on ZIP + 4 product, the DPC assigned must be “99”. A default highrise record is a type “H” record that has no secondary designator value or secondary range values.

**Example (ZIP + 4 product):**

ZIP	REC TYPE	CARRIER ROUTE ID	STREET	PRIM LOW/HIGH		SEC DESG	SEC LOW/HIGH		ZIP + 4 LOW/HIGH	
48321	S	C001	MAIN ST	101	199				1111	1111
48321	H	C001	MAIN ST	101	101				1116	1116
48321	H	C001	MAIN ST	101	101	APT	101	108	1117	1117
48321	H	C001	MAIN ST	101	101	APT	201	208	1117	1117

Input: JOE DOE  
 101 MAIN ST APTE 405  
 AUBURN HILLS MI  
 48321

Output: JOE DOE  
 101 MAIN ST APTE 405  
 AUBURN HILLS MI 48321-1116 (DPC 99)

Since the input secondary value 405 cannot be matched to any of the available secondary ranges, the match is made to the second record displayed, which is the highrise default record. This requires assignment of 99 for the DPC.

**Rule 8: Fractional Only Secondary Addresses**

If the input secondary address is a fraction without any other leading alphabetic or numeric value present, assign DPC 00. A single trailing alpha following a fractional value is considered part of the fraction.

**Example:**

SECONDARY ADDRESS VALUE	DELIVERY POINT CODE
1/2	00
2/3	00
3/4 A	00

**Delivery Point Check Digit (Not needed in IMB)**

The delivery point check digit, or correction character, is a number that is added to the sum of the other digits in the delivery point barcode (DPBC) to yield a number that is a multiple of ten.

**Example:**

5-Digit ZIP Code	=	12345
ZIP + 4 Code	=	6789
Delivery Point Code	=	01
Sum of 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 0 + 1	=	46
Add check digit (4)		<u>+ 4</u>
Equals Multiple of 10		50

**TotalDPS**

TotalDPS relates to an alternative method of Delivery Point Sequencing (DPS) by computing delivery point codes for address records and more particularly to those records that would otherwise have a conflicting 11-digit ZIP Code.

**Brief Summary**

The objective is to provide a more concise method of computing delivery point codes for address records that by current computation would produce a conflict (two addresses with the same code). Only record types of "R" and "S" are eligible for the TotalDPS calculation. All other record types should retain their calculated delivery point using existing rules.

**Detailed Description**

When the same delivery point on a street record is used to identify multiple deliveries, the USPS cannot correctly sequence the mail for all deliveries.

Software will be required to calculate the new delivery point for these addresses.

## Setup

There will be up to 6 fields used to hold information from the primary number, unit designator, or secondary number fields. They will be referred to as A1, A2, A3, N1, N2, and N3. The A1 through A3 fields are the 3 right-most alphabetic characters and N1 through N3 are the 3 right-most numeric characters. There will also be a field to hold the temporary string to perform the calculations on, referred to as WS.

## Initial Checks

**NOTE: The primary number should have at least confirmed in order to enter this algorithm. If a primary number confirms by dropping a trailing alpha, the trailing alpha should NOT be used in the calculation.**

If there is a secondary number, follow the secondary number calculation.

If there is not a secondary number, but a unit designator is present, follow the unit designator calculation.

**NOTE: For the unit designator/secondary number sections, the address MUST DPV confirm with the secondary information for it to be used in the calculation. If the secondary information does not DPV confirm, it should not be used in the calculation.**

In all other cases, follow the primary number calculation.

### Primary Number Calculation

If the primary number is all numeric, there is nothing to do. The delivery point will remain as is.

**Example of all numeric:**                    **123**  
  **489**

Starting at the right-most character of the primary number, find the first non-space character and continue until you find an alpha or numeric (or you get to the beginning of the primary number, which should technically never happen). If it's a numeric, skip to the Right-Most Numeric Section. If it's an alpha, skip to the Right-Most Alpha Section.

### Right-Most Numeric Section

Starting at the left-most character of the primary number, find the first space and then copy the rest of the primary number to WS.

**Example:**       **123 1/2**

The part that would be copied to WS would be 1/2.

### Right-Most Alpha Section

Copy the right-most alpha to WS.

**Example:** 123A

The part that would be copied to WS would be A.

**Example:** 123AB

The part that would be copied to WS would be B (only the right-most first alpha).

**Example:** A

The part that would be copied to WS would be A.

**Example:** AB

The part that would be copied to WS would be B (only the right-most first alpha).

Follow the Final Calculation.

### Unit Designator Calculation

Copy the unit designator to WS.

Follow the Final Calculation.

### Secondary Number Calculation

Copy the secondary number to WS.

Follow the Final Calculation.

### Final Calculation

If WS is blank, you are done. The delivery point will remain as is.

If WS is a single character numeric, convert by using the following:

1 = Z, 2 = Y, 3 = X, 4 = W, 5 = V  
6 = U, 7 = T, 8 = S, 9 = R, 0 = Q

Using A1 through A3 and N1 through N3 as holders for values, start at the right-most value of WS and fill in A3, A2, and A1 for each individual alpha found (each one will hold a different alpha character) and fill in N3, N2, and N1 for each individual numeric found (each one will hold a different numeric character).

A1, A2, and A3 should be converted to a numeric value by using the following:

[Blank] = 0, A = 1, B = 2, C = 3, ..., Z = 26

Perform the following calculation:

$$\begin{aligned} &((27^2) * (10^3) * (A1)) + \\ &((27^1) * (10^3) * (A2)) + \\ &((27^0) * (10^3) * (A3)) + \end{aligned}$$

$$((27^0) * (10^2) * (N1)) +$$

$$((27^0) * (10^1) * (N2)) +$$

$$((27^0) * (10^0) * (N3))$$

Divide the sum above by 47 and keep the remainder (REM).

Finish the calculation  
 (REM \* 2) + Original DP + 1

If the value is greater than 100, keep only the right-most two digits (or divide by 100 and keep the remainder). There should always be two digits (even if the first is a zero).

**NOTE: Adding 1 will guarantee a different parity for the delivery point than previous (i.e., even number original delivery points will now be odd and vice-versa).**

The Stage I file will include:

- Rural Route/Highway Contract Box numbers with all alphas, trailing alpha and trailing fractions
- Street records with all alphas, trailing alpha, trailing fractions and street secondary
- TotalDPS will also be included in the Cycle O Stage files

RR 1 BOX 135 <b>A</b>	RR 1 BOX 135 <b>D</b>
RR 1 BOX 11075	RR 1 BOX 11075 <b>D</b>
HC 83 BOX 34	HC 83 BOX 34 <b>AA</b>
444 S MAIN ST APT <b>1</b>	444 S MAIN ST APT <b>2</b>
305 S MAIN ST APT <b>A</b>	305 S MAIN ST APT <b>B</b>
1608 SHARON RD	1608 SHARON RD <b>BSMT</b>
104 <b>A</b> KNOBLEY RD	104 <b>B</b> KNOBLEY RD
301 D ST	301 <b>½</b> D ST

Enumerated Values (Alpha to Numeric)				
0				
A	1		N	14
B	2		O	15
C	3		P	16
D	4		Q	17
E	5		R	18
F	6		S	19
G	7		T	20
H	8		U	21
I	9		V	22
J	10		W	23
K	11		X	24
L	12		Y	25
M	13		Z	26

### Primary Number with Trailing Alpha

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values					
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3
RR1 BOX 135A	35	62			A				0	0	1	0	0	0
RR1 BOX 135D	35	46			D				0	0	4	0	0	0

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
RR1 BOX 135A	0	0	1,000	0	0	0	13	62	62	62
RR1 BOX 135D	0	0	4,000	0	0	0	5	46	46	46

1000/47=21, R13, 13\*2+35+1=62, 62/100=R62

4,000/47=85 R5, 5\*2+35+1=46, 46/100=R46

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values								
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3			
RR1 BOX 11075	75	75	<i>This address returns the same DP</i>														
RR1 BOX 11075D	75	86			D				0	0	4	0	0	0			

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
RR1 BOX 11075										75
RR1 BOX 11075D	0	0	4,000	0	0	0	5	86	86	86

4,000/47=85 R5, 5\*2+75+1=86, 86/100=R86

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values								
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3			
HC 83 BOX 34	34	34	<i>This address returns the same DP</i>														
HC 83 BOX 34AA *	34	61			A				0	0	1	0	0	0			

\* Only the right-most alpha is coded

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
HC 83 BOX 34										34
HC 83 BOX 34AA	0	0	1,000	0	0	0	13	61	61	61

1,000/47=21 R13, 13\*2+34+1=61, 61/100=R61

For single numeric, you must first convert them to alpha and then through the process:

Enumerated Values (Numeric to Alpha)	
1	Z
2	Y
3	X
4	W
5	V
6	U
7	T
8	S
9	R
0	Q

### Secondary Number Present – Single Numeric

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values					
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3
444 S MAIN ST APT 1	44	63			Z				0	0	26	0	0	0
444 S MAIN ST APT 2	44	31			Y				0	0	25	0	0	0

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
444 S MAIN ST APT 1	0	0	26,000	0	0	0	9	63	63	63
444 S MAIN ST APT 2	0	0	25,000	0	0	0	43	131	31	31

26,000/47=553 R9, 9\*2+44+1=63, 63/100=R63

25,000/47=531 R43, 43\*2+44+1=131, 131/100=1 R31

### Secondary Number Present – Not Single Numeric

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values					
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3
305 S MAIN ST APT A	05	32			A				0	0	1	0	0	0
305 S MAIN ST APT B	05	58			B				0	0	2	0	0	0

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
305 S MAIN ST APT A	0	0	1,000	0	0	0	13	32	32	32
305 S MAIN ST APT B	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	26	58	58	58

1,000/47=21 R13, 13\*2+5+1=32, 32/100=R32, 32/100=32

2,000/47=42 R26, 26\*2+5+1=58, 58/100=R58, 58/100=58

### Unit Designator Present

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values					
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3
1608 SHARON RD	08	08	<b>This address returns the same DP</b>											
1608 SHARON RD BSMT	08	79	S	M	T				19	13	20	0	0	0

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
1608 SHARON RD									08	08
1608 SHARON RD BSMT	13,851,000	351,000	20,000	0	0	0	35	79	79	79

14,222,000/47=302,595 R35, 35\*2+8+1=79, 79/100= R79

### Primary Number with Trailing Alpha

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values					
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3
104A KNOBLEY RD	04	31			A				0	0	1	0	0	0
104B KNOBLEY RD	04	57			B				0	0	2	0	0	0

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
104A KNOBLEY RD	0	0	1,000	0	0	0	13	31	31	31
104B KNOBLEY RD	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	26	57	57	57

1,000/47=21 R13, 13\*2+4+1=31, 31/100=R31

2,000/47=42 R26, 26\*2+4+1=57, 57/100=R57, 57/100=57

### Primary Number with Trailing Fraction

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values								
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3			
301 D ST	01	01	<i>This address returns the same DP</i>														
301 1/2 D ST	01	26						1	2			0	0	2	0	0	0

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
301 D ST									01	
301 1/2 D ST	0	0	0	0	10	2	12	26	26	

12/47=0 R12, 12\*2+1+1=26, 26/100=R26

### Street Address with All Numeric Primary Number, Zero in Secondary Number

Address	Previous DP	New DP	Alpha			Numeric			Enumerated Values								
			A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3	A1	A2	A3	N1	N2	N3			
123 MAIN ST	23	23	<i>This address returns the same DP</i>														
123 MAIN ST APT 0	23	90			Q							0	0	17	0	0	0

Address	Factor						MOD 47	* 2 + Previous DP + 1	MOD 100	New DP
	729,000	27,000	1,000	100	10	1				
123 MAIN ST									01	
123 MAIN ST APT 0	0	0	17000	0	0	0	33	90	90	

17000/47 R33, 33\*2+23+1=90, 90/100=R90

## Cross State

The City/State Product will allow multiple states to be assigned within the same ZIP Code.

## Acceptable Mailing Name

### Current Rule

If the input city name is not the default city for the ZIP Code and the input city name is a valid mailing name for the ZIP Code of the match and the last line key for the ZIP + 4 is the default, the input city name can be retained.



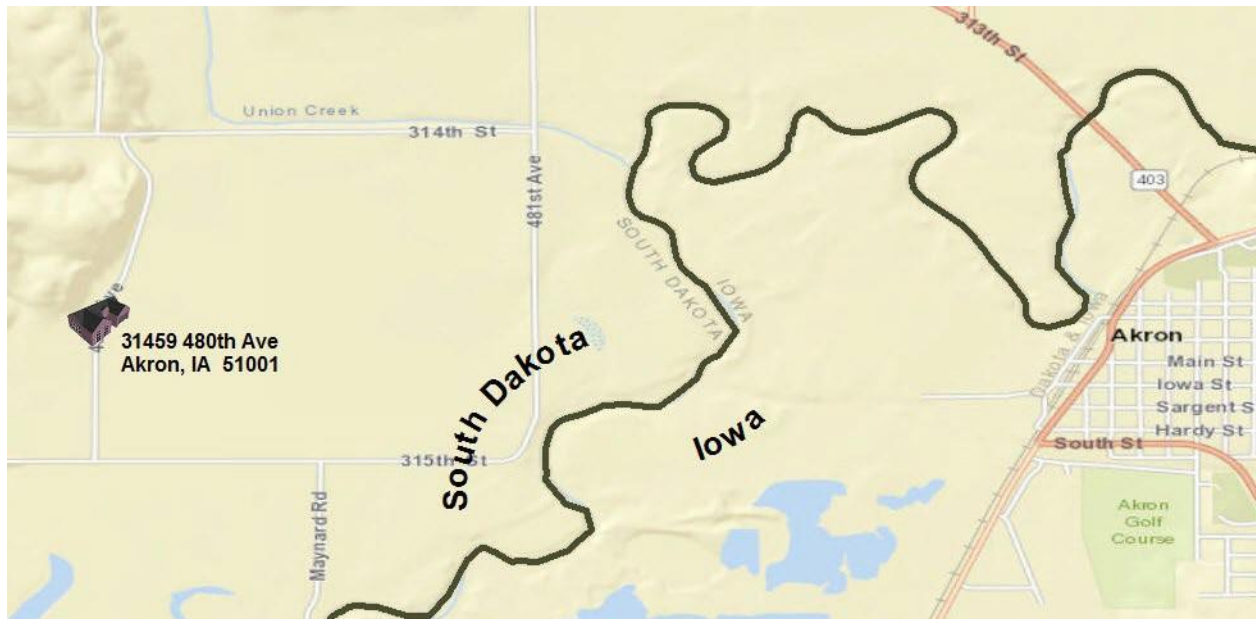
Otherwise, the city name that corresponds to the last line key for the ZIP + 4 record must be returned.

