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T.C. Paar,

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 117

[CGD01-00-247]

#### Mystic River, CT, Drawbridge Operation Regulations:

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

**SUMMARY:** The Commander, First Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operation regulations governing the operation of AMTRAK railroad bridge, at mile 2.4, across the Mystic River at Mystic, Connecticut. This deviation allows the bridge owner to open the bridge only three times a day at 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m., and 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. from December 11, 2000 to December 13, 2000. This action is necessary to facilitate replacement of the pinion at the bridge.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** This deviation is effective from December 11, 2000, to December 13, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joe Arca, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, at (212) 668-7165.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The AMTRAK railroad bridge, at mile 2.4, across the Mystic River, has a vertical clearance of 4 feet at mean high water, and 7 feet at mean low water in the closed position. The existing drawbridge operating regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.211(a).

The bridge owner requested a temporary deviation from the drawbridge operating regulations to open the bridge only three times a day at 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m., and 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m., from December 11, 2000 to December 13, 2000, to facilitate the replacement of the pinion at the bridge. Vessels that can pass under the bridge without an opening may do so at all times during the closed period.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(c), this work will be performed with all due speed in order to return the bridge to normal operation as soon as possible. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: November 24, 2000.

Gerald M. Davis,

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting  
Commander, First Coast Guard District.*

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## POSTAL SERVICE

### 39 CFR Part 20

#### Global Express Guaranteed

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** On April 19, 1999, the Postal Service published an interim rule introducing Priority Mail Global Guaranteed service on a test basis. The Postal Service has since amended that interim rule on four occasions, with the last amendment being announced on September 29, 2000, and amending the interim rule to rename the service Global Express Guaranteed service (GXG), establishing it as a permanent international service and expanding the service to include a new classification for Non-Document (merchandise) shipments. That amendment to the interim rule also established and published separate rates for the Non-Document service. The Postal Service hereby gives notice that it is implementing the interim rule as amended on a permanent basis.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 30, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Malcolm E. Hunt, (770) 360-1104.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On April 19, 1999, the Postal Service announced in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 19039-19042) the introduction of Priority Mail Global Guaranteed (PMGG) service on an interim basis. With PMGG, the USPS provided customers with a fully featured premium international service for documents with full track and trace capability. This service was initially available from 3,000 retail locations for delivery to a total of 19 countries.

On November 4, 1999, the Postal Service announced in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 60106-60109) the expansion of PMGG service to permit acceptance at a total of 10,000 retail locations, with destination locations expanded to 65 countries and territories.

On May 26, 2000, the Postal Service announced in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 34096-34101) the further expansion of PMGG service to a total of 202 destination countries and territories. A revised rate structure was also introduced.

On August 28, 2000, the Postal Service announced in the **Federal**

**Register** (65 FR 52023-52028) a further expansion of PMGG service. The number of retail locations was increased to a total of 20,000. Document service rates were adjusted, optional document reconstruction insurance was increased to \$2499, and delivery service was extended to China. An incorrect listing of three-digit ZIP Codes was included in the list of participating post offices in this rule. The correct list of participating post offices by three-digit ZIP Code is incorporated in the final rule.

On September 29, 2000, the Postal Service announced in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 58350-58359) a further expansion of PMGG service based on the successive and successful expansions of PMGG service. The Postal Service established it as a permanent international mail service. To effectuate this change, the Postal Service changed the name of the service to Global Express Guaranteed (GXG) and completed the expansion to include a new classification for merchandise shipments. GXG now consists of two mail classifications:

- a. GXG Document service
- b. GXG Non-Document service

The GXG Document service mail classification is for shipments that contain only documents and general correspondence for which no duty is assessed by the customs authority of the destination country. This mail classification is a designated letter mail class pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3623(d) and, as such, is sealed against inspection by the Postal Service. These Document service shipments may be subject to inspection in the destination country for purposes of compliance with the customs requirements of the destination country. The rate structure for Document service is separate and distinct from the rate structure for Non-Document service.

The GXG Non-Document service mail classification is for shipments that do not contain documents or general correspondence and for which duty may be assessed by the customs authority of the destination country. Merchandise and all other dutiable items may be shipped using only this GXG classification. As such, this mail classification is not a letter mail class pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3623(d). In order to provide for expedited customs clearance of these dutiable shipments, Non-Document service shipments will be subject to inspection by the Postal Service and its designated agents for purposes of air security and to determine that the contents are eligible for shipment via Non-Document service and that the contents are adequately

declared on the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice to permit expedited customs clearance. These Non-Document service shipments may also be subject to inspection in the destination country for purposes of compliance with the customs requirements of the destination country. The rate structure for Non-Document service is separate and distinct from the rate structure for Document service and reflects the generally higher costs inherent with handling dutiable shipments. Non-Document service is not available to some countries to which Document service is provided. See the listing of destination countries in International Mail Manual (IMM) 215.32 below for specific availability.

