# SALES & SERVICES ASSOCIATE ACADEMY

Module 6:

**Solutions - Part Four** 



#### **International Mail**

- Global Express Guaranteed<sup>®</sup>.
- Priority Mail Express International<sup>®</sup>.
- Priority Mail International<sup>®</sup>.
- First-Class Package International® Service.
- First-Class Mail International<sup>®</sup>.
  - International Mail Manual (IMM®) outlines postage prices and conditions.
  - Items unacceptable for domestic mail are also nonmailable in International Mail.





# Global Express Guaranteed® (GXG®)

#### Fast international shipping with competitive rates.

- Date-certain delivery with money-back guarantee to about 180 countries.
- Guaranteed delivery in 1-3 business days (overnight to many Canada destinations.)
- International transportation and delivery provided by FedEx® Express.
- Tracking included.

#### Mailers certify:

- No restricted or dangerous goods.
- Does not require filing of Electronic Export Information (EEI).



# Global Express Guaranteed® (GXG®)

No shipping for most hazardous materials, including cigarettes and smokeless tobacco items.

Maximum shipment value \$2,499 or lesser amount as limited by country, content, or value.

Sender responsible for determining if item allowable.

Document-only items sealed against inspection.

Non-document items not sealed against inspection; type of mailing constitutes consent by mailer.

Postage charged according to weight (or dimensional weight) and price group.

Use of GXG free packaging not subject to DIM weight (see Individual Country Listings).

## **GXG Dimensions and Markings**

	Maximum
Length	46 inches
Width	35 inches
Height	46 inches
Combined Length and Girth	108 inches
Weight (country specific)	70 pounds

(About 5.5 inches high and 9.5 inches long).

Surface area of address side must contain

GXG® Air Waybill/Shipping invoice, postage,

endorsement, and any applicable markings.

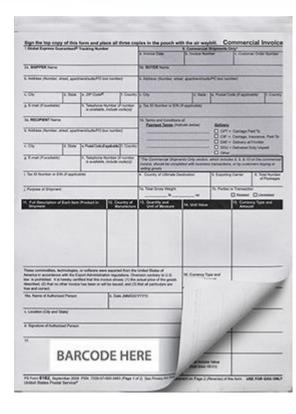
Commercial Base or Commercial Plus items paid with PC Postage must bear appropriate price marking.

- Printed on piece or part of PC Postage<sup>®</sup> indicia.
- Marking directly above, below, or to left of postage.



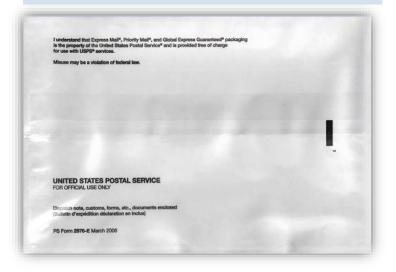
## **Extra Services and Customs Forms**





#### **Extra Services:**

Insured Mail Service



- Global Express Guaranteed® Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice (Item 11FGG1).
- If applicable, PS Form 6182, Commercial Invoice.
- PS Form 2976-E, Customs Declaration Envelope.

# **GXG<sup>®</sup> Acceptance**

Ensure sender properly completed GXG® Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice.

Merchandise shipments require PS Form 6182. Complete postage transaction if item is not prepaid.

Complete
"Origin"
information and
validate shipment
and destination.

Provide customer their copy of GXG® Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice. Process according to directions on shipping document.

# Priority Mail Express International®

Reliable, high-speed service available to certain countries at designated USPS facilities.

• 3 to 6-day average business day delivery with tracking to all destinations.

#### Free shipping supplies available.

- Only USPS-produced Priority Mail Express International® Flat-Rate Envelopes are eligible for price.
- Charged a Flat-Rate price depending on destination rate group.

Prices based on weight and destination country (Except Flat-Rate).

#### Includes insurance.

- Up to \$100 for document reconstruction and merchandise up to \$200.
- Additional coverage for merchandise may be available; individual country prohibitions and restrictions apply.

