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**Program Registration Release 21.8.0.0**

**Package Platform Release 2.3.2.0\***

## Release Notes

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## 1.0 Introduction

On Sunday, December 13, 2020, the United States Postal Service implemented the following software changes:

- *PostalOne!* System Release 51.5.0.0
- Program Registration Release 21.8.0.0
- Package Platform Release 2.3.2.0\*

\*Functionality in support of rollback of Time-Limited Pricing was included in a prior release.

These Release Notes provide the contents of the releases and affected subsystems.

Included in this document are the changes associated with the December 13, 2020 Time-Limited price-change rollback impacting Market Dominant products and services, effective December 27, 2020. Pricing documents associated with this release are posted on Postal Explorer (<http://pe.usps.com>).

This document is prepared based on the knowledge available at the time of its publication and any element may be subject to change prior to the release.

## 2.0 Mail.dat Client Support

Please note the following regarding the Mail.dat client download.

There is **no** new Mail.dat client with this release. Users should continue to use Mail.dat client **51.3.0.0\_PROD** downloaded from the Business Customer Gateway (BCG) using the following path: Mailing Services → Electronic Data Exchange [Go to Service] → Mail.dat download (Windows 32-bit, Windows 64-bit or Solaris).

## 3.0 *PostalOne!* System – Enhancements, Updates, and New Functionality

### 3.1 *PostalOne!* System Support for Time-Limited Price Change Rollback

The *PostalOne!* System was updated to support the rollback of the Time-Limited prices (effective October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020) to the prices in effect prior to implementation of the Time-Limited pricing on October 18, 2020.

For postage statements with mailing dates on or after December 27, 2020, pricing for the following commercial products will reflect the rates in effect prior to October 18, 2020:

- Priority Mail
- Priority Mail Express
- Priority Mail Return Service
- First-Class Package Services (FCPS)
- FCPS Returns
- Ground Return Services
- Parcel Select
- Parcel Return Service
- Parcel Select Lightweight

There are no structural changes associated with this rate rollback. Hard-copy (paper) postage statements were updated to reflect the prices in effect prior to the October 18, 2020 implementation of Time-Limited pricing (effective December 27, 2020).

The *PostalOne!* System Merchandise Return Services (MRS) module supports the rollback of Time-Limited prices to reflect the prices in effect prior to the October 18, 2020 implementation of Time-Limited pricing (effective December 27, 2020). [21802-R](#)

### 3.1.1 Electronic Verification System (eVS®)

eVS was updated to accommodate support for rollback of the Time-Limited pricing change. eVS domestic mail submissions for FCPS, Parcel Select, Parcel Select Lightweight, Parcel Return Service, Priority Mail, Priority Mail Return Service, and Priority Mail Express reflect the pricing in effect prior to implementation of the Time-Limited pricing on October 18, 2020 for mailing dates on or after December 27, 2020. The Manifest Mailing System (MMS) worksheets were updated to support the rollback of the Time-Limited price change, effective December 27, 2020. [21859-R](#), [21864-R](#), [21865-R](#), [21866-R](#), [21867-R](#), [21868-R](#), [21973-R](#), [21974-R](#), [21975-R](#), [21885-R](#)

### 3.1.2 Mail.dat and Mail.XML

Mail.dat and Mail.XML processing and validation were updated to support the rollback of Time-Limited pricing in effect from October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020. Mail.dat and Mail.XML validation continue to validate the rate cases for Time-Limited pricing, and eDoc submissions reflect the Time-Limited pricing during the effective period ending December 26, 2020. eDoc submissions with mailing dates on or after December 27, 2020 will reflect rates in effect prior to implementation of the Time-Limited pricing on October 18, 2020. [21594-R](#), [21809-R](#), [21812-R](#), [21813-R](#), [21814-R](#), [21815-R](#), [21816-R](#)

### 3.1.3 Performance Based Verification (PBV)

PBV worksheets and the corresponding Verification Results Storage Record (VRSR) statements were updated to support the rollback of Time-Limited pricing in effect from October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020. PBV worksheets for statements that are checked in via a Self-Service Terminal on or after December 27, 2020 will support the rollback of Time-Limited pricing. The following PBV worksheets and VRSR statements are impacted:

- Content Eligibility
- Bundle Preparation
- Deflection Testing
- Drop-Shipment Management System (DSMS)
- Full Service
- Manual Barcode
- Manual Presort
- MMS
- Plant-Verified Drop Shipment (PVDS)
- Shortpaid [21861-R](#), [21640-R](#)

### 3.1.4 Postal Wizard

Postal Wizard supports the rollback of Time-Limited pricing in effect from October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020. Postal Wizard eDoc submissions with mailing dates on or after December 27, 2020 will reflect rates in effect prior to implementation of the Time-Limited pricing on October 18, 2020. [21803-R](#)

### 3.1.5 Scan-Based Payment (SBP)

SBP accommodates the changes necessary to support the rollback of Time-Limited pricing in effect from October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020. For mailing dates on or after December 27, 2020, SBP domestic mail submissions for FCPS, FCPS Returns, Priority Mail, Priority Mail Returns, Parcel Return Service (including Full-Network submissions), and Ground Return Service will reflect rates in effect prior to implementation of the Time-Limited pricing on October 18, 2020. [21845-R](#), [21848-R](#), [21849-R](#), [21850-R](#), [21851-R](#), [21860-R](#), [21862-R](#), [21869-R](#), [21870-R](#), [21871-R](#), [21872-R](#), [21873-R](#), [21874-R](#), [21875-R](#)

## 4.0 Program Registration – Enhancements, Updates, and New Functionality

### 4.1 Program Registration Support for Time-Limited Price Change Rollback

Program Registration supports the rollback of the Time-Limited prices in effect from October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020. The prices in effect from October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020 will be rolled back to pre-October 18, 2020 rates, effective December 27, 2020. [2970-GR](#)

## 5.0 Package Platform – Enhancements, Updates, and New Functionality

### 5.1 Package Platform Support for Time-Limited Price Change Rollback \*

Package Platform supports the rollback of the Time-Limited prices in effect from October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020. The prices in effect from October 18, 2020 through December 26, 2020 will be rolled back to pre-October 18, 2020 rates, effective December 27, 2020. [3174-P](#), [3175-P](#)



## 6.0 Document History

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