This separate mail classification treatment for GXG Document and Non-Document services is also reflected in the proposed changes to the Postal Service's Administrative Support Manual (ASM) provisions regarding mail security.

Although the Postal Service is exempted by 39 U.S.C. 410(a) from the advance notice requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act regarding proposed rulemaking (5 U.S.C. 553), the Postal Service solicited comment on the amendment to the interim rule. One comment was received regarding the different rate structure for the Document and Non-Document services, specifically that a half-pound rate is not available for Non-Document shipments. These rate structures were developed for GXG based upon the Postal Service's required cost coverage for providing these services and upon industry cost margins. A comment was also received regarding the lack of availability of the service in some post offices. GXG is available in approximately 20,000 post offices. Those offices were chosen based upon market research and the Postal Service's current logistical infrastructure to support the network.

Through the implementation of the interim rule, as amended, the Postal Service amends the International Mail Manual and the Administrative Support Manual as set forth below, both of which are incorporated by reference in the Code of Federal Regulations. See 39 CFR 20.1.

Transmittal letters changing the relevant pages in the International Mail Manual and the Administrative Support Manual will be published and automatically transmitted to all subscribers. Notice of issuance of the transmittal will be published in the **Federal Register** as provided by 39 CFR 20.3.

On or about September 26, 2000, the Postal Service announced in the **Federal**

**Register** a proposed rule which would amend and renumber provisions in the International Mail Manual. If that rule is adopted, GXG will be found in Section 210 of Chapter 2 of the International Mail Manual.

#### List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 20

Foreign relations, International postal service.

#### PART 20—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR Part 20 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 39 U.S.C. 401, 404, 407, 408.

2. Chapter 2 of the International Mail Manual is amended as follows:

#### 2 CONDITIONS FOR MAILING

##### 210 Express Mail International Service

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##### 215 Global Express Guaranteed

#### 215.1 Description

##### 215.11 General

Global Express Guaranteed (GXG) service is an international expedited delivery service provided through an alliance with DHL Worldwide Express, Inc. It provides reliable, high-speed, guaranteed, and time-definite service from selected post offices in the United States to a large number of international destinations. (Consult Countries and Cities Served Section of the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide* for destination service commitments.) GXG delivery service is guaranteed to meet the specified service standards or the postage paid may be refunded. Liability insurance is provided for lost or damaged shipments. See section 215.54 for an explanation of limits of liability.

##### 215.12 Allowable Contents

Documents and general correspondence (non-dutiable items), and non-documents (all dutiable items including merchandise) may be shipped using GXG service. See 215.2 for classification and rate treatment of specific shipments based on content. The allowable contents for GXG shipments may also be restricted by the destination country. Refer to the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide* for the definition of allowable contents for each destination country. Senders are responsible for determining if their item is allowable despite any statement made in the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide*, on the GXG Web Site, or by a postal employee or the Postal Service's agents.

#### 215.2 Mail Classifications

##### 215.21 Global Express Guaranteed Document Service

The GXG Document service mail classification is for shipments that contain only documents and general correspondence for which no duty is assessed by the customs authority of the destination country (non-dutiable shipments). Packages shipped by GXG Document service are sealed against inspection by the Postal Service. These Document service shipments may be subject to inspection in the destination country for purposes of compliance with the customs requirements of the destination country. The postage rates applicable to Document service shipments are set forth in 215.61 and are separate and distinct from the postage rates for Non-Document service.

##### 215.22 Global Express Guaranteed Non-Document Service

The GXG Non-Document service mail classification is for shipments that do not contain documents or general correspondence and for which duty may be assessed by the customs authority of the destination country. Merchandise and all other dutiable items may be shipped using only this GXG classification. Non-Document service shipments will be subject to inspection by the Postal Service and its designated agents for purposes of air security and to determine that the contents are eligible for shipment via Non-Document service and that the contents are adequately declared on the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice to permit expedited customs clearance. These Non-Document service shipments may also be subject to inspection in the destination country for purposes of compliance with the customs requirements of the destination country. Non-Document service is not available to some countries to which Document service is provided. See the listing of destination countries in 215.32 for specific availability. The postage rates applicable to Non-Document service shipments are set forth in 215.62 and are separate and distinct from the postage rates for Document service.

#### 215.3 Service Areas

##### 215.31 U.S. Origins

GXG items must be entered through selected post offices that are located in the following ZIP Code areas. Check with your local post office or review the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide* for a participating post office near you.

