Payment Acceptance Policies

Credit Cards

The Postal Service[™] accepts the following credit cards for the purchase of most Postal Service products and services:

- Visa
- American Express[®]
- Diners Club

- MasterCard
- Discover/Novus
- JCB

All credit cards must be signed. Credit cards are not accepted for:

- Purchase of Money Orders
- Periodical Postage
- COD Funds
- Trust Fund Deposits
- Postage Meter Setting

- Bulk Mailings
- Permit Imprint Deposits
- Money-By-Wire
- Purchase of Pre-Canceled Stamps
- Employee Debt Reconciliation

Debit Cards

Most debit cards and electronic benefit transfer (EBT) cards are accepted for all Postal Service products and services. Signatures are not required on debit cards used with a personal identification number (PIN).

Checks

Checks are accepted as payment for Postal Service products and services if the:

- Check has the customer's name and address printed by the check manufacturer,
- Customer presents a valid, signed photo identification (ID) at the time of payment, and
- Check is made payable to the "U.S. Postal Service."

Checks must not exceed the amount of purchase.

Traveler's Checks and American Express[®] gift checks are accepted when at least 50 percent of the face value is used for Postal Service purchases.

Checks are not accepted for purchase of Postal Service money orders and Sure Money[®] (money-by-wire).

Returned Checks

The local Post Office[™] cannot accept any replacement checks or settle any returned checks. Please note that:

- A fee of \$30 will be assessed for all returned checks.
- Checks that are returned as non-sufficient funds (NSF) may be submitted to a collection agency without notice to the customer.
- Checks that are returned as NSF may be re-presented to the bank via automated clearing house (ACH) debit.

