



## Post Office Brief







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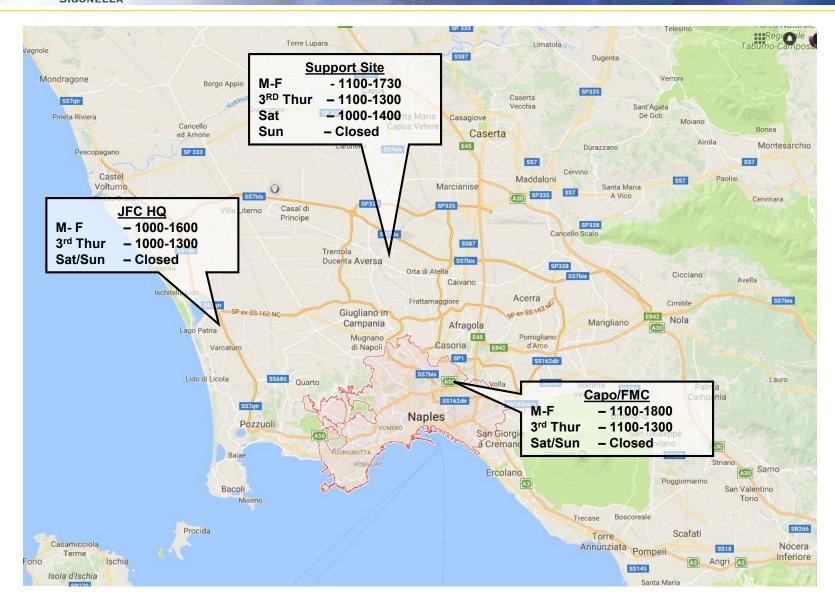


## ROUTE





### **Location**– Postal Hours





## PS 3576 Mover's Guide

- Box number assigned by Fleet Post Office or Command Mail Orderly
- ➤ Improper Addressing is the #1 reason for lost mail
- DO NOT use Country Name in Address
- Use your proper address

Good Example
NAME (Full first/last)
PSC XXX Box ####
FPO AE 096XX-####

Bad Example
NAME (Full first/last)
PSC XXX Box ####
FPO AE 096XX-####
ITALY



## **Outgoing Mail**

- LETTERS: Blue mail boxes or Post Office.



- PACKAGES: Must be brought to the Post Office.
  - If more than 5 boxes, you have the option of making an appointment, to speed up service



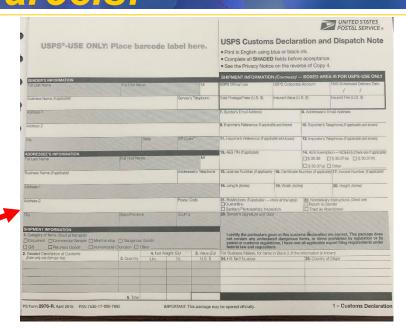
- CLICK-N-SHIP: online with www.usps.com
  - It is cheaper than processing at the Post Office
  - It is a quicker process & has 12-hr Capo drop-off



## NAVSUP. Customs Form is Required on all Parcels!

outgoing main:

- > To process packages quickly please fill out custom form prior to coming to counter
- ➤ PS Form 2976-R
  - All Mail requiring Custom Form
- Electronic Custom Form
  - > UPSP.com



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# Outgoing Mail Customs Forms

- Describe accurately the contents and value. <u>BE SPECIFIC</u>
- ▶ If mail is received and discovered with restricted items, the restricted items will be destroyed and senders mailing privilege may be revoked. If the sender has departed, the item(s) will be destroyed and the customer will be notified accordingly! (i.e. alcohol, weapons, fire works, pornography, tobacco products flammable liquids...etc)
- Mail is X-Rayed Daily





