



# BIRD SHIPPERS OF AMERICA

## New Postal Contact for 'Live' Shipment Issues

**Bird Shippers,** We have been asked by John Bonafilia, USPS, to please start using Joel Rosen as the official postal employee to deal with all issues dealing with LIVE shipments. Joel has taken this job over from John. Joel can be reached at: 202-268-4329. Thank you all in your consideration of this matter.

## Latest USPS Updates

Just wanted to give you an update and get your feedback on the following. As you know, the spring mailing season for lives was extremely trying the loss of air transportation with Delta airlines severely restricted the ability of USPS to move lives, coupled with the suspensions of American & US Air, the movement of lives was challenging to say the least. Things have not gotten any better. I received notification last week from US Airways effective October 1; they will no longer accept lives as cargo or mail. This is a result of their merger with America West. America West will manage the partnership and they do not accept lives.

As I've mentioned to a few of you on many occasions, I have been involved in negotiations with a cargo carrier to provide much needed lift to the industry, however, this lift comes at a cost. As you know, Northwest Airlines requires a \$1.00 surcharge to transport lives. The cargo carrier will require a \$.99 surcharge should we contract with them.

## They will take lives out of the following markets:

Memphis	El Paso	Louisville	Albany
Nashville	Austin	Anchorage	Springfield/Hartford
Jacksonville	New Orleans	Seattle	ord
Orlando	Columbus, OH	Portland, OR	Boston
Honolulu	Cleveland	Denver	Fort Wayne, IN
San Francisco	Charlotte	Omaha	Milwaukee
San Diego	Pittsburgh	Kansas City	St. Louis
Phoenix	Philadelphia	Buffalo	Richmond

The sites above were provided by each postal area where lift is either limited or non-existent. Where it is limited, the surcharge would apply to all carriers in that market. The cargo carrier only goes to 65 destinations, however, in most cases, they can get your product close to home a USPS may be in a position to truck the remaining distance. Movement of lives on this cargo carrier would be coordinated through their web site—a reservation system if you will. USPS employees would reserve space the cargo carriers planes the lives industry would be required to coordinate shipments with local postal folks.

John C. Bonafilia, Manager, Commercial Air Operations  
United States Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20260-7137, Phone: 202-268-2784

*This information was received from Bird shippers of America, please check there web page for the most current information on Shipping: [www.birdshippers.org](http://www.birdshippers.org)*

## USPS begin transporting lives on the entire day FedEx network

We have just recieved the following notification from USPS. Effective with mail acceptance on Monday, October 23, FedEx will begin transporting lives on the entire day network, (in addition to the night network) with exceptions listed below:

## Priority Originating and Destinating Exceptions

St. Louis, MO (STL) Zip Codes: 620, 622-631, 633-639  
Springfield, MO (SGF) Zip Codes: 648, 654-658

## Destinations for which there is NO Friday Priority Retail acceptance:

Shreveport, LA (SHV) Zip Codes: 710-714  
Oklahoma City, OK (OKC) Zip Codes: 730, 731, 734-738, 748  
Tulsa, OK (TUL) Zip Codes: 740, 741, 743-747, 749  
Houston, TX (IAH) Zip Codes: 773-778

## No Priority lives on FedEx to and from these locations if the forecast daytime temperature for the route between those cities and Memphis TN (MEM) is 85 degrees F or higher:

Birmingham, AL (BHM) Zip Codes: 350-352, 354-359, 362  
Jackson, MS (JAN) Zip Codes: 369, 390-393, 396, 397  
Nashville, TN (BNA) Zip Codes: 370-372, 384, 385

## Lives may not be transported on FedEx as Priority mail to (destinating in) delivery locations served by the following airports:

Charleston, WV (CRW) Zip Codes: 246-253, 258, 259, 261, 266

## Lives may not be transported on FedEx as Express mail to (destinating in) or from (originating in) locations served by the following airports:

Bangor, ME (BGR) Zip Codes: 044, 046  
Presque Isle, ME (PQI) Zip Codes: 047  
Elmira, NY (ELM) Zip Codes: 148-149  
Chattanooga, TN (CHA) Zip Codes: 373-374  
Traverse City, MI (TVC) Zip Codes: 496



**Fedex will not accept Express Lives going to:**

Huntsville, AL (HSV) Zip Codes: 356-358  
St. Louis, MO (STL) Zip Codes: 620, 622-624, 628-631, 633, 634, 636-639, 650-653

**Lives may not be transported on FedEx as Express mail from (originating in) locations served by the following airports:**

- |                     |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Bismarck ND (BIS)   | Pasco WA (PSC)        |
| Bozeman MT (BZN)    | Pocatello ID (PIH)    |
| Cumberland MD (CBE) | Rapid City SD (RAP)   |
| Durango CO (DRO)    | Redmond OR (RDM)      |
| Eugene OR (EUG)     | Rock Springs WY (RKS) |
| Fairbanks AK (FAI)  | Salisbury MD (SBY)    |
| Kalispell MT (FCA)  | St. Louis MO (STL)    |
| Medford OR (MFR)    | Twin Falls ID (TWF)   |
| Minot ND (MOT)      | Wenatchee WA (EAT)    |
| Missoula MT (MSO)   | Yakima WA (YKM)       |

**FEDERAL EXPRESS UPDATE**

**December 13, 2006**

We received the following updates on Federal Express "Lives" service through the Post Office.

**Because we have temperatures below 85 degrees now, the restrictions for the following areas have been lifted;**

Birmingham AL (BHM) Zip Codes: 350-352, 354-359, 362  
Jackson MS (JAN) Zip Codes: 369, 390-393, 396, 397  
Nashville TN (BNA) Zip Codes: 370-372, 384, 385

**Federal Express will be shut down and will not accept "Lives" on the following holidays; Christmas: December 24, 2006 through December 26, 2006.**

FedEx will have their last sort on 12/24 prior and will not be back up and running until the evening of 12/26. First Priority mail sort will be 12/27. To make sure all animals are delivered in a timely manner, they should ship by 12/20. New Years: December 31, 2006 through January 2, 2007. FedEx will have their last sort on 12/31 prior and will not be back up and running until the evening of 1/2. First Priority mail sort will be on 1/3. To make sure all animals are delivered in a timely manner, they should ship by 12/27.

**The Oakland, CA hub is now setup to receive and sort "Lives."**

Bud Wood, Chair ☒