**New Rule**

If the input city name is not the default city for the ZIP Code and the input city name is a valid mailing name for the ZIP Code of the match and the last line key for the ZIP + 4 record is the default and the input state matches the ZIP + 4 record state, the input city name can be retained.

Otherwise, the city/state that corresponds to the last line key for the ZIP + 4 record must be returned.

The City/State Product will allow multiple states to be assigned with the same ZIP Code.



**Cross State Addresses – Rules**

CASS – must use the city state key on the ZIP + 4 record (Override)

**Cross State Addresses – City State File**

Field Ref #	Field Description	Logical Length	Relative Position From/Thru	Content Notes (currently)	Content Notes (Cross State)
1	Copyright Detail Code	01	01-01	D=Detail	D=Detail
2	ZIP Code	05	02-06	51001	<b>51001</b>
3	City state Key	06	07-12	W10013	<b>018975</b>
4	ZIP Class Code	01	13-13		

5	City State Name	28	14-41	AKRON	SPINK TOWNSHIP
6	City Name Abbrev	13	42-54		SPINK TWP
7	CtySt Name Fac Code	01	55-55	P	N
8	CtySt Mailing Name	01	56-56	Y	Y
9	Prfd Last Line CtySt Key	06	57-62	W10013	XSTASD
10	Prfd Last Line CtySt Name	28	63-90	AKRON	CROSS STATE
11	City Delv Ind	01	91-91	N	N
12	CRRT Rate Sort Ind	01	92-92	D	D
13	Unique ZIP Name Inc	01	93-93		
14	Finance No	06	94-99	180090	180090
15	State Abbrev	02	100-101	IA	SD
16	County No	03	102-104	149	127
17	County Name	25	105-129	PLYMOUTH	UNION

### Cross State Addresses - Rules

**CASS – must use the city state key on the ZIP+4 record (Override)**

Source	ZIP Code	Rec Type	Street Indicia	Prim Range	O/E/B	ZIP+4	State	LL Key
ZIP+4	51001	S	480 <sup>th</sup> AVE	31400-31499	B	7515	SD	018975

**Cross State Address**

Input: 31459 480<sup>TH</sup> AVE  
AKRON IA 51001

Output 1: 31459 480<sup>TH</sup> AVE  
SPINK TOWNSHIP SD 51001-7515

Output 2: 31459 480<sup>TH</sup> AVE  
SPINK TWP SD 51001-7515

D51001W10013	AKRON	PYW10013AKRON	ND 180090IA149PLYMOUTH
D51001W11351	RUBLE	NNW10013AKRON	ND 180090IA149PLYMOUTH
D51001018975	SPINK TOWNSHIP	SPINK TWP	NYXSTASDCROSS STATE ND 180090SD127UNION

*Note: This cross street address is only provided as any example and is not available for testing.*

### Informed Addressing (IA)

The following rules are determined based on proposed requirements for mailing to an informed address.

CASS processing must be performed on the list prior to submitting to the USPS to receive Informed Address records. IA processing will assist with determining if an 11-digit is already represented on the list. IA records that represent 11-digits that are not already on the list will be added.

IA identified address records must not be submitted for CASS address matching.

If an IA record is retained on a list that is processed through CASS, the software must recognize the record is not a normal address. The following prefixes are initially indicated but may not be final.

- 99\*
- IA Code
- USPS Code

When recognized by the IA indicators, CASS software must return DPV = Blank and Footnote A1IA.

Include the number of IA records identified from the list in the count on the PS Form 3553 section B-6 Total Records Submitted for Processing.

If a city, state and ZIP Code is present, CASS software must follow the 5-digit validation guidelines. If the 5-digit validation flag is returned, add to the count in section C-c on the PS Form 3553.

CASS Tech Guide will be updated when and if the IA identifiers or requirements for mailing are updated/changed.

## Ordering CASS Tests

All required information must be completed on the CASS Order Form. The order form must be signed and dated. An electronic signature is acceptable.

A Terms and Conditions document must also be completed for the first required certification test for the new cycle. The documents are available at <https://postalpro.usps.com/certifications/cass> under the Featured Resources section.

- Software developers must complete the Terms and Conditions document for CASS Developers.
- Service Bureaus and mailers who use other CASS certified software or a certified interface without changes to the software should complete the Terms and Conditions document for CASS end-users.

CASS Stage II files are obtained through the Electronic Product Fulfillment (EPF) system.

Software testers are required to complete an Electronic Product Fulfillment Web Access Request Form (PS Form 5116). The form is available in this guide.

The completed order form and terms and conditions document can be sent as an email attachment to [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov) or fax to 650-577-2509.

Orders cannot be taken over the phone.

Optional parameter settings, configuration designators indicating the settings to be used when processing customer and/or client address files must be provided to the CASS Department.

All test files are downloaded and returned via the EPF website. When an EPF account is established, Stage II files can be downloaded directly from the EPF system. An email will be sent when the Stage II test file is available. One ZIPped file per test requested will be provided that includes all files needed for that test.

## CASS Test Files

Test files must be downloaded, processed and returned via the EPF website. An EPF form must be on file for a specific customer or group email account to grant access to this website. Follow the instruction below after access to the EPF website is granted.

### Assign or reset password

Go to <https://epf.usps.gov/>.

- Type email address in the Reset Password box and select Reset Password button
- An email with a link will be sent that will allow you to setup the password
- Record the password, it will be used for both EPF downloads and uploads.

### Downloading files

- Type email address and password in the Login section. Click on “Enter Application”.
- Select from the Product Type dropdown box “CASS / MASS Products” to download CASS Stage File.

The ZIPped file will contain the Stage II file, an EWS static data file, RDI static data if test includes RDI, and PSE and SEQ files when a DSF<sup>2</sup> test is requested.

## National and State Files

Stage II National and Puerto Rico files are available.

**National File** – All states in the United States and its territories including Puerto Rico.

**State File** – Since we haven’t had any requests for any state other than Puerto Rico, we no longer offer other state file requests.

State	Code
Puerto Rico	PR42

## Media Configuration

The media configuration for the CASS test is available only via the internet through the EPF process.

## Platforms

Since CASS certification is no longer an annual requirement, each platform (operating system) must be certified individually. No waivers will be granted.

## Software

The name, version number and configuration must be provided for the address matching software intended for testing, whether it is purchased or internally written. The configuration consists of a 3-character alphanumeric field that identifies the parameter setting used by the address matching software. The version number must comply with CASS Certified™ address matching software version formats. See Appendix 2.

## Stage II File Processing

1. Download the Stage II File from EPF at <https://epf.usps.gov>.
  - All stage files are compressed using the WinZip Utility. The ZIPped file includes all files needed for the test type ordered.
2. Process the Stage II File
  - Process the file in a batch processing mode. If applicable, report any false/positive hits by following the License Performance Requirements (LPR) guidelines.
3. Return Stage II File via the EPF upload website and email the CASS Summary Report (PS Form 3553) to [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov).

The processed Stage II answer file must be returned as a ZIPped file with the same filename as the original ZIPped file. The answer file is uploaded separately. The grading system will not recognize the file if the filename is not correct or if more than one file is returned with the answer file. If a DSF<sup>2</sup> file is being returned the PSE and SEQ files should be ZIPped but renamed with extensions PSE and SEQ then uploaded to the EPF website.

- Upload the CASS test results to <https://epfup.usps.gov/up/upload.html>.
- Login using the email address and password that was setup on the <https://epf.usps.gov/> site.
- Select File Type: CASS File Uploads
- Browse for test files on your system
- Select Upload Selected File

- A hardcopy of the PS Form 3553 must can be sent via email attachment to [cassman.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:cassman.ncsc@usps.gov) or fax to 650-577-2509.

## Evaluating the Stage II File

The file will be graded and evaluated within ten business days. The review may be delayed if there are many files that require review. Files will be reviewed in the order they are received and graded. When the evaluation is complete an email will be sent with the status of the test. When the file achieves certification, a certification letter and invoice (when applicable) will be sent to the mailing address on the account.

If the file does not meet the certification requirement, an email will be sent with information pertaining to the reason for failure. Sometimes we will allow a retest of the same file if the errors are not extreme. If the error file is requested, a new test will be processed.

## Helpful Hint

Always attempt to read the processed Stage II file before returning it to AGT for evaluation to ensure that there are no problems with the header files, data records, carriage return line feed and verify that all and records are populated and returned in the answer file.



**Customer Information (Please print)**

Company Official Contact Name | Email Address

Company Name

Physical Address | Apt/Suite

City | State | ZIP + 4® Code

Telephone Number (Include area code) | Fax Number (Include area code)

Salesperson (your company) | Telephone Number (Include area code) | Salesperson Email Address

**Mailing Information (Please print)**

Attention | Email Address

Company Name

USPS Mailing Address | Apt/Suite

City | State | ZIP + 4 Code

Telephone Number (Include area code) | Fax Number (Include area code)

**Billing Address (If different from Customer and Mailing Information)**

Mailing Address | Apt/Suite

City | State | ZIP + 4 Code

Contact Number (if different)

I request that my certification be maintained in U.S. Postal Service® documents and records as:
 Integrator/Manufacturer
 User
 DPV® Licensee
 Vendor/Service Bureau
 DSF2® Licensee
 DPV User
 I do not wish to be listed in USPS® pubs.

I am applying for:
 Manufacturer Certification (Software/Hardware)
 User-Defined Certification

All information furnished on this application is complete and correct. The responses provided on the CASS Stage II certification file will be obtained using the same configuration used for processing customer/client address files. Any modification to the software or the configuration used to process the Stage II file will require recertification prior to use or release. The CASS Stage II file will be processed in-house with company-owned or leased software/hardware. All answers will be written to the Stage II file via batch processing without manual intervention. The software used to process the CASS Stage II file contains technology that disables access to outdated U.S. Postal Service data in accordance with DMM® 602.9. When used interactively, this product does not allow automated selection of an individual record from a list of multiple candidates. Users of this software are advised that any modification voids CASS certification.

**CASS/MASS™ certification scores are confidential information and the applicant agrees not to disclose scores achieved on their passing test for the purpose of marketing their software or hardware product.**

I have read and understand the requirements above and realize that any misrepresentation or failure to comply with these requirements will result in decertification. Required Field

Company Official Contact Signature | Date

**AGT Use Only**

Customer Number | Date | PRDT Code

**Product Information**

If the matching software/hardware has optional parameters, you MUST return a list of the parameters used to process the CASS™ Stage II file with this form. The electronic version of PS Form 3553, CASS Summary Report, MUST be incorporated into the header record. Also, you MUST return a hardcopy of PS Form 3553 by fax, FTP, or email with the Stage II certification.

**Address Matching Software**

- 1. Geographic type. If state or area, please specify:  
 National     Puerto Rico
- 2. Type of Test:     Merge                       Merge/eLOT®  
 2A. DPV® Certification:                       Yes             No  
 28. RDI™ Certification:                       Yes             No  
 2C. DSF²® Certification:                       Yes             No  
 2D. LACS<sup>Link</sup>® Certification:                       Yes  
 2E. Suite<sup>Link</sup>® Certification:                       Yes

3. Fill in all software information:

Product Title	Version Number	Configuration

4. Fill in all platform information (If software is required to be recompiled to run on a platform, the platform must be certified):

Platform	Platform	Platform	Platform	Platform	Platform
	BB    B				

5. This software provides access to candidate record stacks:     Yes     No

5A. Product Usage - Please describe how your software will be marketed. Check all that apply:

- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| Distribution<br><input type="checkbox"/> Sell<br><input type="checkbox"/> Lease | Application Program Interface*<br><input type="checkbox"/> Driver<br><input type="checkbox"/> Application Interface | Service Provider<br><input type="checkbox"/> Internal Processing<br><input type="checkbox"/> External Processing |
|---|---|--|

\* For use as an add-on or address matching engine for other software

58. If this product incorporates software certified under another manufacturer (i.e., driver or application interface), please fill in all information for each software used:

Product Title	Version Number	Configuration	Platform

**Mail or Fax Completed Form To**

CASS DEPARTMENT  
ADDRESSING & GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGY  
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
225 N HUMPHREYS STE 501  
MEMPHIS TN 38188-1001

Telephone Number: 800-642-2914  
Fax Number: 650-577-2509





# Electronic Product Fulfillment Web Access Request Form

This form is used to create a Web-based account with the Addressing & Geospatial Technology (AGT) which will be used to download files electronically from the Electronic Product Fulfillment (EPF) website. Multiple users within a single organization can download the product(s), excluding AIS Viewer; however, each user must have a separate EPF account.

