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On January 13th, the U.S. Postal Service® announced a price change that will take effect April 17th, 2011. The average increase across all mail classes will be 1.7 percent. While the April 17th U.S. Postal Service Price Change will be more straightforward than the January 2011 price change, there are still some very important changes that you should be aware of.

As always, DYMO Endicia will be supporting the new prices and will provide a free software update for all customers. Prior to April 17th, 2011 your DYMO Endicia® software will update to a new version that includes the new U.S. Postal Service prices. Please allow this update to be performed when you are prompted. If you have allowed the update, the software will use the old prices before April 17th and will automatically switch to the new prices for all pieces dated April 17th or later.

In accordance with the Postal Law of 2006, the increases are limited to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) cap of 1.7 percent. This is the first U.S. Postal Service mailing services price change in two years. Prices for shipping services, like Priority Mail® and Express Mail®, will not change April 17th. If you are interested in learning more about the 2011 U.S. Postal Service mailing services price change, register for a DYMO Endicia price change webinar. For a complete list of prices from the U.S. Postal Service, visit www.usps.com/prices.

USPS Pricing Change Overview

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Prices will change for the following mail classes:

- First-Class Mail® letters greater than 1 oz. The price of a 1oz. First-Class Mail letter will remain unchanged at 44 cents
- First-Class Mail postcards
- First-Class Mail Large Envelopes/Flats
- First-Class Mail Parcels
- First-Class Mail International

- Standard Mail[®]
- Library Mail
- Media Mail®
- Extra Services

The U.S. Postal Service will be offering a Commercial Base rate for customers printing single piece First-Class Mail Parcel postage online. The U.S. Postal Service will reward customers for printing postage online and will discount this mail class from the retail rates. The Commercial Base rate will be supported through DAZzle, DYMO Endicia Professional and Endicia Label Server.

First-Class Mail Pricing

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Postcards, letters, large envelopes (flats) and small packages can be sent using First-Class Mail®. This service is ideal for sending personal correspondence, handwritten or typewritten letters, and bills or statements of account. It may also be used for advertisements and lightweight merchandise. First-Class Mail prices are based on both the shape and weight of the item being mailed. For items weighing more than 13 ounces, use Priority Mail. Please note that First-Class Mail Parcels will now be offered at a Commercial Base discounted rate for single piece mailings. This discount is show in the First-Class Mail Parcel chart below.

First-Class Mail Pricing - Letters & Postcards								
Weight Not Over (ounces)	Change	% Change						
1	\$0.44	\$0.44	\$ -	0%				
2	\$0.61	\$0.64	\$0.03	4.92%				
3	\$0.78	\$0.84	\$0.06	7.69%				
3.5	\$0.95	\$1.04	\$0.09	9.47%				
Postcard	\$0.28	\$0.29	\$0.01	3.57%				

First-Class Mail Pricing - Large Envelopes							
Weight Not Over (ounces)							
1	\$0.88	\$0.88	\$ -	0%			
2	\$1.05	\$1.08	\$0.03	2.78%			
3	\$1.22	\$1.28	\$0.06	4.69%			
5	\$1.56	\$1.68	\$0.12	7.14%			
10	\$2.41	\$2.68	\$0.27	10.07%			

Weight Not Over	Parcels	Parcels	Parcels	Savings Over Retail
(ounces)	(2010 price)	(2011 price)	(2011 Commercial Base price)*	
1	\$1.22	\$1.71	\$1.56	\$0.15
2	\$1.39	\$1.71	\$1.56	\$0.15
3	\$1.56	\$1.71	\$1.56	\$0.15
5	\$1.90	\$2.05	\$1.90	\$0.15
10	\$2.75	\$2.90	\$2.75	\$0.15

*2011 Commercial Base prices are extended to non-integrated (DYMO Stamp and DYMO Endicia Printable Postage) postage prints. The discount will be indicated with the term "Commercial Base" on the postage print as shown here:



The following are descriptions for each classification of First-Class Mail:

- First-Class Mail Cards rectangular cardstock mailpiece not contained in an envelope.
- **First-Class Mail Letters** small rectangular mailpiece no thicker than 1/4 inch weighing 3.5 ounces or less.
- First-Class Mail Large Envelopes flat rectangular mailpiece no thicker than 3/4 inch.
- First-Class Mail Packages a box, thick envelope, or tube weighing up to 13 ounces.

