

# Stop Leaving Postal Savings on the Table

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## INTRODUCTIONS

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### SEPIRE

Sepire is in the secure communications business, with a focus on highly compliant print, mail, and other omnichannel communications. Our team has an extensive history of building long-term and innovative partnerships with our clients. We believe the best way to accomplish this is by building trust and confidence, which needs to be earned through performance, transparency, and experience. Our leadership team has more than 100 years of combined experience in the secure communications space. Sepire is a WBENC company with HITRUST and SOC 2 Type 2 security standards. Learn more at sepire.com.

## Sepire

### **BCC SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS**



Mail Preparation BCC Mail Manager Suite Post Presort (Mail.dat tools) PostalWeb YourScore



#### Mail Tracking

Track N Trace<sup>®</sup> Measure mailing effectiveness and coordinate your marketing efforts



Advanced Workflow Management BCC Ignite



#### **DMS Services**

NCOA<sup>Link</sup>, DSF<sup>2</sup>/Walk Sequencing, Suppression, Rooftop Geocoding and many more

## A QUICK POLL (1)

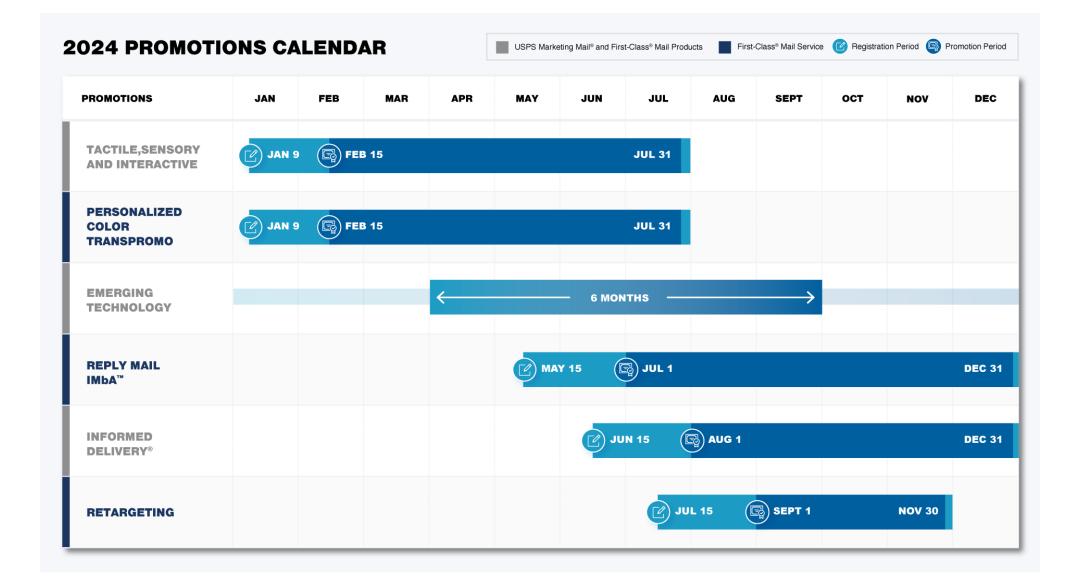
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And share the poll results.

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### **PRC APPROVED PROMOTIONS FOR 2024**



## A QUICK POLL (2)

Please answer YES or NO.

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### EMERGING AND ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY FLEXIBLE START DATE WITH A 6-MONTH WINDOW

Technology Used	Example	Discount
"Enhanced" Augmented Reality	Show real world objects using 3D digital images	3%
Mobile Shopping	Mailpiece includes technology that allows a mobile device to open a mobile optimized website to purchase something	3%
Basic Integration with Voice Assistant	Mailpiece includes specific instructions directing recipients to use a voice prompt to deliver a response or action from a voice device	3%
Advanced Integration with Voice Assistant	Mailpiece includes use of a pre-built or customized skill or action specifically developed for the voice assist device	4%
Near Field Communication	The mailpiece must incorporate NFC technology to engage a mobile device for an interactive experience (i.e. plays a song or video)	4%
Virtual Reality	Mailpiece triggers a virtual experience via an included headset or the user's own	4%
Mixed Reality	Mailpiece triggers an experience that blends a physical and virtual experience via an included headset or the user's own	4%
Video in Print	Mailpiece with integrated video screen, translucent paper, a shoppable video, or 360-degree video view	4%

