

Service Frameworks

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Article 1

General

Permitted Shipments

- The minimum dimensions are 10 cm (longest side) x 1 cm (shortest side) x 10 cm (other sides), and the maximum dimensions are 175 cm (longest side) x 58 cm (shortest side) x 78 cm (other sides). The maximum dimensions for Shipments that can be delivered in a PostNL Parcel and Letter machine are 61 cm (longest side) x 41 cm (shortest side) x 52.5 cm (other sides). The maximum weight per package is 31.5 kg.
- The non-standard processing surcharge will be applied to Shipments larger than 95 cm (longest side) x 58 cm (shortest side) x 70 cm (other side) and/or with a weight between 23 kg and 31.5 kg.
- Surcharges are applied to Shipments larger than 50 dm³. These surcharges depend on the size of the package and apply as of 50 dm³, 100 dm³ and 200 dm³.
- Shipments weighing >23 kg (or suspected thereof) must have the "Heavy Package Labels" provided by PostNL. The labels must be visible on four surfaces of the package, of which at least the surface with the shipment label.
- A Shipment with a destination within the Netherlands may consist of multiple separate Shipments. A package must consist of one box, bag or tube and may not consist of multiple separate Shipments that have been taped together.
- Shipments requiring refrigeration are not permitted.
- The Shipments must have satisfactory packaging.

Appropriate packaging guidelines

- Use secondary packaging where necessary. Opt for a material that is sufficiently robust and will not damage other Shipments (such as wood or metal).
- The packaging is robust if it can withstand any wear and tear that occurs during transport, can cope with all weather conditions and if the package cannot be opened without leaving evidence of tampering.
- Non-transparent, neutral packaging must be used for packaging valuable goods.
- Make sure the packaging is properly sealed, preferably using tape.
- Avoid pressure points (such as legs, corners, protrusions) and unfilled spaces. Evenly distribute the weight, for example, using filling material. This prevents the product shifting about inside the packaging.
- For breakable or other fragile goods, a material buffer between the wall of the package and the product is recommended.
- Contact PostNL if you require advice on suitable packaging.

Delivery time

- The delivery time is the time between the parcel's proof-of-acceptance scan at PostNL and the first attempt to deliver the package to the Addressee. The recipient could be a business, private or P.O. Box address (in the Netherlands).
- PostNL strives to deliver package with a destination within the Netherlands and Belgium in the course of the next delivery day (**Table 2**).
- Shipments sent to an address on the Wadden Islands, abroad or a P.O. Box (also if a Freepost number is linked to a P.O. Box) are not delivered on Monday.
- Shipments sent abroad (except for Belgium) may not be delivered on Monday; this depends on the destination.
- The time period indication indicated by the Addressee in his profile will be observed as much as possible. However, indicated delivery times are indicative. PostNL accepts no liability for failure to meet the deadlines.

Changing Service Frameworks

PostNL is entitled to unilaterally amend and/or supplement the Service Frameworks. If PostNL proceeds to do so, it will communicate this in writing (including by email) to all customers with an Agreement at least thirty (30) calendar days before the amendment and/or supplement enters into effect. Capitalised words have the meaning assigned to them in these Service Frameworks or the GTCTC.

Packaging

PostNL is pleased to provide you with a flexible parcel delivery service. Special PostNL roller containers are available for this purpose. You can use the roller containers to prepare your bulk parcel shipments. No other use is permitted. PostNL may apply additional charges if this happens.

Bulk shipments

To prevent the delivery time of bulk shipments being delayed, we request a notification be provided to PostNL at least five days in advance for:

- Bulk shipments of over 1,000 Shipments with destinations within the Netherlands.
- Bulk shipments of over 100 Shipments subject to non-standard processing or destined for the EU/Non-EU.

Pre-registration

Pre-registration is essential for the quality and delivery time for which PostNL strives. Therefore, all Shipments must be pre-registered by the Addressee using one of the PostNL applications or integrations (see **Table 1**). Supplying the recipient's email address in the pre-registration makes a significant contribution to the quality and delivery time. The recipient's email address must always be provided in the pre-registration. PostNL does not accept any liability for services not performed correctly if the pre-registration was not performed, not performed on time or was incorrect. The extra handling for Shipments that are not pre-registered or not pre-registered correctly increases the cost of those Shipments. The Non-pre-registered surcharge applies in this case. PostNL applies a storage period of seven (7) calendar days for pre-registration. Parcels presented after this seven-calendar day period will not be handled as pre-registered. The Non-pre-registered surcharge also applies to these Shipments. Insufficient quality of the barcode on the label may result in additional costs and a delay in the delivery time. If in doubt, you can always have it tested.

