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**DON'T FIGHT MOTHER NATURE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**  
***Carrier Pickup brings the Post Office direct to your door***

Washington, DC – Think of it as 17 million endorsements.

That's the number of packages being sent through the Postal Service's customer-friendly Carrier Pickup service.

Don't fight Mother Nature this holiday season. Stay inside where it's nice and warm and let the Postal Service do what it does best – pick up and deliver mail.

With Carrier Pickup, customers can take advantage of the personal convenience and service of having packages picked up at their home or office, saving a trip to the Post Office, regardless of the weather. Unlike other shipping companies, there is no fee for the service.

Customers simply print Priority Mail and Express Mail labels with Click-N-Ship, then log on to [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com) to request a pickup of the package. A letter carrier will pick it up at no extra charge during the next day's delivery. Same-day pickup also can be scheduled for only \$12.50 with Carrier Pickup on Demand. Although requests for Carrier Pickup can be made any day of the week at any time, pickups are made Monday through Saturday, and can be scheduled as much as three months in advance.

"Carrier Pickup has proven to be one of our most popular services, especially for small and home-based businesses" said Anita Bizzotto, Chief Marketing Officer and Executive Vice President. "The convenience of door-to-door delivery is only a keyboard click away."

There is no limit to the number of packages that can be sent using Carrier Pickup. Customers don't even have to be home. Instructions can be left online when requesting a pickup that will allow the carrier to complete the transaction.

Customers can address labels with postage for Express Mail or Priority Mail service online. Postage must be applied to the package before the scheduled pickup. Carriers leave a notification at the pickup location confirming pickup.

"Our carriers go to homes and businesses every day, making it quick, easy and convenient for customers to use our services," Bizzotto said. "Carrier Pickup is one more way of extending the Post Office to the customer's doorstep."

Since 1775, the Postal Service and its predecessor, the Post Office Department, has connected friends, families, neighbors and businesses by mail. It is an independent federal agency that visits 142 million homes and businesses every day, six days a week and is the only service provider delivering to every address in the nation. The Postal Service receives no taxpayer dollars for routine operations, but derives its operating revenues solely from the sale of postage, products and services. With annual revenues of more than \$69 billion, it is the world's leading provider of mailing and delivery services, offering some of the most affordable postage rates in the world. The Postal Service delivers more than 46 percent of the world's mail volume—some 206 billion letters, advertisements, periodicals and packages a year—and serves seven and a half million customers each day at its 37,000 retail locations nationwide. Its website, [usps.com](https://www.usps.com), attracts more than 21 million visitors each month.