## Money-Back Guarantee

# Date-certain postage refund guarantee available for:

- Australia
- New Zealand
- Canada
- Republic of Korea (South Korea)
- China
- Singapore
- France (not including Corsica and Monaco)
- Spain (does not include Canary Island)
- Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- Sweden
- Hong Kong
- Switzerland
- Israel
- Thailand
- Japan



## **Prohibited Items**

Prohibited in all PMEI shipments:

Coins

Banknotes

Currency notes, including paper money

Securities of any kind payable to bearer

Traveler's checks

Platinum, gold, and silver

Precious stones

**Jewelry** 

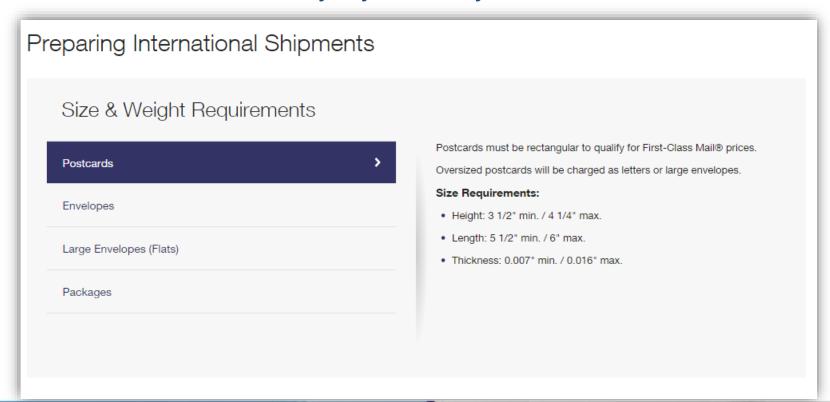
Watches

Other valuable articles

International postal money orders are admissible but are negotiable only if proper form used.

## Size Requirements

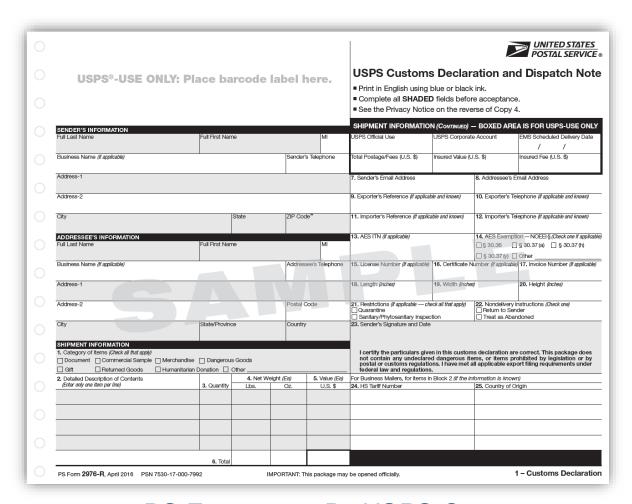
- Maximum weight for Flat-Rate envelope (PMEI and PMI) is 4 pounds.
- Maximum weight 70 pounds, but lower country-specific weight limits may apply.
- Maximum size dimensions vary by country.



## **Extra Services and Customs Forms**

#### **Extra Services:**

Insured Mail Service.



PS Form 2976-R, USPS Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note.

## **Custom Form Responsibilities**

#### Mailer:

- Mailers electronically generate PS Form 2976-R USPS Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note.
- Including APO, DPO, FPO, U.S. Possessions, Territories, and Freely Associated States.
- Fulfill any other nonpostal export requirements.
- Sign electronic form.

#### SSA:

- Verify sender/recipient info including additional insurance.
- Review IMM<sup>®</sup> and dangerous goods info.
- Complete entry in CBPMAN.
- RSS prints IMpb<sup>®</sup>.
- Enter data, print customs and postage, apply to mailpiece.

# Priority Mail International® (PMI)

#### Designed for outbound international parcels.

6-10 average business day delivery with tracking to major destinations.

#### Domestic Priority Flat-Rate packaging can be used for international shipping.

- 4-pound weight max for the Flat-Rate Envelope and Small Flat-Rate Box.
- USPS Tracking<sup>®</sup> included.
- 20-pound weight maximum for medium and large Flat-Rate Boxes.

#### Prices based on weight and destination country. (Except Flat-Rate).

#### Limited indemnity coverage included (\$100 - documents, \$200 - merchandise).

• Limited to maximum indemnity based on weight or actual value, whichever is less (additional available).

#### Special prices for Canada and Mexico destinations.

• All shipments require PS Form 2976-R including APO, FPO, DPO and PTFAS.

#### Not sealed against inspection.

• Regardless of physical closure, mailing constitutes consent to content inspection.

#### Customs form entered in to CBPMAN (APO, FPO, DPO and PTFAS).

## PMI Dimensions

Surface area of address side must completely contain postage, PS Form 2976-E (envelope), and applicable endorsements or markings.

Maximum dimensions vary by country – see the Individual Country Listings.

Parcels may not weigh more than 70 pounds.