State	ZIP code areas
AL—Alabama .....	352, 356–358, 361–362, 366, 368
AR—Arkansas .....	722–723
AZ—Arizona .....	850, 852–853, 857
CA—California .....	900, 902–908, 910–918, 920–921, 926–928, 934, 936–937, 939–941, 943–951, 954
CO—Colorado .....	800–803, 805–806, 808–810
CT—Connecticut .....	060–069
DC—District of Columbia .....	200, 202–203, 205
DE—Delaware .....	197–199
FL—Florida .....	320–323, 326–338, 342, 344, 346–347, 349
GA—Georgia .....	299–319
IA—Iowa .....	500–507, 510–511, 515–516, 520, 522–528
IL—Illinois .....	600–620, 622, 625–627, 629
IN—Indiana .....	460–479
KS—Kansas .....	660–662, 667, 674, 676
KY—Kentucky .....	400–406, 410–416, 421–424, 427
LA—Louisiana .....	700–701, 703–704, 707–708
MA—Massachusetts .....	010–027
MD—Maryland .....	206–212, 214, 217, 219
ME—Maine .....	039–041
MI—Michigan .....	480–497
MN—Minnesota .....	550–551, 553–554, 558–563
MO—Missouri .....	630–631, 633, 636–641, 644–648, 654–658
MS—Mississippi .....	383, 386–392, 394–397
MT—Montana .....	591
NC—North Carolina .....	270–282, 286
NE—Nebraska .....	680–681, 685–687
NH—New Hampshire .....	010–011, 030–034, 036–038
NJ—New Jersey .....	070–089
NM—New Mexico .....	871
NY—New York .....	100–101, 103–149
OH—Ohio .....	430–458
OK—Oklahoma .....	730–731, 734–738, 740–741, 743–748
OR—Oregon .....	972
PA—Pennsylvania .....	150–168, 170–176, 178–179, 189–191, 193–196
PR—Puerto Rico .....	006–007, 009
RI—Rhode Island .....	028–029
SC—South Carolina .....	297–299
SD—South Dakota .....	570–571
TN—Tennessee .....	370–374, 376–385
TX—Texas .....	750–756, 759–764, 768–770, 772–778, 780–782, 784, 786–788, 791, 794–796, 799
UT—Utah .....	840–841, 843–847
VA—Virginia .....	201, 220–227, 230–239
VI—Virgin Islands .....	008
VT—Vermont .....	054, 056
WA—Washington .....	980–985, 988–989
WI—Wisconsin .....	530–532, 534, 540, 546–548
WV—West Virginia .....	250–257, 260, 267
WY—Wyoming .....	820

### 215.32 Destinating Countries and Rate Groups

GXG service is available to the following destinating countries and territories. For rate purposes, countries have been placed into one of eight rate groups.

Country	Document service rate group	Non-document service rate group
Afghanistan .....	*	*
Albania .....	8	8
Algeria .....	8	8
Andorra .....	6	6
Angola .....	8	8
Anguilla .....	7	7
Antigua & Barbuda .....	7	7
Argentina .....	5	5
Armenia .....	8	8
Aruba .....	7	7
Ascension .....	*	*
Australia .....	4	4
Austria .....	6	6
Azerbaijan .....	8	8
Bahamas .....	7	7
Bahrain .....	4	4

Country	Document service rate group	Non-document service rate group
Bangladesh .....	4	4
Barbados .....	7	7
Belarus .....	8	8
Belgium .....	3	3
Belize .....	5	5
Benin .....	8	8
Bermuda .....	7	7
Bhutan .....	5	5
Bolivia .....	5	5
Bosnia-Herzegovina .....	8	8
Botswana .....	8	8
Brazil .....	5	5
British Virgin Islands .....	7	7
Brunei Darussalam .....	8	8
Bulgaria .....	8	8
Burkina Faso .....	8	8
Burma (Myanmar) .....	8	8
Burundi .....	8	8
Cambodia .....	8	8
Cameroon .....	8	8
Canada .....	1	1
Cape Verde .....	8	8
Cayman Islands .....	7	7
Central African Republic .....	8	8
Chad .....	8	8
Chile .....	5	5
China .....	4	4
Colombia .....	5	5
Comoros .....	8	8
Congo, Democratic Republic of the .....	8	8
Congo, Republic of the (Brazzaville) .....	8	8
Costa Rica .....	5	5
Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast) .....	8	8
Croatia .....	8	8
Cuba .....	8	*
Cyprus .....	4	4
Czech Republic .....	8	8
Denmark .....	6	6
Djibouti .....	8	8
Dominica .....	7	7
Dominican Republic .....	7	7
Ecuador .....	5	5
Egypt .....	4	*
El Salvador .....	5	5
Equatorial Guinea .....	8	8
Eritrea .....	8	8
Estonia .....	8	8
Ethiopia .....	8	8
Falkland Islands .....	5	5
Faroe Islands .....	6	6
Fiji .....	5	5
Finland .....	6	6
France .....	3	3
French Guiana .....	5	*
French Polynesia .....	8	8
Gabon .....	8	8
Gambia .....	8	8
Georgia, Republic of .....	8	8
Germany .....	3	3
Ghana .....	8	8
Gibraltar .....	6	6
Great Britain & Northern Ireland .....	3	3
Greece .....	6	6
Greenland .....	6	6
Grenada .....	7	7
Guadeloupe .....	7	7
Guatemala .....	5	5
Guinea .....	8	8
Guinea-Bissau .....	8	8
Guyana .....	5	5
Haiti .....	7	7
Honduras .....	5	5