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- Mail books, sound recordings, recorded video tapes, printed music, and recorded computer-readable media (such as CDs, DVDs, and diskettes). Media Mail can not contain advertising except for incidental announcements of books. The maximum weight for Media Mail is 70 lbs and no more than 108 inches in combined length and girth.

Media Mail Pricing							
Weight Not Over (pounds)	Large Envelopes & Parcels(2010 price)	Large Envelopes & Parcels(2011 price)	Change	% Change			
1	\$2.38	\$2.41	\$0.03	1.24%			
2	\$2.77	\$2.82	\$0.05	1.77%			
3	\$3.16	\$3.23	\$0.07	2.17%			
5	\$3.94	\$4.05	\$0.11	2.72%			
10	\$5.89	\$6.04	\$0.15	2.48%			

Parcel Post Pricing

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Parcel Post pricing has been greatly simplified. Most of the price cells will not increase on April 17th, and some cells will actually decrease.

Use Parcel Post when sending small and large packages, thick envelopes and tubes containing gifts and merchandise, delivery to all US addresses-including PO Boxes and military addresses, Saturday and residential deliveries at no extra cost. Package can weigh up to 70 pounds and measure up to 130 inches in combined length and distance around the thickest part.

Parcel Post Pricing							
Weight Not Over (pounds)	Zone Average 2010	Zone Average 2011	Change	% Change			
1	\$4.90	\$5.25	\$0.35	6.67%			
2	\$6.34	\$6.65	\$0.31	4.66%			
3	\$7.55	\$7.78	\$0.23	2.96%			
5	\$9.41	\$9.55	\$0.14	1.47%			
10	\$12.51	\$12.50	\$(0.01)	-0.08%			

Library Mail Pricing

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Library Mail is only for items sent to, from, or between academic institutions, public libraries, museums, and other qualified organizations. Content is limited to books, sound recordings, academic theses, and certain other items. Library Mail can be up to 70 lbs and no more than 108 inches in combined length and girth.

Library Mail Pricing							
Weight Not Over (pounds)	Large Envelopes & Parcels (2010 price)	Large Envelopes & Parcels(2011 price)	Change	% Change			
1	\$2.26	\$2.29	\$0.03	1.31%			
2	\$2.63	\$2.68	\$0.05	1.87%			
3	\$3.00	\$3.07	\$0.07	2.28%			
5	\$3.74	\$3.85	\$0.11	2.86%			
10	\$5.59	\$5.74	\$0.15	2.61%			

Domestic Service Fee Changes

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Amount for Merchandi se Insurance Desired	USPS Insuran ce (2010 Price)	USPS Insuran ce (2011 Price)	Chang e	Endicia Insurance w/Standa rd Service	Savings with Standa rd	Endicia Ins. w/ Premiu m and Mac	Savings with Premiu m and Mac	Endici a Ins. w/ Pro.	Savin gs
\$0.01 to \$50.00	\$1.75	\$1.80	\$0.05	\$1.15	\$(0.65)	\$0.80	\$(1.00)	\$0.75	\$(1.05)
\$50.01 to \$100	\$2.25	\$2.30	\$0.05	\$1.15	\$(1.15)	\$0.80	\$(1.50)	\$0.75	\$(1.55)
\$100.01 to \$200	\$2.75	\$2.85	\$0.10	\$2.30	\$(0.55)	\$1.60	\$(1.25)	\$1.50	\$(1.35)
\$200.01 to \$300	\$4.70	\$4.75	\$0.05	\$3.45	\$(1.30)	\$2.40	\$(2.35)	\$2.25	\$(2.50)
\$300.01 to \$5000	(+)\$1.00	(+)\$1.05	\$0.05	\$1.15		(+)\$0.8 0		(+)\$0.7 0	