Please allow 24 hours from receipt of payment before notification of product availability.

AIS Products		BMA Products	Licensing/Certification Products
<input type="checkbox"/> Carrier Route national	<input type="checkbox"/> Z4Change	<input type="checkbox"/> MAC Batch	<input type="checkbox"/> ACS (acct. # _____)
<input type="checkbox"/> Carrier Route by state	<input type="checkbox"/> ZIP + 4® national	<input type="checkbox"/> PAVE	<input type="checkbox"/> AMS API
<input type="checkbox"/> City State	<input type="checkbox"/> ZIP + 4 by state	<b>Other Products</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Delivery Statistics	<input type="checkbox"/> ZIPMove	<input type="checkbox"/> Labeling Lists	<input type="checkbox"/> CASS™/MASS™ (cust # _____)
<input type="checkbox"/> eLOT® national	<input type="checkbox"/> AIS Viewer	<input type="checkbox"/> National Zone Charts	<input type="checkbox"/> DPV®
<input type="checkbox"/> eLOT by state	<b>CDS Products</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Five-Digit	<input type="checkbox"/> Bi-Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> County Project	<input type="checkbox"/> DSF2®
<input type="checkbox"/> RDI™	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> NCOA <sup>Link</sup> ®
<b>AEC Products</b>		<b>GIS</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> AEC / AECII®	<input type="checkbox"/> Post Office Location	<input type="checkbox"/> LACS <sup>Link</sup> ®	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Collection Box Location	<input type="checkbox"/> Suite <sup>Link</sup> ®	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify): _____	

### Customer Information

Name	Email Address
Company Name	Telephone Number (include area code)
Business Address	Corporate HQ Location (if different from your Business Address)

### Customer Computer Access Authorization

**User Responsibility Agreement Statement:** I am responsible for Logon/Logoff, all actions pertaining to the use of my assigned logon ID, and will not provide my logon ID to another person. I agree that access to computer data or files not authorized to me is prohibited. I understand my logon ID may be suspended indefinitely if I violate security procedures or fail to provide updated information for the information listed above whenever I change job positions. I agree that misuse of a USPS® computer system may result in disciplinary action and/or criminal prosecution. I understand that any detected misuse of a computer system will be reported to the Inspection Service.

Requester's Signature	Date
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**Manager Responsibility Agreement Statement:** I agree that this logon ID will be used for authorized USPS work within the scope of my organization. I also agree that upon termination or transfer of the user, I will advise the Computer Systems Security Officer in writing as to the disposition of the computer files and/or data and logon ID. I will periodically review the use of the assigned logon ID and computer files and/or data.

Name	Date
Signature	Telephone Number (include area code)

### Support and Return Information USPS Use Only

If you have any questions regarding this Web access request form, please contact support at 800-331-5747 or [devsupport.ncsc@usps.gov](mailto:devsupport.ncsc@usps.gov); otherwise, mail or fax this completed form to:

ADDRESS QUALITY PROGRAMS  
ADDRESSING & GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGY  
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
225 N HUMPHREYS BLVD STE 501  
MEMPHIS TN 38188-1001  
FAX: 901-681-4582

**DO NOT SEND PAYMENT WITH THIS FORM**

**Appendix 1:  
CASS Summary Report (PS Form 3553)**



**UNITED STATES  
POSTAL SERVICE®**

This form may be generated as the output of address matching processing using CASS Certified™ software in conjunction with current USPS® address database files. Any facsimile must contain the same information in the same format as the printed form.

## CASS™ Summary Report

See DMM® Section 602 for more information.

A. Software			
CASS A1	1. CASS Certified Company Name	2. CASS Certified Software Name & Version	3. Configuration
	4. Z4Change Certified Company Name	5. Z4Change Certified Software Name & Version	6. Configuration
	7. eLOT® Certified Company Name	8. eLOT Certified Software Name & Version	9. Configuration
MASS A2	1. MASS™ Certified Company Name	2. MASS Certified Software Name, Version & Model No.	3. Configuration
			4. MLOCR Serial No.

B. List		
1. List Processor's Name	2. Date List Processed	3. Date of Database Product Used
	a. Master File	a. ZIP + 4® File
	b. Z4Change	b. Z4Change
	c. eLOT	c. eLOT
	d. CRIS	d. CRIS
4. List Name or ID No. (If using ID No., number must start with ID #)	5. Number of Lists	6. Total Records Submitted for Processing

C. Output							
Output Rating	1. Total Coded	2. Validation Period		Output Rating	1. Total Coded	2. Validation Period	
a. ZIP + 4/DPV Confirmed ▶		From	To	c. 5-Digit Coded ▶		From	To
b. Z4Change Processed ▶				d. CRRT Coded ▶		From	To
				e. eLOT Assigned ▶		From	To

D. Mailer		
I certify that the mailing submitted with this form has been coded (as indicated above) using CASS Certified software meeting all of the requirements listed in the DMM Section 602.		3. Name and Address of Mailer
1. Mailer's Signature	2. Date Signed	

E. Qualitative Statistical Summary (QSS)						
For informational purposes only: QSS is solely made available for the list processor's review and analysis. This information is not to be considered by the U.S. Postal Service® personnel in determining rate eligibility under any circumstances. See reverse for a detailed explanation.						
High Rise Default	High Rise Exact	RR Default	RR Exact	LACS <sup>Link</sup> ®	EWS	Suite <sup>Link</sup> ®

**Privacy Notice:** For information regarding our Privacy Policy, visit [USPS.COM](http://USPS.COM)®.

# Instructions

## A. Software

- A1.1, 1.4, 1.7, & A2.1 – Company Name:** Enter the name for *each kind of software* as it appears on the CASS™/MASS™ certificate.
- A1.2, 1.5, 1.8, & A2.2 – Software Name and Version:** Enter name and version for *each kind of software* as it appears on the CASS/MASS certificate.
- A1.3, 1.6, 1.9, & A2.3 – Configuration:** Enter the specific software configuration parameter settings as it appears on the CASS/MASS certificate.
- A2.4 – MLOCR:** Enter the MLOCR Serial Number as it appears on the MASS Certificate.
- NOTE:** If information entered in this section represents the list processing of more than one certified company, attach a list of company names, software names and versions, as well as the configuration to code the address information used in the mailing.

## B. List

- List Processor's Name:** Enter the company name that coded the address list(s) and/or performed ZIP + 4®/DPV® confirmation using CASS Certified™ software. Attach a list if additional space is required.
- Date List Processed:** Enter the processing date for each list. If multiple lists, enter the oldest date from the list.
- Date of Database Product Used:** Enter the version date of each database package used for processing. If multiple lists, enter the oldest version date from the lists.
- List Name or ID No.:** Print the name or identification number of the address list. If more than one list is used, leave blank. If the identification number is used, the number MUST be preceded by "ID#".
- Number of Lists:** Enter the number of lists used to produce the mailing.
- Total Records Submitted for Processing:** Enter the total number of address records (*from all lists in item B5*) submitted at the time the list(s) was coded.

## C. Output

- Total Coded:** Enter the total number coded.
- Validation Period:** Coding must be done using a product release that is within the USPS Product Cycle, as provided in the table below:

Product Name	From Date	To Date
<b>ZIP + 4 / DPV Confirmed</b>	The date the file was processed, which is 10 - 15 days before the Product (Publish) Date and no later than the file Expiration Date (last permissible use date).	Last day of the month following the Expiration Date (last permissible use date) of the Date of Database Product used (identified in Section B.3).
<b>Five-Digit Coded</b>	The date the file was processed, which is 10 - 15 days before the ZIP + 4, Carrier Route Product Publish Date and no later than the ZIP + 4, Carrier Route Product Expiration Date (last permissible use date) or 180 days before the Five-Digit ZIP product file date.	180 days after the Expiration Date (last permissible use date) of the Product Date used. NOTE: This is different than the other dates. This one is calculated, not hard-coded.
<b>Total Carrier Route Coded</b>	The date the file was processed, which is 10 - 15 days before the Product (Publish) Date and no later than the file Expiration Date (last permissible use date).	Last day of the month following the Expiration Date (last permissible use date) of the Product Date used.
<b>eLOT® Sequence No. Assigned</b>	The date the file was processed, which is 10 - 15 days before the Product (Publish) Date and no later than the file Expiration Date (last permissible use date).	Last day of the month following the Expiration Date (last permissible use date) of the Product Date used.

Release Date (Posted)	Product Date	Required Use Date	Expiration Date (Last permissible use date)	Last Permissible Mailing Date
Use of file released in...	(Publish Date)	Must begin no later than...	And must end no later than...	
Mid-November	December 1	January 1	February 28/29	March 31
Mid-December	January 1	February 1	March 31	April 30
Mid-January	February 1	March 1	April 30	May 31
Mid-February	March 1	April 1	May 31	June 30
Mid-March	April 1	May 1	June 30	July 31
Mid-April	May 1	June 1	July 31	August 31
Mid-May	June 1	July 1	August 31	September 30
Mid-June	July 1	August 1	September 30	October 31
Mid-July	August 1	September 1	October 31	November 30
Mid-August	September 1	October 1	November 30	December 31
Mid-September	October 1	November 1	December 31	January 31
Mid-October	November 1	December 1	January 31	February 28/29

## D. Mailer

- Signature:** Signature of individual who processed the list, or the mailer's representative.
- Date Signed:** Enter the date this form is signed.
- Name & Address of Mailer:** Enter the name and address of the individual whose signature appears in item D1.

## E. Qualitative Statistical Summary (QSS)

This information allows mailers and list processors to evaluate the quality of their address list processed through CASS software before its contents enter the mailstream. Although these addresses remain eligible for postal automation rate discounts, significant number of Highrise default/rural route default matches increases the costs and reduces the efficient delivery of this mail. Mailers should research to obtain secondary unit designator information or highrise addresses and specific box number information for rural route addresses which are coded to default records on the National ZIP + 4 File.

### Highrise Default/RR Default

Entries in this box show the number of addresses that were default matched. Defaults are matches made to addresses that contain invalid/missing secondary address or box information. A highrise default contains the building street address in the primary range field and spaces in the secondary range field. A rural route default contains the route number in the primary name but also has spaces in the primary address range.

### LACS<sup>Link</sup> System

Entries in this box show the number of addresses which have been converted through the LACS<sup>Link</sup> process. LACS<sup>Link</sup> is a data product provided by the Postal Service to allow addresses that have been converted due to addresses that have been renamed or renumbered, or for 911 emergency systems to be linked with their new address.

### Early Warning System (EWS)

Entries in this box show the number of addresses on the processed address list that are new addresses not in the current U.S. Postal Service® ZIP + 4 File. These addresses are, however, valid addresses as formatted and should not be changed in any way since the U.S. Postal Service will assign ZIP + 4's to these addresses on the next monthly ZIP + 4 File.

### Suite<sup>Link</sup> System

Entries in this box show the number of ZIP+4/DPV confirmed addresses that matched to a highrise default, and the Suite<sup>Link</sup> process returned the appropriate suite number. Only Suite<sup>Link</sup> enabled software will return a value in this box (*Check with your software vendor for obtaining this option*). These address records are valid delivery points by the U.S. Postal Service. Addresses that are not confirmed by DPV are either new addresses not available on the current Delivery Sequence File, or are not valid and the list holder should further investigate to determine the accuracy of these addresses. Mailers should make every effort to ensure the quality of their address list(s).

## **Appendix 2: CASS Version Control**

## CASS Version Control

	<b>06.03</b>	<b>.05</b>	<b>.O</b>	<b>.08.07</b>
<b>Fields</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
	<b>Version Number</b>	<b>Revision Number</b>	<b>CASS Cycle</b>	<b>Manufacturer Number</b>

### Field A

Software version number - The manufacturer assigns a two-byte number-decimal-two-byte number to this 4-byte field. If address matching logic is changed or updated for an existing address matching software product, the version number must be changed. All changes must be reported to the CASS Department in writing prior to releasing the new software. The CASS staff will evaluate the change to determine whether the version requires recertification.

*Note: Any new release of address matching software must include a new version number. All new releases require CASS Certification*

### Field B

Software revision number – The manufacturer assigns a decimal-two-byte number to this 3-byte field. Revisions are changes that do not affect address matching logic of the certified product and does not require recertification.

### Field C

Cycle Indicator – The CASS Department assigns the indicator for each cycle and sends out written notification prior to the beginning of certification testing. This 2-byte field contains a decimal and the letter associated with the cycle being tested.

### Field D

Manufacturer Number – This field may be used by the developer to indicate internal tracking information such as bimonthly database releases that will not be published in the *CASS Certified Products Guide*. **This information should not be printed on the PS Form 3553.**

*Note: If Field D is used to indicate database release dates, the USPS recommends using a 2-byte number to indicate the year followed by a decimal and another 2-byte number to indicate the month.*

## **Appendix 3: Translation of Error Codes and Flags**

**Customer No Match Record Translation of Error Codes & Special Flags**

All categories except those with asterisks (\*) are required. Address matching software must obtain a minimum accuracy rate of 98.5% in each required category to obtain CASS Certification.

