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Happy Holidays!

XPO would like to wish our customers and employees a very Happy Holiday season and Best Wishes for 2010!!

Our offices will be closed on December 25 and January 1 in observance of the holidays.

Industry News

UPS-UPS announces a 4.9 % rate increase effective January 4, 2010

Canada Post-Canada Post rates will be going up January 11, 2010

USPS-USPS has announced there will be no 2010 postage increases on their market dominant services

Plan Ahead for Holiday Mail

XPO wants to assist you in planning ahead by recommending the below cutoff dates for mailing to ensure your mail is delivered prior to the holidays. Note it is best to mail as early as possible since it is the highest volume season for postal deliveries around the world. The following is a guideline from the USPS.

International Mail Addressed To	First Class Mail
Africa	December 4
Asia/Pacific Rim	December 11
Australia/New Zealand	December 11
Canada	December 11
Caribbean	December 11
Central & South America	December 4
Mexico	December 11
Europe	December 11
Middle East	December 11



Upcoming Industry Events

DFW Mailers Holiday Event

Dec 1, 2009
Ferrari's Italian Villa
Grapevine, TX

Houston PCC Year End Quarterly Mtg

Dec 2, 2009
Brady's Landing
Houston, TX

Austin PCC Annual Holiday Mtg

Dec 3, 2009
GW Carver Museum
Austin, TX

Forth Worth PCC

Member Appreciation and Holiday Toy Drive

Dec 3, 2009
Forth Worth Botanic Gardens
Forth Worth, TX

San Diego PCC Annual Holiday Dinner

Dec 3, 2009
MLS P&DC
San Diego, CA

Dallas PCC Annual Holiday Mtg

Dec 9, 2009
Maggiano's Little Italy
Dallas, TX

Inland Empire PCC

Dec 9, 2009
San Bernardino P&DC
Redlands, CA



Upcoming Worldwide Holidays:

Please note this is meant as a general guideline, it would be impossible to list all holidays here. If you have a question regarding a specific area of the world or country please call our customer service department at 1-866-784-8444. **Check our website for the 2010 International Holiday list!**

December 2009

Dec 1- Restoration of Independence Day, Portugal

Dec 2- National Day, United Arab Emirates

Dec 5- King's Birthday, Thailand

Dec 6- Independence Day, Finland. **Constitution Day**, Spain.

Dec 8- Immaculate Conception, Argentina, Austria, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Italy, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland, Venezuela. **Mother's Day**, Panama.

Dec 10- Constitution Day, Thailand.

Dec 12- Constitution Day, Russia. **Hanukkah First Day**, Israel. **Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe**, Mexico. **Jamuri**, Kenya.

Dec 16- National Day, Bahrain. **Day of Reconciliation**, South Africa.

Dec 18- El-Hijira, Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates, Yemen. **Maal Hijrah**, Malaysia.

Dec 19- Hanukkah Last Day, Israel.

Dec 23- Victory Day, Egypt. **Birthday of the Emperor**, Japan.

Dec 24- Independence Day, Libya. **Christmas Eve**, Austria, Brazil, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Norway, Panama, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland.

Dec 25- Christmas, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, France, Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Korea S., Lebanon, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela. **Constitution Day**, Taiwan.

Dec 26- Christmas 2nd Day, Austria, Czech Republic, Hong Kong, Hungary, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland. **Boxing Day**, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Belgium, Germany, Greece, Japan, Greece, Kenya, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom. **Day of Good Will**, South Africa. **Bank Holiday**, Belgium. **St. Stephen's Day**, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg.

Dec 27- Ashoura, Algeria, Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Libya, Saudi Arabia. **Constitution Day**, Korea N.

Dec 29- King Birendra's Birthday, Nepal.

Dec 30- Rizal Day, Philippines.

Dec 31- New Year's Eve, Brazil, Canada, Finland, Germany, Italy, Norway, Panama, Sweden, Thailand. **Bank Holiday**, Argentina, Japan, Philippines.