Persons or organizations paying this fee may enter mail of their clients as well as their own mail.

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## 5.0 DOCUMENTATION

A mailing statement, completed and signed by the mailer, using the correct USPS form or an approved facsimile, must be submitted with each mailing except for single-piece Retail First-Class or single-piece Priority Mail mailings in which the correct postage is affixed to each piece. Supporting documentation might be required by the standards for the rate claimed or the postage payment method used.

[Replace current E131 and E132 with new E130 as follows:]

E130 Retail Rates

# 1.0 BASIC STANDARDS

## 1.1 All Pieces

All pieces of Retail First-Class Mail must:

- a. Meet the basic standards for First-Class Mail in E110.
  - b. Weigh 11 ounces or less.
  - c. Bear a delivery address.
- d. Meet the postage payment standards in P013 and P100.

#### 1.2 Barcodes

Any POSTNET barcode on a mailpiece in a Retail First-Class mailing must meet the standards in C840 and A950 and must be the correct barcode for the delivery address.

# 1.3 Nonstandard Surcharge

A nonstandard surcharge is assessed on each single-piece or Retail Presort First-Class rate piece weighing 1 ounce or less that exceeds the size limits in C100.

# 2.0 SINGLE-PIECE RATES

The single-piece Retail rates apply to any First-Class Mail weighing 11 ounces or less and not eligible for and claimed at the single-piece Retail card rate or at a Retail Presort or Automation First-Class rate. The single-piece Retail card rate applies to cards not eligible for and claimed at a Retail Presort or Automation First-Class rate.

### 3.0 PRESORT RATES

#### 3.1 Standards

In addition to the standards in 1.0, all pieces in a Presort First-Class rate mailing must:

- a. Be part of a single mailing of at least 500 pieces of Retail Presort First-Class Mail.
  - b. Be in the same processing category.

- c. Bear a delivery address that includes the correct numeric ZIP Code or ZIP+4 code and that meets the standards for accuracy and maintenance in 3.2 and 3.3.
- d. Be marked, presorted, and documented as specified in M130.

## 3.2 Address Quality

Effective 6 months from the date on which Classification Reform is implemented, or on January 1, 1997, whichever is sooner, addresses appearing on all pieces claimed at Retail Presort rates must have been updated within 6 months of the date of mailing by a USPS-approved address update tool (e.g., the "Address Correction Endorsement," ACS, or NCOA). Mailers must certify that this standard has been met when the corresponding mail is presented to the USPS. This standard applies to each address individually, not to a specific list or mailing. An address meeting this standard may be used in mailings at any other rate to which the standard applies throughout the 6-month period following its most recent update.

## 3.3 ZIP Code Accuracy

Effective 3 months from the date on which Classification Reform is implemented, 5-digit ZIP Codes included in addresses appearing on pieces claimed at Retail Presort rates must have been verified and corrected within 12 months of the date of mailing by a USPS-approved method. Mailers must certify that this standard has been met when the corresponding mail is presented to the USPS. This standard applies to each address individually, not to a specific list or mailing. An address meeting this standard may be used in mailings at any other rate to which the standard applies throughout the 12-month period following its most recent update. [Replace current E142, E144, E145, and

E140 Automation Rates

# 1.0 BASIC STANDARDS

# 1.1 All Pieces

follows:

All pieces in an Automation First-Class mailing must:

E147 through E149 with new E140 as

- a. Meet all the basic standards for First-Class Mail in E110.
- b. Be part of a single mailing of at least 500 pieces of Automation First-Class Mail.
- c. Be in the same processing category and meet the applicable physical standards in C810 or C820.
- d. Bear a delivery address that includes the correct numeric 5-digit ZIP

Code or ZIP+4 code, or the correct numeric equivalent to the delivery point barcode (DPBC).

- e. Meet the address quality and coding standards in 1.2, 1.3 (if applicable), A800, and A950.
- f. Be marked, presorted, and documented as specified in M810 or M820, as applicable.
- g. Meet the postage payment standards in P013 and P100.
- h. Bear an accurate barcode meeting the standards in C840, either the correct DPBC if a card or letter (on the piece or on an insert showing through a barcode window) or the correct ZIP+4 barcode or DPBC if a flat.

## 1.2 Address Quality

Effective 6 months from the date on which Classification Reform is implemented, or on January 1, 1997, whichever is sooner, addresses appearing on all pieces claimed at Automation rates must have been updated within 6 months of the date of mailing by a USPS-approved address update tool (e.g., the "Address Correction Endorsement," ACS, or NCOA). Mailers must certify that this standard has been met when the corresponding mail is presented to the USPS. This standard applies to each address individually, not to a specific list or mailing. An address meeting this standard may be used in mailings at any other rate to which the standard applies throughout the 6-month period following its most recent update.

## 1.3 Carrier Route Presort

Mailers must apply carrier route codes to mailings using CASS-certified software and the current USPS Carrier Route Information System (CRIS) scheme or another AIS product containing carrier route information (see A930). Mailers must have updated carrier route information within 90 days of the mailing date. Carrier route rates for letter-size mail are available only for those 5-digit ZIP Code areas identified in the USPS AIS products used for address coding.

# 1.4 Enclosed Reply Envelopes and Cards

Effective January 1, 1997, all courtesy reply and business reply envelopes and cards provided to addressees as enclosures in Automation First-Class Mail must bear the correct facing identification mark (FIM) and delivery point barcode for the delivery address of the reply piece and must meet the automation compatibility standards in C810 or C820, as appropriate. Mailers must certify that this standard has been