

## Dear USPS Approved Shipper:

Due to heightened security requirements, the Postal Service is working cooperatively with other government agencies to keep the public, our employees, our customers, and the U.S. Mail as safe and secure as possible. With this in mind, we are encouraging all customers with any mailpiece that weighs over 13 ounces to pay the postage using a meter strip, PC postage, Click-N-Ship, eStamps or an Automated Postal Center (APC) postage.

Effective July 30, 2007, any mailpiece weighing over 13 ounces, bearing only postage stamps as postage, must be presented to an employee at a retail counter at a Post Office.

If the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) Approved Shipper wants to accept mail weighing more than 13 ounces bearing only postage stamps as postage they must:

## Apply a \$0.00 meter strip adjacent to the postage.

If the shipping center does not have a meter they must bring this mail, in person, to an employee at a retail counter in a Post Office.

In addition, postal carriers will not be allowed to pick up mail weighing more than 13 ounces bearing only postage stamps as postage unless it has a \$0.00 meter strip applied by the shipping center.

Mail bearing only stamps as postage and weighing more than 13 ounces that is not presented to an employee at a postal retail service counter will be returned to the customer.

Thank you for your help in implementing this change and keeping our mail safe. We continue to value our relationship with our USPS Approved Shippers.

Sincerely,

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Manager

Retail Access Channels

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