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## **MAIL INTERNATIONALLY, DOMESTICALLY WITH ONE PACKAGE**

### ***New design eliminates confusion, adds convenience for Postal Service customers***

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Shipping just became a lot easier for U.S. Postal Service customers.

For the first time since 1995, the Postal Service's familiar and trusted products for shipping domestically and internationally will have a new look.

With a focus on convenience, the Postal Service has redesigned all Priority Mail and Express Mail packages and envelopes, including the popular Flat Rate boxes and envelopes. Mailers can use the same Priority Mail and Express Mail packaging whether they are shipping within the United States or to another country, beginning May 14.

The design has a fresher, crisper look. The Postal Service logo is prominent alongside international symbols for use by foreign posts. The new design has ample space for required forms, labels and Intelligent Mail® barcodes.

The new packaging is expected to begin arriving in Post Offices across the country this week. All packaging also is available online at *USPS.com*.

Nick Barranca stressed that the Postal Service will continue to accept all existing international and domestic Priority Mail and Express Mail packaging. Barranca is vice president of product development for the Postal Service.

"Customers should continue to use what they have in stock without worry," Barranca said. "We promise the same quality, dependable service no matter which packaging is used."

Express Mail and Priority Mail packages and envelopes remain available free of charge – as does package pickup.

Customers can take advantage of the personal convenience and service of having packages picked up at no extra charge at their home, saving a trip to the Post Office. Unlike other shipping companies, there is no fee for the service. Carrier Pickup is available for packages being sent by

Express Mail or Priority Mail – domestic or international. There is no limit to the number of packages that can be picked up.

Packages must include postage and be ready for shipment before the letter carrier arrives. Print professional shipping labels and pay for postage using any major credit card with Click-N-Ship at *USPS.com*. Calculate and compare postage and purchase insurance without leaving the comfort of home.

The Postal Service has taken additional steps to adding convenience for international mailers, simplifying the eight main International Mail products into four: Global Express Guaranteed, Express Mail International, Priority Mail International and First-Class Mail International.

“Across town or across the world, the Postal Service is reaching out to make shipping easier for its customers,” Barranca said.

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***Please note: JPEGs are available of the redesigned packages and envelopes by contacting Joanne Veto at 202-268-3118 or [joanne.m.veto@usps.gov](mailto:joanne.m.veto@usps.gov).***

An independent federal agency, the **U.S. Postal Service** is the only delivery service that visits every address in the nation, 146 million homes and businesses, six days a week. It has 37,000 retail locations and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to pay for operating expenses, not tax dollars. The Postal Service has annual revenues of \$73 billion and delivers almost half of the world's mail volume.

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