E PS Forms 3624 and 3623

To apply for authorization to mail at the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates, you may photocopy and use from this appendix the sample PS Form 3624, *Application to Mail at Nonprofit Standard Mail Rates* (three pages), and PS Form 3623, *Application for Nonprofit Standard Mail Rates at Additional Mailing Office* (one page). You can also obtain original forms at any post office.

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Application to Mail at Nonprofit Standard Mail Rates

Section A—Application (Please read section B on page 2 before completion.)

Part 1 (For completion by applicant) All information entered below must be legible so that our records will ■ The applicant named in item 5 must be the individual submitting the show the correct information about your organization. application for the organization and must be an officer of the organization. Printers and mailing agents may not sign for the organization. The complete name of the organization must be shown in item 1. The name shown must agree with the name that appears on all ■ No additional organization categories may be added in item 6. To be eligible for the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates, the organization must documents submitted to support this application. qualify as one of the types listed. A complete address representing a physical location for the organization must be shown in item 2. If you receive mail through a The applicant must sign the application in item 12. post office box, show your street address first and then the box The date shown in item 14 must be the date that the application is number. submitted to the post office. No application fee is required. All information must be complete and typewritten or printed legibly. 1. Complete Name of Organization (If voting registration official, include title) 2. Street Address of Organization (Include apartment or suite number) 3. City, State, ZIP+4 Code 4. Telephone (Include area code) 5. Name of Applicant (Must represent applying organization) 6. Type of Organization (Check only one) (09) Qualified political committee (01) Religious (03) Scientific (05) Agricultural (07) Veterans' (Go to item 9) Voting registration official (04) Philanthropic (06) Labor (08) Fraternal (02) Educational (Go to item 9) 7. Is this a for-profit organization or does any of the net Is this organization exempt from federal income tax? (If Yes Yes income inure to the benefit of any private stockholder 'Yes,' attach a copy of the exemption issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that shows the section of the IRS or individual? No No code under which the organization is exempt.) Is an application for exempt status pending with the IRS? Yes (If 'Yes,' attach a copy of the application to this Form No Has this organization previously mailed at the Nonprofit Has the IRS denied or revoked the organization's federal Standard Mail rates? (If 'Yes,' list the post offices where Yes Yes tax exempt status? (If 'Yes,' attach a copy of the IRS mailings were most recently deposited at these rates.) ruling to this Form 3624.) No No 10. Has your organization had Nonprofit Standard Mail rate mailing privileges denied or revoked? (If 'Yes,' list the post Yes office (city and state) where the application was denied or No authorization was revoked.) 11. Post office (not a station or branch) where authorization requested and bulk mailings will be made (City, state, ZIP Code) I certify that the statements made by me are true and complete. I for the difference between the regular Standard Mail (A) and Nonprofit understand that anyone who furnishes false or misleading information Standard Mail rates may be made for only mailings entered at regular on this form or who omits material information requested on the form Standard Mail (A) rates at the post office identified above while this may be subject to criminal sanctions (including fines and imprisonment) application is pending, provided that the conditions set forth in Domestic Mail and/or civil sanctions (including multiple damages and civil penalties). I Manual E670.5.0 and E670.9.0 are met. further understand that, if this application is approved, a postage refund 12. Signature of Applicant 13. Title 14. Date Part 2 (For completion by postmaster at originating office when application filed) 1. Signature of Postmaster (Or designated representative) 2. Date Application Filed With Post Office (Round stamp)

Organization Eligibility

The Nonprofit Standard Mail rates may be granted only to:

- 1. The eight categories (01 through 08) of nonprofit organizations specified on page 1 in section A, item 6.
- 2. Qualified political committees (category 09), including the national and state committees of political parties as well as certain named congressional committees.
- 3. Voting registration officials (category 10), including local, state, and District of Columbia voting registration officials.

These organizations are defined in Domestic Mail Manual (DMM) E670, available for review at any post office.

To qualify, a nonprofit organization must be both **organized** and **operated** for a **primary** purpose that is consistent with one of the types of organizations in DMM E670. Organizations that **incidentally** engage in qualifying activities do not qualify for the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates.

Not all nonprofit organizations are eligible for the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates. DMM E670 lists certain organizations (such as business leagues, chambers of commerce, civic improvement associations, social and hobby clubs, governmental bodies, and others) that, although nonprofit, do not qualify for the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates.

Application Procedures

- 1. Only organizations may apply. Individuals may not apply (except voting registration officials).
- 2. Only the one category in item 6 that best describes the primary purpose of the organization may be checked.
- 3. The application must be **signed** by someone in authority in the organization, such as the president or treasurer. It must not be signed by a printer or mailing agent.
- 4. The completed Form 3624 must be submitted to the post office where bulk mailings will be deposited. If the application is approved, the authorization will apply only at that post office.

Supporting Documentation

The documents listed in 1 and 2 below must be submitted with the completed applications for nonprofit organizations. The documents listed in 3 must be submitted for qualified political committees and, in 4, for voting registration officials.