<p align="center"><b>Error Codes</b></p> <p>01 5-digit ZIP not match          02 ZIP+4 not match          03 Carrier ID not match          04 City name not match          05 State abbreviation not match          06 Out of range          07 Address is non –deliverable          08 Unique ZIP Code not finest level of code          09 LACS Indicator          10 Perfect Address          11 General standardization error          12 eLOT sequence          13 eLOT A/D code          14 RDI          15 Fatal Error          16 LACSLink Indicator          17 LACSLink Return Code          18 SuiteLink Return Code          19 Incorrect delivery point barcode (Non-Fatal)          20 Incorrect delivery point barcode          21 PMB          22 Default flag error/Record type error          30 History          ! Enhanced Confirm*            P PBSA*          A Confirm*                        R No Stat RC (##)*          B Business*                        S Seasonal*          C CMRA*                            T Throwback*          D Drop*                             U No Secure Location*          E Educational*                    V Vacant*          F False Positive*                X No Stats*          K Drop Count (###)*            Y Non-Day Delivery*          L LACS*                             Z Days (YYYYYY)*          N No Door Delivery*            # Delivery Type *          FT Footnote Code              *Error code will have a D if different or B if Blank              as the first character</p>	<p>AD Firm Name – Swap firm name and Address field          AE Normalized street name          AF Street Name – Spelling variation          AG Firm Name not present – Valid Z4 on input match to firm          A0 5-digit          A1 Dropped 5-digit          A4 5-digit with non-mailing name          A5 Dropped 5-digit with non-mailing name          A8 5-digit misspelled city          * A9 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled city</p>	<p align="center"><b>Standard Address with Suffix Dropped</b></p> <p>E0 5-digit          E1 Dropped 5-digit          * E2 5-digit with misspelled street          * E3 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street          E4 5-digit with non-mailing name          E5 Dropped 5-digit with non-mailing name          * E6 5-digit with misspelled street and non-mailing name          * E7 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street &amp; non-mailing name          E8 5-digit with misspelled city          * E9 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled city</p>
<p align="center"><b>Record Type</b></p> <p>F Firm          G General Delivery          H Highrise          P PO Box          R Rural Route          S Street</p>	<p align="center"><b>Standard Address</b>  <b>(Includes reversed alphanumeric primary/secondary number, reversed pre/post directionals, and secondary number combined with primary number)</b></p> <p>B0 5-Digit          B1 Dropped 5-digit          * B2 5-digit with misspelled street          * B3 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street          B4 5-digit with non-mailing name          B5 Dropped 5-digit with non-mailing name          * B6 5-digit with misspelled street and non-mailing name          * B7 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street and non-mailing name          B8 5-digit with misspelled city          * B9 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled city          BE Normalized street names</p>	<p align="center"><b>Dual Address</b></p> <p>F0 Street address          F1 Box record          F2 Dual Address on separate line          F4 Street address with non-mailing name          F8 Street address with misspelled city          F9 Box record with misspelled city</p>
<p align="center"><b>Standard Address with Elements</b>  <b>(Spelled out or Abbreviated)</b></p> <p>AA Firm Name – Abbreviation          AB Firm Name – Noise words          AC Firm Name – Address similar to firm name</p>	<p align="center"><b>Standard Address with Post-Directional Dropped or Incorrect</b></p> <p>CC Post-directional changed to a non-cardinal directional – no match          C0 5-digit          C1 Dropped 5-digit          * C2 5-digit with misspelled street          * C3 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street          C4 5-digit with non-mailing name          C5 Dropped 5-digit with non-mailing name          * C6 5-digit with misspelled street and non-mailing name          * C7 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street and non-mailing name          C8 5-digit with misspelled city          * C9 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled city</p> <p align="center"><b>Standard Address with Pre-Directional Dropped or Incorrect</b></p> <p>DC Pre-directional changed to a non-cardinal directional – no match          D0 5-digit          D1 Dropped 5-digit          * D2 5-digit with misspelled street          * D3 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street          D4 5-digit with non-mailing name          D5 Dropped 5-digit with non-mailing name          * D6 5-digit with misspelled street and non-mailing name          * D7 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street and non-mailing name          D8 5-digit with misspelled city          * D9 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled city</p>	<p align="center"><b>Aliases</b></p> <p>G0 5-digit – Base          G1 5-digit – Alias          G2 Dropped 5-digit – Base          G3 Dropped 5-digit – Alias          * G4 5-digit – Out of range          G5 30 character abbreviation alias</p> <p align="center"><b>Alias/Multiple Response</b></p> <p>**H0 5-digit - Base          **H1 5-digit - Alias</p> <p align="center"><b>Small Town Default</b></p> <p>I0 Exist in ZIP+4          **I1 No match in ZIP +4 P&amp;G records exist          **I2 General delivery match in ZIP+4/G rec only – no match          **I3 No match in ZIP +4/City State</p> <p align="center"><b>Last Line</b></p> <p>JA Input city/ZIP Code correspond; exact match in ZIP Code          JB Input city/ZIP Code correspond; input city is non-mailing name, exact match in ZIP Code          JC Input city/ZIP Code correspond; inexact match in ZIP Code          JD Input city/ZIP Code don't correspond; inexact match in city          JE Input city equals 5-digit PLL, ZIP+4 PLL is different          JI Input city/ZIP Code don't correspond; best candidate is inexact match in finance number, but not in either city or ZIP Code. No Match.          JJ Cross State          J0 5-digit          J1 Dropped 5-digit          *J2 5-digit with misspelled street          *J3 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street          J8 5-digit with misspelled city          J9 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled city</p>



<p align="center"><b>Multiple Response</b></p> <p>** K0 5-digit  ** K1 Dropped 5-digit  ** K2 5-digit with misspelled street  ** K3 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled street  ** K4 5-digit with dropped or incorrect component  ** K5 Dropped 5-digit and/or incorrect component  ** K6 5-digit with dropped/incorrect component &amp; misspelled street  ** K7 Dropped 5-digit and/or incorrect component &amp; misspelled street  ** K8 5-digit with misspelled city  ** K9 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled city</p>	<p align="center"><b>ZIP Correction</b></p> <p>R0 Incorrect 5-digit within finance number  R1 Invalid 5-digit  R2 Incorrect 5-digit within finance number and incorrect +4  R4 Incorrect 5-digit within finance number and blank city/state  R5 Incorrect 5-digit not within finance number</p>	<p align="center"><b>Multiple Finance Number Matching</b></p> <p>**W0 Multiple response within finance no. – dropped 5-digit  W1 Single response within finance no – dropped 5-digit  W2 Altered street name  W3 No correlation between city and ZIP – Match in ZIP  **W4 City and ZIP Code from different finance numbers  W5 City and state does not agree with ZIP Code – match to ZIP Code  W6 City and ZIP Code agree, state from different finance number</p>
<p align="center"><b>Inexact/Questionable Matching Logic</b></p> <p>* L0 5-digit  * L1 Dropped 5-digit</p>	<p align="center"><b>Highrise Default or Delivery Point Alternate</b></p> <p>S0 With 5-digit  S4 With 5-digit highrise  S5 “Chase the Base” – Delivery point alternate on input, return highrise exact  ** S6 With 5-digit highrise multiple</p>	<p align="center"><b>Highrise</b></p> <p>X0 With a firm suite number  *X2 With misspelled street  X8 With a firm suite number and misspelled city</p>
<p align="center"><b>Key Elements Also Known As</b></p> <p>****MA Out of range – no match  M0 With 5-digit  M1 Dropped 5-digit  M8 5-digit with misspelled city  M9 Dropped 5-digit with misspelled city</p>	<p align="center"><b>Hyphenated Ranges</b></p> <p>T1 Numeric alpha no match to numeric/numeric alpha exists  T2 Alphanumeric/numeric alpha-transpose to make match  T3 Delete hyphen  T4 Add hyphen  T5 Sec alphanumeric insert hyphen and transpose – default  T6 Add alpha to match to numeric range only  ** T7 Add double alphas and validate no match to numeric  ** T8 Transpose alpha to beginning/no match to numeric range  TA Recombine hyphenated trailing primary alpha with secondary number  TB Recombine non-hyphenated trailing primary alpha with secondary number  TC Recombine hyphenated trailing primary numeric with secondary number  TD Recombine hyphenated trailing alphanumeric/numeric alpha with secondary number  TE Recombine sec values into one – exact match only</p>	<p align="center"><b>Split/Combined Elements</b></p> <p>Y0 Combine pre-directional with street name  Y1 Split pre-directional works off street name  Y2 Drop suffix words off street name  Y3 Drop suffix words off multi-word street name  Y4 Combine suffix with street name  Y5 Combine suffix with street name  **Y6 Invalid street name  *Y7 Street name spelling variations</p>
<p align="center"><b>***NDF Position Error</b></p> <p>N0 5-digit  N1 Dropped 5-digit</p>	<p align="center"><b>APO/DPO/FPO</b></p> <p>UA Bad org info in address line without ZIP Code  UB Out of range records for PSC box numbers  U0 Clean military addresses with 5-digit  U1 Reversed box/PSC number with ZIP Code  U2 Reversed box/PSC number without ZIP Code  U3 Good address/ZIP Code with invalid city name  *** U4 PSC box turned into PO Box with ZIP Code  ** U5 Missing PSC, CMR, unit number with good box number  U6 Good military address with invalid ZIP Code  U7 Bad org info in Firm Name field with good ZIP Code  U8 Bad org info in Firm Name field without ZIP Code  U9 Bad org info in address line with ZIP Code</p>	<p align="center"><b>ZIPMove</b></p> <p>Z0 Valid match in new finance number – match  Z1 Invalid match in ZIPMove – match  Z2 Valid ZIPMove match; invalid in new finance number no match</p>
<p align="center"><b>Extra Information</b></p> <p>OA Input contains double secondary. One is valid and the other is a PMB  OB Input contains double “#”. One is valid sec the other is PMB  OC Input contains a sec and “#”. One is valid sec the other is PMB  OD “#” or valid or invalid sec designator for PBSA  O0 5-digit  O1 Dropped 5-digit  O2 PMB on address line  O3 PMB on secondary address line  O4 Valid Secondary with  O5 PMB number is valid PO Box number – no match  O6 Invalid sec with “#” sign – default match  O7 Double “#” signs at the end of address line – invalid  O8 Double “#” signs at the end of address line, one valid value the other is invalid</p>	<p align="center"><b>Delivery Address Line</b></p> <p>**V0 Contains firm name  **V1 Contains highrise name</p>	<p align="center"><b>Out of Range/Overlapping</b></p> <p>**10 Bad PO Box for finance no/ZP  11 Overlapping PO Box ranges/return lowest ZIP+4  **15 Bad rural route for finance no/ZIP  **20 Invalid primary number  21 Invalid secondary number  22 “EWS” no match; input is exact match to EWS record  23 LACSLink  **24 LACSLink no match  25 SuiteLink  26 SuiteLink no match  27 Match to R777 – do not count as valid ZIP+4 on 3553  28 Single Trailing Alpha – DPV w/o trailing alpha  29 Single Trailing Alpha –not allowed to drop trailing alpha because of address pattern</p>
<p align="center"><b>Syndrome</b></p> <p>P0 Seattle Syndrome with 5-digit on input  P1 Seattle Syndrome dropped 5-digit on input  *** P2 Salt Lake Syndrome with 5-digit on input  *** P3 Salt Lake Syndrome dropped 5-digit on input  P4 Flushing NY Syndrome with 5-digit on input  P5 Flushing NY Syndrome dropped 5-digit on input</p>		

**Unique ZIP Codes**

- 4A Valid city and ZIP Code
- 4B Valid city and ZIP Code with valid add-on - match
- 4C Valid city and ZIP Code – default match
- 4D Input Unique ZIP Code – can make an exact match in non-unique if no match found in Unique – match
- 4E No correlation between city and ZIP Code – match to city
- \*\*4F No correlation between city and ZIP Code – no match and delete ZIP Code
- 4G Input address line taken from unique ZIP+4 record, match into non-unique unless there is an exact match in a unique
- 4H No input ZIP can make exact match to unique – firm name only
- 4I Valid city and ZIP Code with invalid add-on – retain ZIP+4
- 4J Input ZIP+4 with add-on "0000" or invalid "9999" do return the input + 4. If no match is found, delete the input +4.

**Puerto Rico**

- \*\*5A Missing noise URB – end address/multiple with valid or invalid URB
- 5B Drop or abbreviate leading suffix
- 5C Alpha or numeric – end address
- 5D Numeric house number – end address preceded by "#", "No", or "Num"
- 5E Alphanumeric house number – end address preceded by "Blq"
- 5F Alphanumeric house number – begin/end address space alphanumeric
- 5G Alphanumeric house number – begin/end address hyphen alphanumeric
- 5H Hyphen house number "Blq", "Casa" and "#"
- \*\*5J Address contains standalone word "Buzon" – no normalization
- 5K No URB input – Match to address with blank URB
- 51 No URB input – single response
- \*\*52 No URB input – multiple response
- 53 Valid URB on input – single response with valid/invalid URB
- \*\*54 Valid URB on input – multiple response with valid/invalid URB
- 55 Missing noise URB – single response with valid/invalid URB
- \*\*56 Missing noise URB – multiple response with valid/invalid URB
- 57 Valid URB end address-single response with valid or invalid URB
- \*\*58 Valid URB end address – multiple response with valid or invalid URB
- 59 Missing URB noise end address – single valid/invalid URB

**Magnet Streets with Multiple Parse Variations**

- \*\*6E Parsed street name or ZIP+4 street name contains directional or suffix
- 6F Variation in directional or suffix presentation
- 6G Suffix or directional dropped
- 6H Street name incorrectly split into multiple words
- 6K Trailing numeric/alpha value following a valid suffix

**Multiple Address Lines and Perfect Addresses**

- 7A Address line split between two lines
- 7B Multiple field addresses with split indicia
- 7C TDPS
- \*7D Informed Addressing
- 7O Perfect Address

- \* No answer will be bypassed
- \*\* Return input record unless using DPV to break a tie
- \*\*\* No grading for standardization
- \*\*\*\* Normalization required