Country	Document service rate group	Non-document service rate group
Hong Kong .....	3	3
Hungary .....	8	8
Iceland .....	6	6
India .....	4	4
Indonesia .....	4	4
Iran .....	4	*
Iraq .....	*	*
Ireland (Eire) .....	3	3
Israel .....	4	4
Italy .....	3	3
Jamaica .....	7	7
Japan .....	*	*
Jordan .....	4	4
Kazakhstan .....	8	8
Kenya .....	8	8
Kiribati .....	8	8
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North) .....	*	*
Korea, Republic of (South) .....	4	4
Kuwait .....	4	4
Kyrgyzstan .....	8	8
Laos .....	8	8
Latvia .....	8	8
Lebanon .....	4	4
Lesotho .....	8	8
Liberia .....	8	8
Libya .....	*	*
Liechtenstein .....	6	6
Lithuania .....	8	8
Luxembourg .....	3	3
Macao .....	3	3
Macedonia, Republic of .....	8	8
Madagascar .....	8	8
Malawi .....	8	8
Malaysia .....	4	4
Maldives .....	8	8
Mali .....	8	8
Malta .....	6	6
Martinique .....	7	7
Mauritania .....	8	8
Mauritius .....	8	8
Mexico .....	2	2
Moldova .....	8	8
Mongolia .....	8	8
Montserrat .....	7	7
Morocco .....	8	8
Mozambique .....	8	8
Namibia .....	8	8
Nauru .....	8	8
Nepal .....	8	8
Netherlands .....	3	3
Netherlands Antilles .....	7	7
New Caledonia .....	5	5
New Zealand .....	4	4
Nicaragua .....	5	5
Niger .....	8	8
Nigeria .....	8	8
Norway .....	6	6
Oman .....	4	4
Pakistan .....	4	4
Panama .....	5	5
Papua New Guinea .....	5	5
Paraguay .....	5	5
Peru .....	5	5
Philippines .....	4	4
Pitcairn Island .....	*	*
Poland .....	8	8
Portugal .....	6	6
Qatar .....	4	4
Reunion .....	8	8
Romania .....	8	8
Russia .....	8	8
Rwanda .....	8	8

Country	Document service rate group	Non-document service rate group
St. Christopher (St. Kitts) & Nevis .....	7	7
Saint Helena .....	*	*
Saint Lucia .....	7	7
Saint Pierre & Miquelon .....	1	1
Saint Vincent & Grenadines .....	7	7
San Marino .....	3	3
Sao Tome & Principe .....	8	8
Saudi Arabia .....	4	4
Senegal .....	8	8
Serbia-Montenegro (Yugoslavia) .....	8	8
Seychelles .....	8	8
Sierra Leone .....	8	8
Singapore .....	3	3
Slovak Republic (Slovakia) .....	8	8
Slovenia .....	8	8
Solomon Islands .....	8	8
Somalia .....	8	8
South Africa .....	8	8
Spain .....	6	6
Sri Lanka .....	4	4
Sudan .....	*	*
Suriname .....	5	5
Swaziland .....	8	8
Sweden .....	6	6
Switzerland .....	6	6
Syrian Arab Republic (Syria) .....	4	*
Taiwan .....	3	3
Tajikistan .....	8	8
Tanzania .....	8	8
Thailand .....	4	4
Togo .....	8	8
Tonga .....	8	8
Trinidad & Tobago .....	7	7
Tristan da Cunha .....	*	*
Tunisia .....	8	8
Turkey .....	4	4
Turkmenistan .....	8	8
Turks & Caicos Islands .....	7	7
Tuvalu .....	8	8
Uganda .....	8	8
Ukraine .....	8	8
United Arab Emirates .....	4	4
Uruguay .....	5	5
Uzbekistan .....	8	8
Vanuatu .....	5	5
Vatican City .....	3	3
Venezuela .....	5	5
Vietnam .....	4	4
Wallis & Futuna Islands .....	4	4
Western Samoa .....	4	4
Yemen .....	4	4
Zambia .....	8	8
Zimbabwe .....	8	8

\* No service.

