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Happy 4th of July!!

XPO will be closed on Monday, July 5th, in observance of Independence Day. Have a fun and safe holiday!

Canadian Holidays: July 1 - Canada Day

Industry News

Greece – Strike Action on Tuesday, June 29th:

The Association of the Civil Servants and the Confederation of the Greek workers had a 24 hour strike on Tuesday 29 June.

Please take into account that, due to this strike, the distribution of your mail upon arrival in Greece will be subject to a one-day delay.

Norway – Security Strike Causes Postal Delay:

Norway airmail is currently affected by 2 different problems that are causing severe delays to inbound Airmail.

1. The Maintenance works at the following airports: Bergen, Trondheim and Tromsø. These are causing the closure at night of the airports through spring/summer (expected end date 1st July.) The delay could add up to 2 days to postal times, due to this backlog.
2. Security Strike: 15th June - ongoing. Due to a strike among the security service at airports in Norway, no post is able to be dispatched, which will cause delays to all mail services in the country. At present it is not known how long this strike action will last.

Poland – Bad Weather Conditions:

Heavy rain and flooding in some parts of the country is affecting the collection, distribution and delivery of mail. Polish Post is advising that postal codes 09-522 and 24-313 are experiencing the worst impact of the storms.

South Africa – Postal Delay:

Expect 5-7 day delays due World Cup Soccer held in the country.

United States – New Legislation:

Under new U.S. federal law, effective 29 June 2010, the United States Postal Service cannot accept for delivery or transmit any package that it knows, or has reasonable cause to believe, contains non-mailable cigarettes or smokeless tobacco. Consequently, cigarettes, roll-your-own tobacco, and smokeless tobacco products may not be admitted in any type of international mail. This prohibition applies to each of these items regardless of quantity.

UPU members are also advised that non-mailable cigarettes and smokeless tobacco are subject to seizure and forfeiture, and senders of non-mailable cigarettes or smokeless tobacco are subject to criminal penalties.

Any non-mailable cigarettes and smokeless tobacco products seized and forfeited will be destroyed or retained by the Federal Government for the detection or prosecution of crimes or related investigations and then destroyed.



Upcoming Industry Events

SADPCC – BBQ & USPS Mail Processing Tour

July 8, 2010
USPS-Santa Ana
Santa Ana, CA

VNPCC – Tour of Santa Clarita, Annual BBQ/Tour & Vendor Expo

July 14, 2010
USPS-Santa Clarita
Santa Clarita, CA

LAPCC – Meeting

July 15, 2010
USPS-ISC
Los Angeles, CA

FWPCC – Networking Boat Trip

July 23, 2010
Grapevine Lake
Grapevine, TX

DPCC – Branding Yourself and Your Reputation

July 21, 2010
TBD

RDMA – 8th Annual Summer Toast

August 5, 2010
Writers Square
Denver, CO



Upcoming Worldwide Holidays:

Please note this is meant as a general guideline, it would be impossible to list all holidays here. If you have a question regarding a specific area of the world or country please call our customer service department at 1-866-784-8444.

July 2010

Jul 1- Canada Day, Canada. **SAR Establishment Day**, Hong Kong. **Bank Holiday**, Thailand.

Jul 4- Independence Day, United States.

Jul 5- Independence Day, Algeria, Venezuela. **Constantine and Methodius**, Czech Republic.

Jul 6- Jan Hus, Czech Republic.

Jul 9- Eid Al Isra'Wal Mi'raj, Jordan, Kuwait. **National Day**, Argentina. **King Hassan II's Birthday**, Morocco. **Lailat al-Mi'raj**, Iran, Iraq, Libya, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates.

Jul 11- Day of the Dutch Speaking Community, Belgium.

Jul 12- Battle of the Boyne, United Kingdom.

Jul 14- Bastille Day, France. **July 14 Revolution**, Iraq.

Jul 17- National Day, Iraq. **Constitution Day**, Korea S.

Jul 18- Constitution Day, Uruguay.

Jul 20- Independence Day, Colombia. **Fast of Tisha B'Av**, Israel. **Marine Day**, Japan.

Jul 21- National Day, Belgium.

Jul 23- Revolution Day, Egypt. **Egyptian Revolution Day**, Libya.

Jul 24- Simon Bolivar Birthday, Venezuela.

Jul 25- Guanacaste Day, Costa Rica. **National Day**, Cuba. **Asahala Bucha**, Thailand.

Jul 26- Khao Phansa, Thailand. **National Day**, Costa Rica. **National Day 2nd Day**, Cuba.

Jul 27- National Day 3rd Day, Cuba. **Birth of 12th Imam**, Iran.

Jul 28- Independence Day, Peru.

Jul 29- Independence Day 2nd Day, Peru.