

Mailers' Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC)

Focus Sessions

January 12, 2022

Agenda

Letters

- Undocumented Over 45 Days Error Purge
- Automate Permit Balance Look-Up
- Mail in Measurement
- MSSC Call Issues/Metrics

Packages

- Clarify Non-Standard Sizes
- Nesting Requirements
- Zone Changes

Flats

- Redirects (verbal redirect versus MDF in FAST)
- Statements Stuck in PMT Status
- Update on Statement of Ownership Auto-Upload Issue
- Update on OCPI (Outbound Commercial Provider Initiative)
- Update on Missing Flag on Consolidated Payment Request
- Update on Hiding Permit Accounts that are Canceled or Closed

LETTERS

Current Manual Error Removal Process

- Only performed for Seamless CRIDs that exceeded the assessment threshold for undocumented pieces
- Undocumented errors removed when barcodes could be matched to eDoc older than 45 days from the scan date
- DR run once prior to Scorecard being locked and assessments generated for previous month activity
- Impacted mailers were notified via generic e-mail from HQ Mail Entry mailbox

Enhanced Automated Error Removal Process – 1/23/2022

- Performed for **all** Seamless CRIDs regardless of threshold status
- Undocumented errors removed when barcodes could be matched to eDoc older than 45 days from the scan date
- Error removal process is performed **daily** and will update Scorecard the following day
- Mailers using IV-MQD should identify error removal by leveraging the “Error Deactivation” indicator in their MQD Undocumented feeds

