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2005 International and Military Mail Christmas Mailing Dates

To ensure delivery of holiday cards and packages by December 25 to military APO/FPO addresses overseas and to international addresses, we suggest that mail be entered by the recommended mailing dates listed below. Beat the last-minute rush and take your mail to your U. S. Post Office™ by these suggested dates.

Military Mail Addressed To	Express Mail® Military Service (EMMS) ^{1/}	First-Class Mail® Letters/Cards	Priority Mail®	Parcel Airlift Mail (PAL) ^{2/}	Space Available Mail (SAM) ^{3/}	Parcel Post®
APO/FPO AE ZIPs 090-092	Dec 19	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
APO/FPO AE ZIP 093	N/A	Dec 5	Dec 5	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
APO/FPO AE ZIPs 094-098	Dec 19	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
APO/FPO AA ZIPs 340	Dec 19	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
APO/FPO AP ZIPs 962-966	Dec 19	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12

1/ EMMS: Express Mail Military Service is available to selected military post offices. Check with your local Post Office to determine if this service is available to your APO/FPO of address.

2/ PAL: PAL is a special service that provides air transportation for parcels on a space-available basis. It is available for Parcel Post items not exceeding 30 pounds in weight or 60 inches in length and girth combined. The applicable PAL fee must be paid in addition to the regular surface rate of postage for each addressed piece sent by PAL service.

3/ SAM: Parcels paid at Parcel Post postage rates are first transported domestically by surface and then to overseas destinations by air on a space-available basis. The maximum weight and size limits are 15 pounds and 60 inches in length and girth combined.

International Mail Addressed to	Global Express Guaranteed® (GXG) ^{4/}	Global Express Mail® (GEM) ^{5/}	Global Priority Mail® (GPM) ^{6/}	Global Airmail® Letters and Cards	Global Airmail Parcel Post	Global Economy® (Surface)
Africa	Dec 19	Dec 10	Dec 7	Dec 5	Dec 5	Oct 14
Asia / Pacific Rim	Dec 19	Dec 16	Dec 14	Dec 12	Dec 12	Oct 28
Australia / New Zealand	Dec 19	Dec 16	Dec 14	Dec 12	Dec 12	Oct 28
Canada	Dec 20	Dec 17	Dec 14	Dec 12	Dec 12	Nov 18
Caribbean	Dec 19	Dec 16	Dec 14	Dec 12	Dec 12	Nov 4
Central & South America	Dec 19	Dec 10	Dec 5	Dec 5	Dec 5	Oct 28
Mexico	Dec 19	Dec 16	Dec 14	Dec 12	Dec 12	Nov 4
Europe	Dec 19	Dec 16	Dec 14	Dec 12	Dec 12	Nov 4
Middle East	Dec 19	Dec 16	Dec 14	Dec 12	Dec 12	Oct 21

4/ GXG: Global Express Guaranteed is available to more than 200 countries via a partnership with Federal Express. See a retail associate at participating locations for a complete list of countries and money-back guarantee details. Some restrictions apply.

5/ GEM: Global Express Mail is available to most countries with delivery in 3 to 5 business days. See a retail associate at participating locations for a complete list of countries. Some restrictions apply.

6/ GPM: Global Priority Mail is an accelerated airmail service available for items up to 4 pounds to 51 countries. The service is available in two attractive-sized envelopes. Customers can also use their own packaging by adding the Global Priority Mail sticker. See a retail associate at participating locations for a complete list of countries. Some restrictions apply.