GXG service is available to all locations that are referenced in the Individual Country Listings *except for the following*:

- a. Afghanistan
- b. Ascension
- c. Iraq
- d. Japan
- e. Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)
- f. Libya
- g. Pitcairn Island
- h. Saint Helena
- i. Sudan

j. Tristan de Cunha

The following countries are limited to GXG Document service only:

- a. Cuba
- b. Egypt
- c. French Guiana
- d. Iran
- e. Syrian Arab Republic (Syria)

**215.4 Service Guarantee**

**215.41 General**

The Postal Service guarantees delivery within the service standards

specified in the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide* or the sender may be entitled to a full refund of the postage paid. For the purpose of the service guarantee, the date and time of delivery, attempted delivery, or availability for delivery constitutes delivery.

**215.42 Transit Days for Non-Document Service**

For GXG Non-Document service, total transit days may be affected by general

customs delays, specific customs commodity delays, holidays observed in the destination country, and other factors beyond the Postal Service's control. See Terms and Conditions on the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice or in the Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide for details.

**215.5 Inquiries, Postage Refunds, and Indemnity Claims**

**215.51 Inquiries**

Inquiries concerning the delivery of GXG items are made by calling 1-800-222-1811 or through the Internet at <http://www.usps.com/gxg>.

**215.52 Postage Refunds**

Postage may be refunded if a shipment tendered at a designated post office before the specified deposit time is not delivered or if delivery is not attempted before 5:00 p.m. local time in the delivery location in accordance with the guaranteed delivery standards in the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide*. The mailer may file requests for postage refunds only by contacting a Customer Service Representative at 1-800-222-1811. The original receipt of the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice is required when filing a claim for a postage refund. Requests for postage refunds must be made no later than 30 days from the date of shipment. The GXG Customer Service Office will adjudicate refunds for GXG at 1-800-222-1811. Final approval and payment will be made by the Postal Service.

Refunds will not be made if delivery was attempted but could not be made, if the delivery address was incomplete or inaccurate, or if the shipment was delayed by circumstances outside the control of the Postal Service or its agents (as defined in the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide*).

**215.53 Indemnity Claims**

**215.531 Claims for Document Service Shipments**

If a Document service shipment is lost or damaged, the sender may file a claim for document reconstruction costs, subject to 215.54. All claims must be initiated within 30 days of the shipment date by contacting a Customer Service Representative at 1-800-222-1811; this representative will provide more details

on how to file a claim. The original receipt of the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice must be included when filing a claim. Consult the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide* for limitations and restrictions on indemnity payments for GXG items. The GXG Customer Service Office will adjudicate claims for GXG at 1-800-222-1811. Final approval and payment will be made by the Postal Service.

**215.532 Claims for Non-Document Service Shipments**

If a Non-Document service shipment is lost or damaged, the sender may file a claim for the declared value of the shipment costs, subject to 215.54. All claims must be initiated within 30 days of the shipment date by contacting a Customer Service Representative at 1-800-222-1811; this representative will provide more details on how to file a claim. The original receipt of the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice must be included when filing a claim. Consult the *Global Express Guaranteed Service Guide* for limitations and restrictions on indemnity payments for GXG items. The GXG Customer Service Office will adjudicate claims for GXG at 1-800-222-1811. Final approval and payment will be made by the Postal Service.

**215.54 Extent of Postal Service Liability for Lost or Damaged Contents**

**215.541 Document Service Shipments**

Liability for a lost or damaged Document service shipment is limited to the lowest of the following:

- a. \$100 or the amount of additional optional insurance purchased.
- b. The actual amount of the loss or damage.
- c. The actual value of the contents.

"Actual value" means the lowest cost of replacing, reconstructing, or reconstituting the Allowable Contents of the shipment (determined at the time and place of acceptance).

**215.542 Non-Document Service Shipments**

Liability for a lost or damaged Non-Document service shipment is limited to the lowest of the following:

- a. \$100 or the amount of additional optional insurance purchased.

- b. The actual amount of the loss or damage.
- c. The actual value of the contents.

"Actual value" means the lowest cost of replacing, reconstructing, or reconstituting the Allowable Contents of the shipment (determined at the time and place of acceptance).

**215.55 Insurance**

**215.551 Insurance for Document Service Shipments**

Document reconstruction insurance (this is the reasonable costs incurred in reconstructing duplicates of nonnegotiable documents mailed), up to \$100 per shipment, is included at no additional charge. Additional document reconstruction insurance may be purchased for Document service shipments, as outlined in section 215.553, not to exceed the total cost of reconstruction, \$2,499 or a lesser amount as limited by country, content, or value. *Coverage, terms, and limitations are subject to change.*

**215.552 Insurance for Non-Document Service Shipments**

Non-Document insurance for loss, damage, or rifling, up to \$100 per shipment, is included at no additional charge. Additional Non-Document insurance may be purchased for shipments, as outlined in section 215.553, not to exceed the total declared shipment value, \$2,499 or a lesser amount as limited by country, content or value. *Coverage, terms, and limitations are subject to change.*

