



## 39 CFR Part 111

### Claims Filing Date for Insured Mail

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service is proposing to amend *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM) subsection 609.1.4 to change the claims filing date for insured mail.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** Mail or deliver written comments to the manager, Product Classification, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Room 4446, Washington, DC 20260-5015. If sending comments by email, include the name and address of the commenter and send to [PCFederalRegister@usps.gov](mailto:PCFederalRegister@usps.gov), with a subject line of "Claims Filing Date". Faxed comments are not accepted.

You may inspect and photocopy all written comments, by appointment only, at USPS Headquarters Library, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, 11th Floor North, Washington, DC, 20260. These records are available for review on Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., by calling 202-268-2906.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Abdul Bah at (314) 452-2844 or Garry Rodriguez at (202) 268-7281.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** All submitted comments and attachments are part of the public record and subject to disclosure. Do not enclose any material in your comments that you consider to be confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

### Background

On August 21, 2025, (*Postal Bulletin* 22683) the Postal Service revised DMM 609.1.4 to reduce the insured mail “No Sooner Than” filing date to 6 days, effective November 3, 2025.

## **Proposal**

After further evaluation of this revision, the Postal Service is proposing to re-establish the “No Sooner Than” filing date of 15 days for filing insured mail claims to re-align the filing thresholds with other mail service and bulk claims.

The Postal Service is proposing to implement this change effective January 18, 2026.

Although exempt from the notice and comment requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553(b), (c)) regarding proposed rulemaking by 39 U.S.C. 410(a), the Postal Service invites public comment on the proposed revisions to *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM), incorporated by reference in the Code of Federal Regulations.

We will publish an appropriate amendment to 39 CFR part 111 to reflect these changes.

## **List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 111**

Administrative practice and procedure, Postal Service.

Accordingly, the Postal Service proposes the following changes to Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM), incorporated by reference in the Code of Federal Regulations (see 39 CFR 111.1):

## **PART 111 – [AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 111 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, 401-404, 414, 416, 3001-3018, 3201-3220, 3401-3406, 3621, 3622, 3626, 3629, 3631-3633, 3641, 3681-3685, and 5001.

2. Revise the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM) as follows:

***Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)***

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**600 Basic Standards for All Mailing Services**

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**609 Filing Indemnity Claims for Loss or Damage**

**1.0 General Filing Instructions**

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**1.4 When to File**

File claims as follows:

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WHEN TO FILE (FROM MAILING DATE)

MAIL TYPE OR SERVICE No Sooner Than No Later Than

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*[Revise the “No Sooner Than” timeframe for “Insured Mail” line item to read as follows:]*

Insured Mail (including Priority Mail under [503.4.2](#)) 15 days

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*[Delete the footnote at the bottom of the table in 1.4 in its entirety.]*

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