

## **Post Office Closing Appeal Rights**

Should the Postal Service proceed with closing a Post Office, it is required to notify the public and to follow these procedures:

The Postal Service, before reaching a “Final Determination” to close or consolidate an office, must give all parties 60 days’ notice. During those 60 days, comments may be filed with the Postal Service. If the Postal Service subsequently makes a “Final Determination” to take the proposed action, a notice of such action must be posted. Then, all patrons have 30 days to appeal to the Postal Regulatory Commission.

Appeals must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Commission and postmarked within 30 days of the Postal Service's posting of the final determination to close the facility. It is important to note that the Commission does not determine whether a post office is closed or remains open. Only the appeal of the closing of a post office falls within the jurisdiction of the Commission.

[Click here to see the steps](#) a patron must take to appeal the closing of a post office to the Postal Regulatory Commission.