

USPS Pricing Engine WS

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Summary

This is the Domestic and International Pricing Engine WS (version 11.10.5.0) for the August 2021 Release. The following is a list of enhancements included in this release.

RCALC Aug 2021 PC - BNS 67552 - Break Rate Relationships MD & Comp Intl Special Svcs (B-538223)

1) For mail dates on or after August 29, 2021, Price Engine calculators and services return...

The correct August 2021 pricing for FCMI (Market-Dominant) extra services

- Certificate of Mailing
- Registered Mail
- Return Receipt

The correct August 2021 pricing for FCPIS (Competitive) extra services

- Certificate of Mailing
- Registered Mail
- Return Receipt

The correct August 2021 pricing for Priority Mail International (Competitive) extra service

- Return Receipt

2) For mail dates prior to August 29, 2021, Price Engine returns the same current pricing for the following extra services regardless of market-dominant or competitive service

- Certificate of Mailing (FCMI, FCPIS)
- Registered Mail (FCMI, FCPIS)
- Return Receipt (FCMI, FCPIS, PMI)

3) For mail dates on or after August 29, 2021 GetPriceBySKU returns correct prices for all new market-dominant international extra services as well as existing competitive international extra services

New International Extra Services to separate MD from Competitive

Associate each extra service to the appropriate mail services (MD or Comp)

Extra Services rules will remain the same for MD and Comp for now

No change to how prices are returned/displayed to online calculators and downstream systems

RCALC Aug 2021 PC - BNS 85367 - Structural Price Change for FCM Non-Automated Letter (B-538201)

New rate cells will be added for customers mailing Nonautomation Letters (Machinable and Nonmachinable).

This will eliminate the Nonmachinable surcharge applicable Nonautomation Presort Letters.

Nonmachinable surcharge is still necessary for Single-Piece.

Necessary system changes and updates are required to reflect this change in the First-Class Mail Commercial pricing structure.

As a mailer, I want new price cells to be added to the First- Class Mail Commercial Letters Pricing Structure

so that

Mailers can take advantage of presort rates for Nonautomation Letters (Machinable and Nonmachinable). Instead of having one rate cell for all Nonautomation Presort, the new structure will have two rate cells for Nonautomation Machinable and three rate cells for Nonautomation Nonmachinable

Impact:

Ingest additional prices/SKUs from Pricing Tool

Return additional pricing for FCM Comm Letters to Bus Calc and Dom Services

Nonautomation Machinable (AADC and Mixed AADC) and Nonautomation Nonmachinable (5-Digit, 3-Digit, Mixed ADC) Was presorted before now sorted will be a price point

RCALC Aug 2021 PC - BNS 85369 - High Density Flats Pricing on Direct Pallets (B-538200)

Provide a new, lower price for high density flats put on direct pallets, saving 3 cents per piece in operational costs while costing 1 cent per piece in discounts

As the Price Engine, I want new price cells to be added to the Marketing Mail High Density Flats Pricing Structure

so that I can provide an incentive to move additional High Density pieces to direct pallets.

A "Direct Pallet Discount" will be offered for High Density Flats, similar to the discount is currently offered for Carrier Route Flats on Direct Pallets

Impact:

Domestic Business Calculator - present new prices
New prices ingested from Pricing Tool

Acceptance Criteria:

Additional rate cells are added to reflect this lower price for High Density flat-shaped pieces.

Necessary systems changes are required to accurately charge the new prices to the customers

New pricing structure added for USPS Marketing mail High Density Flats named "High Density CR Bundle / Pallet".

RCALC Aug 2021 PC - BNS 85984 - Create Aug 2021 Domestic & International Databases (B-537634)

Create Aug 2021 Domestic and International Databases for the 8/29/2021 Price Change

Changes to the Database Structure

New databases are created to support domestic and international logic and prices. These databases are named USPS_DOM_2020_01 and USPS_INTL_2020_01 respectively. There is now only one pricing table to represent SKUs.

Updated DLLs

The library versions remain the same 11.11.0.0.

Updated databases

New databases have been created for this release: USPS_DOM_2021_08 and USPS_INTL_2021_08 for domestic and international respectively. With SKU Pricing the pricing tables have been replace by a single pricing table this is SKU based.

Reported Defects and Change Request

Description	Status
None at this time	