# Outgoing Mail IDS

#### INTRA/INTER-THEATER DELIVERY SERVICE (IDS)

#### WHAT IT IS

#### WHAT IT IS NOT

- Delivery Service for official, Personal, Organizational, and Commercial Correspondence and Parcels that stays within the Military Postal Service (MPS); APO/FPO Military Addresses ONLY
- Postage Free if both sender and receiver are eligible to use IDS
- Parcel weight no greater than 70 pounds
- Parcel total length and girth no greater than 130 inches
- Subject to same parcel inspections as all other packages

- Mail, Parcel Post, or "Free Mail"
- Associated with any USPS accountable mail systems or service such as insured, certified, registered, or delivery confirmation
- Personal property in connection with PCS/TDY/TCS moves to include Intra/Inter theater relocations except for uniforms and personal gear required to perform official duties at next duty station
- A government transportation asset for the movement of Soldier's personal items
- A "Non-Mailable" article
- Some APO/FPO's are not authorized to receive and dispatch IDS: Contact you post office for listing

Restrictions on IDS: Sending or Receiving item through the IDS to advertise home business, to sell merchandise, or to conduct business for commercial purposes is prohibited. This resale prohibition applies whether sale is to authorized MPS users or not, and regardless of the beneficiary of the proceeds; i.e., charitable organizations or non-appropriated welfare fund activities. IDS may not be used for the purpose of restocking distribution facilities.

IDS must meet the following requirements: (1) The block letters "MPS" must be marked on the envelope or parcel in the upper right-hand corner (in lieu of postage). (2) IDS correspondence and parcels must have complete delivery and return addresses. (3) Any envelope or container acceptable for U.S. mail is also acceptable for IDS. Do not accept priority or flat rate envelopes unless postage is being paid. (4) Envelopes and containers will be sealed. (5) All mail and IDS accepted and dispatched from a Military Post Office (MPO) must be postmarked to show the acceptance/dispatch date. (6) Packages sent IDS are subject to the same search as regular mail.



## Postal Services

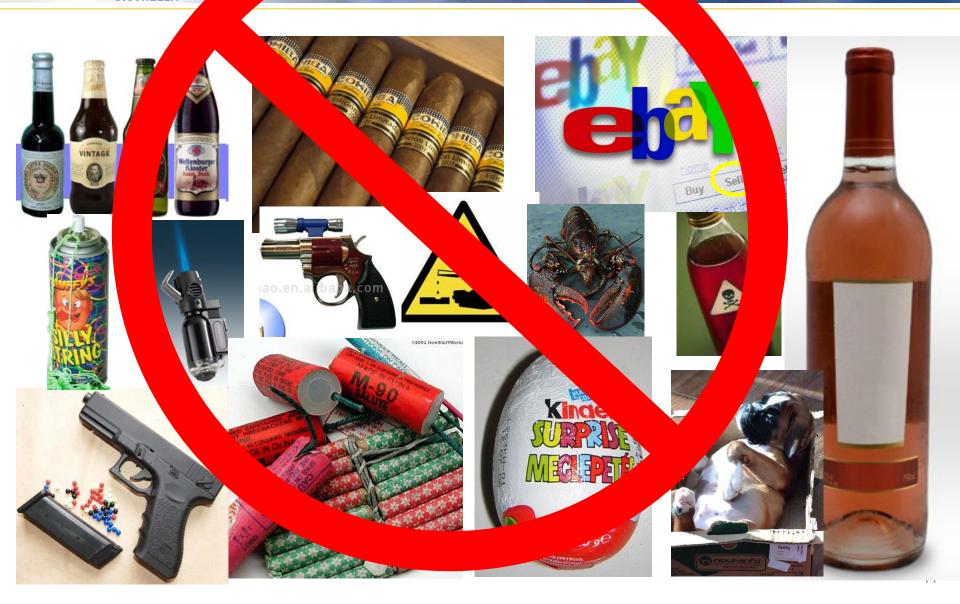
### **LIMITS ON PACKAGES**

- 70 lbs
- Maximum girth plus length of 130 inches
- Prohibited Items: firearms, pornography, flammable liquids, produce, tobacco products, alcohol, WINE...ETC (Attempting to ship these will result in loss of mailing privileges)





# Outgoing Mail Can I send it?





## Destroyed Alcohol



Wine may be shipped with PPSO during PCS move!



