

2.0 METHOD

2.1 Required Marking

Unless otherwise directed or allowed by standard, the required marking must be printed or produced as part of, or immediately below or to the left of, the permit imprint, meter impression or stamp, or precanceled or adhesive stamp. Alternatively, the mailer may place markings in the address area on the line immediately above the address or, preferably, two lines above the address. If the marking is in the address area, no other information may appear on the line with the rate marking except carrier route information. Markings may also be included in the optional endorsement line (under M013) or carrier route information line (under M014).

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2.3 Precanceled Stamps

If precanceled stamps bearing the words "Carrier Route Presort" are used, additional markings must be provided as required by the standards for the particular rate claimed.

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M013 Optional Endorsement Lines

[In 1.1, delete the entries for optional SDC, state, and mixed states packages; in 1.2 and 2.1, replace "[T]hird-[C]lass" with "Standard Mail (A)"; in 2.6, delete "fourth-class"; revise other text as follows:]

1.0 USE

1.1 Basic Standards

Mailers may prepare mailings without applying pressure-sensitive package labels to the top piece of packages by using a specific optional endorsement line (OEL) above the address block or on the address label on the top piece of a package as shown below. Use of OELs on bundles is subject to the standards applicable to the rate claimed.

On FIRM PACKAGES useFIRM 12345
On CARRIER ROUTE PACKAGES
(Nonprofit Standard Mail, Regular and Preferred Periodicals) use.....CAR-RT-SORT**C-001

On CARRIER ROUTE PACKAGES
(Enhanced Carrier Route Standard Mail) use.....ECR**C-001

On CARRIER ROUTE PACKAGES
(Automation First-Class and Automation Standard Mail) use

.....AUTOCRRT**C-001

On 5-DIGIT PACKAGES use...5-DIGIT 12345

On OPTIONAL CITY PACKAGES use

.....MIXED CITY 12345

(Use lowest 5-digit ZIP Code assigned to that city.)

On 3-DIGIT PACKAGES use.....3-DIGIT 771

On SCF PACKAGES useSCF 750
(Use correct 3-digit SCF code as shown in L002, Column B.)

On ADC PACKAGES use.....ALL FOR ADC
On MIXED ADC PACKAGES use.....MIXED ADC

On AADC PACKAGES use.....ALL FOR AADC
On MIXED AADC PACKAGES use.....MIXED AADC

On RESIDUAL PACKAGES useWORKING
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1.4 Rate Markings

At the mailer's option, the markings required by the standard for the class of mail and rate claimed may be included in the OEL if the OEL appears on each piece in the mailing and if it remains a single line with the basic information (required by 1.1) at the right end (e.g., on a carrier route package of Enhanced Carrier Route Saturation Standard Mail: * * * * ECRWSS**C-001; on a Nonprofit Standard Mail SCF package: * * * * NONPROFIT**SCF 750).

2.0 FORMAT

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2.6 ZIP Code

Except for carrier route packages, ADC, AADC, mixed ADC, and mixed AADC packages and AADC and (as applicable) working residual packages, the optional endorsement line must include the appropriate ZIP Code information. Mixed ADC bundles of bound printed matter must have facing slips as specified in M630.

M014 Carrier Route Information Lines

1.0 BASIC INFORMATION

Packages made up to individual carrier routes, rural routes, highway contract routes, post office box sections, or general delivery units may be prepared without facing slips if prepared with optional endorsement lines under M013 or with carrier route information lines under 2.0. These standards apply to Automation First-Class, carrier route and Level I/K Periodicals, Automation and Enhanced Carrier Route Standard Mail, and carrier route bound printed matter mailings. Carrier route information lines may be on all pieces in a carrier route mailing regardless of their presort level.

2.0 FORMAT AND CONTENT

2.1 Route Information

Carrier route information consisting of a descriptive prefix (or its abbreviation), plus a route number or numeric code, must be on the top line of the address, either alone or with other information (e.g., addressee, account data). Alternatively, the carrier route information may appear with the

applicable carrier route endorsement on the line above or two lines above the address if the carrier route rate marking is in the address area when permitted by standard (see Exhibit 2.1).

**CARRIER ROUTE 011

RESIDENT
1300 WATERFORD DR
DISTRICT HEIGHTS MD 20747

**C 011

RESIDENT
1300 WATERFORD DR
ENDICOTT NY 13760

**RURAL ROUTE 005

RESIDENT
1602 COUNTRY LN
BURKE VA 22015

*R 15005

POSTAL CUSTOMER

**C 127

CAR-RT SORT
RESIDENT
2711 ORDWAY ST NW
WASHINGTON DC 20008

**C 011

AUTOCRRT
RESIDENT
1300 WATERFORD DR
DISTRICT HEIGHTS MD 20747

2.2 Descriptive Prefix

The descriptive prefix "carrier route," "rural route," "highway contract route," "post office box section," or "general delivery unit" must be spelled out or abbreviated as shown below:

Carrier Route.....	C
General Delivery Unit	G
Highway Contract Route.....	H
Post Office Box Section	B
Rural Route	R

2.3 Route Code

These conditions apply to route codes:

a. The one-character descriptive prefix in 2.2 must be followed by a 3-digit route or post office box section number.

b. On Periodicals and Standard Mail pieces bearing a simplified address that does not include a ZIP Code, the descriptive prefix in 2.2 must be followed by a route code that begins with the last two digits of the 5-digit ZIP Code and is followed by the route code in 2.3a.

c. The descriptive prefix and route code required for simplified address mailings in 2.3b may also be used on mailings of any class that contain a ZIP Code in the address.