# **Enterprise Payment System**

# Account Creation

### ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS/SERVICES

- PO Box, Caller & Reserve Services (EPOBOL)
- Address Quality Products (AEC, AECII and ACS)
- Priority Mail
- First-Class Mail, Letters, Cards, and Flats
- First-Class Package Service
   USPS Marketing Mail, Letters, Flats. and Parcels
- Parcel Select
- Media Mail
- Library Mail
- Bound Printed Matter
- Periodicals
- International Products
- Business Reply Mail (BRM)
- Every Door Direct Mail (EDDM) -BMEU

#### ELIGIBLE SUBMISSION METHODS

- Business Mail Entry Unit (BMEU) hard copy
- eDoc (Mail.dat/Mail.XML)
- Postal Wizard
- Intelligent Mail small business (IMsb) Tool

### ELIGIBLE PERMIT TYPES

- Permit Imprint
- Metered
- Pre-cancelled Stamps
- Periodicals (CPP/PP)
- Postage Due
- Business Reply

# ELIGIBLE TRANSACTIONS

- Postage Statement Processing (Domestic & International)
- Adjustments
- Mail Entry Postage Assessment
- Reversals
- Refunds (including Value Added Refunds (VAR))
- Deposits
- Transfers
- Fee Payments
- Postage Due
- FOIA Requests

#### \*PRODUCTS/SERVICES NOT CURRENTLY SUPPORTED

- Electronic Verification System (eVS)
   Parcel Return Service (PRS)
- PC Postage
- Scan Based Payment (SBP)
   Merchandise Return Service
- (MRS)
  Official Mail Accounting System (OMAS)
- Premium Forwarding Service Commercial (PFSC)
   Sharo Meil
- Share Mail
- Intelligent Mail barcode Accounting (IMbA)

The Enterprise Payment System (EPS) allows customers to pay for Postal products and services through a single account, called the Enterprise Payment Account (EPA). EPS supports commercial, domestic and international products and services which includes First-Class Mail<sup>®</sup>, USPS Marketing Mail<sup>™</sup>, Periodicals, Electronic PO Boxes Online (EPOBOL) and Address Quality Products. \**Review list, at left, for eligible products, submission methods, permit types, transactions, and products/services not currently supported.* 

EPAs can be setup as a Trust Account or Automated Clearing House (ACH) Debit:

- **Trust Account:** Allows you to directly deposit funds to your USPS payment account for transactions.
  - Trust Accounts can be funded through:
    - Check, cash, or money order deposited at designated retail units (<u>https://postalpro.usps.com/</u> <u>EPS/RetailLocations</u>). You are no longer restricted to deposit at the Zip Code where your permit/ publication is held. *Note: As an EPS customer, you must provide your 10-digit EPA number, not your permit/publication number, to make a deposit to your Trust Account.* 
      - Fedwire Transfer a service provided by the Federal Reserve bank to electronically deposit funds into your account
    - ACH Credit electronic method to deposit funds into your account directly from your banking institution.
  - ACH Debit: Allows USPS to withdraw payment transactions directly from your bank account

# EASY ENROLLMENT

- 1. Request invitation code to participate in EPS
- 2. Login to the Business Customer Gateway (BCG) and access the EPS
- 3. Create an EPA

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- 4. Manage user roles
- 5. Select payment method and update banking information
- 6. Activate a payment method
- 7. Link permits/publications
- 8. Notify your Mail Service Provider (MSP), if applicable

# 1. REQUEST INVITATION CODE TO PARTICIPATE IN EPS

- To request invitation code:
  - Send an email to <u>USPSPayment@usps.gov</u>
    - Include the following information:
      - Subject Line: "EPS Request"
      - Name, Address, and Contact Information (email)
      - CRID (Customer Registration ID)

### -OR-

- Contact your local <u>Business Mail Entry Unit</u>
- 2. Receive an email with an invitation code within two business days Note: The invitation code is unique to the requestor and grants the Business Service Administrator (BSA) access to EPS.

# 2. LOGIN TO BCG AND ACCESS THE EPS

Follow the steps below to login to the BCG and access EPS

- Sign into the BCG with existing username and password
   Enter the "light time"
- 2. Enter the "Invitation Code" located in the email
- 3. Select "Yes" to agree to the Terms & Conditions
- 4. Select "Submit"

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with your Business Customer Gateway (BCG) account and password.

is invitation code provides access to the Enterprise Payment System for use th commercial mailing permits and PostalOne! transactions. Please note the signation website also references the EPOBCD pluto, but participation in that ogram is optional for PostalOnel pilot participants.

