

# JUST THE TABLES

**from a postage website about postage rates.**

(I update the website first.)

This PDF: as of 1 Class letters = 50 cents 21Jan2018

An unofficial site by Jerry Nelson.

Knock at [jerry\\_postage@nelsonic.org](mailto:jerry_postage@nelsonic.org) and I'll wake up to fix whatever's broken.

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(This PDF is rate charts only -- BareBonesPostageTables.pdf )

The full text is at <http://www.nerdylorin.net/jerry/postages/index.htm> ;  
search on SIMPLE POSTAGE TABLES

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## FOREVER STAMPS

50¢ - classic forever stamp

21¢ - "Additional Ounce"

71¢ - "Two Ounce" (the wedding invitation stamp, heart symbol)

71¢ - the "butterfly" stamps for bad envelopes (square, stiff, metal clasp).

35¢ - postcard

\$1.15 foreign letter

## Letters 1st Class 50¢+21¢/oz (21Jan2018)

Not over:

1 oz        \$0.50            +21¢/oz. Bad envelope penalty is also 21¢

2 ounces \$0.71

3 ounces \$0.92

3.5 oz     \$1.13            Heavier? Go to FLATS (next).

## “Flats” (Large 1st Class Envelopes)

1 oz        \$1.00

2 ounces \$1.21            Incrementing 21 cents each additional ounce

3 ounces \$1.42            (3oz? Fold it & go in a business envelope for 91 cents)

4 ounces \$1.63

5 ounces \$1.84

6 ounces \$2.05

7 ounces \$2.26

8 ounces \$2.47

9 ounces \$2.68  
 10 ounces \$2.89  
 11 ounces \$3.10  
 12 ounces \$3.31  
 13 ounces \$3.52

## **Small Packages / Parcels / Lumpy envelopes 1st class**

1 oz \$3.50  
 2 ounces \$3.50  
 3 ounces \$3.50  
 4 ounces \$3.50

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 5 ounces \$3.75  
 6 ounces \$3.75  
 7 ounces \$3.75  
 8 ounces \$3.75

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 9 ounces \$4.10 and 35¢ for each oz more  
 10 ounces \$4.45  
 11 ounces \$4.80  
 12 ounces \$5.15  
 13 ounces \$5.50

14,15, and 16 ounces were announced as acceptable on 7Jan2016,  
 but this remains a COMMERCIAL First-Class Package Service only, not a  
 retail service for normal people

## **International Airmail Letters \$1.15, 2018**

### **1 ounce any country \$1.15**

CANADA 1 oz \$1.15  
 2 oz \$1.15 which is 0¢ more  
 3 oz \$1.61 which is 46¢ more  
 3 1/2 \$2.08 which is 47¢ more

MEXICO 1 oz \$1.15 +57¢/oz  
 2 oz \$1.72  
 3 oz \$2.29  
 3 1/2 \$2.86

Rest of World 1 oz \$1.15

2  
3  
3 1/2

## COUNTRY GROUPS

**Group 1 Countries** is CANADA (see above).

**Group 2 Countries** is MEXICO (see above).

**Cheaper Countries, Groups 6-9.** Central and South America, Middle East, Africa,

central Asia, New Zealand, Philippines,

Taiwan

1 oz	\$1.15	
2 oz	\$1.98	+83¢/oz
3 oz	\$2.81	
3 1/2	\$3.64	

**Costly Countries, Groups 3-5.** European Union (France, Italy, places with chateaus & good food) , Russia, eastern Europe, Turkey; China,

Hong Kong,

South Korea, Japan, & Australia

1 oz	\$1.15	
2 oz	\$2.13	that was 98¢ more
3 oz	\$3.12	now it's 99¢ more. Why?
3 1/2	\$4.11	

## Int'l Flats - "1st Class Mail International" unchanged 2018

Envelopes up to 15" x 12", weights up to 4 lb, not lumpy, not totally inflexible.

