

highway contract routes with box numbers in the address, the delivery address must contain the route number and box number in that order. With post office box addresses, the box number must follow the designation "PO BOX" or "POST OFFICE BOX." When any delivery address line information exceeds the space allowed, secondary information must be placed on the line above. Such overflow information may not be placed on the line below the delivery address line. Address element standardization also means that the delivery address line elements should appear in the correct order.

—To help further clarify and respond to questions on the use of standardized address block format, the following information is provided:

- "Prestigious" city names may be used if associated with the correct ZIP Code.
- A state name may be fully spelled out or abbreviated according to the abbreviations in the USPS City State File.
- A city name must be spelled correctly enough not to create a duplicate within the state.
- Missing elements (directional or suffix) are not required if their omission does not create an ambiguous match.
- Street names must be spelled correctly enough not to create an ambiguous match.

- Abbreviations of words in street names may be used. (For recommended abbreviations, see USPS Publication 28, Postal Addressing Standards.)

2. Basic Rate Category

- Mailings must be in line-of-travel sequence.
- This is not exact walk-sequence arrangement of the mailpieces. For line-of-travel sequence, the mailpieces are first sorted into the sequence in which the ZIP+4s are delivered by the carrier. The mailpieces are further sorted into ascending or descending numerical sequence within the number range associated with the ZIP+4.
- The Postal Service will examine the number of routes that have fewer than 10 possible deliveries and determine whether to allow enhanced carrier route rates when pieces are prepared for all stops on such routes.

3. High-Density Rate Category

- Applies to mail presented in walk-sequence order and meeting high-density requirements prescribed by the Postal Service (321.43).
- Mail must be at least 125 pieces per carrier route sorted to carrier walk-sequence.
- The Postal Service will examine the number of routes that have fewer than 10 possible deliveries and determine whether to allow carrier route rates when pieces are prepared for all stops on such routes.

- The current methods for walk-sequence address lists in DMM M304.5 may be used.
- It has been suggested that the Postal Service use line-of-travel sequence as an alternative to exact walk sequence.

4. Saturation Rate Category

- Applies to mail presented in walk-sequence order and meeting the saturation requirements prescribed by the Postal Service (321.44).
- There must be addressed pieces for at least 90 percent of the total active residential deliveries per route, or for at least 75 percent of the total active deliveries per route.
- The current methods for walk-sequence address lists in DMM M304.5 must be used.
- Further instructions will be developed for the preparation of letter-size pieces in this rate category (for example, use of sacks or trays).

5. Destination Entry Discounts

- Applies to mail prepared as prescribed by the Postal Service and addressed for delivery within the service area of the destination BMC (or ASF), SCF, or DDU (321.45).
- The Postal Service is working to align SCF, ADC, and BMC service area boundaries.
- Destination entry will not be required to mail at high-density or saturation walk-sequence rates.

II-1 STANDARD MAIL

[Automation Subclass—Letters (Third-Class)]

Sort level	Opt./req.	Rate qualification minimum	Tray levels	Rate ¹ (cents)
Carrier Route ²	Opt.	10 pieces per route	Carrier Route (full, no overflow)	14.1
Carrier route ² .....	....do .....	....do	5-Digit Carrier Routes (no min.)	14.1
5-Digit .....	....do	150 pieces	5-Digit (full, overflow allowed)	15.5
3-Digit	Req. ....	....do	3-Digit (full, overflow allowed)	16.8
AADC .....	....do	N/A	AADC (full, overflow allowed)	17.5
Mixed AADC .....	....do .....	....do	Mixed AADC (no min., grouped by AADC)	17.5

¹ Destination discounts will also be available.

² Carrier Route sortation and rates limited to nonautomated and CSBCS sorted ZIP Codes.

II-2 STANDARD MAIL

[Automation Subclass—Flats (Third-Class)]

Sort level	Optional/required	Package minimum	Sacks ²	Rate ¹ (cents)
5-Digit	Required	10 pieces	5-Digit (min. 125 pieces or 15 lbs.)	19.0
3-Digit .....	....do .....	....do	3-Digit (min. 125 pieces or 15 lbs.)	19.0
ADC .....	....do .....	....do	ADC (min. 125 pieces or 15 lbs.)	23.7
Mixed ADC .....	....do	No min	Mixed ADC (no min.)	23.7

¹ Rate is based on type of package regardless of sack in which, or pallet on which, it is placed. Destination discounts will also be available.

² Palletization preferred. Pallet destinations are not the same as sack levels shown.