

local postal facility. Additional features of the service include online document proofing, a "file cabinet" that retains customer jobs for 30 days and offers document and mailing list management capabilities, real-time status reports of jobs submitted, and a quick calculator that provides immediate price quotations.

This final rule announces the expansion of the NetPost Mailing Online service for mailings of letters and flats at Nonprofit Standard Mail automation rates effective with the date shown above. For additional information concerning system specifications, payment procedures, user assistance, and mail matter classification assistance see 65 FR 52308-52313 (August 29, 2000), and DMM G091.

The Nonprofit Standard Mail option applies to eligible mail matter sent by authorized organizations as listed and defined in DMM E670.2.0 and E670.3.0. Mail matter eligible to be sent at Nonprofit Standard Mail rates by authorized parties is defined in DMM E670.5.0.

This final rule contains the DMM standards adopted by the Postal Service to implement the Nonprofit Standard Mail option. It also corrects a previous omission by adding "cards" to "letters" and "flats" as First-Class Mail options.

**List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 111**

Postal Service.

For the reasons discussed above, the Postal Service hereby adopts the following amendments to the Domestic Mail Manual, which is incorporated by reference in the Code of Federal Regulations (see 39 CFR part 111).

**PART 111—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 111 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 39 U.S.C. 101, 401, 403, 404, 3001-3011, 3201-3219, 3403-3406, 3621, 3626, 5001.

2. Amend the Domestic Mail Manual as follows:

**E Eligibility**

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*E670 Nonprofit Standard Mail*

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8.0 Authorization—at Additional Offices

**8.1 Application**

*[Amend 8.1 by adding a last sentence that exempts NetPost Mailing Online customers from the requirement to obtain an additional office authorization for their mailings printed*

*and processed at sites other than where the original authorization to mail at Nonprofit Standard Mail rates is held.]*

\* \* \* Customers who use NetPost Mailing Online are not required to file Form 3623 for their mailings to be printed and processed at sites other than where the original authorization to mail at Nonprofit Standard Mail rates is held.

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**G General Information**

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*G090 Experimental Classifications and Rates*

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**G091 NetPost Mailing Online**

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1.0 Basic Eligibility

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1.3 Mailings

*[Amend 1.3 c(2) to read as follows; no other changes to text.]*

Prepare mailings to be eligible for First-Class Mail, Standard Mail, and Nonprofit Standard Mail automation basic rates as required by standards in E140, E640, and M800.”}

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2.0 Mail Classification

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2.1 Customer Responsibility

*[Amend 2.1 by changing the first and second sentences to read as follows; no other changes to text.]*

A customer who uses NetPost Mailing Online service is responsible for claiming the proper rate of postage, subject to the eligibility requirements contained in E100 for First-Class Mail, E600 for Standard Mail, and E600 and E670 for Nonprofit Standard Mail. If the Standard Mail rates or Nonprofit Standard Mail rates are claimed in error, the customer may be required to pay the difference between the claimed rate and the appropriate First-Class Mail or Standard Mail rate, in accordance with the terms and conditions of use for the program.

2.2 Revenue Deficiency Procedures

*[Amend 2.2 to read as follows:]*

If a classification decision is made by the USPS that matter was ineligible for Standard Mail or Nonprofit Standard Mail rates because of a customer's failure to meet applicable standards, the USPS may take steps to recover the deficiency amount by advising the customer that its credit card account will be billed for the difference between

the rate paid and the applicable First-Class Mail rate or Standard Mail rate paid, in accordance with the terms and conditions of use for the program. At such time, the customer also will be advised that the classification decision and related revenue deficiency may be appealed by submitting a letter to the NetPost Mailing Online Program Manager (see G043 for address). If the customer appeals, NetPost Mailing Online will refer it to the Rates and Classification Service Center (RCSC) in Chicago, Illinois, for a final agency decision except in the case of Nonprofit Standard Mail. An RCSC decision upholding a revenue deficiency for Nonprofit Standard Mail may be appealed through the RCSC to the Manager, Mail Preparation and Standards, USPS Headquarters, for a final agency decision.

3.0 Functionally Equivalent Systems

*[Amend 3.0 by changing the first sentence to read as follows; no other changes to text.]*

NetPost Mailing Online mailings that otherwise meet all addressing and machinability requirements for automation rates are permitted entry at automation rates without meeting required minimum volumes for First-Class Mail, Standard Mail, and Nonprofit Standard Mail mailings.

4.0 Postage and Fees

4.1 Postage

*[Amend 4.1a. to read "First-Class Mail, automation basic (letters, cards, and flats)." In addition, amend 4.1 to add the following; no other changes to text.]*

d. Nonprofit Standard Mail, automation basic (letters and flats).

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This change will be published in a future issue of the *Domestic Mail Manual*. An appropriate amendment to 39 CFR 111.3 to reflect these changes will be published.