<b>Canada, roughly</b>	<b>\$6</b>	<b>first lb, half as much gets you a quarter pound</b>
<b>Mexico roughly</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>first lb, ditto</b>
<b>ROW roughly</b>	<b>\$12</b>	<b>/ first lb, ditto</b>

# INTERNATIONAL FLATS

Weight Not Over (ounces)					
	1 Canada	2 Mexico	3-5	6-9	
1	\$2.29	\$2.29	\$2.29	\$2.29	
2	2.60	2.97	3.23	3.18	
3	2.71	3.64	4.16	4.06	
4	2.91	4.32	5.10	4.94	
5	3.12	5.00	6.04	5.83	
6	3.33	5.67	6.97	6.71	
7	3.54	6.35	7.91	7.60	
8	3.75	7.03	8.85	8.48	
<b>1 lb.</b>	12	4.79	8.48	10.72	10.31
	16	5.83	9.94	12.60	12.13
	20	6.87	11.40	14.47	13.95
	24	7.91	12.86	16.34	15.77
<b>2 lbs</b>	28	8.95	14.31	18.22	17.59
	32	9.99	15.77	20.09	19.41
	36	11.03	17.23	21.97	21.24
	40	12.08	18.69	23.84	23.06
<b>3 lbs</b>	44	13.12	20.14	25.71	24.88
	48	14.16	21.60	27.59	26.70
	52	15.20	23.06	29.46	28.52
	56	16.24	24.52	31.33	30.35
<b>4 lbs</b>	60	17.28	25.97	33.21	32.17
	64	18.32	27.43	35.08	33.99

Intl flats 2016Apr10

3-5: European Union (France, Italy, places with chateaus & good food) , Russia & Turkey, China, Hong Kong, South Korea, Japan, & Australia

6-9 Group: Central and South America, Middle East, Africa, central Asia, New Zealand, Philippines, Taiwan

# 1st Class Mail International PACKAGES - 4 lbs max

First-Class Mail Int'l PACKAGES is also called First-Class Pkg INTERNATIONAL SERVICE.

This is the "Letter Post" group which embraces everything that is not "shipping"; namely, LCs (Letters and Cards) joined with AO ("Air Mail --

## YELLOW IS YOUR COST TO SEND ONE eBay ITEM BACK TO CHINA

Weight Not Over (oz.)	Price Groups <-- Nine stupid zones -->								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1-8	\$10.00	\$12.25	\$14.25	\$13.75	\$14.00	\$13.75	\$13.75	\$13.50	\$14.00
9-32	16.00	21.50	23.50	23.00	23.50	23.25	23.25	22.75	23.50
33-48	25.25	33.00	35.00	36.75	35.75	34.50	34.75	32.25	34.75
49-64	37.25	47.50	52.75	59.50	51.50	55.50	59.50	53.00	51.50
			CHINA						

Small pkgs international, as of 21 Jan 2018.

Zones 1 and 2 are always Canada and Mexico.

Zone 3 is Australia, China & Hong Kong, Japan and South Korea -- in Asia, our three big trading partners and closest surveillance ally.

Zone 4 is Turkey, Russia, and Eastern Europe.

Zone 5 is Europe, east including Kosovo and Serbia.

Zone 6 is what most people think of as Asia, including India and Pakistan, but not China, Japan, Korea.

Zone 7 is Africa and some island nations (Seychelles east off Africa, Indian Ocean)

Zone 8 is the Middle East, Arab sheikdoms, Algeria.

Zone 9 is remote island nations and our neighbors in this hemisphere, in both nearby Central America and throughout South America.

**THIS IS JUST A PDF doc. Search "SIMPLE POSTAGE TABLES" for the main site; it has an alphabetized country list for finding which stupid zone number to use in the chart above for any particular country.**

[alphabetized list of the most common countries](#) with their zones.

The [full list](#) follows it; you can use "CONTROL-F for find" to jump-search the list in most browsers. Finally, I

[sorted the list by zone](#) for those of us who need to get some idea how the shipping world is divided up (what each zone means).

For the chart above, use the first-class zones on the right of the list (any version).

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**Postcard 35¢ International \$1.15 world**

## **Domestic PRIORITY Envelope & BOXES, up in 2017,2018**

For local shipments, use straight Priority and drop the flat rate boxes.