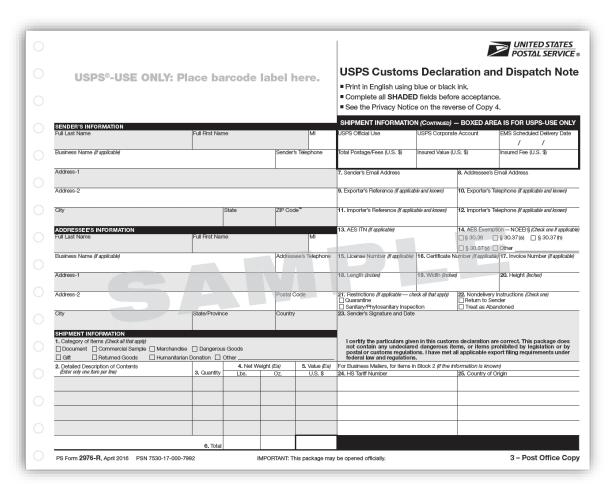


PS Form 2976-E is approximately 10-1/4 inches wide and 7-1/4 inches high.

## **Extra Services and Customs Forms**

#### Extra Services:

- Return Receipt Service for PMI when additional insurance is purchased.
- Insured Mail Service.



PS Form 2976-R, USPS Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note.

# First-Class Package International® Service

Packages and rolls.

Delivery standards vary by destination.

Sealed against inspection, subject to pricing by shape. Prices start at one ounce.

Postage for each addressed piece according to weight and destination.

Right half of address side for destination address, postage, labels, and postal notations.

- Address must be in ink or typewritten, no pencil.
- Items should include complete return address of sender.

## Packages and Rolls

Packages	Maximum
Weight.	4 pounds
Value.	\$400
Length.	24 inches
Combined length, height and depth.	36 inches

Packages must be large enough for postage, address, return address, customs, and markings.

- Must be able to withstand normal handling.
- Postage by weight and price group.

Items valued over \$400 must be mailed via Global Express Guaranteed<sup>®</sup>, Priority Mail Express International<sup>®</sup>, or Priority Mail International<sup>®</sup>.

Rolls	Minimum	Maximum
Length.	4 inches	36 inches
Length and Twice Diameter combined.	6 ¾ inches	42 inches
Value.	-	\$400
Weight.		4 pounds

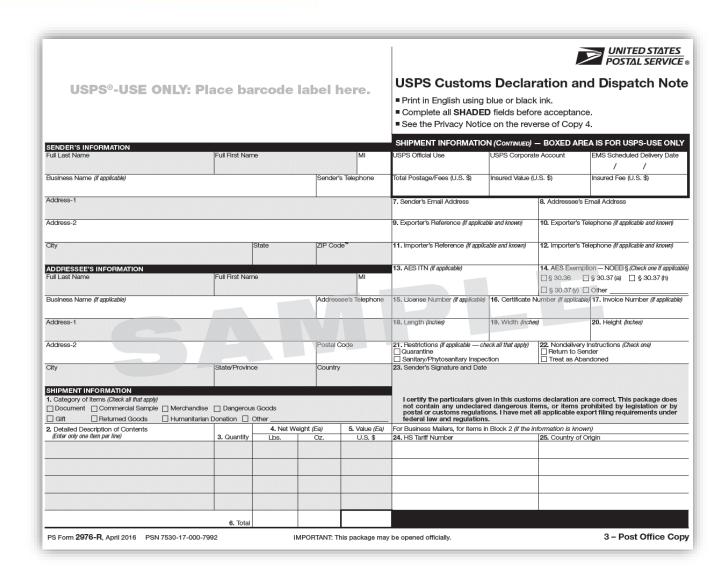
## FCPIS Markings

Packages and rolls that could be mistaken for another category should be marked LETTER-POST on the address side.