**Stanley Mires,**

*Chief Counsel, Legislative.*

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**POSTAL SERVICE**

**39 CFR Part 111**

**Shipping Label Requirements**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Postal Service, in its efforts to make package shipping easier for mailers, is developing standard

guidelines for creating package shipping labels. The following changes are being made to the markings (and endorsements) and Delivery Confirmation requirements in support of this effort: Addition of a service indicator at the top of the label to identify the class of mail; and modifications to the Delivery Confirmation format to support the new label design and identify the service option requested.

These changes are being incorporated into the *Domestic Mail Manual* (DMM) and subsequently into a publication, which will identify requirements and specifications to assist mailers in designing their shipping labels.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 5, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Gullo, 202-268-7322.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 1, 2000, the Postal Service published in the **Federal Register** proposed changes to the shipping label requirements (65 FR 75210). No comments were received so the Postal Service is adopting the following requirements.

**List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 111**

Postal Service.

**PART 111—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR Part 111 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 39 U.S.C. 101, 401, 403, 404-414, 3001-3011, 3201-3219, 3403-3406, 3621, 3626, 5001.

2. Revise the DMM as follows:

**Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)**

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**E Eligibility**

\* \* \* \* \*

**E100 First-Class Mail**

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*E120 Priority Mail*

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**1.4 MARKING**

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*[Add the following after the existing paragraph in 1.4:]*

If shipping address labels are used, it is recommended that they contain the

Priority Mail service indicator composed of two elements, the service icon and service banner (see Exhibit 1.4).

(a) The service icon should appear in a 1-inch square in the upper left corner of the shipping label. The letter "P" must be printed inside the 1-inch square and must be 0.75 inches (3/4") or greater. A minimum 3/4-point line must border the 1-inch square.

(b) The service banner should appear directly below the postage payment area and the service icon, and it should extend across the shipping label. When the service banner is used, the text "USPS PRIORITY MAIL" must be printed in minimum 20-point bold sans serif typeface, uppercase letters, centered within the banner, and bordered above and below by minimum 1-point separator lines. There must be a 1/16-inch clearance above and below the text.

*[Add the following Exhibit:]*

**Exhibit 1.4**

**Priority Mail Service Indicator**



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**M MAIL PREPARATION AND SORTATION**

**M000 General Preparation Standards**

*M010 Mailpieces*

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*M012 Markings and Endorsements*

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**3.1 Basic Markings**

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*[Add the following after the existing paragraph in 3.1:]*

Optionally, the basic required marking may be printed on the shipping address label as service indicators composed of a service icon and service banner:

(a) The service icon that will identify all Package Services subclasses will be a 1-inch solid black square. If the service icon is used, it must appear in the upper left corner of the shipping label.

(b) The service banner must appear directly below the postage payment area and the service icon, and it must extend across the shipping label. If the service

banner is used, the appropriate subclass marking (e.g., PARCEL POST, BOUND PRINTED MATTER, etc.) must be preceded by the text "USPS" and must be printed in minimum 20-point bold sans serif typeface, uppercase letters, centered within the banner, and bordered above and below by minimum 1-point separator lines. There must be a 1/16-inch clearance above and below the text.

*[Add the following Exhibit:]*

**Exhibit 3.1**

**Package Services Indicators**



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**S SPECIAL SERVICES**

**S900 Special Postal Services**

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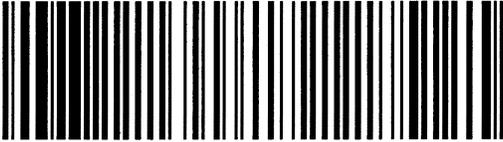
*S918 Delivery Confirmation*

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*[Revise Exhibit 2.1c as follows:]*

**Exhibit 2.1c**

**Privately Printed Label**

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USPS PRIORITY MAIL	
Sample Mailer 1123 Main St Test City DC 20260  ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED  <b>SHIP WILLIAM SMITH</b> <b>TO: ONLINE SPECIALISTS</b> <b>2345 GLENDALE DR RM 245</b> <b>ATLANTA GA 30328-3474</b>	
<b>e/ USPS DELIVERY CONFIRMATION</b>   9101 0268 3733 1000 0010 16	
Priority Mail is a registered trademark of the U. S. Postal Service.	

On the Priority Mail label, you must use the registered trademark symbol following the Priority Mail text or add the following statement at the bottom of the label in Helvetica 6 point: "Priority Mail is a registered trademark of the U.S. Postal Service."