## **Appendix 4: Statistical & Error Message Summaries**

CUSTOMER NAME: USPS  
CUSTOMER IDENTIFICATION: 00421GABC

LASTZAP DATE: 99/99/2013  
TRANS DATE: 03/99/9910  
POOL DATE: 99/99/2013

	5-DIGIT		ZIP+4		CARRIER ROUTE			
	ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WITH PENALTIES ASSESSED		ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WITH PENALTIES ASSESSED	
	TOTAL	PERCENT	TEST	VENDOR	TOTAL	PERCENT	TEST	VENDOR
CORRECTLY CODED ADDRESSES	149,041	99.365%	--	--	148,237	98.992%	--	--
INCORRECTLY CODED ADDRESSES	948	0.635%	5	--	1,503	1.008%	6	6
RECORDS BYPASSED	11	0.000%	--	--	260	0.000%	--	--
TOTAL RECORDS	150,000		--	--	150,000		--	--

	OPBC		ELOT		PERFECT ADDRESS		DPV BASIC		ROI		FATALADDON		LACSUNK		SUITELINK	
	ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED		ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED	
	TOTAL	PERCENT	TOTAL	PERCENT	TOTAL	PERCENT	TOTAL	PERCENT	TOTAL	PERCENT	TOTAL	PERCENT	TOTAL	PERCENT	TOTAL	PERCENT
CORRECTLY CODED ADDRESSES	147,335	91.953%	84,884	91.323%	752	99.339%	124,178	99.65%	6,249	99.840%	9,998	99.999%	2,016	78.719%	4,576	98.962%
INCORRECTLY CODED ADDRESSES	17	0.012%	579	0.677%	5	0.661%	44	0.035%	235	0.160%	2	0.001%	545	21.281%	48	1.038%
RECORDS BYPASSED	2,648	0.000%	64,537	0.000%	0	0.000%	25,778	0.000%	3,516	0.000%	0	0.000%	662	0.000%	116	0.000%
TOTAL ADDRESSES	150,000		150,000		757		150,000		150,000		150,000		3,223		4,740	

ERROR CODES			
01	5-DIGIT/ZIP	08	UNIQUE NOT FINEST OF CODE
02	ZIP+4	09	LACS INDICATOR
03	CARRIER ID	10	PERFECT ADDRESS
04	CITY NAME	11	GENERAL STANDARDIZATION
05	STATE ABBREVIATION	12	ELOT SEQUENCE
06	OUT OF RANGE	13	ELOTASC/DES
07	ADDRESS NON-DELIVERABLE	14	RDI
15	FATALADDON	16	LACSLINK INDICATOR
17	LACSUNK RETURN CODE	18	SUITE LINK
19	OPBC (NON-FATAL)	20	OPBC
21	PMB PARSE	22	DEFAULT FLAG
23	HISTORY PENALTY	24	BUSINESS
25	CONFIRMATION	26	DROP
27	CMRA	27	DROP COUNT
28	FALSE-POSITIVE	28	1THROWBACK
29	DELIVERY TYPE	29	SEASONAL
30	NO STATS	30	VACANT
		31	LACS

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**ADDRESSES WHICH ARE GRADED & SCORED**

CATEGORY	TOTAL ADDRESSES	5 DIGIT			ZIP+4			CARRIER ROUTE		
		TOTAL CORRECT	TOTAL INCORRECT	PERCENT CORRECT	TOTAL CORRECT	TOTAL INCORRECT	PERCENT CORRECT	TOTAL CORRECT	TOTAL INCORRECT	PERCENT CORRECT
A	15,569	15,501	68	99.563	15,462	105	99.325	15,455	114	99.267
B	16,813	16,780	33	99.803	16,767	46	99.726	16,774	39	99.768
C	8,254	8,252	2	99.975	8,253	1	99.987	8,245	9	99.890
D	9,751	9,741	10	99.897	9,746	5	99.948	9,732	19	99.805
E	9,128	9,114	14	99.846	9,119	9	99.901	9,099	29	99.682
F	4,248	4,248	0	100.000	4,248	0	100.000	4,248	0	100.000
G	3,715	3,504	211	94.320	3,505	210	94.347	3,439	275	92.595
H	176	176	0	100.000	176	0	100.000	176	0	100.000
I	2,159	2,156	3	99.861	2,156	3	99.861	2,156	3	99.861
J	1,734	1,712	21	98.788	1,732	0	100.000	1,695	23	98.661
K	996	992	3	99.497	990	5	99.095	991	4	99.296
L	1,770	1,770	0	100.000	1,770	0	100.000	1,770	0	100.000
M	4,456	3,533	923	79.286	3,533	922	79.304	3,518	937	78.967
N	1,069	1,069	0	100.000	1,066	3	99.719	1,069	0	100.000
O	8,186	8,176	10	99.877	8,170	16	99.804	8,164	22	99.731
P	4,382	4,373	9	99.794	4,381	1	99.977	4,367	15	99.657
R	4,136	4,108	28	99.323	4,124	12	99.709	4,108	28	99.323
S	3,059	3,051	8	99.738	3,042	17	99.444	3,050	9	99.705
T	4,389	4,374	15	99.658	4,330	34	99.220	4,337	44	98.995
U	7,200	7,200	0	100.000	7,191	9	99.875	7,200	0	100.000
V	1,200	1,200	0	100.000	1,198	2	99.833	1,197	3	99.750
W	4,037	4,002	35	99.133	4,024	13	99.677	3,989	48	98.810
X	1,755	1,754	1	99.943	1,752	3	99.829	1,754	1	99.943
Y	4,680	4,672	8	99.829	4,672	8	99.829	<b>4,666</b>	14	99.700
Z	1,178	1,176	2	99.830	1,176	2	99.830	1,176	2	99.830
1	1,006	1,006	0	100.000	1,006	0	100.000	1,006	0	100.000
2	5,091	5,030	58	98.860	4,454	443	90.953	4,135	291	93.425
4	4,703	4,471	222	95.269	4,416	209	95.481	4,421	233	94.993
5	9,277	9,094	183	98.027	9,009	268	97.111	9,057	220	97.628
6	3,634	3,618	16	99.559	3,618	16	99.559	3,607	27	99.257
7	2,249	2,219	30	98.666	2,214	35	98.443	2,219	30	<b>98.666</b>
TOTAL	150,000	148,072	1,913	0.000	147,300	2,397	0.000	146,820	2,439	0.000

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CATEGORY	TOTAL ADDRESSES	1 ZIPCODE NOT HATCH	2 ZIP4 NOT HATCH	3 CARR ID NOT HATCH	4 CITY NOT MATCH	5 STATE NOT HATCH	6 OUT OF RANGE
	15,569	16	53	62	133	0	0
A							
B	16,813	3	16	9	271	0	0
C	8,254	2	1	9	94	0	0
D	9,751	9	4	18	86	0	0
E	9,128	12	7	27	244	0	0
F	4,248	0	0	0	32	0	0
G	3,715	9	8	73	0	0	0
H	176	0	0	0	0	0	0
I	2,159	0	0	0	0	0	0
J	1,734	21	0	23	0	0	0
K	996	2	4	3	0	0	0
L	1,770	0	0	0	0	0	0
H	4,456	4	3	18	0	0	0
N	1,069	0	3	0	0	0	0
o	8,186	5	11	17	0	0	0
p	4,382	8	0	14	0	0	0
R	4,136	16	0	16	0	0	0
S	3,059	0	9	1	0	0	0
T	4,389	1	20	30	0	0	0
U	7,200	0	9	0	0	0	0
V	1,200	0	2	3	0	34	0
W	4,037	30	8	43	0	0	0
X	1,755	0	2	a	0	a	0
y	4,680	0	0	6	0	0	0
Z	1,178	2	2	2	0	1	0
I	1,006	a	0	a	0	0	0
2	5,091	6	391	239	0	11	0
4	4,703	120	107	131	0	0	a
5	9,277	1	86	38	0	0	0
6	3,634	3	3	14	a	0	0
7	2,249	0	5	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	150,000	270	754	796	860	46	a

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CATEGORY	TOTAL ADDRESSES	9 LACS INDICATOR	10 PERFECT ADDRESS	11 GENERAL STANDARD ERROR	12 INCORRECT ELOT-SEQ JI	13 INCORRECT ELOT-ASC-DEC	
A	15,569	0	0	52	0	0	
B	16,813	1	0	29	0	0	
C	8,254	0	0	0	0	0	
D	9,751	1	0	0	0	0	
E	9,128	1	0	2	0	0	
F	4,248	0	0	0	28	0	
G	3,715	0	0	202	101	0	
H	176	0	0	0	0	0	
I	2,159	0	0	3	0	0	
J	1,734	0	0	0	0	0	
K	996	1	0	0	0	0	
L	1,770	0	0	0	0	0	
11	4,456	0	0	919	0	0	
N	1,069	0	0	0	0	0	
0	8,186	1	0	4	0	0	
P	4,382	0	0	1	0	0	
R	4,136	1	0	12	0	0	
S	3,059	0	0	8	0	0	
T	4,389	3	0	10	0	0	
U	7,200	0	0	0	0	0	
V	1,200	0	0	0	0	0	
W	4,037	2	0	3	0	0	
X	1,755	1	0	0	0	0	
y	<b>4,680</b>	0	0	<b>8</b>	0	0	
Z	1,178	0	0	0	0	0	
1	1,006	0	0	0	0	0	
2	5,091	3	0	50	440	0	
4	4,703	1	0	101	1	0	
5	<b>9,277</b>	0	0	<b>168</b>	0	0	
6	3,634	0	0	13	0	0	
7	2,249	3	7	26	0	0	
TOTAL	150,000	19	7	1,611	570	0	

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CATEGORY	TOTAL ADDRESSES	17 INCORRECT SECONDARY UNIT	19 INCORRECT DPEC NON-FATAL	20 INCORRECT DPEC	21 INCORRECT PHB PARSE	22 INCORRECT DEFAULT FLAG	30 HISTORY PENALTY
A	15,569	0	0	0	0	39	0
B	<b>16,813</b>	2	0	0	0	<b>29</b>	0
C	8,254	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	9,751	0	0	0	0	0	0
E	9,128	0	0	0	0	0	0
F	4,248	0	0	0	D	0	D
G	3,715	1	0	0	0	0	0
H	176	1	0	D	D	0	0
I	2,159	0	D	0	D	0	D
J	1,734	0	D	D	0	0	D
K	<b>996</b>	D	0	0	D	0	0
L	1,770	0	D	D	0	0	0
H	4,456	1	0	D	0	<b>39</b>	0
N	1,069	D	0	0	0	0	0
o	<b>8,186</b>	0	0	0	0	D	0
p	4,382	D	0	0	0	D	0
R	4,136	0	0	0	0	12	0
S	3,059	0	0	0	0	0	0
T	<b>4,389</b>	1	4	1	D	5	0
U	7,200	0	0	0	0	D	0
V	1,200	0	0	0	0	0	0
W	4,037	0	D	3	0	3	0
X	1,755	D	0	0	0	0	0
y	<b>4,680</b>	0	D	8	0	8	0
Z	1,178	5	D	0	0	0	0
1	1,006	<b>8</b>	0	0	0	0	0
2	5,091	1	2	1	0	35	0
4	4,703	0	0	0	0	100	0
5	9,277	502	0	14	0	5	0
6	<b>3,634</b>	0	0	0	0	3	0
7	2,249	2	0	1	D	0	0
TOTAL	150,000	524	6	28	0	278	0



## **Appendix 5: DPV® & DSF2® Products**

## DPV® and DSF<sup>2</sup>®

Move “Y” to the DPV confirmation indicator when a ZIP + 4 match is made to a military, general delivery, or a unique address. Spaces should be moved to all other DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> fields and one of the footnotes listed below should be used. In these cases, a ZIP + 4 match is equivalent to a delivery point match.

Software may optionally use DPV to make inexact matches to magnet street records. If only one DPV confirms, a match can be made to the inexact record.

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Hash Changes

The PBSA records have been removed from the CMRA table. The PBSA table will be queried the same as the CMRA table.

The following table shows acceptable answer combinations in the DPV Stage II answer fields for queries to the DPV, CMRA, PBSA and False Positive Hash tables.

DPH/HSA	Y	D	S	N	Blank
CMRA/HSC	Y or N	Y, N, or *Blank	Y or N	Blank	Blank
PBSA/HSP	Y or N	Y, N, or *Blank	Y or N	Blank	Blank
FALSEPOS/HSF	Blank	Blank	Blank	Y or N	Blank

\* NOTE: Blank can only be valid for one or the other but not both. If the CMRA table is queried and is a ‘Y’, the PBSA table would not need to be queried (and vice-versa).

## New tables added to DPV

- DNA – Door not accessible (dph.hsn)
- NSL – No secure location (dph.hsu)
- NDD – Non-Delivery Days (dph.hsy)
  - Value (dph.hsz)
- PO Box Throwback (dph.hst)
- NSR – NoStat Reason Code (Full (dph.hsr) and Split (dph.hsr. zall)
  - Reason Codes

1 – IDA (Internal Drop Address) – Addresses that do not receive mail directly from the USPS but are delivered to a drop address that services them.

2 – CDS NoStat – Addresses that have not yet become deliverable. For example, a new subdivision where lots and primary numbers have been determined, but no structure exists yet for occupancy.

3 – Collision – Addresses that do not actually DPV confirm. In this case, the ‘Y’ should be set to ‘N’ on the DPV ‘A’ table and all other table values should be blank.

4 – CMZ (College, Military and Other Types) – ZIP + 4 records USPS has incorporated into the data.

5 – Regular NoStat – Indicates addresses not receiving delivery and the addresses are not counted as possible deliveries.

6 – Secondary Required - The address requires secondary information.

## DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> Flat Changes

The LACS only table is being added to the DSF<sup>2</sup> flat product. When the LACS flag is set on a record this table will be queried using the SHA value.

