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## USPS Recommends 2025 Holiday Mailing and Shipping Dates

WASHINGTON — Today, the U.S. Postal Service announced the recommended mailing and shipping dates for mail and packages for the 2025 holiday season.

For expected delivery before Dec. 25, the Postal Service recommends the following send-by dates:

### 2025 Holiday Shipping Dates for Contiguous U.S. (Lower 48 States)

- USPS Ground Advantage service: Dec. 17
- First-Class Mail: Dec. 17
- Priority Mail: Dec. 18
- Priority Mail Express: Dec. 20

### 2025 Holiday Shipping Dates for Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and U.S. Territories

- USPS Ground Advantage service: Dec. 16
- First-Class Mail: Dec. 17
- Priority Mail: Dec. 18
- Priority Mail Express: Dec. 20

For a complete list of suggested dates for customers sending packages to military or international addresses, the Postal Service recommends visiting the USPS [holiday shipping](#) page.

During the holiday season, customers should always plan to mail and ship packages early to ensure arrival by Dec. 25.

For tips on mailing and shipping preparation, ordering free shipping supplies, packaging guidelines (including restricted and prohibited item information), and Post Office location hours, visit [usps.com](http://usps.com) or the [USPS YouTube channel](#).

Information to help customers prepare for the busy holiday season can be found on the USPS Holiday Newsroom at [usps.com/holidaynews](http://usps.com/holidaynews).

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