Express Mail Insurance							
Amount for Merchandise Insurance Desired	2010 Price	2011 Price	Change	% Change			
\$0.01 to \$100.00	0	0	0	0%			
\$100.01 to \$200	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.05	6.25%			

\$200.01 to \$500	\$2.15	\$2.20	\$0.05	2.27%
\$500.01 to \$5000	\$2.15 plus \$1.40 for each	\$2.20 plus \$1.45 for each	(+)\$.05	
	\$500 or fraction thereof over \$500	\$500 or fraction thereof over \$500	plus \$.05	

Signature Confirmation							
Signature Confirmation		2010	2011	Change	% Change	Savings Over	
		Price	Price			Retail	
First-Class Mail (Parcels	Retail	\$2.35	\$2.45	\$0.10	4.08%		
Only)							
	Electronic	\$1.95	\$2.05	\$0.10	4.88%	-19.51%	
Priority Mail	Retail	\$2.35	\$2.45	\$0.10	4.08%		
	Electronic	\$1.95	\$2.05	\$0.10	4.88%	-19.51%	
Package Services (Parcels	Retail	\$2.35	\$2.45	\$0.10	4.08%		
Only)							
	Electronic	\$1.95	\$2.05	\$0.10	4.88%	-19.51%	

Collect on Delivery (COD)							
Amount to be collected or insurance coverage desired,	2010	2011	Change	% Change			
whichever is higher	Price	Price					
\$0.01 to 50.00	\$5.50	\$5.75	\$0.25	4.35%			
\$50.01 to \$100.00	\$6.80	\$7.10	\$0.30	4.23%			
\$100.01 to \$200.00	\$8.10	\$8.45	\$0.35	4.14%			
\$200.01 to \$300.00	\$9.40	\$9.80	\$0.40	4.08%			
\$300.01 to \$400.00	\$10.70	\$11.15	\$0.45	4.04%			
\$400.01 to \$500.00	\$12.00	\$12.50	\$0.50	4.00%			
\$500.01 to \$600.00	\$13.30	\$13.85	\$0.55	3.97%			
\$600.01 to \$700.00	\$14.60	\$15.20	\$0.60	3.95%			
\$700.01 to \$800.00	\$15.90	\$16.55	\$0.65	3.93%			
\$800.01 to \$900.00	\$17.20	\$17.90	\$0.70	3.91%			
\$900.01 to \$1,000.00	\$18.50	\$19.25	\$0.75	3.90%			

Return Receipt						
2010 Price 2011 Price Change % Change						
Requested at time of mailing	\$2.30	\$2.30	\$ -	0%		
Requested after mailing	\$4.60	\$4.70	\$0.10	2.13%		
Electronic	\$1.10	\$1.15	\$0.05	4.35%		

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Registered Mail								
Registered Mail	2010	2011 Price	Change	% Change				
	Price							
Without insurance, declared	\$10.60	\$10.75	\$0.05	1.40%				
value \$0.00								
With insurance, declared	-	-	-	-				
value								
\$0.01 to \$100.00	\$11.50	\$11.50	-	0%				
\$100.01 to \$500.00	\$13.10	\$13.25	\$0.15	1.13%				
\$500.01 to \$1,000.00	\$14.45	\$14.65	\$0.20	1.37%				
\$1,000.01 to \$25,000.00	-	\$14.65 plus \$1.40	handling charge for	each \$1,000 or fraction				
		thereof over \$1,000.00						
\$25,000.01 to \$1,000,000.00	-	\$48.25 plus \$1.40 handling charge for each \$1,000 or fraction						
		thereof over \$25,000.00						
\$1,000,000.01 to	-	\$1,413.25 plus \$1.40 handling charge for each \$1,000 or						
\$15,000,000.00		fraction thereof over \$1,000,000.00						
\$15,000,000.00+	-	\$21,013.25 plus amount determined by the Postal Service						
		based on weight, s	space, and value					

