

United States Postal Service®

# INDUSTRYALERT

January 7, 2021

## REMINDER: January 2021 Price Change

January 2021 Prices will be implemented effective Sunday, January 24, 2021. Updated prices and postage statements are available on the [Postal Explorer website](#).

### Plant-Verified Drop Shipment (PVDS) Updates

In conjunction with the upcoming price change occurring on January 24, 2021, Plant-Verified Drop Shipment (PVDS) mailings will be verified and accepted as follows:

**Current Prices** — PVDS mailings verified and paid for on or before January 24, 2021, using the current prices, will be accepted at destination entry postal facilities through Monday, February 08, 2021, when presented using eInduction® or eVS® processes or with appropriate verification and payment documentation (PS Form 8125 or PS Form 8017).

**New Prices** — PVDS mailings may be verified and paid for beginning January 10, 2021, using the new prices, provided the shipments, when presented using eInduction or eVS processes, or with appropriate verification and payment documentation (PS Form 8125 or PS Form 8017), are not deposited at destination entry postal facilities before January 24, 2021.

### Mailing Dates

For mailings paid for and entered after the price change, be sure to notate the mailing dates as listed below :

#### Electronic Postage Statement

- For mailings with electronic documentation, mailers must enter a Mail Arrival Date that is on or after January 24, 2021.

#### Hardcopy Postage Statements

- For mailings with hard copy postage statements, USPS® acceptance employees must enter a Mail Arrival Date that is on or after January 24, 2021.

### Postage Statement Exceptions

For customers who could not make the change to new postage statements by January 24, 2021, Business Mail Entry Units (BMEUs) and acceptance sites will continue accepting the old postage statements with new prices through close of business on February 28, 2021.

As of January 24, 2021, the new January 2021 postage statements are required for:

First-Class Mail and First-Class Package Service (PS Form 3600-FCM)

Priority Mail (PS Form 3600-PM)  
USPS Marketing Mail—Easy Nonautomation Letters or Flats (PS Form 3602-EZ)  
Nonprofit USPS Marketing Mail (PS Form 3602-N )  
Nonprofit USPS Marketing Mail—Easy Nonautomation Letters or Flats (PS Form 3602-NZ)  
USPS Marketing Mail (PS Form 3602-R)  
Package Services (PS Form 3605-R)  
Periodicals (PS Form 3541)  
International Mail (PS Form 3700)

Postage Statement Exception Process is attached.

If you have any questions, please reach out to one of the options below:

- Mailing & Shipping Solutions Center (MSSC) at 1-877-672-0007
  - Email [MSSC@usps.gov](mailto:MSSC@usps.gov)
  - Business hours for the MSSC are Monday-Friday from 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Central Time
- Local Business Mail Entry Units (BMEU)
  - To locate your local BMEU follow this URL: <https://postalpro.usps.com/ppro-tools/business-mail-entry>

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