**215.553 Insurance Fees**

Insurance amount	Fee
\$100 .....	No Fee
200 .....	\$0.70
300 .....	1.40
400 .....	2.10
500 .....	2.80
For document reconstruction insurance or Non-Document insurance coverage above \$500, add \$0.70 per \$100 or fraction thereof, up to a maximum of \$2,499 per shipment.	
2,499 .....	16.80

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## 215.6 Postage

## 215.61 Document Service Rates/Groups

Weight	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate
Not	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group
Over	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(Lbs.)								
0.5	\$19	\$20	\$24	\$29	\$40	\$28	\$24	\$60
1	28	28	30	38	46	41	35	68
2	33	35	38	47	56	51	41	79
3	35	41	45	54	70	57	48	91
4	38	45	53	61	84	63	54	102
5	41	50	61	68	97	70	60	114
6	43	53	67	75	110	75	65	126
7	46	56	71	81	122	81	70	138
8	48	60	75	88	134	86	74	150
9	50	63	80	95	147	91	79	162
10	53	65	84	99	156	97	82	170
11	55	68	87	104	166	100	86	181
12	57	71	91	110	176	104	90	193
13	60	74	94	115	186	108	94	205
14	62	76	98	120	196	112	98	216
15	64	79	101	125	205	116	102	228

Weight	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate
Not	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group
Over	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(Lbs.)								
16	67	82	104	131	214	120	106	239
17	69	84	108	136	222	124	110	250
18	71	87	111	141	229	128	114	261
19	74	90	115	146	237	132	118	272
20	76	92	118	151	244	136	122	283
21	78	95	121	156	251	139	126	292
22	80	97	125	161	259	143	130	301
23	82	100	128	166	266	147	134	308
24	85	103	132	171	274	151	138	315
25	87	105	135	176	281	155	142	323
26	89	108	138	181	289	159	146	330
27	91	110	142	185	296	163	150	337
28	93	113	145	190	304	167	153	345
29	95	115	148	195	311	171	157	352
30	98	119	153	202	322	177	163	363
31	100	122	157	207	329	181	167	371
32	102	124	160	212	337	185	171	378
33	104	126	164	217	344	189	175	386
34	107	127	167	222	352	193	179	393
35	109	129	170	227	360	197	183	401

Weight	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate
Not	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group
Over	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(Lbs.)								
36	111	131	174	231	367	201	187	408
37	113	133	177	236	375	205	191	416
38	115	135	181	241	382	209	195	423
39	117	137	184	246	389	213	199	430
40	119	139	187	251	395	217	203	438
41	121	141	191	256	402	221	207	445
42	125	143	194	261	409	225	211	453
43	127	145	198	266	416	229	215	460
44	129	146	201	271	423	233	219	468
45	132	148	205	275	430	237	223	475
46	134	150	208	280	437	241	227	482
47	136	151	211	285	443	245	231	490
48	138	153	215	290	450	249	235	497
49	141	155	218	295	457	253	239	505
50	143	158	224	303	469	259	245	518
51	147	160	227	308	476	259	249	533
52	149	160	231	313	483	267	253	533
53	151	164	234	318	490	271	257	549
54	154	164	238	323	497	275	261	549
55	155	167	241	328	504	278	265	562

Weight	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate
Not	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group
Over	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(Lbs.)								
56	157	167	245	333	511	283	270	562
57	157	170	248	338	518	286	274	574
58	157	170	251	343	524	291	278	574
59	157	173	255	348	531	294	282	587
60	157	173	258	353	538	299	285	587
61	164	176	262	358	545	302	290	602
62	165	176	265	362	551	308	292	602
63	167	179	269	367	559	310	298	617
64	168	179	272	372	562	316	298	617
65	169	182	276	377	573	318	305	632
66	169	182	279	382	573	324	305	632
67	169	186	282	387	584	326	313	647
68	169	186	286	392	584	332	313	647
69	169	189	289	397	595	334	320	662
70	169	189	293	402	595	340	320	662

## 215.62 Non-Document Service Rates/Groups

Weight	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate
Not	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group	Group
Over	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(Lbs.)								
1	\$33	\$34	\$39	\$45	\$52	\$47	\$40	\$75
2	38	40	46	52	65	55	46	89
3	40	46	53	59	79	62	53	101
4	43	50	60	66	93	68	59	112
5	46	55	67	73	106	75	65	124
6	48	58	72	80	119	80	70	136
7	51	61	76	86	131	86	75	148
8	53	65	80	93	143	91	79	160
9	55	68	85	100	156	96	84	172
10	58	70	89	104	165	102	87	180
11	60	73	92	109	175	105	91	191
12	62	76	96	115	185	109	95	203
13	65	79	99	120	195	113	99	215
14	67	81	103	125	205	117	103	226
15	69	84	106	130	214	121	107	238
16	72	87	109	136	223	125	111	249
17	74	89	113	141	231	129	115	260
18	76	92	116	146	238	133	119	271