Otherwise

**\$6.70 flat rate envelope** domestic, any zone, any weight

Add 30¢ for legal length; 55¢ for padded envelope.

10April2016: no more online discounts for citizens, only corporate customers.

**\$7.20 small flat rate box** domestic, any zone, any weight,

**\$13.65 regular/medium flat rate box** any zone, 70 lb max, up 5¢

**\$18.90 large-size box** to any zone, 70 lb max, up 5¢

**\$17.40 for APO/FPO/Diplomatic** up 5¢

Up 5¢ after 1 year, literally nickel-and-diming us to death.

## **INTERNATIONAL Priority Mail**

When it's bigger than a flat (manila envelope), try these flat rate boxes (20 lbs max) or "1st-Class Package International Service" (4 lbs max).

Flat rate box sizes same as all other Priority boxes.

### **1. CANADA - FLAT RATE ENVELOPE (std or legal) & SMALL BOX (4lbs max -- could be \$48 w/o flat rate)**

envelope \$24.95 21Jan18;

small box \$25.95 21Jan18;

### **2. CANADA - MEDIUM FLAT RATE BOX (20 lbs max -- could be \$100 if you didn't have flat rate)**

\$47.75 21Jan18;

### **3. CANADA - LARGE FLAT RATE BOX (20 lbs max)**

\$62.35 21Jan18;

## Rest Of World (not Canada) Priority Mail Int'l FLAT RATE

	Price Groups	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Flat Rate Envelopes (Max. Wt. 4 lbs.)		\$31.00	\$32.25	\$34.25	\$33.25	\$35.25	\$33.25	\$34.25
Small Flat Rate Priced Boxes (Max. Wt. 4 lbs.)		32.25	33.25	35.25	34.25	36.25	34.25	35.25
Medium Flat Rate Boxes (Max. Wt. 20 lbs.)		69.50	70.75	69.00	72.75	78.95	71.75	74.75
Large Flat Rate Boxes (Max. Wt. 20 lbs.)		90.50	92.50	90.50	94.50	99.75	93.50	97.75



Use the "Zone B" column in the countries list for these stupid zones.

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**Domestic Express Mail -- Does everybody agree I can drop this page because the prices are ridiculous?**

## Media Mail Rates – BOOKS up to 70 lbs

Flat rate, no zones so it does not get cheaper locally, but even locally it is still cheapest per pound if you qualify.

OK for: books, sheet music, movies and music on CDs, DVDs, educational maps & charts if there's not a lot of text.

Because **advertising is forbidden, you must take all magazines out of your box.** No video games (they're media, yes; but educational, no). No hard drives, no tapes if they're blank.

### After 21Jan2018: Domestic Rates

1 pound: \$2.66 Add 51¢/lb until the end at 70 lb for \$37.85; e.g.,

Up to 5 pounds: \$ 4.70

Up to 20 pounds: \$12.35

Up to 40 lbs \$22.55

70 lbs max \$37.85

**BEGIN PARCEL POST aka "Retail Ground" (this is horrible)**

**Do It Yourself w/ZONES FROM ZIP CODES**

<https://postcalc.usps.gov/Zonecharts/> You'll have to type this link into your browser's address bar -- this is only a pdf.

**THE SPECIAL CASE OF PARCEL POST ZONES 1 THROUGH 4: forced ground shipment of dangerous stuff, not really distance zones.**

## **PARCEL POST ("Retail Ground") - Do It Yourself w/THE PRICE CHART (RATE TABLE)**

**[THE PARCEL POST RATE TABLE](#) - 2018 PRICES BY ZONES**

You need your "Zones from Your Own Zipcode" chart (instructions above). Then you can move up to the rate-by-zone chart below.

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"Retail" means ordinary slobbs use these prices.