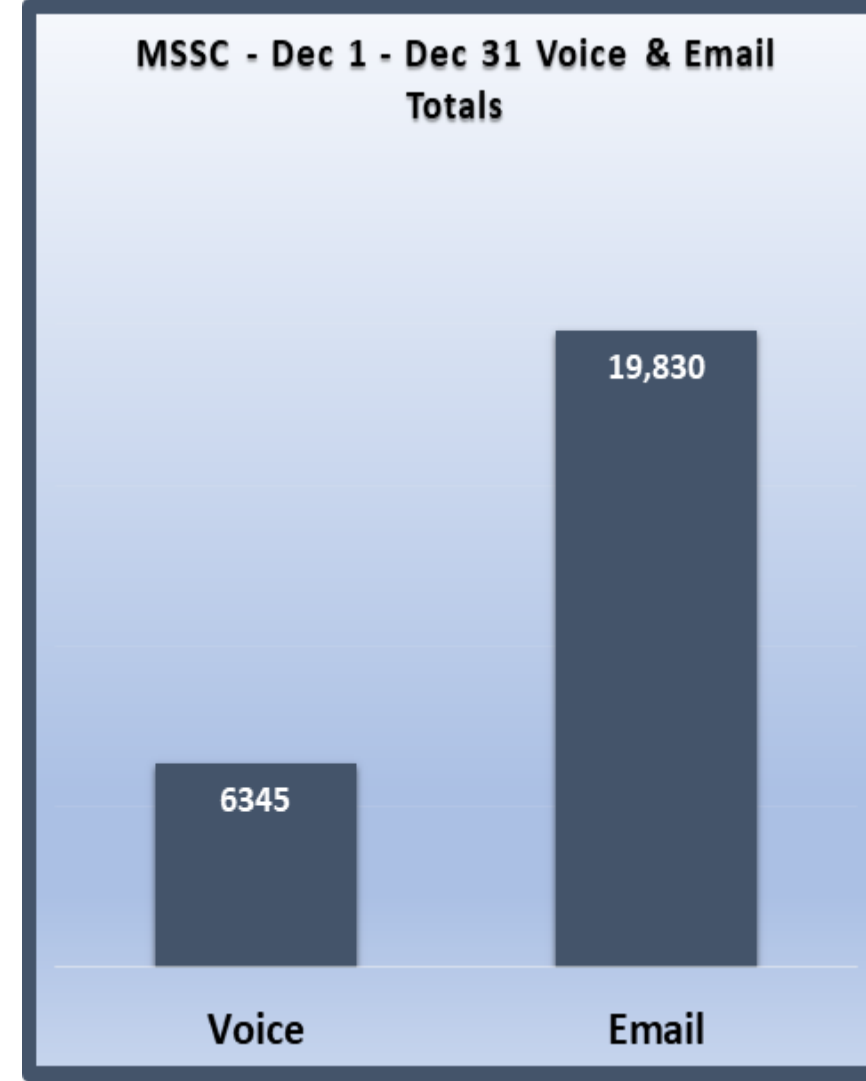
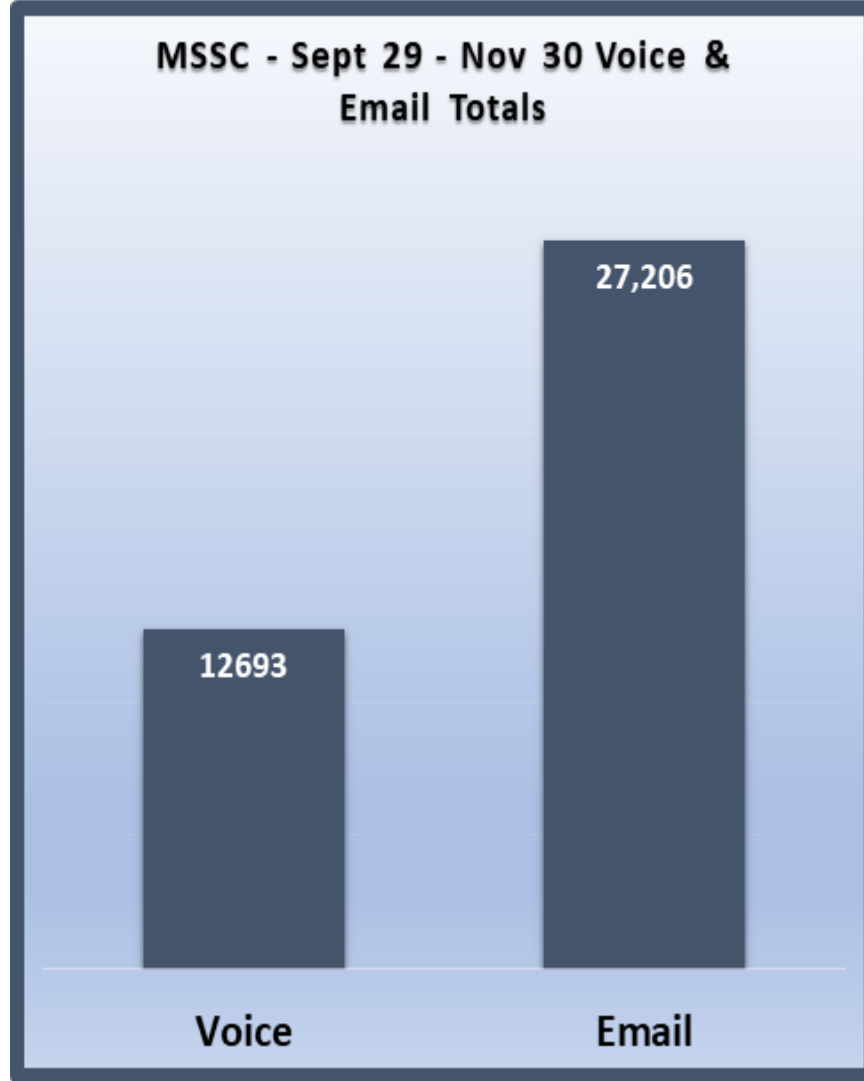
Mail In Measurement Relationship to Mailer Scorecard