- 1. Evidence that the organization is **nonprofit** and that none of its net income inures to the benefit of any private stockholder or individual. Acceptable evidence includes:
 - An Internal Revenue Service (IRS) letter of exemption from payment of federal income tax.
 - If an IRS exemption letter is not available, a complete financial statement from an independent auditor (such as a certified public accountant) substantiating that the organization is nonprofit. A statement from a member of the organization is not sufficient.
- 2. Documents describing the organization's primary purpose, such as:
 - Organizing instruments that state the purpose for which the group is organized, such as the constitution, articles of incorporation, articles of association, or trust indenture. The organizing instrument, including all amendments to the original, should bear the seal, certification, or signature of the Secretary of State or other appropriate state official. If one or more of these documents are not sealed, certified, or signed by state officials, an officer or other person authorized to sign for the applicant should submit a written declaration certifying that the documents are complete and accurate copies of the originals.
 - Materials showing how the organization actually operated during the previous 6 to 12 months and how it will operate in the future. Bulletins, financial statements, membership forms, publications produced by the organization, minutes of meetings, or a list of its activities may be used.
- 3. For qualified political committees (category 09), organizational or other documents substantiating that the applicant is the state or national committee of the political party.
- 4. For voting registration officials (category 10), a copy of the statute, ordinance, or other authority establishing responsibility for voter registration.

Mail Eligibility

An organization authorized to mail at the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates may mail only its own matter at those rates. It may not delegate or lend the use of its Nonprofit Standard Mail authorization to any other person or organization. Cooperative mailings may be made at the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates only if each of the cooperating organizations is individually authorized to mail at those rates at the office where mailings are deposited.

DMM E670 discusses the specific restrictions against the mailing of certain advertising materials and products.

Postal Service Checklist for Form 3624, Application to Mail at Nonprofit Standard Mail Rates

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Name of Organization		
The organization above provided the following evidence of eligibility for Nonprofit Standard Mail rates.		
1. Nonprofit Status (Check one)		
IRS letter of exemption from payment of federal income tax Financial statement prepared by an independent auditor substantiating organization's nonprofit status (statement must include balance		
sheets, notes, etc.)		
2. Organization (One complete copy; check one)		
Articles of Incorporation Constitution	Charter Articles of Association	
Other (Explain):		
3. Operation (Several samples of each; check types of information include	ad with application)	
Bulletins Brochures	Financial statements Listing of activities for past 6 to	
Membership applications Minutes of meetings	12 months Newsletters	
Other (Explain):		
The name on all the documentation presented as evidence must match the	e name on the application. If they do not match, please explain.	
I certify that the applicant has completed all the items on the application and that each item is legible.		
Signature of Postmaster (Or designated representative)	Date	
Telephone (Include area code)	Post Office (City, state, ZIP Code)	
Date Application Returned to Organization for Correction	Date Application and Documentation Sent to Nonprofit Service Center	

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Application for Nonprofit Standard Mail Rates at Additional Mailing Office

Part 1 (For completion by applicant)

- Any organization currently authorized to mail at the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates at one post office may obtain authorization to mail at those rates at an additional mailing office (described in Domestic Mail Manual (DMM) E670.8.0). Additional authorizations will be granted only to the organization holding the original authorization. A national organization may not obtain an additional mailing office authorization for mailings of its independent chapters.
- The organization name in item 1 must match the name of the
- File a separate application for each post office (not a station or a branch) for which your organization wants additional authorizations.
- Attach a letter with this application showing the following:
 - An official letterhead.
 - Signature of an organization official.
 - Statement of request for authorization to mail at the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates at an additional mailing office.
- Submit the completed application to the postmaster at the post office

be an official of the organization completing this form (not an agent). where additional authorization is requested (item 8).			
No application fee is required. Please be sure all information	ation is complete. Please type or print legibly		
Complete Name of Organization	6. Post office where original Nonprofit Standard Mail authorization granted and on which this application is based (City, state, ZIP Code)		
Street Address of Organization (Number, street, apartment or suite number, city, state, and ZIP+4)	Authorization number for original authorization, if kn right corner of your original office of mailing authorization.		
	Post office (not a station or branch) where additions requested and bulk mailings will be made (City, state).		
3. Name of Applicant (Must represent applying organization)	Estimated date of first mailing at additional mailing office		
4. Telephone Number (Include area code) ()	Name, address, contact person, and area code/telephone number of printer or agent who will present mailings to additional mailing office		
Is this organization exempt from federal income tax? If 'Yes,' indicate section of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) code under which it is exempt. No Yes 501(c) Other			
I certify that the statements made by me are true and complete. I understand that anyone who furnishes false or misleading information on this form or who omits material information requested on the form may be subject to criminal sanctions (including fines and imprisonment) and/or civil sanctions (including multiple damages and civil penalties).	I further understand that, if this application is approved, a postage refund for the difference between the regular Standard Mail (A) and Nonprofit Standard Mail rates may be made for only those regular Standard Mail (A) mailings entered at the post office identified above while this application is pending, provided that the conditions set forth in Domestic Mail Manual E670.5.0 and E670.9.0 are met.		
11. Signature of Applicant	12. Title	13. Date	
Part 2 (For completion by postmaster at additional office w.	hen application filed)		
■ Be sure that the applicant has completed items 1 to 13 in part 1 and has attached the required letter.	Check here if authorized by telephone and enter the additional mailing office authorization number issued by the Nonprofit Service Center.		
If the original office of mailing authorization number is known and is shown in item 7, the postmaster should request authorization by calling the Nonprofit Service Center at one of the following numbers:	Signature of Postmaster (Or designated representative)		
Southwest and Western Areas (901) 576-2059 Southeast, Mid-Atlantic, and Allegheny Areas (901) 576-2060 Midwest and Great Lakes Areas (901) 576-2061 Northeast, New York Metro, and Pacific Areas (901) 576-2062	Date Application Filed With Post Office (Round stamp)		
Retain applications approved by telephone at the post office. A copy of the authorization letter sent to the applicant will be sent to the postmaster.			
 Send applications not processed by telephone to: NONPROFIT SERVICE CENTER PO BOX 3623 MEMPHIS TN 38173-0623 			