### **TACTILE, SENSORY, INTERACTIVE PROMOTION FEB 1 – JULY 31**

Discount	5% on all qualifying pieces	
Registration	12/15/23 – 2/1/2024	
Mail Classes	First-Class, Marketing Mail	
Specialty Inks	Conductive, Thermochromics, Photochromic, Metallic & Optically Variable	
Sensory Treatments	Texture, Scent, Visual Effects (holographic and lenticular)	
Interactive	3D elements, clean release cards, Infinite folds	
Step 1: Design the piece	https://postalpro.usps.com/promotions	
Step 2: Register with USPS	https://gateway.usps.com/	
<b>Step 3</b> : Create a Service Request for USPS to review your mailpiece	Via your Business Customer Gateway account	
BlueCrest Solutions	Integrated Card Attaching https://www.bluecrestinc.com/products/inserters/int egrated-card-attaching/	

#### BlueCrest Integrated Card Attaching for your Inserter





### PERSONALIZED COLOR TRANSPROMO FEB 1 – JULY 31

Discount	<b>3%</b> for personalized color transpromo, <b>4%</b> with a reply mechanism	
Registration	12/15/23 – 2/1/2024	
Mail Classes	First-Class	
Color requirements	Must include a full (2 or more) color (not including black, white, or grayscale) marketing message or visualization of account data	
Required Message Placement	Must be printed as an onsert within the content of the bill or statement	
No "Mail Diversion"	Cannot promote going paperless	
Step 1: Design the piece	https://postalpro.usps.com/promotions/portal	
Step 2: Register with USPS	https://gateway.usps.com/	
<b>Step 3</b> : Create a Service Request for USPS to review your mailpiece	Via your Business Customer Gateway account	
BlueCrest Solutions	EvoluJet Production Printer https://evolujet.bluecrestinc.com/	

#### BlueCrest EvoluJet Production Printer





### **REPLY MAIL IMBA JULY 1 – DECEMBER 31**

Discount	<b>3%</b> for a static barcode, <b>6%</b> for a serialized barcode
Registration	May 15 to July 1, 2024
Mail Classes	First-Class QBRM letters and cards
IMbA	Eligible STIDs are 708, 052, 072, 032, 778 (Ballot Returns)
<b>Step 1</b> : Setup a permit for QBRM and IMbA with the MSSC	Work with the USPS Mailing and Shipping Solutions Center
Step 2: Pre-approval of QBRM pieces	Business Customer Gateway
Step 3: Register for the promotion	Business Customer Gateway
Step 4: Monitor reports and invoices	Business Customer Gateway
BlueCrest Solution	https://www.bluecrestinc.com/products /printers/printresponse/



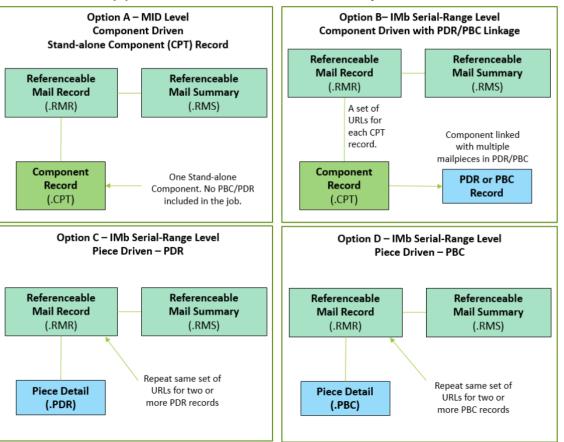


BlueCrest In-Line Envelope Printer

### INFORMED DELIVERY AUGUST 1 – DECEMBER 31

Discount	<ul><li>4% per piece in the mailing</li><li>0.5% for the eDoc submitter</li></ul>	
Registration	June 15 to August 1	
Mail Classes	First-Class and Marketing Mail cards, letters, and flats including Nonprofit	
Informed Delivery Requirements	Must have a full-color ride with an embedded live URL correlating to the campaign	
<b>Step 1</b> : Pre-approval of ride-along, URL, and digital sample of mailpiece	Mailing Promotions on the Business Customer Gateway	
Step 2: Register for the promotion	Business Customer Gateway	
Step 3: Upload interactive campaign	Business Customer Gateway under the Additional Services tab	
<b>Step 4</b> : Prepare and submit the mailing	eDoc submitters receive the discount on a designated permit account	
BCC Software Solutions with Mail.dat	https://bccsoftware.com/software/mail- presort-suite/	

#### Mail.dat Supports the Informed Delivery Information





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### **RETARGETING** SEPTEMBER 1 – NOVEMBER 30

Discount	5% per piece in the mailing
Registration	July 15 to September 1
Mail Classes	4.25" x 6" single or presorted FCM Postcard 6 x 9" Presorted FCM Postcard
STID Requirements	Must use <b>STID</b> 498 or 499 in the IMb to qualify for the discount
<b>Step 1</b> : Pre-approval of the retargeting process and solution	Mailing Promotions to submit the solution concept, and then submit a representative piece once approved by USPS
Step 2: Register for the promotion	Business Customer Gateway
<b>Step 3</b> : Prepare and submit postage statements	PostalOne!
Step 4: Send the mailing	You must have preapproval from USPS prior to the mail entry date to receive the discount
BCC Software Solutions supporting Mail.dat	https://bccsoftware.com/software/mail- presort-suite/



The process involves matching either the visitor's IP address to a website or an app to a customer's physical address. Triggered automatically by an organic digital interaction, retargeted direct mail is a dynamically printed, targeted message sent in a timely manner to a customer's home via First-Class Mail® Postcard.