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**3.3 Printing**

*[Replace item a with the following:]*

a. Each barcoded label must bear a unique Delivery Confirmation PIC barcode as specified in 3.2. The text "USPS DELIVERY CONFIRMATION" (if using retail service option, as specified in 1.4) or "e/USPS DELIVERY CONFIRMATION" (if using electronic service option, as specified in 1.4, and the postage is evident on the mailpiece) must be printed between 1/8 inch and 1/2 inch above the barcode in minimum 12-

point bold sans serif type. Additionally, mailers approved for the electronic service option, at their discretion, may print the text "ELECTRONIC RATE APPROVED #[D-U-N-S® (NUMBER)]" in minimum 8-point bold sans serif type directly below the bottom horizontal identification bar (see Exhibit 3.3). Human-readable characters that represent the barcode ID must be printed between 1/8 inch and 1/2 inch under the barcode in minimum 10-point bold sans serif type. These characters must be parsed in accordance with Publication 91, Confirmation Services Technical Guide. A minimum 1/8-inch clearance must be between the barcode and any printing. The preferred range of widths of narrow bars and spaces is 0.015 inch to 0.017 inch. The width of the narrow bars or spaces must be at least 0.013 inch but no more than 0.021

inch. All bars must be at least 3/4 inch high. Minimum 1/16-inch bold bars must appear between 1/8 inch and 1/2 inch above and below the human-readable endorsements to segregate the Delivery Confirmation barcode from other areas of the shipping label. The line length should extend across the width of the label but must extend the length of the barcode at a minimum (see Exhibit 2.1c). Only information relating to Delivery Confirmation and/or other special services must be placed between these lines. Mailers will be required to comply with this change by October 5, 2001.

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*[Add the following Exhibit:]*

**Exhibit 3.3  
Electronic Service Option Identification**



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**Stanley F. Mires,***Chief Counsel, Legislative.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY****40 CFR Parts 9, 141 and 142**

[WH-FRL-6958-3]

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**National Primary Drinking Water Regulations; Arsenic and Clarifications to Compliance and New Source Contaminants Monitoring; Delay of Effective Date****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Final rule; delay of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the memorandum of January 20, 2001, from the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff, entitled "Regulatory Review Plan," published in the **Federal Register** on January 24, 2001, this action temporarily delays for 60 days the effective date of the rule entitled National Primary Drinking Water Regulations; Arsenic and Clarifications to Compliance and New Source Contaminants Monitoring, published in the **Federal Register** on January 22, 2001, 66 FR 6976. That rule establishes a health-based, non-enforceable Maximum Contaminant Level Goal for arsenic of zero and an enforceable Maximum Contaminant Level for arsenic of 0.01 mg/L (10 ug/L) for public water systems. In addition, it clarifies monitoring and demonstration of compliance for new systems or sources of drinking water. It also clarifies compliance for State-determined

monitoring after exceedances for inorganic, volatile organic, and synthetic organic contaminants. Finally, it recognizes the State-specified time period and sampling frequency for new public water systems and systems using a new source of water to demonstrate compliance with drinking water regulations.

**DATES:** The effective date of the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations; Arsenic and Clarifications to Compliance and New Source Contaminants Monitoring, amending 40 CFR Parts 9, 141 and 142, published in the **Federal Register** on Monday, January 22, 2001, at 66 FR 6976, is delayed for 60 days, from the originally scheduled effective date of March 23, 2001, to a new effective date of May 22, 2001, except for the amendments to §§ 141.23(i)(1), 141.23(i)(2), 141.24(f)(15), 141.24(h)(11), 141.24(h)(20), 142.16(e), 142.16(j), and 142.16(k) which are effective January 22, 2004. The amendment to § 141.6 in this rule is also effective May 22, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on today's action, contact Cynthia Dougherty, Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (4601), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, phone: (202) 260-5543.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** To the extent that 5 U.S.C. 553 applies to this action, it is exempt from notice and comment because it constitutes a rule of procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A). Alternatively, the Agency's implementation of this action without opportunity for public comment, effective immediately upon publication today in the **Federal Register**, is based on the good cause exceptions in 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) and 553(d)(3). Seeking public comment is impracticable, unnecessary and contrary to the public interest. The

temporary 60-day delay in effective date is necessary to give Agency officials the opportunity for further review and consideration of new regulations, consistent with the Assistant to the President's memorandum of January 20, 2001. Given the imminence of the effective date, seeking prior public comment on this temporary delay would have been impractical, as well as contrary to the public interest in the orderly promulgation and implementation of regulations. The imminence of the effective date is also good cause for making this rule immediately effective upon publication.

**List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 141**

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Indian lands, Intergovernmental relations, Radiation protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Water supply.

Dated: March 20, 2001.

**Christine Todd Whitman,**  
*Administrator.*

For the reasons stated in the preamble, the Environmental Protection Agency amends 40 CFR part 141 as follows:

**PART 141—NATIONAL PRIMARY DRINKING WATER REGULATIONS**

1. The authority citation for part 141 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 300f, 300g-1, 300g-2, 300g-3, 300g-4, 300g-5, 300g-6, 300j-4, 300j-9, and 300j-11.

**Subpart A—[Amended]**

2. Paragraph (j) of 40 CFR 141.6 as published at 66 FR 7061 on January 22, 2001, is amended by revising the last sentence to read as follows:

**§ 141.6 Effective dates.**

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