- Mail excluded from measurement does not directly impact the Mailer Scorecard

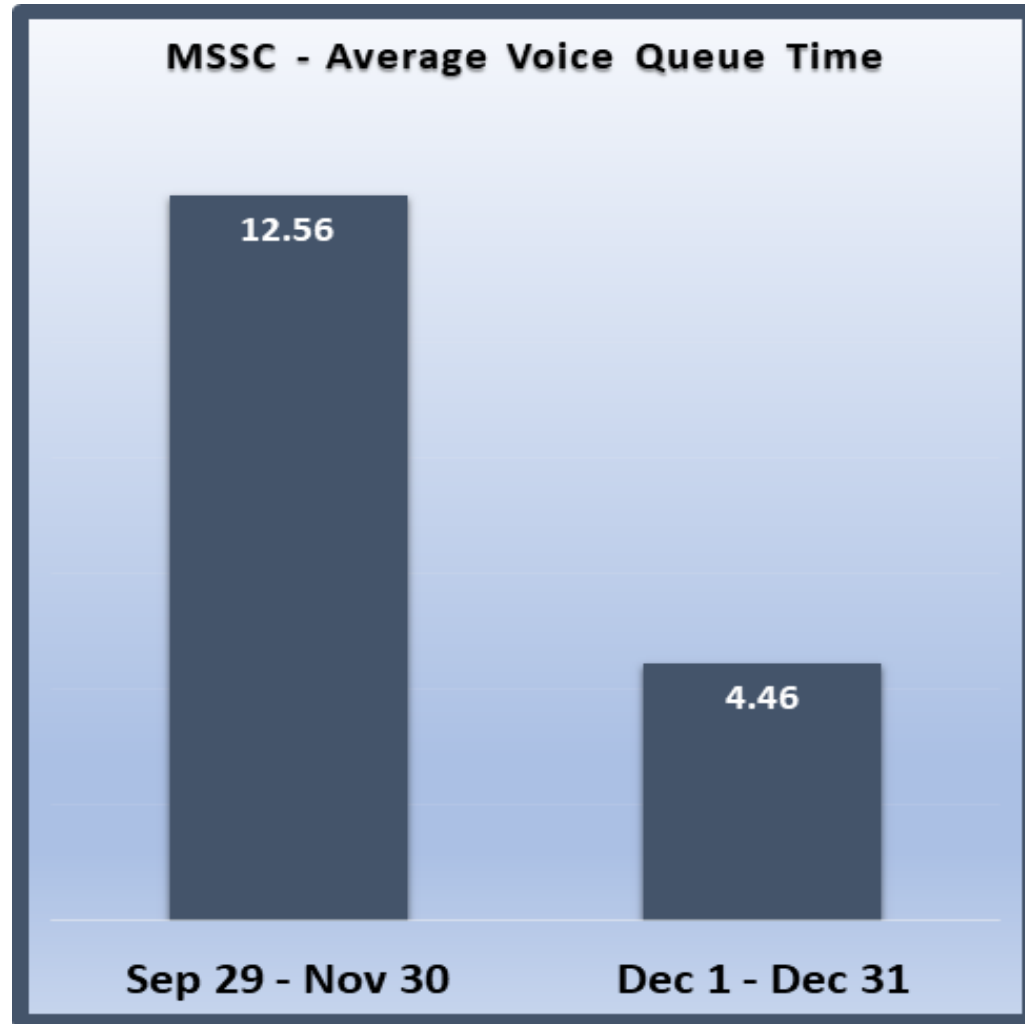
Permit Balance Look-up

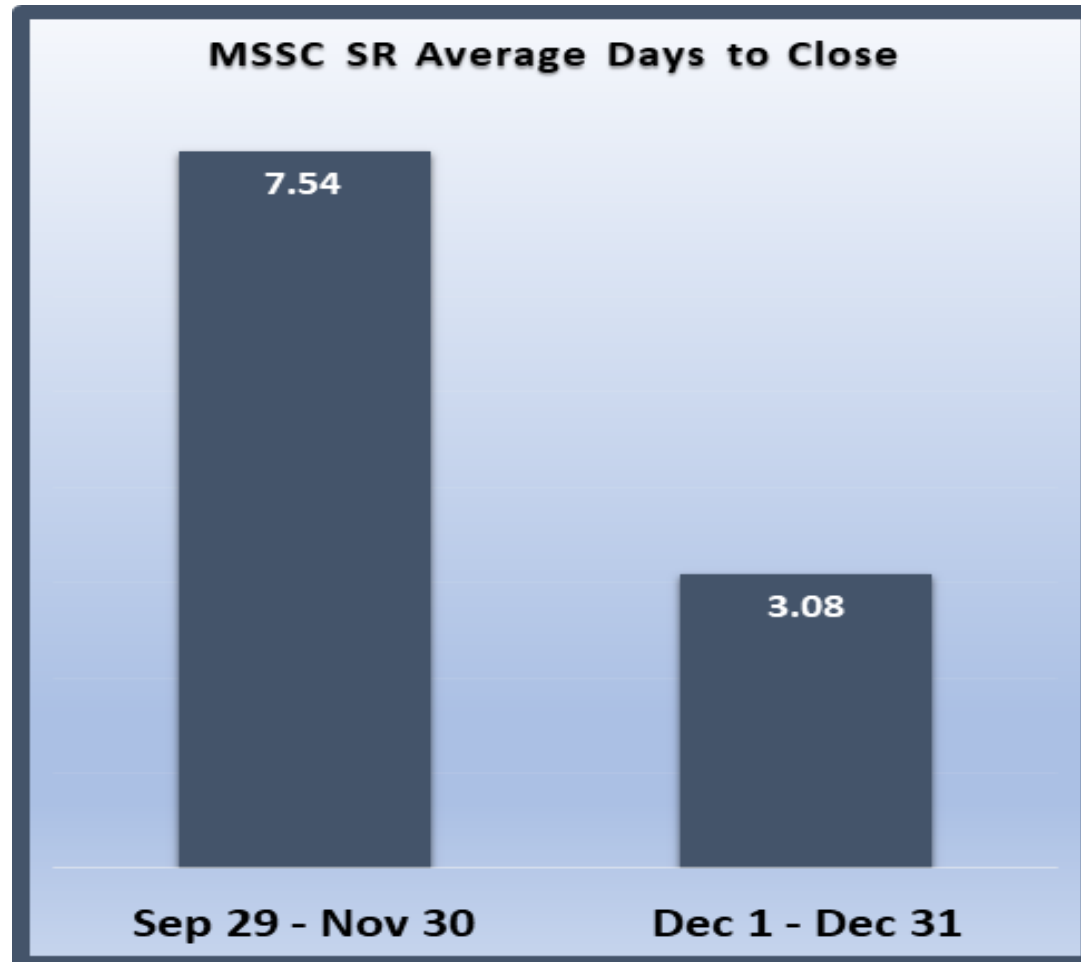
- Can process be automated?

FY 22 MSSC Metrics



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PACKAGES

Length is the longest dimension

Width is the second-longest dimension

Height is the shortest dimension

Non-Standard fee applies to:

Packages with manifest **length >22"** and **< / = 30"**

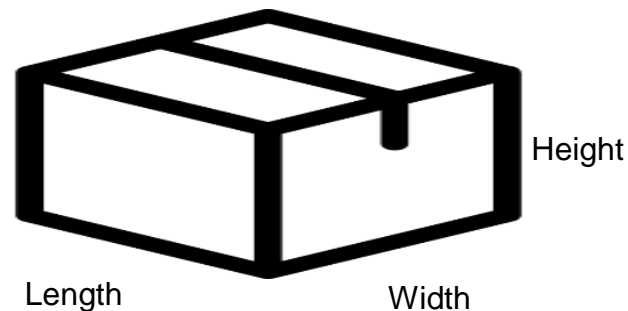
Packages with manifest **length >30"**

Packages with manifest **cubic volume (LxWxH) > 3,456 in³**

Non-Compliance fee applies to:

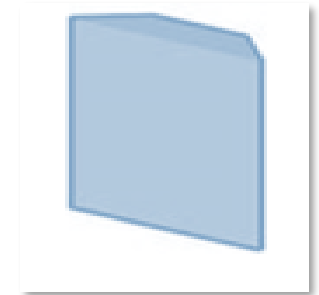
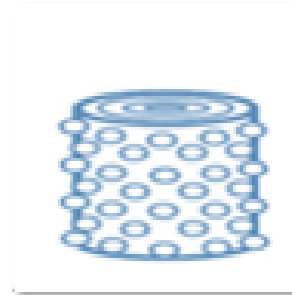
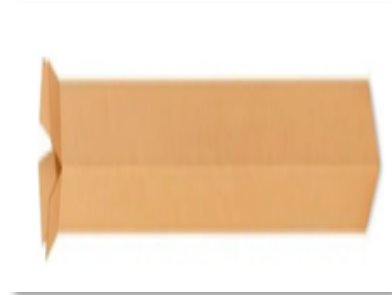
Packages with no manifest data provided and captured **length > 22"** or **volume (LxWxH) > 1,728 in³**