#### **Customs Form**

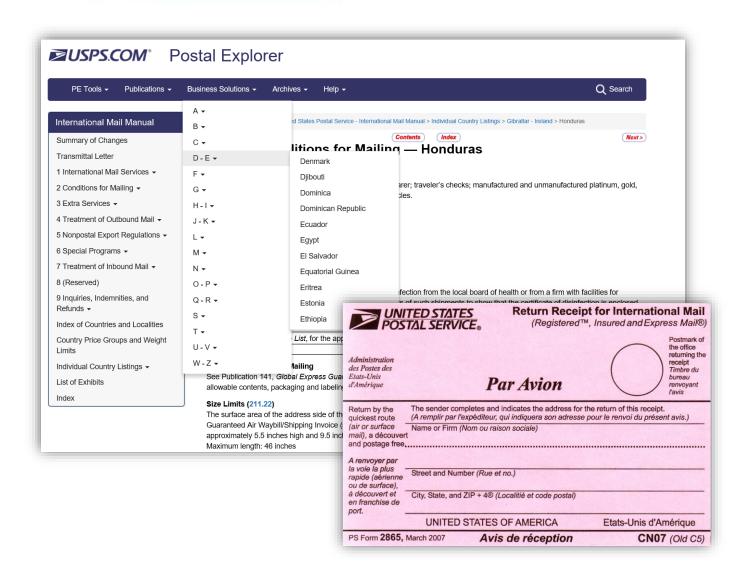
- All FCPIS items require customs forms.
  - Use PS Form 2976-R, USPS
     Customs Declaration and Dispatch
     Note and follow instructions for individual country.
  - \$400 maximum value for dutiable merchandise.



#### **Extra Services**

#### **Extra Services:**

- Certificate of Mailing.
- Registered Mail Service<sup>®</sup>.
- Return Receipt Service (for items using Registered Mail Service).
- Free Electronic USPS Delivery Confirmation International service (E-USPS DELCON INTL®).
- Check Individual Country Listings.



## First-Class Mail International®

#### Airmail letter-post, post cards, printed matter, and flats.

- Only documents allowed in flats.
- All merchandise must be sent First-Class Package International Service.

Delivery standards vary by destination.

Sealed against inspection, subject to pricing by shape. Prices start at one ounce.

Postage for each addressed piece according to weight and destination.

#### Right half of address side for destination address, postage, labels, and postal notations.

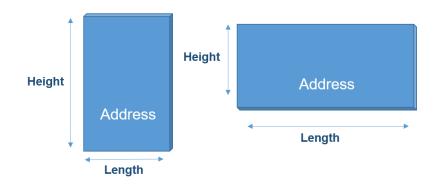
- Address must be in ink or typewritten, no pencil.
- Items should include complete return address of sender.

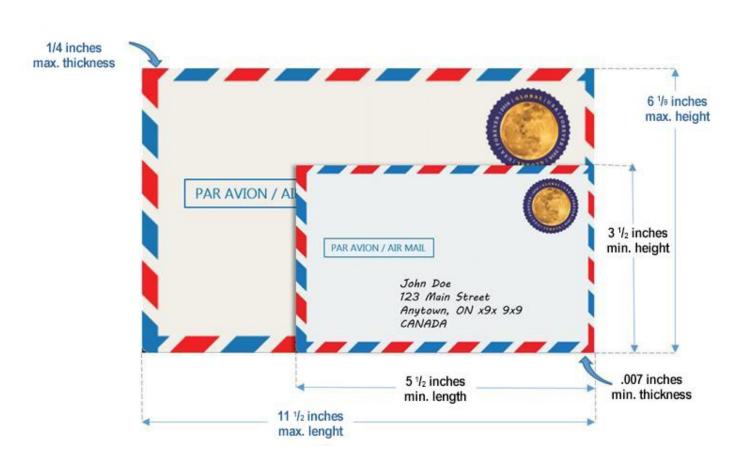
## **Letter-Size Dimensions**

	Minimum	Maximum
Height	3.5 inches	6½ inches
Length	5.5 inches	11½ inches
Thickness	.007 inch	.25 inches

All letters must be rectangular.

Postcards must meet minimum dimensions and not exceed 4-1/4 inches high or 6 inches long or 0.016 inch thick.





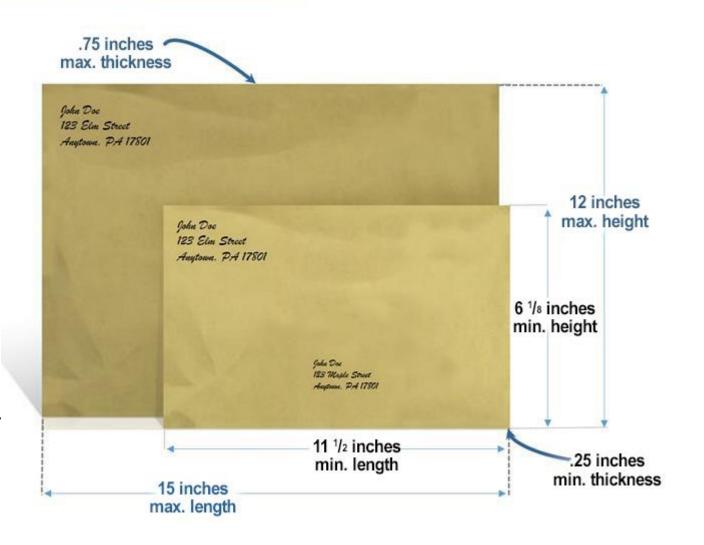
Must meet minimum mailing standards. Nonmachinable surcharge applies.

