

## **Holiday Dates for Sending Military Mail**

Ensuring care packages arrive in time for the holiday season is a priority for friends and family members of military personnel serving around the world. To help get packages on their way, the U.S. Postal Service offers a discount on its largest Priority Mail Flat Rate Box.

Environmentally friendly Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes are available at no cost at any Post Office, or can be ordered online at [shop.usps.com](http://shop.usps.com). Postage, labels and customs forms can be printed online anytime using Click-N-Ship.

The Postal Service continues to show support to those serving in the armed forces by offering free Military Care Kits, designed specifically for military families sending packages overseas. The mailing kits can be ordered by phone by calling 1-800-610-8734 and asking for the Military Care Kit. Each kit includes two “America Supports You” large Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes, four medium-sized Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes, six Priority Mail labels, one roll of Priority Mail tape and six customs forms with envelopes.

For online ordering of the large Priority Mail APO/FPO Flat Rate boxes featuring the “America Supports You” logo and information about mailing letters and packages to military destinations, go to Supporting Our Troops.

**To ensure delivery of holiday cards and packages by Dec. 25 to military APO/FPO addresses overseas, the Postal Service recommends that mail for service members be sent no later than the mailing dates listed below.**

**NOTE:** Mail addressed to military Post Offices overseas is subject to certain conditions or restrictions regarding content, preparation and handling. APO/FPO addresses generally require customs forms.

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<b>Addressed to</b>	<b>Express Mail® Military Service (EMMS)</b>	<b>First-Class Mail® Service</b>	<b>Priority Mail® Service</b>	<b>Parcel Airlift Mail (PAL)</b>	<b>Space Available Mail (SAM)</b>	<b>Parcel Post® Service</b>
<b>APO/FPO/DPO AE ZIPs™ 090-092</b>	Dec 17	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
<b>APO/FPO/DPO AE ZIP™ 093</b>	N/A	Dec 3	Dec 3	Dec 1	Nov 26	Nov 12
<b>APO/FPO/DPO AE ZIPs™ 094-098</b>	Dec 17	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
<b>APO/FPO/DPO AA ZIP™ 340</b>	Dec 17	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12
<b>APO/FPO/DPO AP ZIPs™ 962-966</b>	Dec 17	Dec 10	Dec 10	Dec 3	Nov 26	Nov 12