### **GENERAL TIPS**

• Impact of Seamless Acceptance on USPS Promotion discounts

- Future date the mailing in the eDoc so you have time to quality assure the Promotion information is correct before Seamless Acceptance auto-finalizes the statement
- Enroll in the Promotion before submitting eDoc
  - MSPs often enroll on behalf of the Mail Owner, but cannot do so for Reply Mail IMbA or the 2024 Growth Incentive
- Make sure you use the proper Promotion code in eDoc
  - The CCR record in Mail.dat must have the proper code, so check with your software provider if you are unsure of which code to use before submitting eDoc
- Timing is important for the Informed Delivery Promotion
  - It is <u>very</u> important that the eDoc is not submitted before the start date of the Informed Delivery campaign as registered in the Business Customer Gateway portal
- Don't forget the MSP credit of 0.5%
  - MSPs need to properly administer the Promotion credit and ensure that they have linked a valid permit/EPS combination to receive the credit in real time

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### **2024 MAIL GROWTH INCENTIVE**

- O 30% credit for future mailing on qualifying mail volume in excess of 1M pieces and FY23 baseline volume, whichever is higher
- All Mail Owners with a baseline volume in FY23 can register
  - MSP can register, but they must be a Mail Owner (primary benefactor of the mailing)
- Mailers must have a minimum volume of 1 million pieces and grow mail volume above their FY23 baseline from Jan 1, 2024 to Dec 31, 2024
- Mail classes include FCM, and Marketing Mail cards, letters, flats, MM CR, and MM parcels (but does not include EDDM retail)
- Registration is via BCG and the Mailing Promotion Portal
- Mail Owners will need to know their FY23 volume to compare to USPS calculated amount via the CRIDs, and will need to accept USPS Terms and Conditions

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Mailer volumes will be computed based on registered CRIDs. Each quarter, starting after CY 2024 Q2 – June, volumes will be pulled from PostalOne! using the Customer Data Mart. CYTD volumes will be compared to <u>total</u> baseline to calculate credits.

#### **Credit Measurement Process**

	Calculation		∮ <b>†</b> ↓ Adjustment
June Calculation	September Calculation	December Calculation	Make Necessary Adjustments
June: CYTD volume is calculated against FY23 baseline	September: CYTD volume is calculated against FY23 baseline	December: CYTD volume is calculated against FY23 baseline	Any necessary adjustments are made based on average actual price paid for the entire performance period

### **MAIL GROWTH INCENTIVE – APPLYING CREDITS**

#### How To Apply Credits

Mail Growth Incentive postage credits can only be used on the eligible mail products for the incentive in which they are earned

- First-Class Mail Growth Incentive postage credits issued can only be used on future First-Class Mail mailings
- Marketing Mail Growth Incentive postage credits issued can only be used on future Marketing Mail mailings

#### When To Apply Credits

Mail Growth Incentive postage credits can be applied to mailing statements immediately after they are agreed to and issued to a permit

 Postage credits will be issued after calendar year 2024 Q2, Q3, and Q4

Mail Growth Incentive postage credits expire after December 31, 2025

### FINAL COMMENTS AND RESOURCES

- Some of the promotions, especially the Mail Volume Growth, are being clarified and possibly refined so be patient and check PostalPro for any changes or clarifications
  - <u>https://postalpro.usps.com/promotions</u>
  - <u>https://postalpro.usps.com/msi</u>
- USPS has posted many of the promotion materials that are on PostalPro for you to easily download
  - <u>https://bccsoftware.com/usps-postal-promotions-resources/</u>
- Mail Owners may need assistance with registering for the promotions, setting up a proper CRID, or calculating their 2023 baseline volumes
  - MSPs can assist with much of these promotions and should contact their software provider if they need help
- Some of these promotions will change or be eliminated in 2025, so take advantage of these in 2024 if you can!

### **AVAILABLE FREE RESOURCES TO ALL REGISTRANTS**



### **BCC SOFTWARE USER CONFERENCE**



AUGUST 12TH - 15TH

the dates!

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## Questions & Answers





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