## **Flat-Sized Dimensions**

	Minimum	Maximum
Height	61/8 inches	12 inches
Length	11½ inches	15 inches
Thickness	.25 inch	.75 inches

Flats must be flexible, uniformly thick and rectangular.

- 15.994-ounce weight limit.
- Length longest dimension.
- Pieces not meeting standards charged First-Class Package International Service prices.
- Only documents allowed in flats.



## **FCMI Markings and Customs Forms**

- Postcards, letters, and flats must be marked:
  - AIRMAIL/PAR AVION.
  - PS Label 19-A, Par Avion Airmail.
  - PS Label 19-B, Par Avion Airmail.
- No customs form required.

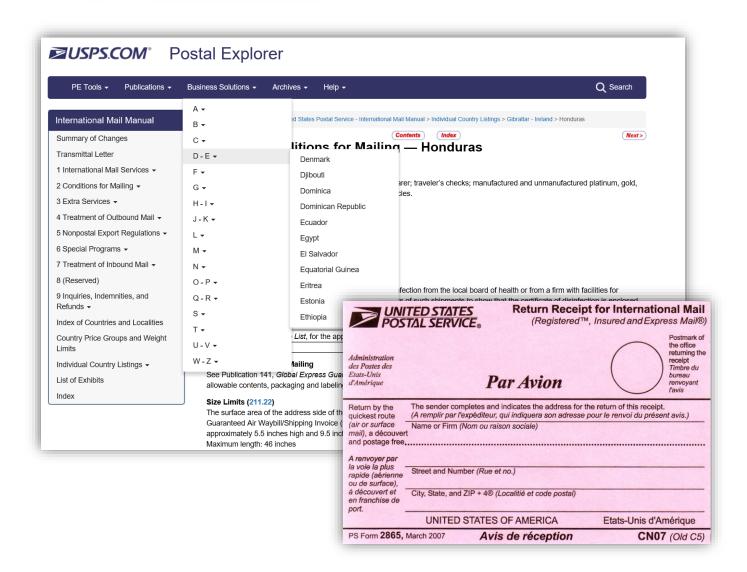




#### **Extra Services**

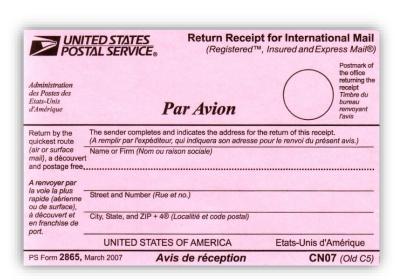
#### **Extra Services:**

- Certificate of Mailing.
- Registered Mail<sup>®</sup> Service.
- Return Receipt Service (for items using Registered Mail Service).
- Check Individual Country Listings.



## International Return Receipt

- PS Form 2865, Return Receipt for International Mail (Avis de Reception), is attached to a registered item at the time of mailing.
- Card is removed and signed at the point of delivery and returned to the sender.
- Provides sender with evidence of delivery and completed in country of destination, which may not require addressee's signature (except under special circumstances).
- Receipts are returned to the sender by airmail.



#### **Customs Declaration Forms**

Customs forms not required for FCMI.

GXG® uses GXG International Air Waybill and PS Form 6182 (merchandise or required by destination) Form cannot be completed online.

Enter information from PS Form 2976-R into CBPMAN.

Customers not completing customs forms online or using postage stamps must present package at the counter.

PMEI, PMI, and FCPIS international services use PS Form 2976-R.

Hardcopy/electronically generated PS Forms 2976-R must be applied to mailpieces to or from APO, FPO, and DPO addresses.

## **FCMI** Counter Activity

- 1. Place item on the scale.
- Select Mailing/Shipping.
- 3. Select a country.
- 4. Acknowledge prohibitions by selecting Next.
- 5. Acknowledge observations by selecting Next.
- 6. Acknowledge restrictions by selecting Continue.
- Confirm if the item is dutiable by selecting Yes or No.
- 8. If Yes, enter declared value amount and press Enter on the keyboard.