The presence of a record in this table means the address does not DPV confirm. In these cases, the DPV return code should be set to “N”.

## Secondary Required

If DPV footnote BB (input address matched to all components) or footnote CC (secondary not required), footnote N1 should be used instead of BB and footnote C1 should be used instead of CC when either of the following is true:

1. The NoStat Reason Code is 6
2. A match is made to a highrise default record.

### Footnote code:

N1 – Input address primary number matched to DPV but address missing required secondary number.

C1 – Input address primary matched but secondary number not confirmed. Secondary required. This can be determined by either a match to a highrise default record or a match to a street record where the NoStat Return Code is 06 .

NOTE: PO Box, Rural Route and Highway Contract records should not be included.

## Test Address Data Element Definitions

DPV/DSF<sup>2</sup> fields are populated by software that is licensed or is in the process of applying for a license to perform DPV/ DSF<sup>2</sup> confirmation. For more details, see DPV/ DSF<sup>2</sup> licensing material.

## DPV Return Codes Clarified

Field contains the results of the call to the DPV confirmation hash table (dph.hsa).

DPV®	Current Definition	New Definition
<b>Y</b>	Address was DPV confirmed for both primary and (if present) secondary numbers	No Change
<b>D</b>	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only, and the secondary number information was missing.	No Change
<b>S</b>	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only, and the secondary number information was present but not confirmed	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only and the secondary number information was present but invalid, or a single trailing alpha on a primary number was dropped to make a DPV match.
<b>N</b>	Both primary and (if present) secondary number information failed to DPV confirm	Primary number failed to DPV confirm.
<b>Blank</b>	Address not presented to DPV	No Change

## Enhanced DPV Return Codes

Enhanced DPV return codes accommodate an industry request for additional address information. Provide them as an option for those mailers wanting the additional delineation of reasons for DPV® Status.

DPV®	Definition
<b>Y</b>	Address was DPV confirmed for primary and secondary numbers necessary to determine a valid delivery point.
<b>D</b>	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only. Secondary information was missing.
<b>S</b>	Address was DPV confirmed for the primary number only, the secondary number information was present but not confirmed or a single trailing alpha on a primary number was dropped to make a DPV match and secondary information required.
<b>N</b>	Primary number failed to DPV confirm.
<b>R</b>	Address confirmed but assigned to phantom route R777 and R779 and USPS delivery is not provided.
<b>Blank</b>	Address not presented to DPV.

These enhanced return codes will be required for CASS testing, but can be provided optionally to end users wanting the additional delineation of reasons for DPV status.

The following standard footnotes are returned based on the output from DPV and DSF<sup>2</sup> tables.

AA	Input address matched to the ZIP + 4 product
A1	Input address not matched to the ZIP + 4 product
BB	Input address matched to DPV to both primary and secondary numbers necessary to determine a valid delivery point
CC	Input address primary number matched, secondary number not matched; secondary number not required
C1	Input address primary number matched, secondary number not matched; secondary number required
F1	Input address matched to a military address
G1	Input address matched to a general delivery address
IA	Informed address identified
N1	Input address primary number matched to DPV but address missing required secondary number
M1	Input address primary number missing
M3	Input address primary number invalid
PB	Identified PO Box Street Address
P1	Input address PO, RR, or HC box number missing
P3	Input address PO, RR, or HC box number invalid
RR	Input address matched to CMRA but PMB designator present (PMB 123 or # 123)
R1	Input address matched to CMRA but PMB designator not present (PMB 123 or # 123)
R7	Addresses that are assigned to a phantom route of R777 or R779
TA	Input address primary number matched by dropping trailing alpha
U1	Input address matched to a unique ZIP Code

## DPV Footnotes Redefined and New

DPV	Current Definition	New Definition
<b>CC</b>	Input address primary number matched to DPV but secondary not matched (present but invalid)	Input address primary number matched, secondary number not matched, secondary number not required
<b>N1</b>	Input address primary number matched to DPV but address missing secondary number	Input address primary number matched to DPV but address missing required secondary number
<b>C1</b>	NEW	Input address primary number matched, secondary number not matched; secondary number required
<b>IA</b>	NEW	Informed Address identified
<b>TA</b>	NEW	Input address primary number matched to DPV by dropping trailing alpha
<b>PB</b>	NEW	Identified PO Box Street Address
<b>R7</b>	NEW	Addresses that are assigned to a phantom route of R777 or R779

## DPV Error Codes

DB	Business
DC	CMRA
DD	Drop
DE	Educational
DF	False Positive
DK	Drop Count
DL	LACS
DN	NoStat
DO	Confirmation
DP	PBSA
DS	Seasonal
DT	Delivery Type
DV	Vacant
DW	Throwback
FT	Footnote Code
SL	No Secure Location (NSL)
ND	Non-Delivery Days (NDD)
NA	Door Not Accessible (DNA)

## Multiple Enhanced DPV Return Codes

There may be instances where more than one Enhanced DPV Return Code may be valid for a single address. When this occurs, the Enhanced DPV Return Code of “R” takes precedence over the other DPV Return Code.

### Example:

Rec Type	Prim Number	Street Indicia	Unit	Sec Low	Sec High	ZIP Code	ZIP + 4 Range	CRID
H	211	E STATE RD	APT	A	B	60042	9581	R777

Input: 211 E STATE RD  
ISLAND LAKE IL 60042

Output: 211 E STATE RD  
ISLAND LAKE IL 60042

DPV: D

Enhanced DPV: R

DPV Footnotes: AAN1R7

Both “R” and “D” are valid Enhanced DPV Return Codes for this address. Return “R” for this case.

The maximum number of DPV footnotes have changed from three (3) to five (5).

Example:

Rec Type	Prim Number	Street Indicia	Unit	Sec Low	Sec High	ZIP Code	ZIP + 4 Range	CRID
H	211	E STATE RD	APT	A	B	60042	9581	R777

Input: 211 E STATE RD APT C  
ISLAND LAKE IL 60042

Output: 211 E STATE RD  
ISLAND LAKE IL 60042

DPV: S  
Enhanced DPV: R  
DPV Footnotes: AAC1R7

Both “R” and “S” are valid Enhanced DPV Return Codes for this address. Return “R” in this case.

### DSF<sup>2</sup>® False Positive Header Record

False positive records may be included in the test. Software testers are required to email the false positive records to [DSF2Stop@usps.gov](mailto:DSF2Stop@usps.gov). The subject line for the email should be CASS Test. For more information, developers should check the License Performance Requirement document or contact the Licensing Department at 800-589-5766. End users who are testing should contact their software provider for these guidelines

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position	
			From/Through	
1	Mailer’s Company Name	40	01	40
2	Mailer’s Address Line	58	41	98
3	Mailer’s City Name	28	99	126
4	Mailer’s State Name	02	127	128
5	Mailer’s 9-Digit ZIP Code	09	129	137
6	Total Records Processed	09	138	146
7	Total Records DPV Matched	09	147	155
8	% Match Rate to DSF <sup>2</sup>	09	156	164
9	% Match Rate to ZIP + 4	09	165	173
10	Number of ZIP Codes on File	05	174	178
11	Number of False Positives	02	179	180

DSF<sup>2</sup>® False Positive Record

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position	
			From	Through
1	Street Pre-Directional	02	01	02
2	Street Name	28	03	30
3	Street Suffix Abbreviation	04	31	34
4	Street Post-Directional	02	35	36
5	Address Primary Number	10	37	46
6	Address Secondary Number	04	47	50
7	Address Secondary Number	08	51	58
8	Matched ZIP Code	05	59	63
9	Matched Plus4	04	64	67
10	Filler	113	68	180

DSF<sup>2</sup> Header Record 1

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position	
			From	Through
1	Filler	03	001	003
2	DSF <sup>2</sup> Header ID, must be DSF1	04	004	007
3	DSF <sup>2</sup> Licensee Name	40	008	047
4	DSF <sup>2</sup> License Number	04	048	051
5	DSF <sup>2</sup> Report Date – YYYYMMDD	08	052	059
6	DSF <sup>2</sup> File Received Date – YYYYMMDD	08	060	067
7	DSF <sup>2</sup> File Processed Date – YYYYMMDD	08	068	075
8	Field Description DSF <sup>2</sup> Access Mode*	01	076	076
9	Filler	02	077	078
10	DSF <sup>2</sup> Customer Name	40	079	118
11	DSF <sup>2</sup> Customer Tax ID Number	12	119	130
12	DSF <sup>2</sup> Customer NAIC	06	131	136
13	DSF <sup>2</sup> Customer Number	06	137	142
14	Filler	758	143	900

\* Processing Mode

- O = Online Inquiry Processing
- B = Batch Processing (use for CASS test)



**DSF<sup>2</sup>® Header Record 1 Data Element Definitions:**

4	DSF <sup>2</sup> – License Number	Assigned by Licensing Department upon receipt of approval
5	DSF <sup>2</sup> – Report Date	Date monthly report is prepared
6	DSF <sup>2</sup> – Received Date	Date licensee received customer file
7	DSF <sup>2</sup> – Processed Date	Date licensee processed customer file

**DSF<sup>2</sup> Header Record 2**

The DSF<sup>2</sup> header records 2 and 3 contain counts for records that were ZIP + 4 coded and flagged for LACS conversions, along with those counts tallied by ZIP + 4 record type. In addition, there are counts broken down by the ZIP + 4 record type for records that were presented to each of the DPV hash tables as well as counts of matches to each of the hash tables. All numeric fields are right justified and zero filled.

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
1	Filler	03	001	003
2	DSF <sup>2</sup> Header ID, must be DSF <sup>2</sup>	04	004	007
3	Total Records Presented	11	008	018
4	Total LACS	11	019	029
5	Total Records ZIP + 4 Coded	11	030	040
6	Total Street Records ZIP + 4 Coded	11	041	051
7	Total Street Records LACS	11	052	062
8	Total Highrise Records ZIP + 4 Coded	11	063	073
9	Total Highrise Records LACS	11	074	084
10	Total PO Box Records ZIP + 4 Coded	11	085	095
11	Total PO Box Records LACS	11	096	106
12	Total RR Records ZIP + 4 Coded	11	107	117
13	Total RR Records LACS	11	118	128
14	Total Firm Records ZIP + 4 Coded	11	129	139
15	Total General Delivery Records ZIP + 4 Coded	11	140	150
16	Total Records DPV Validated	11	151	161
17	Total Street Records DPV Validated	11	162	172
18	Total Street Records Business Validated	11	173	183
19	Total Street Records CMRA Validated	11	184	194
20	Total Street Records Drop Validated	11	195	205
21	Total Street Records Educational Validated	11	206	216
22	Total Street Records Secondary Required	11	217	227
23	Total Street Records No Door Delivery	11	228	238
24	Total Street Records PBSA	11	239	249
25	Total Street Records Seasonal Validated	11	250	260
26	Total Street Records Throwback Validated	11	261	271
27	Total Street Records Vacant Validated	11	272	282
28	Total Street Records NoStat Validated Vacant	11	283	293
29	Total Street Records Curb Validated	11	294	304

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
30	Total Street Records NDCBU Validated	11	305	315
31	Total Street Records Centralized Validated	11	316	326
32	Total Street Records Other Validated	11	327	337
33	Total Street Records NoStat Reason Code 1	11	338	348
34	Total Street Records NoStat Reason Code 2	11	349	359
35	Total Street Records NoStat Reason Code 4	11	360	370
36	Total Street Records NoStat Reason Code 5	11	371	381
37	Total Street Records NoStat Reason Code 6	11	382	392
38	Future – Total Street Records	11	393	403
39	Future – Total Street Records	11	404	414
40	Future – Total Street Records	11	415	425
41	Future – Total Street Records	11	426	436
42	Total Highrise Records DPV Validated	11	437	447
43	Total Highrise Records Business Validated	11	448	458
44	Total Highrise Records CMRA Validated	11	459	469
45	Total Highrise Records Drop Validated	11	470	480
46	Total Highrise Records Educational Validated	11	481	491
47	Future – Total Highrise Records	11	492	502
48	Total Highrise Record No Door Delivery	11	503	513
49	Total Highrise Records PBSA	11	514	524
50	Total Highrise Records Seasonal Validated	11	525	535
51	Total Highrise Records Throwback Validated	11	536	546
52	Total Highrise Records Vacant Validated	11	547	557
53	Total Highrise Records NoStat Validated	11	558	568
54	Total Highrise Records Curb Validated	11	569	579
55	Total Highrise Record NDCBU Validated	11	580	590
56	Total Highrise Record Centralized Validated	11	591	601
57	Total Highrise Records Other Validated	11	602	612
58	Total Highrise Records NoStat Reason Code 1	11	613	623
59	Total Highrise Records NoStat Reason Code 2	11	624	634
60	Total Highrise Records NoStat Reason Code 4	11	635	645
61	Total Highrise Records NoStat Reason Code 5	11	646	656
62	Total Highrise Records NoStat Reason Code 6	11	657	667
63	Future – Total Highrise Records	11	668	678
64	Future – Total Highrise Records	11	679	689
65	Future – Total Highrise Records	11	690	700
66	Future – Total Highrise Records	11	701	711
67	Filler	189	712	900