After your Enterprise Payment Account is enabled, please follow the steps in the attached *quick reference* to link permits for payment processing through

you have questions or concerns regarding the EPS process, you may reply to is email or contact the *PostalOne!* Help Desk at 1-800-522-9085.

use this link to complete the enro

nter the Invitation Code to complete the authorization.

Additional information regarding EPS can be found at https://postalpro.usps.com/EPS.

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Click "Other Services"

Click "Go to Service," in green, next to

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**Enterprise Payment System** ÷ Business Service Network (BSN) eService more info > de. Enterprise Payment System more info > 3. CREATE AN EPA Thank you for choosing USPS Enterprise 1. You are presented with two options: If you are a new Payment Account customer or an existing Local Trust Account The process to create a new Enterprise Payment account is simple. We'll ask verify a few details, setup payment method(s), and add your products and set customer (funds are deposited at the retail unit where your mailing permit is held) y BSA or Delegate roles can create an Enterprise Payment Account of an account option to get started. you must select "Create New Account" If you are a CAPS customer you have two options, "Create a New Account" or "Use a CAPS Account" 囚 "Create a New Account" to generate a new 10-digit account number that begins with a "1" "Use a CAPS Account" to generate a new 10-digit account number that begins with a "9" and ends with the last 5-digits of your current CAPS account number Please select a Business Location to associate Please enter your CAPS Number and PIN. Please verify your information. NTERPRISE PAYMENT SYSTEM with this EPS account. ng the "AGREE" box, you acknowledge t ns and conditions set forth for the Enterp CAPS Number Full Name â eement' is a legal agreement between you, on behalf of the Comp (, 1You'' You'' or 'User') and the 'United States Postal Service'' modern Establishment of the Executive Branch of the United State ent ('USP98'' or 'Postal Service''). The 'Agreement' is set forth in Bions relating to your participation and use of US Postal Service. System (EPS) a described and authorized by the USP98. The Business Location you select will determine what users are eligible for access to 90001 Jsually 5 digits he account. You will be able to determine individual access and roles in the next ster . CAPS PIN Email Address nd condition are no b) or any other reg 4 al (DA Only one Business Location can be selected. e to its mail, product or se vice agreement participant rvice agreement participa ins and rulings will prevai Notice something incorrect? · Click here to update your account on BCG Interprise Payment Account (EPA), you or a designated represents ny who desires and enables its users to access EPS agree as folio 0 94792348 0 Virtual Services By Tracy-123 MAIN ST Next I have read and agree to the terms and conditions for creating an Ent WASHINGTON, DC 22304-3176 UNITED STATES - Back Enter the 5-digit CAPS Select the "Business 2. Agree to the Terms & Verify the profile and 5. 3. 4. Location/CRID" to Conditions and click number + PIN and click account information and associate with the EPA "Submit" click "Next" "Next" \*Skip this step if you chose a new account Congratulations! Your EPS account is created! 6. You are assigned a 10-digit EPA number 4. MANAGE USER ROLES 1. The first person to request access is assigned the Administrator role. The Administrator will approve/deny additional users who request access. Grant the following users access to this EPS account by selecting a role for them. These users have access to this Business These are the roles and descriptions within EPS: Location through the BCG. This step can be Administrator: skipped and completed at a later time. Grant access for additional EPS users For more information, review the User Roles Glossary Manage payment account (open/close accounts, approve products to be paid through account, perform transfers and withdrawals) Business Location # 90001 View and download payment transaction reports Principal Account Contact: Shoe Palace **Payment Manager:** 123 Main St., Washington, DC 22304-3176 Manage payment account (open accounts, approve products to be 1 Administrator ¢ paid through account, perform transfers and withdrawals) Tom Smith View and download payment transaction reports 1 User Payment Manager Subscriber: Jerry Hill View and download payment transaction reports Select the "Next" button to assign and save the roles. 2 \*This step can be skipped and completed at a later time. Access at a later time through Account Management Users & Roles.

Other Services

Manage Account

Support

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Bulk Indemnity Claims more info >

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Audit Mailing Activity (PostalOne!) more info >



### 5. SELECT PAYMENT METHOD AND UPDATE BANKING INFORMATION

To ensure a successful migration, work with your financial institution to update bank account information prior to activating your payment method. Review the updates for each funding method below:

