



E700 Package Services

E710 Basic Standards

## E711 Parcel Post

**Summary** E711 defines Parcel Post and explains the five Parcel Post rate categories. It also explains when the nonmachinable surcharge is applied.

### 1.0 DEFINITION

Parcel Post (including Parcel Select) is Package Services mail that is not mailed as Bound Printed Matter, Media Mail, or Library Mail. Any Package Services matter may be mailed at Parcel Post rates, subject to the basic standards in [E710](#).

### 2.0 BASIC STANDARDS

**Enclosures** Parcel Post (including Parcel Select) may contain any printed matter mailable as Standard Mail, in addition to the enclosures and additions listed in [E710](#).

**Rate Eligibility** There are five Parcel Post (including Parcel Select) rate categories: Intra-BMC, Inter-BMC, destination bulk mail center (DBMC), destination sectional center facility (DSCF), and destination delivery unit (DDU). Destination entry rates are named Parcel Select. Intra-BMC and Inter-BMC Parcel Post rates and DBMC Parcel Select rates are calculated based on the zone to which the parcel is addressed and the weight of the parcel. DSCF and DDU Parcel Select rates are calculated based on the weight of the parcel. Requirements for Parcel Post rates and discounts are as follows:

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- a. Intra-BMC rates apply to all Parcel Post that originates and destines in the service area of the same BMC or ASF. Intra-BMC rates also apply to Parcel Post that originates and destines in the same state for Alaska and Hawaii and in the same territory for Puerto Rico. See [Exhibit 2.2](#). Nonmachinable pieces ([C050.4.1](#) and [C700](#)) mailed at Intra-BMC rates are subject to a nonmachinable surcharge in addition to postage.
- b. Inter-BMC rates apply to all Parcel Post that originates in the service area of a BMC or ASF or in Alaska, Hawaii, or Puerto Rico and destines outside that area, state, or territory. Nonmachinable pieces ([C050.4.1](#) and [C700](#)) mailed at Inter-BMC rates are subject to a nonmachinable surcharge in addition to postage.
- c. Parcel Post for which OBMC Presort, BMC Presort, and barcoded discounts are claimed and Parcel Post that is mailed at a destination entry rate (Parcel Select-DBMC, -DSCF, -DDU ([E751](#))) must be part of a mailing of 50 or more Parcel Post rate pieces. Eligibility for one of those rates or discounts does not require a separate 50 qualifying pieces per rate or per discount. Eligibility for more than one of those rates or discounts in the same Parcel Post mailing is possible, provided there are a total of at least 50 pieces of mail qualifying for any or all Parcel Post rates in the mailing and all other preparation and eligibility requirements for the rates or discounts are met.
- d. The BMC Presort per piece discount applies to pieces of Inter-BMC Parcel Post sorted to BMC destinations under [L601](#) for machinable pieces and sorted to BMC and ASF destinations for nonmachinable pieces under [L605](#). To qualify, machinable pieces must be placed in pallet boxes on pallets, and nonmachinable pieces must be placed directly on pallets under [M041](#) and [M045](#). The mail must be entered at a postal facility that is not a BMC and must be part of a mailing containing 50 or more Parcel Post rate pieces.



- e. The origin bulk mail center (OBMC) Presort per piece discount applies to pieces of Inter-BMC Parcel Post sorted to BMC destinations under L601 for machinable pieces and sorted to BMC and ASF destinations for nonmachinable pieces under L605. To qualify, machinable pieces must be placed in pallet boxes on pallets; and nonmachinable pieces must be placed directly on pallets under M041 and M045. The mail must be entered at a BMC listed in L601 and must be part of a mailing containing 50 or more Parcel Post rate pieces.
- f. The barcoded discount applies to Parcel Post (including Parcel Select) machinable parcels (C050.4.1) that bear a correct, readable barcode under C850 for the ZIP Code of the delivery address; are part of a mailing of 50 or more Parcel Post (including Parcel Select) rate pieces; are not mailed at the DSCF or DDU rates; and, if claiming the DBMC rates, are not entered at an ASF. An exception is that properly prepared machinable pieces of DBMC rate mail entered at the Phoenix, AZ, ASF may claim the barcoded discount because that facility uses barcode scanning equipment.
- g. The oversized rate applies to pieces that measure over 108 inches but not more than 130 inches in combined length and girth.
- h. Items that weigh less than 15 pounds but measure more than 84 inches in combined length and girth are charged a minimum rate equal to that for a 15-pound parcel for the zone to which it is addressed.

Exhibit 2.2  
BMC/ASF Service  
Areas [9-16-04]

[7-22-04]

Service Area	ZIP Code Areas Served
<b>BMC</b>	
New Jersey	005, 068-079, 085-098, 100-119, 124-127
Springfield	010-067, 120-123, 128, 129
Philadelphia	080-084, 137-139, 169-199
Pittsburgh	150-168, 260-266, 439-447
Washington	200-212, 214-239, 244, 254, 267, 268
Greensboro	240-243, 245-249, 270-297, 376
Cincinnati	250-253, 255-259, 400-418, 421, 422, 425-427, 430-433, 437, 438, 448-462, 469-474
Atlanta	298, 300-312, 317-319, 350-352, 354-368, 373, 374, 377-379, 398, 399
Jacksonville	299, 313-316, 320-342, 344, 346, 347, 349
Memphis	369-372, 375, 380-397, 700, 701, 703-705, 707, 708, 713, 714, 716, 717, 719-729
St. Louis	420, 423, 424, 475-479, 614-620, 622-631, 633-639
Detroit	434-436, 465-468, 480-497
Chicago	463, 464, 530-532, 534, 535, 537-539, 600-611, 613
Minneapolis/St. Paul	498, 499, 540-551, 553-564, 566
Des Moines	500-516, 520-528, 612, 680, 681, 683-689
Kansas City	640, 641, 644-658, 660-662, 664-679, 739
Denver	690-693, 800-816, 820, 822-831, 856, 857
Dallas	706, 710-712, 718, 733, 747, 750-799, 885
Seattle	835, 838, 970-978, 980-986, 988-994
Los Angeles	889-891, 893, 900-908, 910-928, 930-935
San Francisco	894, 895, 897, 936-966
<b>ASF</b>	
Buffalo	130-136, 140-149
Fargo	565, 567, 580-588
Sioux Falls	570-577
Billings	590-599, 821
Oklahoma City	730, 731, 734-738, 740, 741, 743-746, 748, 749
Salt Lake City	832-834, 836, 837, 840-847, 898, 979
Phoenix	850, 852, 853, 855, 859, 860, 863, 864
Albuquerque	865, 870-875, 877-884
<b>Other</b>	
Puerto Rico	006-009
Hawaii	967-969
Alaska	995-999



- Fees** Parcel Post mail is subject to these fees, as applicable:
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- a. A mailing fee for Parcel Select must be paid once each 12-month period at each post office of mailing by or for any person or organization that mails at the destination entry rates, except as provided otherwise for plant-verified drop shipments. All destination entry rates are covered under the payment of a single annual fee. The fee may be paid in advance only for the next 12 months and only during the last 60 days of the current service period. The fee charged is that which is in effect on the date of payment.
  - b. The Parcel Post pickup fee must be paid every time pickup service is provided, subject to the corresponding standards in [D010](#).