## DSF2® Header Record 3

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
1	Filler	03	001	003
2	DSF <sup>2</sup> Header ID, must be DSF3	04	004	007
3	Total PO BOX Records DPV Validated	11	008	018
4	Total PO BOX Records Business Validated	11	019	029
5	Total PO BOX Records Educational Validated	11	030	040
6	Future – Total PO Box Records	11	041	051
7	Filler	11	052	062
8	Total PO BOX Records Vacant Validated	11	063	073
9	Total PO BOX Records NoStat Validated	11	074	084
10	Future – Total PO Box Records	11	085	095
11	Future – Total PO Box Records	11	096	106
12	Future – Total PO Box Records	11	107	117
13	Future – Total PO Box Records	11	118	128
14	Future – Total PO Box Records	11	129	139
15	Total RR Records DPV Validated	11	140	150
16	Total RR Records Business Validated	11	151	161
17	Total RR Records CMRA Validated	11	162	172
18	Total RR Records Drop Validated	11	173	183
19	Total RR Records Educational Validated	11	184	194
20	Future – Total RR Records	11	195	205
21	Total RR Records No Door Delivery Validated	11	206	216
22	Total RR Records PBSA Validated	11	217	227
23	Total RR Records Seasonal Validated	11	228	238
24	Total RR Records Throwback Validated	11	239	249
25	Total RR Records Vacant Validated	11	250	260
26	Total RR Records NoStat Validated	11	261	271
27	Total RR Records Curb Validated	11	272	282
28	Total RR Records NDCBU Validated	11	283	293
29	Total RR Records Centralized Validated	11	294	304
30	Total RR Records Other Validated	11	305	315
31	Total RR Records NoStat Reason Code 1	11	316	326
32	Total RR Records NoStat Reason Code 2	11	327	337
33	Total RR Records NoStat Reason Code 4	11	338	348
34	Total RR Records NoStat Reason Code 5	11	349	359
35	Total RR Records NoStat Reason Code 6	11	360	370
36	Future – Total RR Records	11	371	381
37	Future – Total RR Records	11	382	392
38	Future – Total RR Records	11	393	403
39	Future – Total RR Records	11	404	414
40	Total Firm Records DPV Validated	11	415	425
41	Total Firm Records Business Validated	11	426	436
42	Total Firm Records CMRA Validated	11	437	447

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
43	Total Firm Records Drop Validated	11	448	458
44	Total Firm Records Educational Validated	11	459	469
45	Future – Total Firm Records	11	470	480
46	Total Firm Records No Door Delivery Validated	11	481	491
47	Total Firm Records PBSA Validated	11	492	502
48	Total Firm Records Seasonal Validated	11	503	513
49	Total Firm Records Throwback Validated	11	514	524
50	Total Firm Records Vacant Validated	11	525	535
51	Total Firm Records NoStat Validated	11	536	546
52	Total Firm Records Curb Validated	11	547	557
53	Total Firm Records NDCBU Validated	11	558	568
54	Total Firm Records Centralized Validated	11	569	579
55	Total Firm Records Other Validated	11	580	590
56	Total Firm Records NoStat Reason Code 1	11	591	601
57	Total Firm Records NoStat Reason Code 2	11	602	612
58	Total Firm Records NoStat Reason Code 4	11	613	623
59	Total Firm Records NoStat Reason Code 5	11	624	634
60	Total Firm Records NoStat Reason Code 6	11	635	645
61	Future – Total Firm Records	11	646	656
62	Future – Total Firm Records	11	657	667
63	Future – Total Firm Records	11	668	678
64	Future – Total Firm Records	11	679	689
65	Total GEN DEL Records DPV Validated	11	690	700
66	Total Records w/Primary Number Errors	11	701	711
67	Total Street Records w/Primary Number Errors	11	712	722
68	Total Highrise Records w/Primary Number Errors	11	723	733
69	Total PO Box Records w/Primary Number Errors	11	734	744
70	Total RR Records w/Primary Number Errors	11	745	755
71	Total Firm Records w/Primary Number Errors11	11	756	766
72	Total Records w/Secondary Number Errors	11	767	777
73	Total Street Records w/Secondary Number Errors	11	778	788
74	Total Highrise Records w/Secondary Number Errors	11	789	799
75	Total Firm Records w/Secondary Number Errors	11	800	810
76	Total Records False Positive Validated	11	811	821
77	Future	79	822	900

**Primary Number Errors correspond to DPV Footnotes M1, M3, P1, P3.**

**Secondary Number Errors correspond to DPV Footnotes C1 and N1.**

## **Appendix 6: Z4Change Certification**

## Z4Change

Z4Change was developed in response to customers who wanted a cost-effective method to improve the deliverability of their mail by using the most current ZIP+4®/DPV® confirmed information. Z4Change helps customers accomplish this goal by providing them with the data that indicates which ZIP+4 codes have had any transactions in the past twelve months. When a highrise or a firm record is added, this product also shows a transaction for the supporting street ZIP + 4. This allows the customer the opportunity to upgrade the previously coded street level matches. Customers must then develop their own software to access the Z4Change file to determine which records on their address list need to be reprocessed by CASS Certified™ software. As a result, only the records that have had transactions will need to be reprocessed and this can be done on a monthly or quarterly basis.

Using the Z4Change product and becoming Z4Change certified eliminates the need to reprocess an entire address list every year by providing a method to maintain continuous qualification for the discounted automation rates. As a Z4Change user, the customers' address files are maintained in compliance with United States Post Service® regulations such as maintenance of current updates and proper use of the product.

If the United States Postal Service determines that a significant change has been made in the CASS requirements customers will be required to reprocess their entire address list. Otherwise, it will be necessary that customers reprocess their entire file at the end of the third year following Z4Change certification.

## Benefits

Z4Change offers the mailing customer the following benefits.

- Reduce costs in meeting automation based requirements by reducing the time and expense of reprocessing your address file.
- Eliminates responsibility to meet the requirements of the *DMM*® for matching address lists with current CASS Certified software within one year of the date of mailing.
- Allow ability to process address files more frequently, thus producing an address list that is current to within 45 days on the average if processing quarterly or within 180 days.
- Enhances competitiveness in the marketplace by improving the deliverability of mail and adding to the promptness of mail delivery.

## General Information

To use the Z4Change product it is vitally important that you know the cycle date of the ZIP+4 product used the previous time an address list was processed with CASS Certified software. The customer must also know the cycle date of the ZIP + 4® product that was used for the current reprocessing. The CASS Certified software vendor should be able to provide this information.

The Z4Change product is offered as a monthly or bimonthly update. Therefore, customers must know the update cycle for their CASS Certified™ software vendor. If a customer receives monthly updates of the ZIP + 4® product they should subscribe to the monthly Z4Change product.

Load the Z4Change product that corresponds with the same cycle date of the ZIP+4 product. Calculate the difference in months between the ZIP + 4 product last used to process your address list and the one that is currently being used.

Customers must develop their own Z4Change file access software. In addition, Z4Change certification must be obtained to take advantage of the continuous qualification for the automation postage rates. However, a customer does not have to be certified to purchase or use the Z4Change product.

### File Description

Each record in the Z4Change products contains 21 bytes. The first 9 bytes represent a valid ZIP+4 code. The remaining 12 bytes are flags for each month indicating whether a ZIP+4 code has had any type of transaction, add or delete, and the month that the transaction occurred.

Each flag is set “N” to indicate the ZIP+4 code had no transactions for the month or “Y” to indicate the ZIP+4 code had transactions for the month. The first flag represents the current month. For example, if the current Z4Change product is dated November the first flag represents November, the second flag represents October and the third flag represents September, etc.

### Illustrations

Figure 1 uses ZIP+4 Code 38018-7740 to illustrate the second flag is set to “Y” indicating the ZIP+4 code changed in October.

<b>Current Month</b>	November											
<b>ZIP + 4 Code</b>	38018-7740											
<b>38018-7740</b>	November	<b>October</b>	September	August	July	June	May	April	March	February	January	December
	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

**ZIP + 4 Code 38018-7740 has a transaction in October**

**Figure 1** – ZIP + 4 Code Transaction in October, the record must be reprocessed with CASS Certified™ software.

### Using Z4Change

To use the Z4Change product, the cycle date must be known for the ZIP + 4® product that was used for address matching and the date of the current Z4Change product. To determine the number of months since the last address matching cycle check the ZIP + 4 code. If any flags have been set to “Y” during that time frame, reprocess the address through CASS Certified software.

For example, if the current Z4Change product is November, the first flag is November and the last flag is December of the previous year. Assume the last address matching cycle used the March ZIP+4 product. Find the appropriate ZIP+4 Code. In the example, the ZIP + 4 is 12345-0009. Figure 2 indicates that a change has occurred to the ZIP + 4 Code since March. Therefore, the address requires processing through CASS Certified software.

<b>Current Month</b>	November											
<b>ZIP + 4 Code</b>	12345-0009											
<b>12345-0009</b>	November	October	September	<b>August</b>	July	June	May	April	<b>March</b>	February	January	December
	N	N	N	<b>Y</b>	N	N	N	N	<b>N</b>	N		N

**ZIP + 4 Code 12345-0009 has a transaction in August**

**Figure 2** – ZIP + 4 Code Transaction in August, the record must be reprocessed with CASS Certified software.



Figure 3 focuses on the ZIP + 4® Code 12345-0010 which no changes occurred. This address does not require processing through CASS Certified software.

<b>Current Month</b>	November											
<b>ZIP + 4 Code</b>	12345-0100											
<b>12345-0100</b>	November	October	September	August	July	June	May	April	<b>March</b>	February	January	December
	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	<b>N</b>	N		N

**ZIP + 4 Code 12345-0100 has no new transactions**

**Figure 3** – The record does not have to be reprocessed with CASS Certified software.

The Stage II file consists of ZIP + 4 records. Each of the ZIP + 4 records must be compared to the Z4Change file. A flag of “Y” or “N” must be returned in the answer filed to indicate whether the ZIP + 4 Code experienced a change.

**Processing the Stage II File**

Process the Z4Change Stage II file through the Z4Change software. Software must be able to evaluate the Stage II file data and determine whether a change has occurred to the ZIP + 4 records during the previous five months. Stage II requires a 100% match rate. If the Z4Change Stage II file cannot be completely processed, a new file must be ordered.

When the Z4Change Stage II file has been processed, return the file for grading. A completed facsimile of the PS Form 3553 must be returned with the Stage II file.

**Z4Change Certification**

When the Stage II file achieves certification, a certification letter and invoice (when applicable) will be sent to the customer’s mailing address.

Z4Change certification does not expire until a change is made to the certification process or data structure of the product file.

**Test File Format**

The Z4Change Stage II file is available through EPF processing.

Each record consists of a 9-digit ZIP + 4 Code followed by a one-character answer. A header record does not exist in this file.

## Record Layout

Field Sequence Number	Field Description	Length	Position From/Through	
1	Customer ID	09	001	009
2	ZIP Code	05	010	014
3	Add-on Code	04	015	018
4	Answer	01	019	019
5	Filler	01	020	020

## Scoring

The required passing score for Z4Change is 100%. If a passing score is not achieved on any single category, the entire test fails.

When the Stage II files does not meet the certification requirement an email will be sent with information pertaining to the reason for failure. If the errors are not extreme, we may allow the same test file to be corrected and resubmitted. A new file will be sent when an Error Report has been sent.

## Reprocessing the Address File

The entire address file must be reprocessed through CASS Certified software at the end of the third year following the date of the Z4Change certification.



# Z4CHANGE Order Form

**Customer Information (Please print)**

Company Official Contact Name	Email Address
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Company Name
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Physical Address	Apt/Suite
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City	State	ZIP + 4® Code
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Telephone Number (Include area code)	Fax Number (Include area code)
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Salesperson (your company)	Telephone Number (Include area code)	Salesperson Email Address
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**Mailing Information (Please print)**

Attention	Email Address
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Company Name
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USPS Mailing Address	Apt/Suite
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City	State	ZIP + 4 Code
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Telephone Number (Include area code)	Fax Number (Include area code)
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**Billing Address (If different from Customer and Mailing Information)**

Mailing Address	Apt/Suite
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City	State	ZIP + 4 Code
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Contact Number (if different)
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I request that my certification be maintained in U.S. Postal Service® documents and records as:

Integrator/Manufacturer     
  User     
  DPV® Licensee     
  RDIM Licensee  
 Vendor/Service Bureau     
  DSF2® Licensee     
  DPV User  
 I do not wish to be listed in USPS® pubs.

I am applying for:

Manufacturer Certification (Software/Hardware)     
  User-Defined Certification

All information furnished on this application is complete and correct. The responses provided on the Z4CHANGE Stage II certification file will be obtained using the same configuration used for processing customer/client address files. Any modification to the software or the configuration used to process the Stage II file will require recertification prior to use or release. The Z4CHANGE Stage II file will be processed in-house with company-owned or leased software/hardware. All answers will be written to the Stage II file via batch processing without manual intervention. The software used to process the Z4CHANGE Stage II file contains technology that disables access to outdated U.S. Postal Service data in accordance with DMM® 602.9. When used interactively, this product does not allow automated selection of an individual record from a list of multiple candidates. Users of this software are advised that any modification voids Z4CHANGE certification.

**Z4CHANGE certification scores are confidential information and the applicant agrees not to disclose scores achieved on their passing test for the purpose of marketing their software or hardware product.**

I have read and understand the requirements above and realize that any misrepresentation or failure to comply with these requirements will result in decertification.

Company Official Contact Signature (Signature Required)	Date (Date Required)
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**AGT Use Only**

Customer Number	Date	PRDT Code
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**Product Information**

If the software has optional parameters, you MUST return a list of the parameters used to process the Z4CHANGE file with this form.

**Z4CHANGE Software**

Fill in all software information:

Product: \_\_\_\_\_

Version: \_\_\_\_\_

Configuration: \_\_\_\_\_

Platform: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail or Fax Completed Form To**

Z4CHANGE CERTIFICATION  
ADDRESSING & GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGY  
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
225 N HUMPHREYS BLVD STE 501  
MEMPHIS TN 38188-1001

Telephone Number: 800-642-2914

Fax Number: 650-577-2509

## **Appendix 7: eLOT®**

## Certification Procedures

All the necessary address fields are populated to reflect the normal assignment by a CASS Certified™ ZIP + 4® engine (i.e. ZIP Code™, Carrier Route, ZIP + 4 code and the Delivery Point Code (DPC)). Software must locate the record in the eLOT master file in which the first three items match and the DPC fits within the range of the lowest or highest DPC. The sort sequence will then be ZIP Code, Carrier Route, eLOT Sequence, ZIP + 4 Code and DPC, then ascending or descending based on the flag in the eLOT master file.

