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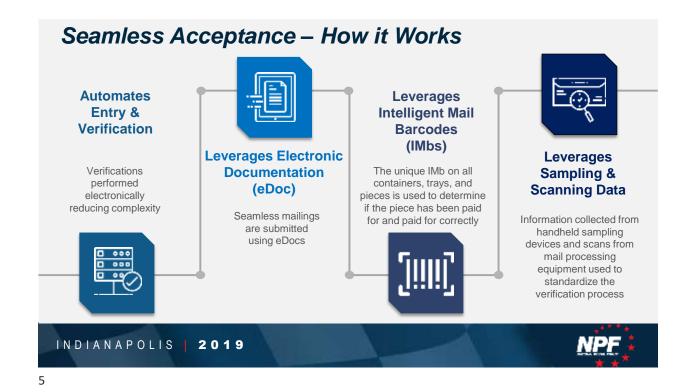


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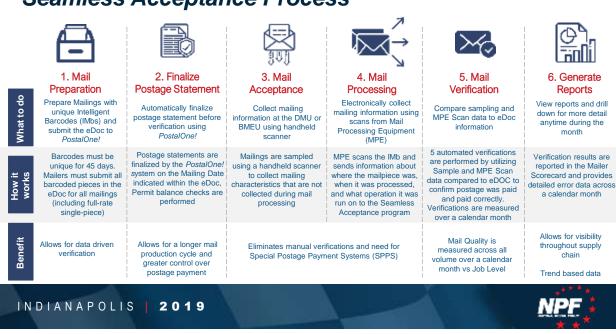


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# Seamless Acceptance Process



# Seamless Acceptance Verifications & Thresholds

### **Sampling Verifications**

#### **General PAF**

1.05%

- Incorrect Postage
- Incorrect Weight

Additional Postage Due = Total Monthly Postage Paid (eDoc Submitter) × (PAF -PAF Threshold)

#### **Mail Characteristics PAF**



- · Ineligible Non-Profit
- Incorrected Process Category
- · Incorrect Mail Class

Additional Postage Due=Total Monthly Postage Paid (Mail Owner) × (PAF -PAF Threshold)

### **Census Verifications**

#### **Delivery Point Validation**



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#### **Nesting Sortation MPE**



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#### Sampling Process

- · Sampling collects piece attributes that MPE cannot
- Random Samples collected throughout the month
- 1 Container, 3 Handling Unit, 30 pieces

#### PAF Assessments - 3 Strike Rule

- · Mailer must exceed PAF more than 3 times in a rolling 12 month period
- Mailer is assessed on the 4th month PAF is exceeded for only that months Sampling Errors
- · Each PAF is evaluated separately





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### Census Verifications

### **Delivery Point Validation (DPV)**



Delivery Point provided in eDoc is either invalid or contains generic zip +4 with an address that is not general delivery

- eDOC Validation
- Validates the DPV (5, 9 or 11 digit) provided in eDOC is a valid



### **Nesting Sortation MPE**



Pieces scanned by MPE are nested in a different tray or bundle than identified in eDoc

- Scans compared to eDOC Validation
- Validates pieces were paid for at the correct rate



#### **Undocumented Pieces**



Pieces scanned by MPE are not associated to a finalized eDoc submitted within 45 days of the piece scan

- Scans compared to eDOC Validation
- Validates pieces are paid for



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### **Undocumented Mail Pieces**

Any piece of mail with an IMb associated to a mailer's submitting CRID that is not submitted with Electronic Documentation (eDoc) will be recorded as undocumented

### **Top 5 Causes & Resolutions for Undocumented Mail Pieces**

Causes		Resolutions	
1	Submission of hard copy postage statements	<b>S</b>	Submit any mailpieces with IMbs via electronic documentation
2	Full-Service Postal Wizard statements that do not include a piece range and non full-service Postal Wizard Statements	<b>(</b>	Full-Service PW statements: include your piece range for IMbs. Non Full-Service: submit via Mail.dat or Mail.xml
3	Barcoded mailpieces not included in the electronic postage statement for single piece volume (permit imprint/metered)	<b>S</b>	Mail.dat and Mail.xml support the submission of single piece postage for permit imprint and metered
4	The mailer does not maintain original IMbs when correcting presort errors within eDoc		When adjusting eDoc, ensure to elect to maintain original IMbs in your software settings
5	Mailer incorrectly identifies pieces as spoiled/wasted in eDoc		Any pieces that were originally identified as wasted must be resubmitted in a new eDoc before being mailed

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### **Avoid Undocumented Mail Pieces**

### **Improve Your Processes**

- · Review data from research with internal teams
- Pinpoint gap areas that need improvement
- · Implement improvement plan and document

#### **Be Proactive**

- · Monitor Mail Scorecard results DAILY
- Research issues even if they are below threshold
- Document and improve processes identified during research



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## Seamless Parallel to Seamless Acceptance

	Seamless Parallel	Seamless Acceptance
Traditional Verification	Are performed	Are <b>NOT</b> performed
Seamless Acceptance Verifications	Are performed	Are performed
Postage	Seamless Acceptance Verifications do NOT result in additional Postage	Seamless acceptance verifications may result in additional postage
Auto-Finalization	Does <b>NOT</b> occur	Occurs

Mailers are moved into Seamless Acceptance after they have successfully maintained all mail quality measurements within the recommended threshold for error percentages for a minimum of one calendar month.

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### Seamless Acceptance – Participation Criteria

# Full-Service eInduction

#### Mailers must participate in Full-Service

- Mailings must be submitted using eDoc
  All containers, trays, and pieces must contain a unique Intelligent Mail Barcode
- Piece data information must be submitted

### Mailers must participate in elnduction

- Streamlined mail induction process
- More accurate mail preparation process
- Data-driven process enabling transparency and future improvements

### **Seamless Parallel**

Mailers participating in Seamless Acceptance are first moved into a "Seamless Parallel" process which allows both the USPS and the mailer time to evaluate mail quality, review and revise business processes, and address any software issues

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# Seamless Acceptance Onboarding Process



Enroll in Seamless Parallel by requesting through BMS/BME employee. The Postal Service employee will set individual CRID(s) to Seamless Parallel after validating enrollment criteria is met. Mailer is below all Seamless Acceptance thresholds for one calendar month. The Postal Service employee will set CRID to Seamless before the end of the month prior to start date. All traditional verifications will be discontinued on the 1st of the effective month.

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# Seamless Acceptance Program Benefits

- ✓ Longer production cycle
  - Later acceptance times (local discretion)
  - Reduced reliance on acceptance employee staffing times
- Mailer control over postage statement finalization and mail release
- ✓ Trend-based monitoring of mail quality
- Consistency of verifications across types of mail preparation (removal of traditional verifications)
- Removal of SPSS agreement document retention requirements



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### **Questions**



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