

Release Overview

Structural Changes Under Consideration

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1.0 Document Change Log

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2.0 Introduction

Included in this document are potential competitive product changes under review for the next Structural Release under consideration for October 2021. This document is prepared and based on the knowledge available at the time of its printing and any direction found herein is subject to change, including additional structure changes prior to the release. The contents of this document are pre-decisional, and subject to change.

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3.0 Applicable Technical Specifications

3.1 Updates to *PostalOne!* eDoc Specification Versions Support

3.1.1 Mail.dat eDoc

The table below depicts the Mail.dat specification versions that would be supported with the Release, with the possibilities of Errata versions (if determined to be necessary):

Table 1

<i>PostalOne!</i> Mail.dat (eDoc) Version Support			
Versions	Versions Supported Prior to Price Change Effective Date	Versions Supported Price Change Deployment Date to Price Change Effective Date	Post-Price Change – Versions Supported on and after Price Change Effective Date
19-1 ¹ Errata	Supported	Supported	Supported
21-1 ² Errata	Supported	Supported	Supported

Legend:
 1 – Version 19-1 (Errata version) remains supported through Price Change Deployment Date and beyond.
 2 – Version 21-1 (Errata version) remains supported through Price Change Deployment Date and beyond.

The Price Change Deployment Date release would require a new Mail.dat client to support Mail.dat submissions.

3.1.2 Mail.XML eDoc

The table below depicts the Mail.XML specification versions that would be supported with the Release with the possibilities of Errata versions (if determined to be necessary):

Table 2

<i>PostalOne!</i> Mail.XML (eDoc) Version Support			
Versions	Versions Supported Prior to Price Change Effective Date	Versions Supported Price Change Deployment Date to Price Change Effective Date	Post-Price Change – Versions Supported on and after Price Change Effective Date
23.0 ¹ Errata	Supported	Supported	Supported
24.0 ² Errata	Supported	Supported	Supported

Legend:
 1 – Version 23.0 (Errata version A) remains supported through Price Change Deployment Date and beyond.
 2 – Version 24.0 (Errata version A) remains supported through Price Change Deployment Date and beyond.

The Price Change Deployment Date release would require a new set of Web Services Definition Language to support Mail.XML submissions.

3.2 Updates to *PostalOne!* Mail.XML Data Distribution, MID-CRID, and FAST Specification Version Support

The table below depicts the specification versions that will be supported with the Release:

Note: there are no changes to supported versions.

Table 3

Versions	Data Distribution Mail.XML		MID-CRID Mail.XML		FAST Mail.XML	
	Current Supported Versions (Prior to Release)	Post-Release Supported Versions	Current Supported Versions (Prior to Release)	Post-Release Supported Versions	Current Supported Versions (Prior to Release)	Post-Release Supported Versions
	Prior to Price Change Deployment Date	Price Change Deployment Date & onwards	Prior to Price Change Deployment Date	Price Change Deployment Date & onwards	Prior to Price Change Deployment Date	Price Change Deployment Date & onwards
14.0A	Supported	Supported	Supported	Supported	Supported	Supported
16.0	Supported	Supported	Supported	Supported	Supported	Supported

3.3 Updates to Shipping Services File (SSF) Version Support

The table below depicts the specification versions that will be supported with the Release:

Note: there are no changes to supported versions.

Table 4

	eVS Shipping Services File Versions Support	
	Pre-Release	Post-Release
Versions	Prior to Price Change Deployment Date	Price Change Deployment Date & onwards
1.3	Supported for EMCA/EMRS only	Supported for EMCA/EMRS only
1.4	Supported	Supported
1.6	Supported	Supported
1.7	Supported	Supported
2.0	Supported	Supported

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4.0 Proposed Parcel Select and Parcel Select Lightweight Machinable SCF rate for DSCF Entry

The USPS is considering support for a new set of products that are sorted as Machinable SCF for Parcel Select and Machinable SCF Parcel Select Lightweight pieces entered at DSCF. These products must be entered at Destination Sectional Center Facility (DSCF).

- New Labeling List L051 - service area by individual 3-digit ZIP Code prefix for mail destined to a sectional center facility (SCF).
- Postage Statement Changes: PS Form 3605 Package Services
 - o New Lines Parts C and E.

Line Number	Zone	Entry	Rate	Status/Change
TBD	--	DSCF	Machinable – SCF	Add new Line
TBD	--	DSCF	Machinable Dimensional – SCF	Add new Line
TBD	--	DSCF	SCF	Add new Line

- Mail.dat changes: New Rate Ingredients combinations -

Mail Class	Processing Category	Rate Category	Rate Type	MPU Surcharge	Destination Entry	Zone	Rate
PS	MP	PM	D	N	S	N	Parcel Select Machinable SCF DSCF
PS	MP	PM	D	D, T	S	N	Parcel Select Dimensional Machinable SCF DSCF
LW	MP	PM	P	N	S	N	Parcel Select Lightweight Machinable SCF DSCF

- Mail.XML changes: New Rate Ingredients combinations -

Mail Class	Processing Category	Rate Category	Rate Type	Surcharge Type	Entry Facility	Zone	Rate
PS	MP	PM	D	N	S	N	Parcel Select Machinable SCF DSCF
PS	MP	PM	D	D, T	S	N	Parcel Select Dimensional Machinable SCF DSCF
LW	MP	PM	P	N	S	N	Parcel Select Lightweight Machinable SCF DSCF

- Shipping Services File (SSF) Changes: New Rate Ingredients combinations -

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Rate
3	36	38	37	39	SSF v2.0 – D1 record
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	SSF v1.6/v1.7 D1 record
PS	3	S	DE	00	Parcel Select Machinable SCF DSCF
PS	3	S	SR, SN	00	Parcel Select Machinable SCF DSCF Dimensional Rectangular / Non-Rectangular
LW	3	S	DE	00	Parcel Select Lightweight Machinable SCF DSCF

- Indicum Creation Record (ICR) File: No impact
- Price Change Type / Product Type: Competitive

5.0 Proposed Parcel Select and Parcel Select Lightweight rates for local HUB Entry

The USPS is considering support of a new set of destination entered presort rates for Parcel Select and Parcel Select Lightweight entered at local HUB. The service would be offered to **customers with an agreement** to enter product to be worked at the HUB (HUB/3-Digit containers) or in 5-digit ZIP Scheme containers that can be cross docked to the destination DDU. These products must be entered at the Destination Service Hub (DSH).

- Labeling List L014 - 5 Digit ZIP Scheme Combinations for Hubs
- Postage Statement Changes: TBD
- Shipping Services File (SSF): New Rate Ingredients and new combinations –
 - o New Destination Rate Indicator = H, Destination Service Hub (DSH)

Mail Class	Processing Category	Destination Rate Indicator	Rate Indicator	Zone	Rate
3	36	38	37	39	SSF v2.0 – D1 record
037-038	372	375	373-374	376-377	SSF v1.6/v1.7 D1 record
PS	3,5	H	SP, DR, DN	00	Parcel Select HUB DSH Dimensional Rectangular / Non-Rectangular
PS	3,5	H	5D, 5R, 5N	00	Parcel Select DDU DSH Dimensional Rectangular / Non-Rectangular
LW	3,4	H	SP	00	Parcel Select Lightweight HUB DSH
LW	3,4	H	5D	00	Parcel Select Lightweight DDU DSH

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