



POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. MC2026-368; Order No. 9708]

Mail Classification Schedule

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is recognizing a recently filed Postal Service request to remove International Reply Coupon Service from the Market Dominant product list and to remove International Reply Coupon Service from the list of Market Dominant Special Services products. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES: *Comments are due:* September 15, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <https://www.prc.gov>. Those who cannot submit comments electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by telephone for advice on filing alternatives.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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I. Introduction

On August 31, 2026, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3040.130-3040.132, the Postal Service filed a request to remove *Mail Classification Schedule* (MCS) section 1535 International Reply Coupon Service from the Market Dominant product list.¹ In addition, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3632 and 39 CFR 3040.180-3040.181, the Postal Service also requests to remove “International Reply Coupon Service (1535)” from the list of Market Dominant Special Services products in MCS section 1500.2. *Id.*

II. Contents of Filing

The Postal Service states that at the Universal Postal Union (UPU) 2025 Dubai Congress, Article 18 of the Universal Postal Convention (Convention) was amended to remove the sale of international reply coupons from the Convention effective January 1, 2027.² The Postal Service also states that the UPU website indicates that international reply coupons will not be valid after December 31, 2026.³ Therefore, the Postal Service proposes to remove MCS section 1535 International Reply Coupon Service from the list of Market Dominant products, and make conforming classification changes in MCS section 1500.2 to remove

¹ Request of the United States Postal Service to Remove International Reply Coupon Service from the Market Dominant Product List and Make Accompanying Classification Changes, August 31, 2026, at 1 (Request).

² *Id.* at 1-2 (citing Decisions of the 2023 Riyadh Extraordinary Congress, Universal Postal Convention (including the Final Protocol thereto), Article 18.3.2 (stating that international reply coupons, which shall be exchangeable in any member country, is a mandatory supplementary service, but the sale of international reply coupon is an optional supplementary service) (page 216 of the PDF), available at [https://www.upu.int/UPU/media/upu/files/aboutUpu/acts/08-actsAndOtherDecisionsPreviousCongresses/CNG-ACTS%e2%94%80Doc-0-\(5\).pdf](https://www.upu.int/UPU/media/upu/files/aboutUpu/acts/08-actsAndOtherDecisionsPreviousCongresses/CNG-ACTS%e2%94%80Doc-0-(5).pdf); Decisions of the 2025 Dubai Congress, Second Additional Protocol to the Universal Postal Convention, Article VIII (Article 18 amended), paragraph 3.2 (deleting international reply coupons entirely from the list of supplementary service) (page 40 of the PDF), and Article XXII (stating the effective date shall be January 1, 2027) (page 59 of the PDF), available at <https://www.upu.int/UPU/media/upu/files/aboutUpu/acts/07-actsAndOtherDecisions2025DubaiCongress/2025DubaiCongressDecisionsEn.pdf>).

³ Request at 2 (citing UPU, International reply coupons, available at <https://www.upu.int/en/universal-postal-union/activities/philately-ircs/international-reply-coupons-ircs>).

“International Reply Coupon Service (1535)” from the list of Market Dominant Special Services products, effective January 1, 2027. Request at 1-2.

The Postal Service includes a copy of the Governors’ Resolution supporting the Request in Attachment 1, a statement of supporting justification required by 39 CFR 3040.132 in Attachment 2, and a copy of the applicable sections of the MCS and the proposed changes in legislative format in Attachment 3. *Id.* at 4; *id.* Attachments 1-3.

The Postal Service provides a discussion of its compliance with 39 U.S.C. 3642 and 39 CFR 3040.130-3040.132 for the proposed removal of MCS section 1535 International Reply Coupon Service from the Market Dominant product list. Request at 2-4. The Postal Service also provides a discussion of its compliance with 39 CFR 3040.180-3040.181 for the proposed classification change to remove “International Reply Coupon Service (1535)” from the list of Market Dominant Special Services products in MCS section 1500.2. *Id.* at 4-7.

III. Commission Action

The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2026-368 for consideration of matters raised by the Request. The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service’s filing is consistent with 39 U.S.C. 3632 and 3642 and 39 CFR 3040.130-3040.132 and 3040.180-3040.181. Comments are due September 15, 2026. The public portions of the filings can be accessed via the Commission’s website (<https://www.prc.gov>).

The Commission appoints Katalin Clendenin to represent the interests of the general public (Public Representative) in this docket, pursuant to 39 CFR 3010.101(q)(3). The Public Representative does not represent any individual person, entity, or particular point of view, and, when Commission attorneys are appointed, no attorney-client relationship is established.

IV. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. MC2026-368 for consideration of matters raised by the Postal Service's Request.
2. Pursuant to 39 CFR 3010.101(q)(3), Katalin Clendenin is appointed to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding.
3. Comments are due September 15, 2026.
4. This Order, or abstract thereof, shall be published in the **Federal**

Register.

By the Commission.

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