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Keeping up with all the news affecting the mailing industry can be a bit challenging at times. What is it, and where can you find it?

In response to customers' requests for more information, the Office of Industry Engagement and Outreach, Consumer and Industry Affairs, has created this messaging tool, *Mail Spoken Here*, on the latest mail news coming from the Postal Service.

Mail Spoken Here is intended as 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.

Today's Federal Register

Today, the *Federal Register* published the [Postal Service Final Rule, Clarification of Content Eligibility for Standard Mail Marketing Parcels](#). The effective date is April 16, 2016.

On the Horizon

We are currently planning two overall price change webinars that will include both market dominant and competitive changes with topics specific to each class. Both webinars will be identical in nature with attendees choosing the one best suited for their schedule.

These pricing webinars will provide a way for you to ask specific pricing questions in the PowerPoint chat feature. We will consolidate and provide the answers in an industry communication such as *Mail Spoken Here*.

Further information on dates and times of the webinars will be distributed after the PRC returns a final ruling on the Postal Service's price change filing.

Stay tuned. We'll bring you the news as soon as we have it!

Did You Know?

You can sign up for daily [Postal Service Federal Register](#) updates which include every notice, proposal, and final rule that the Postal Service publishes. Know when it happens as it happens! Another excellent resource is [prc.gov](#). You can request a "subscriber alert" email.

Published Mailing Standards Documents

March 2015:

IMM: Lithium Battery Terminology (PB, 3/5)

FRN: Clarification on Content Eligibility for Standard Mail Marketing Parcels; Final Rule (3/17)

FRN: Domestic Mail Manual; Incorporation by Reference: Final Rule (3/16)

FRN: International Mail Manual; Incorporation by Reference: Final Rule (3/16)

February 2015:

DMM: Domestic Competitive Products Pricing and Mailing Standards Changes (PB, 2/5)
DMM: Products Mailable at Nonprofit Standard Mail Prices (PB, 2/5)
IMM: GDE Wholesaler Program (PB, 2/19)
IMM: International Merchandise Insurance Limit for Three Countries (PB, 2/19)
IMM: Changes to Pricing and Mailing Standards for International Shipping Services (PB, 2/5)
IMM: Burma, Kiribati, and Sao Tome and Principe Establish PMEI Services (PB, 2/5)
IMM: Country Name Changes (PB, 2/5)
Pub 52: Elimination of PS Form 1770, Revisions to SP2975 and Updates to Various Standards (PB, 2/19)
Pub 52: New Mailing Standards for Lithium Batteries (PB, 2/5)
FRN: International Product Change-PMI Regional Rate Boxes Contracts: Notice (2/11)
FRN: New Mailing Standards for Domestic Mailing Services Products: Proposed Rule (2/5)
FRN: Change in Rates and Classes of General Applicability for Competitive Products: Notice (2/4)
FRN: Domestic Competitive Products Pricing and Mailing Standards Changes: Final Rule (2/3)
FRN: International Product and Price Changes: Final Rule (2/3)
FRN: International Service Changes – Burma, Kiribati, Sao Tome and Principe: Final Rule (2/3)

January 2015:

DMM: Clarification on Content Eligibility for Marketing Parcels (PB, 1/8)
DMM: Letter Tray Preparation (PB, 1/8)
FRN: New Mailing Standards for Lithium Batteries: Notice (1/26)
FRN: International Mailing Services: Proposed Price Changes: Proposed Rule (1/23)
FRN: Clarification of Content Eligibility for Standard Mail Marketing Parcels: Proposed Rule (1/14)
FRN: International Product Change – Global Expedited Package Services-Non-Published Rates (1/5)

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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