**USPS Retail Ground = Parcel Post**

**21 January 2018**

Weight Not Over (lbs.)	Zone <sup>1</sup>			Zone					Weight Not Over (lbs.)	Zone <sup>1</sup>			Zone				
	1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		1 & 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	\$6.70	\$7.15	\$7.30	\$7.42	\$7.59	\$7.77	\$8.27	\$8.27	41	\$30.40	\$38.00	\$48.05	\$57.48	\$69.32	\$81.16	\$93.00	\$93.00
2	7.25	7.70	8.75	9.56	10.33	11.52	12.72	12.72	42	30.65	38.70	48.60	58.70	70.55	82.40	94.26	94.26
3	7.90	8.80	10.15	11.40	12.68	14.24	16.69	16.69	43	31.00	39.30	49.05	60.01	71.81	83.61	95.41	95.41
4	8.50	9.90	11.15	12.05	14.56	17.08	19.60	19.60	44	31.20	39.95	49.65	61.23	73.01	84.79	96.57	96.57
5	9.85	10.95	11.95	13.08	16.29	19.50	22.71	22.71	45	31.40	40.40	50.00	62.70	74.39	86.08	97.78	97.78
6	10.40	11.30	12.50	14.43	17.95	21.47	24.98	24.98	46	31.65	40.70	50.55	63.81	75.52	87.23	98.94	98.94
7	11.10	12.15	14.30	15.99	19.95	23.91	27.88	27.88	47	31.95	41.05	51.00	65.27	76.85	88.43	100.01	100.01
8	11.45	13.50	15.90	18.58	22.80	27.02	31.23	31.23	48	32.20	41.40	51.50	66.58	78.10	89.61	101.12	101.12
9	11.90	14.55	17.60	21.19	25.76	30.32	34.89	34.89	49	32.40	41.70	51.90	67.79	79.24	90.69	102.14	102.14
10	12.65	15.60	18.95	22.65	27.43	32.21	36.99	36.99	50	32.55	41.95	52.25	69.12	80.48	91.85	103.21	103.21
11	13.50	16.70	20.35	24.40	29.79	35.18	40.57	40.57	51	32.70	42.35	52.75	70.25	81.54	92.83	104.12	104.12
12	14.70	17.90	21.85	26.18	31.98	37.78	43.58	43.58	52	33.10	42.60	53.10	70.84	82.34	93.84	105.34	105.34
13	15.55	19.00	23.10	27.69	33.23	38.76	44.30	44.30	53	33.65	42.90	53.45	71.41	83.18	94.96	106.74	106.74
14	16.50	20.20	24.55	29.39	35.11	40.82	46.53	46.53	54	34.10	43.10	53.80	71.96	84.06	96.15	108.24	108.24
15	17.20	21.30	25.95	31.14	36.69	42.24	47.79	47.79	55	34.70	43.40	54.10	72.48	84.87	97.25	109.64	109.64
16	17.70	22.45	27.35	32.86	38.74	44.62	50.50	50.50	56	35.15	43.65	54.40	72.94	85.52	98.11	110.70	110.70
17	18.50	23.65	28.80	34.59	40.77	46.94	53.12	53.12	57	35.65	43.80	54.75	73.37	86.09	98.82	111.54	111.54
18	18.85	24.50	30.00	36.27	42.78	49.30	55.81	55.81	58	36.25	44.00	55.05	73.90	86.72	99.54	112.35	112.35
19	19.35	25.05	30.70	37.25	43.82	50.40	56.97	56.97	59	36.80	44.20	55.35	74.31	87.28	100.25	113.22	113.22
20	20.20	25.35	31.15	37.91	45.15	52.39	59.64	59.64	60	37.30	44.40	55.90	74.68	87.77	100.86	113.95	113.95
21	20.85	25.70	31.60	38.44	45.95	53.47	60.99	60.99	61	37.85	44.60	56.90	75.07	88.57	102.07	115.56	115.56
22	21.35	26.30	32.35	39.34	47.05	54.75	62.46	62.46	62	38.25	44.70	57.60	75.48	89.44	103.41	117.38	117.38
23	21.85	26.80	32.90	40.03	47.89	55.75	63.60	63.60	63	39.00	44.95	58.55	75.85	90.31	104.76	119.22	119.22
24	22.35	27.35	33.65	40.88	48.98	57.07	65.16	65.16	64	39.35	45.05	59.40	76.19	91.15	106.11	121.07	121.07
25	22.55	27.85	35.00	42.01	50.09	58.16	66.24	66.24	65	39.90	45.15	60.20	76.41	91.92	107.44	122.95	122.95
26	23.50	28.35	36.35	42.88	51.37	59.86	68.35	68.35	66	40.40	45.35	61.15	76.78	92.78	108.77	124.76	124.76
27	24.20	28.75	37.45	45.11	53.70	62.28	70.87	70.87	67	41.05	45.45	62.20	77.07	93.51	109.95	126.39	126.39
28	24.95	29.15	38.55	46.25	55.36	64.47	73.58	73.58	68	41.55	45.55	63.00	77.26	94.09	110.93	127.76	127.76
29	25.70	29.45	39.50	46.89	56.43	65.97	75.51	75.51	69	42.10	45.60	63.75	77.45	94.65	111.85	129.05	129.05
30	26.45	29.85	40.45	47.56	57.43	67.30	77.16	77.16	70	42.55	45.70	64.80	77.68	95.29	112.90	130.51	130.51
31	27.25	30.15	41.10	48.20	58.39	68.58	78.76	78.76	Balloon <sup>2</sup>	20.20	25.35	31.15	37.91	45.15	52.39	59.64	59.64
32	27.55	30.80	41.80	48.78	59.29	69.80	80.30	80.30	Oversized <sup>3</sup>	69.64	75.32	96.31	113.40	133.09	152.78	183.75	183.75
33	28.00	31.65	42.85	49.39	60.20	71.00	81.81	81.81									
34	28.25	32.50	43.90	50.40	61.41	72.41	83.41	83.41									
35	28.55	33.30	44.50	51.48	62.58	73.67	84.76	84.76									
36	28.85	34.20	45.10	52.68	63.85	75.03	86.20	86.20									
37	29.15	34.85	45.75	53.60	64.95	76.31	87.66	87.66									
38	29.45	35.70	46.35	54.64	66.12	77.59	89.07	89.07									
39	29.75	36.50	46.90	55.75	67.29	78.83	90.37	90.37									
40	30.10	37.30	47.55	56.97	68.53	80.08	91.63	91.63									

