



## **POSTAL SERVICE**

### **39 CFR Part 20**

#### **International Mail Manual; Incorporation by Reference**

**AGENCY:** Postal Service™.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service announces the issuance of the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual* (IMM®) dated July 1, 2020, and its incorporation by reference in the *Code of Federal Regulations*.

**DATES:** This final rule is effective on [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. The incorporation by reference of the IMM is approved by the Director of the *Federal Register* as of [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The *International Mail Manual* was issued on July 1, 2020, and was updated with *Postal Bulletin* revisions through June 18, 2020. It replaced all previous editions. The IMM continues to enable the Postal Service to fulfill its long-standing mission of providing affordable, universal mail service. It continues to: (1) increase the user's ability to find information; (2) increase the user's confidence that he or she has found the information they need; and (3) reduce the need to consult multiple sources to locate necessary information. The provisions throughout this issue support the standards and mail preparation changes implemented since the version of March 4, 2019.

The *International Mail Manual* is available to the public on the Postal Explorer® Internet site at <http://pe.usps.com>.

### **List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 20**

Foreign relations; Incorporation by reference.

In view of the considerations discussed above, the Postal Service hereby amends 39 CFR part 20 as follows:

### **PART 20--INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SERVICE**

1. The authority citation for part 20 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 13 U.S.C. 301-307; 18 U.S.C. 1692-1737; 39 U.S.C. 101, 401, 403, 404, 407, 414, 416, 3001-3011, 3201-3219, 3403-3406, 3621, 3622, 3626, 3632, 3633, and 5001.

2. Revise § 20.1 to read as follows:

#### **§ 20.1 Incorporation by reference; Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual.**

(a) Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual (IMM) is incorporated by reference into this part with the approval of the Director of the Federal Register under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(1) *Purchase.* Copies of Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual can be purchased by the public from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, DC 20402-9375.

(2) *Inspection – USPS.* Copies of the Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual are available during regular business hours for

reference and public inspection at the U.S. Postal Service Library, U.S. Postal Service Library, 475 L'Enfant Plaza West SW., Washington, DC 20260-1641 202-268-2906. They are also available during regular business hours for public inspection at area and district offices of the Postal Service and at all post offices, classified stations, and classified branches. The Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual is available for examination on the Internet at <http://pe.usps.gov>.

(3) *Inspection – NARA*. It is for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030 or go to [www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html](http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html).

(b) The Director of the Federal Register approved IMM, updated July 1, 2020, for incorporation by reference as of [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

3. Revise § 20.2 to read as follows:

**§ 20.2 Effective date of the International Mail Manual.**

The provisions of the *International Mail Manual* issued July 1, 2020, (incorporated by reference, see § 20.1) are applicable with respect to the international mail services of the Postal Service.

**§ 20.3 [Removed and Reserved]**

3. Remove and reserve § 20.3.

4. Revise § 20.4 to read as follows:

**§ 20.4 Amendments to the International Mail Manual.**

(a) The current issue of the IMM is incorporated by reference, see § 20.1.

(b) New issues of the International Mail Manual will be incorporated by reference into this part and will be available at <http://pe.usps.gov>. The text of amendments to the International Mail Manual will be published in the *Federal Register* and will be available in the Postal Bulletin, copies of which may be accessed at <http://www.usps.com/cpim/ftp/bulletin/pb.htm>. Successive issues of the IMM are listed in Table 1 to this section.

**Table 1 to § 20.4 – International Mail Manual**

<b>International Mail Manual</b>	<b>Date of issuance</b>
Issue 1	November 13, 1981.
Issue 2	March 1, 1983.
Issue 3	July 4, 1985.
Issue 4	September 18, 1986.
Issue 5	April 21, 1988.
Issue 6	October 5, 1988.
Issue 7	July 20, 1989.
Issue 8	June 28, 1990.
Issue 9	February 3, 1991.
Issue 10	June 25, 1992.
Issue 11	December 24, 1992.
Issue 12	July 8, 1993.
Issue 13	February 3, 1994.
Issue 14	August 4, 1994.
Issue 15	July 9, 1995.
Issue 16	January 4, 1996.
Issue 17	September 12, 1996.
Issue 18	June 9, 1997.
Issue 19	October 9, 1997.

Issue 20	July 2, 1998.
Issue 21	May 3, 1999.
Issue 22	January 1, 2000.
Issue 23	July 1, 2000.
Issue 24	January 1, 2001.
Issue 25	July 1, 2001.
Issue 26	January 1, 2002.
Issue 27	June 30, 2002.
Issue 28	January 1, 2003.
Issue 29	July 1, 2003.
Issue 30	August 1, 2004.
Issue 31	May 31, 2005.
Issue 35	May 12, 2008.
Issue 36	May 11, 2009.
IMM	April 17, 2011.
IMM	June 24, 2012.
IMM	January 26, 2015.
IMM	July 11, 2016.
IMM	January 22, 2017.
IMM	March 5, 2018.
IMM	March 4, 2019
IMM	July 1, 2020

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