Trust (Retail Deposit)	Trust (Fedwire)	Trust (ACH Credit)	ACH Debit
<ul> <li>Funds can be deposited at designated retail units (<u>https://postalpro.usps.com/EPS/RetailLocations</u>)</li> <li>Options include check, cash, or money order</li> <li>Must provide the retail unit with your 10-digit EPA Number <b>NOT</b> your permit/publication number</li> <li>Retail deposits are available near real-time in your EPS account</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work with your financial department to update the account information to initiate the wire transfer</li> <li>Validate USPS (receiver) financial information*:         <ul> <li>American Bankers Association (ABA) Number (bank routing number)</li> <li>Bank Account Number (Beneficiary Field) must be updated to reflect current 10-digit EPA number</li> </ul> </li> <li>Fedwire deposits are available in your EPS account within 4-6 hours</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work with your financial department to update the required electronic transfer information for your ACH Credit deposits</li> <li>Validate USPS (receiver) financial information*: <ul> <li>ABA Number (bank routing number)</li> <li>Account Name (Payee's Name)</li> <li>Bank Account Number (DFI Account Number Field) must be updated to reflect current 10-digit EPA number</li> </ul> </li> <li>ACH Credit deposits are available in your EPS account the next business day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work with your financial department to determine if any internal application/ policy updates are needed e.g., W-9, Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) Enrollment Form, letter from USPS bank verifying account</li> <li>Identify your Bank Account Information:         <ul> <li>ABA Number (bank routing number)</li> <li>Bank account number</li> <li>Update debit block/fraud filter code, if applicable, to allow USPS to withdraw funds via ACH Debit</li> <li>Originator Company Name: USPS Payment</li> <li>USPS Originator ID: 4135641517</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

\* Complete list of deposit instructions are available in EPS when a payment method is chosen on the Payment Method Setup Screen.

### 6. ACTIVATE A PAYMENT METHOD

The next step is to activate your preferred payment method: Trust Account or ACH Debit.



### **OPTION A: TRUST ACCOUNT**

\*A Trust Account is automatically created and is activated upon funding.

Trust Accounts can be funded by:

- Check, Cash or Money Order deposited at designated retail units (<u>https://postalpro.usps.com/EPS/</u> <u>RetailLocations</u>): Posted in near real-time
- Fedwire Transfer: 4-6 hours processing
- ACH Credit: Available the next business day

**Note:** Click the "Deposit Instructions" button to display the Electronic Fund Transfer Procedures. This is where to find Wells Fargo Banking information including ABA# (Routing Transit Number) for ACH Credit and ABA# (Receiver FI) for Fedwire Transfer.

#### **OPTION B: ACH DEBIT**

Daily transactions are aggregated and withdrawn directly from the customer's banking account. To use an ACH Debit a debit enabled bank account must be provided.

- Select "Create an Account"
- Enter bank account information:
  - ABA Number (bank routing number)
    - Bank account number
- Enterprise Payment posts two micro-transactions less than \$1 each to your bank account within 48 hours

After micro-transactions post to your bank account:

- Select "Payment Methods" tab
- Select "Verify Micro-Transaction" link
- Enter the amount of each micro-transaction

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# 7. LINK PERMITS/PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Navigate to "Account Management" screen
- 2. Select "Product & Services"
- 3. Select "Manage Permits"
- 4. From the "Manage Permits" screen, select an EPA Number from the drop-down
- 5. Select "Link" to link the account
- 6. Select "Save" to complete the process
- 7. Select "Change Linkage" to update the linkage of any permit/ publication currently linked to an EPA

The "Manage Permits" screen shows your available permits/publication numbers. If a permit/publication number has a negative balance it will not show on this screen until the negative balance is resolved. *Note: You must have access to Manage Mailing Activity Service for the CRID to view available permits/publications.* 

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### **BALANCE TRANSFERS**

- Trust Account balances will migrate to EPS upon final permit/publication linkage
- CAPS Accounts balances will migrate upon final permit/publication linkage or service linkage, for example:
  - If the same CAPS Account is used to pay for ACS and mailing transactions your balance will not transfer until both products have been linked to EPS
  - If you have multiple permits linked to your CAPS Account, you must link all permits/publications to EPS before the remaining funds are migrated

# 8. NOTIFY YOUR MAIL SERVICE PROVIDER (MSP), IF APPLICABLE

If you are a Mail Owner, using a MSP or vendor, notify them of your new EPA number and work with them to make any necessary changes.

### Resources



### POSTALONE! CUSTOMER CARE

- Assistance with the EPS set-up process
- Assist with password reset, system logon, and site administrator roles

Call: 1-800-522-9085 Email: <u>Postalone@usps.gov</u>



Business Customer Gateway https://gateway.usps.com

PostalPro

https://postalpro.usps.com/

Access the *Payment Modernization Overview* document for in-depth information about EPS



Find Enterprise Payment System Retail Locations here: <u>https://postalpro.usps.com/EPS/</u><u>RetailLocations</u>