- Zones 1-4 are only for the mailing of hazardous materials, live animals, or other items required to be shipped by ground transportation (does not apply to oversized parcels).
- For parcels that measure in combined length and girth more than 84 inches but not more than 108 inches, and the piece weighs less than 20 pounds, use the 20-pound price (balloon price) based on the applicable zone.
- For parcels that measure in combined length and girth more than 108 inches but not more than 130 inches, use the oversized price, regardless of weight, based on the applicable zone.

**Money Orders 2018**

Domestic: \$1.20 up to \$500  
\$1.65 up to \$1000

International Money Order \$12.20 up to \$750  
\$18.45 up to \$1,500

Sources of official US Postal Service information:  
<https://pe.usps.com/cpim/ftp/manuals/dmm300/Notice123.pdf>  
<https://pe.usps.com/text/dmm300/Notice123.htm>

Get the above URLs with a search like this:

site:pe.usps.com Notice 123 Effective January 2018 (or whatever year you seek)

## END OF POSTAGE CHARTS

Someone once asked for a pdf of just the tables -- I wish I could make them all more compact . . . . was it useful anyway?

Some people put the entire website (search for SIMPLE POSTAGE TABLES to find it) into a Microsoft Word document -- that saves the bother of going online . . . but it sure is long.

### **"POSTMORTEM" on the Postage Page:**

I never dreamed doing a chart of how many stamps to put on an envelope would become as political as this task has become. I poked fun at the stilly things they did. But it is not a game and it's not so funny anymore. Many players who are hungry to pick up the pieces for private gain want to destroy the country's postal system, destroy something that belongs to all of us and not to "alpha male" corporate CEOs. At the United States Postal Service, shipping industry executives move in on top, their corporations reward USPS guys with wealthy "retirements", and Congress supervises nothing and lets us see even less.

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