### **CHRISTMAS MAILING DATES**

#### FOR MAIL ADDRESSED TO / FROM:

- APO/FPO/DPO AE ZIPs 090-098 (Except 093), AA ZIPs 340, AP ZIPs 962-966:
  - Priority Express Mail Military Service: Dec 16
  - First Class & Priority Mail (Letters, Cards, Packages): Dec 11
  - Space Available Mail: Nov 27
  - Standard Post Mail Nov 6
- APO/FPO/DPO AE ZIP 093
  - Priority Express Mail Military Service: N/A
  - First Class & Priority Mail (Letters, Cards, Packages): Dec 4
  - Space Available Mail: Nov 27
  - Standard Post Mail: Nov 6
- DOMESTIC MAIL (For Ships in Port and Personnel on Shore Duty in the U.S. Mailing to U.S. Destinations—Not Including APO/FPO/DPO:
  - First-Class Mail: Dec 19
  - Priority Mail: Dec 20
  - Priority Express Mail: Dec 22
- International First-Class Packages and Priority Mail Addressed to Africa and Central / South America: Nov 30
- International First-Class Packages & Priority Mail Addressed to Asia / Pacific Rim, Australia
   / New Zealand, Canada, Caribbean, Mexico, Europe, & the Middle East: Dec 7



## EUCOM NOTICE 8703.03

The Military Postal Service in Italy is for the exclusive use of the military, civilians, contractors, retirees, and their family members. These individuals will not use their importation and exportation privileges for profit or personal gain for themselves or others, or use their customs and tax privileges to purchase tax-exempt merchandise for profit or personal gain. Making false, misleading, or incomplete written customs declarations to conceal goods or information from customs officials. Import or export prohibited goods (check with local post office for list). Import or export U.S. Government property without proper authority. Engage in or assist black-market activities (Black-market activities include the illegal transfer of goods with the intent of profit or personal gain) or transfer goods bought under duty and tax free conditions to thither persons unless applicable U.S. Forces regulations or Italian customs regulations authorize the transfer.

Military and civilian users of the MPS committing any of the prohibited actions in subparagraph are subject to criminal sanctions under both U.S. and host nation laws and administrative action (such as withdrawal of MPS privileges).

Regardless of any statement of any employee of the United States Postal Service, or the statement of any Military Postal Clerk, the responsibility rests with the mailer to ensure compliance with U.S Domestic, International, and individual country rules and regulations for mailability.



- EAQ
- Can I pick up mail if Amazon or eBay says delivered? No, wait for the yellow or pink slip(PF 3907 or 3849) in your mail box.
- Why can't I include ITALY on my mailing address? Including ITALY on your address will route the mail into the Italian Postal System! Also, use the correct ZIP CODE!
- When can I use "Authorized Agent Form" (3801)? Only when you are not in the area i.e. (TAD...Leave. etc).
- Why does Express Mail take so long to deliver? Unfortunately it goes through customs. The days stuck in customs is not our responsibility.
- Why do I have to pay for MPS to MPS
  mail? The only mail free is IDS (Intra/Inter
  Theatre Deliver System). If the mail goes
  through USPS at any point, it is not free.

- Does MPS track or transact with FedEx or UPS? No! We cannot track UPS or FEDEX, and we do not transact with either.
- Can I make an appointment to mail my packages? Yes, you can make an appointment. It is highly recommended for 5 packages or more to save time.
- Can I make a claim if my package is damaged? Yes, ALL CLAIMS are made directly through USPS online. www.usps.com
- Why do I get multiple notices for the same package? There is a 1<sup>ST</sup> notice, a 2<sup>ND</sup> after 5 business days if the package has not been picked up. Note: If your slip says 2<sup>ND</sup>, you may have already picked it up.
- What does packaging have to do with destroying my mail? Improper packaging is the lead cause of damaged mail.



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