19	79	95	120	151	246	137	123	282
20	81	97	123	156	253	141	127	293
21	83	100	126	161	260	144	131	302
22	85	102	130	166	268	148	135	311
23	87	105	133	171	275	152	139	318
24	90	108	137	176	283	156	143	325
25	92	110	140	181	290	160	147	333
26	94	113	143	186	298	164	151	340
27	96	115	147	190	305	168	155	347
28	98	118	150	195	313	172	158	355
29	100	120	153	200	320	176	162	362
30	103	124	158	207	331	182	168	373
31	105	127	162	212	338	186	172	381
32	107	129	165	217	346	190	176	388
33	109	131	169	222	353	194	180	396
34	112	132	172	227	361	198	184	403
35	114	134	175	232	369	202	188	411
36	116	136	179	236	376	206	192	418
37	118	138	182	241	384	210	196	426
38	120	140	186	246	391	214	200	433
39	122	142	189	251	398	218	204	440
40	124	144	192	256	404	222	208	448
41	126	146	196	261	411	226	212	455
42	130	148	199	266	418	230	216	463
43	132	150	203	271	425	234	220	470

44	134	151	206	276	432	238	224	478
45	137	153	210	280	439	242	228	485
46	139	155	213	285	446	246	232	492
47	141	156	216	290	452	250	236	500
48	143	158	220	295	459	254	240	507
49	146	160	223	300	466	258	244	515
50	148	163	229	308	478	264	250	528
51	152	165	232	313	485	264	254	543
52	154	165	236	318	492	272	258	543
53	156	169	239	323	499	276	262	559
54	159	169	243	328	506	280	266	559
55	160	172	246	333	513	283	270	572
56	162	172	250	338	520	288	275	572
57	162	175	253	343	527	291	279	584
58	162	175	256	348	533	296	283	584
59	162	178	260	353	540	299	287	597
60	162	178	263	358	547	304	290	597
61	169	181	267	363	554	307	295	612
62	170	181	270	367	560	313	297	612
63	172	184	274	372	568	315	303	627
64	173	184	277	377	571	321	303	627
65	174	187	281	382	582	323	310	642
66	174	187	284	387	582	329	310	642
67	174	191	287	392	593	331	318	657
68	174	191	291	397	593	337	318	657
69	174	194	294	402	604	339	325	672
70	174	194	298	407	604	345	325	672

**215.63 Payment of Postage****215.631 Methods of Payment**

Both GXG Document service shipments and Non-Document service shipments may be paid by postage stamps, postage validation imprinter (PVI) labels, or postage meter stamps.

**215.632 Official Mail***Mailings Made by Federal Government Agencies*

GXG shipments that are originated by federal agencies and departments are subject to the same postage payment requirements, weight and size limits, customs requirements, and general conditions for mailing as GXG shipments that are originated by non-governmental entities.

*USPS Mailings*

Both GXG Document Service shipments and Non-Document Service shipments mailed by Postal Service entities must bear the G-10 permit indicia that is prescribed for all USPS official mail. There is a 70-pound weight limit for USPS-originated GXG shipments going to all authorized, destinating countries. See section 144.2.

**215.7 Weight and Size Limits****215.71 General**

The weight, dimensional weight, and size limits set forth in this section are the same for both GXG Document service shipments and Non-Document service shipments.

**215.72 Weight Limits**

The maximum weight is 70 pounds.

**215.73 Dimensional Weight**

The equation to determine dimensional weight is as follows:  

$$\frac{(\text{Length} \times \text{Width} \times \text{Height})}{166} = \text{Dimensional Weight}$$

When determining the dimensional weight, each individual measurement must be rounded down to the nearest whole inch.

**215.74 Size Limits****215.741 Minimum Size**

Items must be large enough—approximately 9 inches in height and 12 inches in length—so that a GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice can be affixed on the face of the item.

**215.742 Maximum Size**

Length and girth combined may not exceed 108 inches. Individual dimensions may not exceed the following:

- a. Length: 46 inches.
- b. Width: 35 inches.

- c. Height: 46 inches.

**215.8 Preparation Requirements****215.81 Preparation by the Sender**

a. Prepare the item as a flat or package using either the GXG envelope provided by the Postal Service or mailer-supplied packaging. Mailers using their own envelope or wrapping must also affix a GXG sticker (Item 107RGG3) to the front and back of the item.

b. Complete the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice (Item 11FGG1) to show the complete address of the sender and addressee. Items cannot be addressed to a post office box or an APO or FPO address.

c. GXG Document Service Shipment Preparation: Complete the “Shipment Details” to show the contents in detail including description and estimated cost of reconstruction. A separate customs declaration is not used. Sign and date the mailer agreement.

d. GXG Non-Document Service Shipment Preparation: Complete the “Shipment Details” to show the contents in detail including description, valuation, and country of manufacture. Non-Document service shipments cannot have a value that exceeds US \$2,499. A separate customs declaration is not used. Sign and date the mailer agreement.