The following guidelines should be used for software to accurately determine the correct eLOT Sequence Number and Ascending/Descending Flag from the eLOT product. Implement the following, assuming the use of a ZIP + 4 engine's results, to successfully achieve eLOT or Merge/eLOT certification.

- Locate the corresponding ZIP Code/CRID in the eLOT master file matching the input ZIP Code/CRID
- Locate the ZIP add-on Low/ZIP add-on High Number range that your input falls
- If items 1 through 3 above are found, software assigns the eLOT Sequence Number and eLOT Ascending/Descending Flag. Otherwise, the input data element was not located, and software assigns the default of "0000D".
- In cases where the Add-on Low/Add-on High are not equal, the Add on must still be considered in the sort sequence after the eLOT Sequence/Add on are assigned.

### Example

eLOT	ZIP Code	CRID	+4 LOW	+4 HIGH	DPC LOW	DPC HIGH	A/D	SEQ
	38111	C002	0500	1000	10	20	A	0002

If ZIP + 4's appears in the following order:

38111-0009

38111-0500

38111-0888

Assuming the DPC is the same; the mailpieces would be assigned the same eLOT 0002A and sorted according to the eLOT sorting rule.

38111-0500	0002A
38111-0888	0002A
38111-0999	0002A
38111-1000	0002A

## Stage II Processing Quick Reference

### Processing Steps

Developers seeking eLOT® certification can process a Merge/eLOT Stage II file.

### Scoring

The required passing score for eLOT is 100%. If a passing score is not achieved on any single category, the entire test fails.

When the Stage II files does not meet the certification requirement an email will be sent with information pertaining to the reason for failure. If the errors are not extreme, we may allow the same test file to be corrected and resubmitted. A new file will be sent when an Error Report has been sent.

## **Appendix 8: RDI™ Utility**



## RDI™ Utility

The RDI product allows customers to determine whether an address is classified as residential or business in the USPS® Address Management System (AMS) database. Addresses processed using RDI data return an indicator denoting if an address is business or residential.

RDI product updates are provided on a monthly basis.

Additional information can be found online at <https://postalpro.usps.com/address-quality-solutions/residential-delivery-indicator-rdi>.

## Overview

RDI is designed to be used in conjunction with CASS Certified™ software or an address matching lookup tool. RDI data is supplied as hash tables. The hash algorithm is only determined for the 9-digit and 11-digit ZIP Code™.

The hash tables provide information regarding business deliveries. The residential status of an input address that a ZIP Code is assigned is recognized by the fact that it does not match to a record in either RDI table.

The RDI data files are the following approximate sizes.

9-Digit	=	8mb
11-Digit	=	8mb

The 9-digit hash table consists of ZIP + 4® codes that contain only business deliveries. The 11-digit table consists of the Delivery Point Codes for the business deliveries where the ZIP + 4 code contains both business and residential deliveries.

The data file may be loaded on any platform. Speed of operation will depend on the amount of RAM and the speed of the processor. Depending on the interface written and the hardware available, the validation inquiry can be done in RAM or a Disk Lookup.

Developers seeking RDI certification can process a Stage II file with RDI or test RDI as a separate utility. If tested with a Stage II file, RDI must be recertified whenever the address matching software is certified. The RDI utility certification does not expire until a change is made to the product data.

Field Description	Y	=	Residential Delivery
	N	=	Not Residential Deliver
	Blank	=	Did not query RDI

## Scoring

The required score for RDI is 100% to achieve certification.

When the Utility test does not meet the certification requirement an email will be sent with information pertaining to the reason for failure. If the errors are not extreme, we may allow the same test file to be corrected and resubmitted. A new file will be sent when an Error Report has been sent.

### **Order and Process Quick Reference**

1. Complete RDI™ Utility order form.
2. Stage II or RDI utility files must be processed and returned to the CASS Department within ten (10) business days from the date of receipt.

When certification is achieved a certification letter will be emailed.

This utility certification does not expire until a change is made to the product data.



**Customer Information (Please print)**

Company Official Contact Name	Email Address
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Company Name

Physical Address	Apt/Suite
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City	State	ZIP + 4® Code
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Telephone Number (Include area code)	Fax Number (Include area code)
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Salesperson (your company)	Telephone Number (Include area code)	Salesperson Email Address
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**Mailing Information (Please print)**

Attention	Email Address
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Company Name

USPS Mailing Address	Apt/Suite
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City	State	ZIP + 4 Code
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Telephone Number (Include area code)	Fax Number (Include area code)
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**Billing Address (If different from Customer and Mailing Information)**

Mailing Address	Apt/Suite
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City	State	ZIP + 4 Code
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Contact Number (if different)

I request that my certification be maintained in U.S. Postal Service® documents and records as:

- Integrator/Manufacturer
- I do not wish to be listed in USPS® pubs.

I am applying for:

- Manufacturer Certification (Software/Hardware)

All information furnished on this application is complete and correct. The responses provided on the RDI Stage II certification file will be obtained using the same configuration used for processing customer/client address files. Any modification to the software or the configuration used to process the Stage II file will require recertification prior to use or release. The RDI Stage II file will be processed in-house with company-owned or leased software/hardware. All answers will be written to the Stage II file via batch processing without manual intervention. The software used to process the RDI Stage II file contains technology that disables access to outdated U.S. Postal Service data in accordance with DMM® 602.9. When used interactively, this product does not allow automated selection of an individual record from a list of multiple candidates. Users of this software are advised that any modification voids RDI certification.

**RDI certification scores are confidential information and the applicant agrees not to disclose scores achieved on their passing test for the purpose of marketing their software or hardware product.**

I have read and understand the requirements above and realize that any misrepresentation or failure to comply with these requirements will result in decertification.

Company Official Contact Signature <b>Required Field</b>	Date <b>Required Field</b>
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**AGT Use Only**

Customer Number	Date	PRDT Code
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## Product Information

If the matching software/hardware has optional parameters, you MUST return a list of the parameters used to process the CASS™ Stage II file with this form. The electronic version of PS Form 3553, CASS Summary Report, MUST be incorporated into the header record. Also, you MUST return a hardcopy of PS Form 3553 by fax, FTP, or email with the Stage II certification.

## RDI Software

Fill in all software information:

Product: \_\_\_\_\_

Version: \_\_\_\_\_

Configuration: \_\_\_\_\_

Platform: \_\_\_\_\_

## Mail or Fax Completed Form To

CASS DEPARTMENT  
ADDRESSING & GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGY  
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
225 N HUMPHREYS BLVD STE 501  
MEMPHIS TN 38188-1001

Telephone Number: 800-642-2914

Fax Number: 650-577-2509

## **Appendix 9: LACS<sup>Link</sup>® Product**

## LACSLink® Product

LACSLink is a data product that allows addresses that have been converted due to 911 emergency systems to be linked to their new address. The input to a LACSLink lookup is a display of the old address (not parsed) of fifty (50) characters in length, and a 5-digit ZIP Code™. The output will be a new 11-digit Delivery Point Code with a Hint Byte to allow the reversing of the DPC into a text address.

For additional information about LACSLink, contact the Licensing Department at 800-589-5766.

## LACSLink Requirements

False positive records may be included in the CASS test. Software testers are required to email the false positive records to [DSF2Stop@usps.gov](mailto:DSF2Stop@usps.gov). The subject line should be **CASS Test LACSLink**. For more information, developers should check the License Performance Requirement (LPR) document or contact the Licensing Department at 800-589-5766. End users who are testing should contact their software provider for these guidelines.

LACSLink is mandatory for all end-users. It is not available as a utility certification.

If a mailer does not return the new address when one is available from LACSLink, they cannot use the ZPP + 4 associated with the new address. The mailer may continue to use the input address with the 5-digit ZIP Code associated with the input address. This address does not qualify for automation discounts.

## LACSLink Indicator

LACSLink indicators are used for CASS testing and should be populated when the LACSLink hash tables are queried.

Indicator Values:	Y	=	LACS Record Match
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A new address could be furnished. The input record matched to a record in the master file</li> </ul>
	S	=	LACS record, secondary number dropped from the input address
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The record is a ZIP + 4 street level or highrise match. The input record matched to a master file record, but the input address had a secondary number and the master file record did not.</li> </ul>
	N	=	No match
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A new address could not be furnished. The input record could not be matched to a record in the master file.</li> </ul>
	Y	=	Found LACS record, new address would not convert at run time
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The new address could not be converted to a deliverable address. The input record matched to a record in the master file.</li> </ul>
	F	=	A false positive record was detected

LACSLink® Return Codes

LACSLink return code values are A, 00, 14, 92 or blank. See the LACSLink SDG for more information on the return code values.

Return Code Values	A	= LACS Record Match	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A new address could be furnished. The input record matched to a record in the master file.</li> </ul>
	00	= No Match	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A new address could not be furnished. The input record could not be matched to a record in the master file.</li> </ul>
	14	= Found LACS record, new address would not covert at run time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The new address could not be converted to a deliverable address. The input record matched to a record in the master file.</li> </ul>
	92	= LACS record secondary number dropped from the input address	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The record is a ZIP + 4 street level or highrise match. The input record matched to a master file record, but the input address had a secondary number and the master file record did not.</li> </ul>

LACSLink return code values are A, 00, 14, 92 or blank. See the LACSLink Software Developer’s

**LACSLink Indicator Value and Return Code Value Combinations**

LACSLink Indicator	LACSLink Return Codes	Condition
Y	A	New address furnished
S	92	Secondary dropped from input address
N	00	No Match
Y	14	LACS record found; new address not available
F	Blank	False positive – send email
Blank	Blank	Not queried

## **Appendix 10: Suite<sup>Link</sup>® Product**



## SuiteLink® Product

SuiteLink improves business addresses by adding secondary suite numbers to candidate records where there is a known secondary deficiency. Given a business name and an associated ZIP + 4 coded address that matches to a highrise or street default, the SuiteLink process returns the appropriate suite number when available.

For all administration and technical information regarding this product, please contact the Licensing Department at 800-589-5766 or email [ncoalink@usps.gov](mailto:ncoalink@usps.gov).

The SuiteLink product should be queried when an address matches to a street or highrise default record. For CASS testing if a business name match is found and a secondary number is returned the new suite information **must be appended to the original address**.

The new suite number does not have to be appended to the address for production mail but must be included in the barcode that is sprayed on the mailpiece to qualify for automation rates.

The USPS will allow developers to return SuiteLink addresses in several optional manners.

## SuiteLink® Indicators and Return Codes

Indicator Values	<b>Y</b>	=	<b>SuiteLink Record Match</b> Business address improved. The input record matched to a record in the master file. An improved business address could be furnished.
	<b>N</b>	=	<b>No Match</b> Business address not improved. The input record COULD NOT be matched to a record in the master file. An improved business address could not be furnished.
Return Code Values	<b>A</b>	=	<b>SuiteLink Record Match</b> Business address improved. The input record matched to a record in the master file. An improved business address could be furnished.
	<b>00</b>	=	<b>No Match</b> Business address not improved. The input record COULD NOT be matched to a record in the

### Example: New Secondary Available

Rec Type	Firm	DPV	Prim Range	Street Indicia	Unit	Sec Range	City	ZIP Code	Unique	ZIP+4 Range	CRID
H		Y	910	MADISON			MEMPHIS	38103	N	3403	C029
H		Y	910	MADISON	STE	823-826	MEMPHIS	38103	N	3435	C029

**Example:**

Input: UT Animal Research  
910 Madison Ave  
Memphis TN 38103

Output: UT ANIMAL RESEARCH  
910 MADISON AVE STE 823  
MEMPHIS TN 38103-3435 Appended Secondary

Based on the input address, CASS software can return invalid extraneous information in several optional formats.

We encourage mailers to append the secondary Suite<sup>Link</sup> matched information to the mailpiece to help ensure the mail reaches the intended recipient. However, this is optional. The mailer can choose not to append the valid secondary information to the mailpiece. However, the 11-digit barcode must match the appended Suite<sup>Link</sup> address.

**Example:**

Input:	UT Animal Research 910 Madison Ave Memphis TN 38103
Output:	UT ANIMAL RESEARCH 910 MADISON AVE STE 823 MEMPHIS TN 38103-3435
Suite <sup>Link</sup> Return Code:	A

**Extraneous Output Options**

Input: UT ANIMAL RESEARCH  
910 MADISON AVE STE 9  
MEMPHIS TN 38103

Output 1: UT ANIMAL RESEARCH  
STE 9  
910 MADISON AVE STE 823  
MEMPHIS TN 38103-3435 Move Input Secondary to second address line

Output 2: UT ANIMAL RESEARCH  
910 MADISON AVE STE 823 Ste 9  
MEMPHIS TN 38103-3435 Append Input Secondary to end of address line

The extraneous info can also be changed to a pound sign.

Output 3:	UT ANIMAL RESEARCH # 9 910 MADISON AVE STE 823 MEMPHIS TN 38103-3435	Move Input Secondary to second address line (change invalid secondary descriptor to #)
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Output 4:	UT ANIMAL RESEARCH 910 MADISON AVE STE 823 # 9 MEMPHIS TN 38103-3435	Append Input Secondary to end of address line (change invalid secondary descriptor to #)
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**Suite<sup>Link</sup> Return Code: A**

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