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Mail Spoken Here is brought to you by the Office of Industry Engagement and Outreach, Consumer and Industry Affairs; bringing you the latest news on mail coming from the Postal Service.

It is our intent to provide an ongoing news recap of all mailing requirements, *Federal Register* notices, *Postal Bulletin* articles, and webinars. We'll keep you posted on any comment-period requirements, and let you in on upcoming events or changes to standards when the information is available.

National PCC Week

We're gearing up for National Postal Customer Council (PCC) Week being held September 21-25, 2015. The 2015 host is the Greater Portland PCC (Portland, OR), winner of the 2014 PCC of the Year – Large Market Award.

This is a great opportunity for the mailing industry to hear from members of the Postal Service's Executive Leadership Team and for PCCs to conduct content-rich educational workshops, network with each other, and to recognize PCCs for their outstanding contributions to the PCC Network.

Stay tuned as [local PCCs](#) develop their programs; promote their events, including Postal Service HQ speakers' participation.

Webinars

You can access [archived webinars](#) on the RIBBS website. Here you find webinars on the price change and the Shipping Products and Services webinar series topics.

Military Mail Addressing

All APO/FPO/DPO addresses must now conform to domestic addressing standards. The delivery line (the second line from the bottom in the address) must show the word "UNIT", "CMR" or "PSC" and number; and box number assigned. The bottom line of the address must contain APO, FPO, or DPO as the "city" designation and the appropriate two-letter "state" abbreviation (AA, AE, or AP) followed by the ZIP Code or ZIP+4 Code. See the full April 30, 2015 Postal Bulletin article [here](#). Examples of a UNIT and PSC designation:

SEAMAN JOHN DOE	JOHN DOE
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UNIT 100100 BOX 4120 FPO AP 96691	PSC 5698 BOX 2002 APO AE 09400
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National Postal Forum Highlights

Didn't get a chance to go to the Forum this year? Or maybe you attended and want to share some of the highlights with a colleague. Here's the latest on the stories and information you may want to have access to:

- NPF 2015 Highlights: <http://npf.org/index.php/forum-program/highlights>
- PMG at NPF: http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2015/pr15_027.htm
- New USPS Marketing Campaign shared at NPF: http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2015/pr15_030.htm
- MTAC Anniversary and Recognition at NPF: http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2015/pr15_029.htm
- NPF Stamp Dedication: http://about.usps.com/news/national-releases/2015/pr15_028.htm
- NPF 2015 National Award Winners: <http://npf.org/index.php/engage/2015-usps-national-award-winners>
- NPF 2015 Photo Gallery: <http://npf.org/index.php/engage/2015-forum-photos>
- Download NPF 2015 Workshop Presentations: <http://npf.org/index.php/forum-program/downloadable-presentations>

Monday, May 18th (~68 Minutes) and Tuesday, May 19th (~76 minutes) Opening Sessions are found here: <http://about.usps.com/news/electronic-press-kits/national-postal-forum/welcome.htm>

And you definitely want to register for the National Postal Forum 2016 in Nashville, TN *before Tuesday, June 30, 2015* to receive a \$300.00 Early-Bird Discount!
<http://npf.org/index.php/attend/registration-discount-options>

On the Horizon

If you live in Memphis, be sure to put the morning of August 12, 2015 on your calendar because Elvis has come back into the building!

Elvis Presley will be commemorated on a Forever Stamp as the sixth inductee into the Postal Service's Music Icon Series. The First-Day-of-Issue dedication ceremony will take place at Graceland. You can tweet about it at *#ElvisForever*.

Did You Know?

The 1993, 29-cent stamp featuring Elvis Presley has become the best-selling U.S. commemorative stamp to date.

Mail is a great communication tool. No monthly plans. No signal outages. No roaming charges. Regardless of geographic location, anyone can send a letter for just 49¢ to anywhere in the United States, its territories and U.S. military and diplomatic installations worldwide.

The Postal Service's Stamp Fulfillment operation is housed 150 feet underground in a business complex created in the limestone deposits of Kansas City, MO. The consistent temperature and humidity level protect the nation's stamp stock — keeping the stamps in mint condition.

Published Mailing Standards Documents

June 2015:

General: *National Recertification for Mailers Privately Printing Customs Declaration Forms* (PB, 6/11)

General: *Free Mail Program for U.S. Armed Forces* (PB, 6/11)

May 2015:

DMM: Clarification: Minimum Mailability Dimensions (PB, 5/14)

DMM: Clarification of Census Bureau Filing Regulations for U.S. Territories (PB, 5/14)

DMM: Provision for New First-Class Package Service Commercial Plus Customers (PB, 5/14)

DMM: New Mailing Standards for Domestic Mailing Services Products (PB, 5/14)

FRN: International Mailing Services: Approved Price Changes (5/8)

FRN: New Mailing Standards for Domestic Mailing Services Products (5/4)

April 2015:

IMM: Modified Implementation Date for International Price Change (PB, 4/30)

IMM: Foreign Office of Exchange Code for IPA Service to Malawi (PB, 4/30)

IMM: Replacing Click-N-Ship for Business with a USPS Meter Label Solution (PB, 4/16)

DMM: Updated Addressing Standards for Military Addressing (PB, 4/30)

DMM: Clarification of Postage Payment Information for Mail to Military Post Offices (PB, 4/30)

DMM: Click-N-Ship for Business Transitioning to a USPS Meter Label Solution (PB, 4/30)

DMM: Premium Forwarding Service Commercial (PB, 4/16)

DMM: Updated Restrictions – Freely Associated States (PB, 4/16)

DMM: Freely Associated States Pricing (PB, 4/16)

DMM: Clarification on Content Eligibility for Standard Mail Marketing Parcels (PB, 4/2)

FRN: Revision to the Requirements for Authority to Manufacture and Distribute Postage Evidencing Systems: Proposed Rule (4/23)

**Red means new additions since the last [Mail Spoken Here](#) was issued on May 28, 2015.*

For your reference:

FRN: [Federal Register Notice](#)

PB: [Postal Bulletin](#)

[Postal Explorer](#) is a mailer's resource for all information contained in the [Domestic Mail Manual](#) (DMM), [International Mail Manual](#) (IMM), [Publication 52](#), *Hazardous, Restricted, and Perishable Mail*, mailing standards [Federal Register](#) notices, and the [Postal Bulletin](#).

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