**215.82 Preparation by Acceptance Employee**

a. Check that the sender has properly completed the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice.

b. Complete the postage transaction if the item is not prepaid.

c. Complete the “Origin” information.

d. Remove the customer’s copy of the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice and give it to the customer. Process the GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice according to directions on the shipping document.

**215.83 Customs Forms Not Required**

The GXG Air Waybill/Shipping Invoice contains space for the sender to declare the contents. A separate postal customs declaration is not used.

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[The Individual Country Listing pages in the *International Mail Manual* will be revised to reflect the availability of GXG service and the applicable postage rates.]

**Administrative Support Manual****2 AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS**

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**274 Mail Security**

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**274.2 Opening, Searching, and Reading Mail Generally Prohibited**

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**274.23 Definitions****274.231 Mail Sealed Against Inspection**

The following terms and definitions apply:

a. For purposes of this part, the terms “mail sealed against inspection” and “sealed mail” mean mail on which appropriate postage is paid, and which, under postal laws and regulations, is included within a class of mail maintained by the Postal Service for the transmission of letters sealed against inspection.

b. The terms include First-Class Mail, Priority Mail, Express Mail (domestic and international), Mailgram messages, GXG Document service, and the international letter mail forming part of the LC class of Postal Union mail. See the definition of Postal Union mail in the *International Mail Manual*.

c. The terms exclude incidental First-Class matter permitted to be enclosed in or attached to certain Periodicals, Standard (A) and Standard (B) mailings (see DMM E070) and international transit mail (see 274.8).

d. When sealed mail is part of a mixed class mailing (see DMM E070), the sealed mail component of the combination item is treated as sealed mail only if it is contained in its own envelope or other form of sealed container.

**274.232 Mail Not Sealed Against Inspection**

The following terms and definitions apply:

a. For purposes of this part, the terms “mail not sealed against inspection” and “unsealed mail” mean mail on which appropriate postage for sealed mail is not paid, and which under postal laws or regulations is not included within a class of mail maintained by the Postal Service for the transmission of letters sealed against inspection.

b. The terms include Periodicals, Standard Mail, incidental First-Class attachments or enclosures mailed under DMM E070, and (as defined in the *International Mail Manual*) GXG Non-Document service, international parcel post mail, the AO class of Postal Union mail, and the international post cards and postal cards forming part of the LC class of Postal Union mail.

c. The terms do not include international transit mail (see 274.8).

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 180

[OPP-301083; FRL-6756-6]

RIN 2070-AB78

### Fludioxonil; Extension of Tolerance for Emergency Exemptions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This regulation extends a time-limited tolerance for residues of the fungicide fludioxonil in or on caneberries at 2 parts per million (ppm) for an additional 1-year period. This tolerance will expire and is revoked on December 31, 2001. This action is in response to EPA's granting of emergency exemptions under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act authorizing use of the pesticide on caneberries. Section 408(l)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act requires EPA to establish a time-limited tolerance or exemption from the requirement for a tolerance for pesticide chemical residues in food that will result from the use of a pesticide under an emergency exemption granted by EPA under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

**DATES:** This regulation is effective December 6, 2000. Objections and requests for hearings, identified by docket control number OPP-301083, must be received by EPA on or before February 5, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Written objections and hearing requests may be submitted by mail, in person, or by courier. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit III. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** To ensure proper receipt by EPA, your objections

and hearing requests must identify docket control number OPP-301083 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Stephen Schaible, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-9362; and e-mail address: [schaible.stephen@epa.gov](mailto:schaible.stephen@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. General Information

###### A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer, or pesticide manufacturer. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Categories	NAICS codes	Examples of Potentially Affected Entities
Industry	111 112 311 32532	Crop production Animal production Food manufacturing Pesticide manufacturing

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed in the table could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action might apply to certain entities. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

###### B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations," "Regulations

and Proposed Rules," and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the Federal Register listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-301083. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

##### II. Background and Statutory Findings

EPA issued a final rule, published in the **Federal Register** of June 30, 1999 (64 FR 35037) (FRL-6086-4), which announced that on its own initiative under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a, as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA) (Public Law 104-170) it established a time-limited tolerance for the residues of fludioxonil in or on caneberries at 2 ppm, with an expiration date of December 31, 2000. EPA established the tolerance because section 408(l)(6) of the FFDCA requires EPA to establish a time-limited tolerance or exemption from the requirement for a tolerance for pesticide chemical residues in food that will result from the use of a pesticide under an emergency exemption granted by EPA under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Such tolerances can be established without providing notice or period for public comment.