

Electronic Shipping Tools Updates (2012)

October 2012 updates to shipping tools include:

- **New preview format for manifests and SOMs**
Previously, in EST 2.0 and Precision Targeter, the layout and format of the preview version of SOMs and manifests were nearly identical to the final versions. To avoid confusion between preview and final versions, the preview format now has a new look and feel.

September 2012 updates to shipping tools include:

- **Space in the Postal Code now permitted in EST 2.0**
Previously, in EST 2.0, you could not include a space in a Postal Code. You can now enter a Postal Code with or without a space.
Example: K1A0B1 or K1A 0B1
- **Print button added to the pricing page in EST 2.0**
When you select the pricing function for single or comparison price quotes, you now have the option to print the results.
- **In EST 2.0, option added to not print the customer copy of your manifest or statement of mailing**
In EST 2.0, you can now configure your preferences and defaults to not print the customer copy of your manifest/statement of mailing.
This reduces the printed output from 3 copies to 2.
- **Weight no longer required on labels for anticipated returns**
You no longer need to include the weight of the parcel on anticipated return labels that you create in EST 2.0. Weight, however, is still required on authorized return labels.
- **Create registered mail labels in EST 2.0**
You can now create shipping labels for domestic registered mail in EST 2.0. These barcoded labels will allow you to access advanced tracking options, to track by your customer reference number and to receive email notifications.

June 2012 updates to shipping tools include:

- **SOM display clarified**
For customers who are exempt from paying a premium for delivery to high-demand walks, statement of mailings will now clearly indicate a zero charge for these walks. Previously this section displayed as blank.
- **End of Day reminder messages implemented**
Messages reminding parcel customers to perform End of Day will appear in EST 2.0 when:
 - You have printed labels, but not performed End of Day to create a manifest.
 - You have printed labels and inducted shipments without performing End of Day.
- **Web services for ecommerce platforms and their merchants**
The Canada Post Developer Program now includes web services that allow ecommerce platforms to register their merchant customers with Canada Post. Approved ecommerce platforms can integrate web services, offer them to their customers and have Canada Post bill merchants directly for shipping costs. [Read more.](#)

April 2012 updates to shipping tools include:

- **Adding sort functionality to certain fields in EST 2.0**
You can now sort the following fields in EST 2.0:
 - UA Review Mailing Plan Grid: Ref 1, Ref 2, Cost Centre, Delivery Installation Name, Deposit Date
 - Shipments History: Folder, Ref #2, Transmission Date/Time
 - End of Day: Customer Reference #
 - Mailings Grid: Contract
 - Mailing History: Contract, Folder, Transmission Date/Time
 - UA Review Mailing Plan Grid: Title, Weight
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- **Proof of Identity (POI) option added to import file**
You now have the option to use import file format 3,5 and 6 to select the Proof of Identity option for Parcel customers.
- **Introduction of High Demand Walk pricing for Unaddressed Admail™ (EST 2.0 and EST Online).**
A premium price per item destined to High Demand Routes was introduced on April 23, 2012, to better align volume with our operational capacity. [Read more about High Demand Routes.](#)
- **Deliver to Post Office (EST 2.0)**
Customers now have the option to have their parcels delivered to a specified Post Office.
- **Renaming Priority Next A.M.™ to Priority™ (EST 2.0, EST Online)**
Priority Next A.M. has been renamed Priority as of April 23, 2012. Please note that in EST 2.0 this is a change from Priority Courier to Priority.

March 2012 updates to shipping tools include:

- **Live chat pilot to end March 10 (EST 2.0)**
Thank you for your participation in our Live Chat pilot program. Live Chat will no longer be available in EST 2.0 as of March 10.
- **Removal of Foodmail option (EST 2.0)**
Foodmail will no longer be offered as a service type in EST 2.0 effective March 10. [Read more about the discontinuation of the Foodmail Program.](#)

January 2012 updates to shipping tools include:

- **Character limit increase for 2 parcel fields (EST 2.0 Only)**
When preparing parcel orders, you can now enter up to 35 characters in the fields **Order Id** and **Reference #2**. This also applies when importing and exporting a file.
- **Bags no longer a valid container type for Publications Mail™ and Addressed Admail™ (EST 2.0, EST Online)**
Effective Jan. 16, 2012, bags will no longer be a valid container type.
If you select the bags option for a *Publications Mail* or *Addressed Admail* order before Jan. 16, but your deposit date is after Jan. 16, you will receive an error and will not be able to proceed.
After Jan. 16, bags will no longer appear as a container option.
- **Change to countries (EST 2.0, EST Online)**
Three new countries have been added:
 - Sint Maarten (SX)
 - Curaçao (CW)
 - Dutch Caribbean (BQ)

Netherlands Antilles (AN) has been removed.

- **Introduction of High Demand Walks for Unaddressed Admail™ (EST 2.0 and EST Online)**
When specifying delivery coverage for your *Unaddressed Admail* mailings in our shipping tools,

you can now select walks based on their demand level.
Your options are to:

- Select all walks (default)
- Exclude high demand walks
- Select only high demand walks

Refer to the help function within the shipping tool for details on using this feature. Read more about [high demand routes](#).

- **10% seasonality discount on postage for *Unaddressed Admail* mailings**
Effective Jan. 16, 2012, a 10% seasonality discount on postage will apply for *Unaddressed Admail* mailings deposited in January, February, June, July, August and December, when *Unaddressed Admail* volumes are lowest. [Read more](#).