

## 224 Postage Payment and Documentation

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### 1.0 Basic Standards for Postage Payment

#### 1.1 Commercial Pricing

Priority Mail commercial postage may be paid with:

- a. USPS Click-N-Ship.
- b. USPS-approved PC Postage products when registered end-users use a qualifying shipping label.
- c. Permit imprint.
- d. USPS-approved IBI postage meters that print the IBI with the appropriate price marking (see [202.3.3](#)) and electronically transmit transactional data to the USPS.
- e. USPS Returns service used by permit holders for Priority Mail packages when all requirements are met under [505.3.0](#).

#### 1.2 Affixing Postage—Single-Piece Mailings

In a postage-affixed Priority Mail mailing, the mailer must affix to each piece a value equal to at least the postage required (including any surcharges).

### 2.0 Postage Paid with Permit Imprint

#### 2.1 Advance Deposit Account

A mailer may be authorized to mail items without affixing postage when a permit imprint indicia (see [604.5.0](#)) is used and payment is made at the time of mailing from a permit imprint advance deposit account established with the USPS for that purpose. This payment method may be used for postage and extra service fees.

#### 2.2 Minimum Quantity

[\[4-1-24\]](#) Permit imprint mailings must contain at least 200 pieces or 50 pounds submitted under the terms of an approved manifest mailing system agreement with exceptions allowed under a minimum volume reduction provision (see [705.2.1.3](#)).

#### 2.3 Postage Statement

A completed postage statement must accompany each mailing paid with a permit imprint.



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