Packages with inaccurate manifest data and captured **length > 22"** or **volume (LxWxH) > 1,728 in³**



(Rectangular)
$$\frac{L'' \times W'' \times H''}{1,728} = \text{cubic ft}$$

Mailers must provide dimensions when the package's cubic volume measures over one cubic foot (1,728 inches)



EXAMPLE 1	EXAMPLE 2	EXAMPLE 3	EXAMPLE 4	EXAMPLE 5	EXAMPLE 6
A rectangular package that measures 23"x12"x12" , and has a cubic volume of 1.9 ft³	A rectangular package that measures 32"x10"x10" and has a cubic volume of 1.8 ft³	A rectangular package that measures 23"x16"x16" and has a cubic volume of 3.4 ft³	A non-rectangular package that measures 31"x16"x16" and has a cubic volume of 4.5 ft³	A rectangular package that measures 16"x16"x16" and has a cubic volume of 2.3 ft³	A non-rectangular package that measures 16"x12"x11" and has a cubic volume of 1.2 ft³
Non-Standard Fee Length >22in	Non-Standard Fee Length >30in	Non-Standard Fee Length >22in Cubic Volume > 2ft ³	Non-Standard Fee Length >30in Cubic Volume > 2ft ³	Non-Standard Fee Cubic Volume > 2ft ³	Non-Standard Fee None

These two proposals do not have a determined effective date

Zone 10

- The USPS is considering a modification to the zone list by including Zone 10 as a new supported zone. Zone 10 would be limited to competitive products, which include: Priority Mail Express, Priority Mail, USPS Retail Ground, First-Class Package Service, Parcel Return Service (full network), and Parcel Select Ground.

Zone Modernization

- The USPS is considering a modification to current zone calculation for competitive products. The current method uses one Zone Chart Matrix to calculate zones for competitive and market dominant products by using a 3-Digit origin SCF to 3-Digit destinating SCF ZIP Code mapping to calculate zones. The proposed structure will consist of two sets of zone data: one for market dominant products and the other for competitive products. The zone structure for market dominant will continue to use a 3-Digit ZIP Code origin to 3-Digit ZIP Code destination mapping. For competitive products, the zone mapping would be based on 3-Digit ZIP Code origin to 5-Digit ZIP Code destination.

Container Nesting via Electronic Files

Provides:

- Visibility for packages traveling in containers
 - Earlier in package delivery lifecycle
 - While moving through the USPS Network
- Chain of custody and start-the-clock
- Integration with new features, technology, innovations

Start with Open and Distribute shipments

- Calendar Year 2022, TBD
- Include access to features
 - Expected Delivery (ExD™)
 - Faster extract cycles



FLATS

Verbal Redirect versus MDF in FAST

Two verbal redirects during Peak Season addressed by Processing & Delivery

- DDU Northville, MI 48167 to Farmington Hills MI DDU
- Lehigh Valley PA SCF, 26 pallets of 5-digit SCF discount mail to Northampton PA DDU

All Emergency Redirects should be entered in the Mail Direction Errata File.

- **Issue:** PostalOne! postage statements paid for via EPS account encountered “Stuck in Payment” issues, where eInduction containers were not timely marked as paid; resulting in rejection at Mail Entry/Acceptance.
- **Root Cause:** Two areas were identified and improved upon to resolve this issue 1) Hardware capacity to handle burst transactions and 2) Database performance.
- **Resolution & Monitoring:** Recent PMT issues were resolved by increasing Hardware capacity and improving database performance. Enhanced level of monitoring has been implemented to ensure action as needed.
- **Future/On-Going:** Continue to monitor and in the event the issue reoccurs, we will communicate to the mailers in a timely manner via Industry Alerts.

Statement of Ownership Auto-Upload Issue

- The Statement of Ownership submission process was updated to display the correct publication name consistently across all pages of the form.
Available January 9, 2022.

Update on Missing Flag on Consolidated Payment Request

- ALM was opened (ALM 14889) and will be updated once it is scheduled.

Hiding Permit Accounts that are Canceled or Closed

- CR 1733 is planned for 4/3/22 as part of release EPS 4.6.0.0

Update on OCPI (Outbound Commercial Provider Initiative)