International Pricing

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First-Class Mail International - Letter and Postcards									
Weight Not Over (ounces)	Canada 2010	Canada 2011	Change	% Change	Mexico 2010	Mexico 2011	Change	% Change	
1	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.05	6.25%	\$0.79	\$0.80	\$0.01	1.25%	
2	\$1.00	\$1.08	\$0.08	7.41%	\$1.34	\$1.36	\$0.02	1.47%	
3	\$1.25	\$1.36	\$0.11	8.09%	\$1.89	\$1.92	\$0.03	1.56%	
3.5	\$1.50	\$1.64	\$0.14	8.54%	\$2.44	\$2.48	\$0.04	1.61%	
Postcard	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.05	6.25%	\$0.79	\$0.80	\$0.01	1.25%	

Weight Not Over (ounces)	3-5 (2010)	3-5 (2011)	Change	% Change	6-9 (2010)	6-9 (2011)	Change	% Change
1	\$0.98	\$0.98	0	0%	\$0.98	\$0.98	\$ -	0%
2	\$1.82	\$1.82	0	0%	\$1.76	\$1.76	\$ -	0%
3	\$2.66	\$2.66	0	0%	\$2.54	\$2.54	\$ -	0%
3.5	\$3.50	\$3.50	0	0%	\$3.32	\$3.32	\$ -	0%

First-Class Mail International - Large Envelopes									
Weight Not	Canada	Canada	Change	% Change	Mexico	Mexico	Change	% Change	
Over	2010	2011			2010	2011			
(ounces)									
1	\$1.03	\$1.08	\$0.05	4.63%	\$1.03	\$1.08	\$0.05	4.63%	
2	\$1.29	\$1.34	\$0.05	3.73%	\$1.59	\$1.65	\$0.06	3.64%	
3	\$1.55	\$1.60	\$0.05	3.13%	\$2.15	\$2.22	\$0.07	3.15%	
5	\$2.07	\$2.12	\$0.05	2.36%	\$2.71	\$3.36	\$0.65	19.35%	
Weight Not	3-5	3-5	Change	% Change	6-9	6-9	Change	% Change	
Over	(2010)	(2011)			(2010)	(2011)			
(ounces)									
1	\$1.24	\$1.30	\$0.06	4.62%	\$1.24	\$1.30	\$0.06	4.62%	
2	\$2.08	\$2.17	\$0.09	4.15%	\$2.03	\$2.13	\$0.10	4.69%	
3	\$2.92	\$3.04	\$0.12	3.95%	\$2.82	\$2.96	\$0.14	4.73%	
5	\$4.60	\$4.78	\$0.18	3.77%	\$3.40	\$4.62	\$0.22	26.41%	

First-Class Mail International - Packages

Weight Not Over (ounces)	Canada 2010	Canada 2011	Change	% Change	Mexico 2010	Mexico 2011	Change	% Change
1	\$1.23	\$1.72	\$0.49	28.49%	\$1.23	\$1.72	\$0.49	28.49%
2	\$1.49	\$1.98	\$0.49	24.75%	\$1.79	\$2.29	\$0.50	21.83%
3	\$1.75	\$2.24	\$0.49	21.88%	\$2.35	\$2.86	\$0.51	17.83%
5	\$2.27	\$2.76	\$0.49	17.75%	\$3.47	\$4.00	\$0.53	13.25%
16	\$5.01	\$5.58	\$0.57	10.22%	\$8.25	\$8.95	\$0.70	7.82%
Weight Not	3-5	3-5	Change	% Change	6-9	6-9	Change	% Change
Over	(2010)	(2011)			(2010)	(2011)		
(ounces)								
1	\$1.44	\$1.72	\$0.28	16.28%	\$1.44	\$1.72	\$0.28	16.28%
2	\$2.28	\$2.59	\$0.31	11.97%	\$2.23	\$2.53	\$0.30	11.86%
3	\$3.12	\$3.46	\$0.34	9.83%	\$3.02	\$3.34	\$0.32	9.58%
5	\$4.80	\$5.20	\$0.40	7.69%	\$4.60	\$4.96	\$0.36	7.26%
	74.00	75.20	70.70	7.0370	γ-1.00	γ 1.50	70.50	7.2070

Certified Mail

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Certified Mail is increasing \$.05, from \$2.80 to \$2.85.

Pickup on Demand Service

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Pickup on Demand Service remains at \$15.30.