- 9. Hazmat question/customer answers on CDU.
- 10. If a packaging barcode was not scanned previously, select desired mail class.
- 11. Select any desired available Extra Services.
- 12. Select Continue.
- 13. Scan the applicable customs form barcode.
- 14. Enter customs form data into CBPMAN by selecting Yes or select No to bypass.
- 15. Review summary screen and select Print Labels to continue.
- 16. Select Pay and End Visit.

## **Counter Activity**



- 1. Select GXG<sup>®</sup>.
- 2. Select Yes or No if the destination of the article is served by GXG.
- 3. Type the country Postal Code if known and press Enter (if not known, type first letters of name).
- 4. Select Yes or No if the item is addressed to a Post Office Box<sup>™</sup>.
- 5. Select Yes or No if the item contains gifts.
- 6. Acknowledge info/actions as needed. Select OK.
- 7. Acknowledge the minimum rate message by selecting OK.
- 8. Highlight the destination City/Postal Code if a Postal Code was not entered previously, or there are multiple city options for the Postal Code that was entered, and touch Select.
- 9. Highlight all shipment contents.
- 10. Select Done when finished listing shipment contents.
- 11. If Commercial Invoice PS Form 6182 is required a screen appears at this point. Acknowledge any information messages and click OK.

- 11. Enter replacement value in a whole dollar values, do not enter a decimal.
- 12. Acknowledge the mailing label message by selecting OK.
- 13. Review summary information and select Print.
- Select Continue.
- Select packaging type.
- 16. If GXG other is selected, enter package dimensions, press Enter after each entry.
- 17. Select Yes or No if the item is rectangular.
- 18. Select optional Extra Services, if desired.
- 19. Select Continue.
- 20. Scan GXG label barcode.
- 21. Scan Commercial Invoice Label barcode if required.
- 22. Continue with steps for Customs, printing labels, and payment.

## **Customs Border Protection Manifest**

USPS required to electronically capture and save Customs
Declaration information for all items sent outside the U.S.

#### You will:

- Process form per SOP.
- Validate information submitted online.
- Click RSS Save button and return complete transaction.
- Enter form data if not displayed.

Supports those who complete paper PS Forms 2976-R, and/or entered their information via USPS website and presents mailpiece at retail window.

## International Inquiry and Claims

- Y@lawrit: procedures (Only for GXG®, PMEI, registered, and parcels):
  - •- VEIMPORTHANDIAMS (GAG28915 by phone).

Prior to claim, items must complete inquiry process.
Complete PS Form 2856, Damage Report of Parcel and Contents.

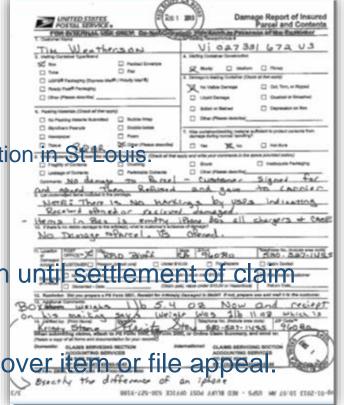
PS Form 2855, Claim for Indemnity—International Registered Mail®,
 Complete form without customer present.
 Insured, Ordinary Parcel and Express Mail.
 Attach forms, customs label, and wrapper and mail to International Claims section in St

- Submit proof of value.

Inspect, retain, and dispose of damaged item per claim decision.
 International Research Group makes determination and may direct

If hazardous, item may be destroyed. If item has salvage value, retain until settlement of cl

- 200 stopped care Center sends PS Form 2855.
- ACUSTOMING DESIGNACEST PROTER SUSTAMASICAL INFORMACION OF THE PROTECTION OF THE PR container to PO.
- Forward all articles to Mail Recovery Center if claim is paid, appeal filed, or customer does not recover item.



## Summary

- We offer a variety of Domestic Mailing services including First-Class Mail®, Periodicals, USPS Marketing Mail®, Library Mail, Media Mail®, and Extra Services.
- Shipping products are those in which we compete with other delivery companies (Priority Mail Express®, Priority Mail®, USPS Ground Advantage-Retail®, International Mail, and Parcel Return Service).
- Zone chart matrix created by origin ZIP and used to calculate prices.
- International Mail: Global Express Guaranteed®, Priority Mail Express International®, Priority Mail International®, First-Class Package International®, and First-Class Mail International®.
- Each category has specified delivery standard.
- Customers submit international claims/inquiries online or by phone.
- Product knowledge allows you to create a customer centric experience and find the right solution for our customers.