Track & Trace

All your Shipments can be traced via www.postnl.nl. If applicable, you can also view the recipient's signature. You can access your personal Track & Trace information via mijn.postnl.nl. Track & Trace is exclusively intended to inform you about your Shipments. You are explicitly prohibited from using Track & Trace information for other (commercial) purposes. It is also possible to obtain Track & Trace information via our applications and integrations. If you are the party notifying your customers you are obliged to always use the latest links to Track & Trace in your confirmation email. You can find out how to do this via this link. The use and retrieval of information related to your shipments are limited to the combination of your client number, client code and -if necessary- API key linked to your contract. Track & Trace information will remain the property of PostNL. This information will be shared with you so that you can see the status of your Shipments in the PostNL process. Sharing this data with third parties is only permitted if it concerns an integrator or logistic partner which is engaged by you for the transport of Shipments with PostNL, both physically and via a technical integration. If you do share (the access to) this data with a party other than that mentioned above, PostNL reserves the right to terminate the Track & Trace service.

Notifications

Email notifications proactively inform the recipient about the status of your Shipment via the recipient's email address you supplied. Email notifications are sent by PostNL as standard.

Correct and complete pre-registration, including the recipient's email address is essential for notifications to be sent. The recipient's email address must in all cases be included in the pre-registration of a Shipment, so that PostNL is able to send e-mail notifications.

Shipping applications and integrations

All Shipments, pallets or bulk shipment must have a shipping label in accordance with PostNL's specifications. PostNL has applications and integrations available for requesting delivery options, receiving Track & Trace information, pre-notifying Shipments and label generation (see **Table 1**).

Table 1 - Overview of PostNL's integrated services

Application	Description
Business Portal (My PostNL)	This is the web self-service environment in which customers can arrange and view Shipment- and service-related matters.
Application Programming Interface ("API")	Clients can use PostNL's API to integrate PostNL services in their systems using programming.
Plug-ins	A plug-in developed by PostNL, which is a ready-made module that can be installed in online store software that allows customers to quickly and easily use PostNL services.
sFTP	sFTP is an obsolete technique for exchanging files through a (secure) server. sFTP connections will be phased out. A reasonable period of time will be used between the first announcement and the actual discontinuation.
Business app	This is the mobile self-service environment in which customers can arrange and view Shipment- and service-related matters.

NOTE. In exceptional cases, it is possible to generate labels not through a PostNL application or integration, but through the customer's own application. In this case, the customer is given instructions to create the labels themselves. The customer uses its own software to generate the labels and this functionality runs entirely locally at the customer's premises. The labels must first be physically tested and approved by PostNL before they can be put into use.

PLEASE NOTE: This is not a PostNL application, integration or service. The customer is responsible for keeping the labels up-to-date. This option is only available for specific cases and should be coordinated with PostNL. To be assured of suitable labels, a label requested with a PostNL application or integration should be used.

Use of applications and integrated services

You are responsible for the correct implementation of the applications and integrations. In order to guarantee the continuity of our applications and integrations, it's necessary that you consult and use the most recent (technical) documentation included in the Developer Portal.

Using an integrated service that may hinder other Internet users, pose a threat to the functioning of the website and/or could affect the information on the website or the underlying software, is not permitted.

PostNL reserves the right to discontinue applications and/or integrations, or functionalities and versions of applications and/or integrations. A reasonable deadline will be adopted between the first announcement and the actual discontinuation. If you use an application that is not (or no longer) supported, PostNL reserves the right to deny access to the application or certain functionalities within the application and/or to no longer accept pre-registrations and/or labels or to apply surcharges. In this case a reasonable deadline will be adopted between the first announcement and the actual implementation.

PostNL ensures adequate security for confidential data, but cannot guarantee that the integrated service will function without error or any interruptions.

Continued development, upgrades and updates

PostNL applications and integrations may be improved and expanded with new products and functionalities. PostNL expects users to regularly perform updates, so they use the latest versions of the applications and integrations. Users can be forced to upgrade or switch if an adjustment has taken place. Failure to do so within the period specified by PostNL may result in the inability to use the relevant applications and/or integrations.

Data use

- Although PostNL aims to provide correct, complete and up-to-date information, PostNL cannot explicitly or implicitly guarantee that the information provided for an application or integration is correct, complete or up to date.
- It's not permitted to use data that PostNL makes available in applications and integrations for commercial, non-technical purposes, including mass downloads of content, the creation of a database, big data or the provision of the data to third parties for analytical purposes.
- You are expected to do your utmost to comply with the delivery preferences as indicated by the Addressee. You must provide adequate security for the data provided by PostNL and may only use this data to carry out and complete the order concerned.
- If the data contains personal data, you must guarantee that the personal data is used solely in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation and related laws and regulations (including the Email Code 2012).

Use of the PostNL logo, icons and buttons

You must use the data provided by PostNL for applications and integrations integrated services (such as the PostNL logo, icons and different buttons) without making any changes to them. These items remain the property of PostNL and are copyright protected. Use thereof must be halted immediately if PostNL issues a request for you to do so; you must delete all related content (text, banner, images) immediately.

PostNL's liability

PostNL accepts no liability whatsoever for direct and/or indirect, intangible or consequential damage, including the loss of profit, which arises in any way whatsoever from, but not necessarily limited to (I) defects, viruses or other failings to equipment and other software in relation to accessing or using the applications and/or integrations, (II) the information that is supplied on or via applications and/or integrations, (III) the interception, modification or improper use of information sent to PostNL or to you, (IV) the functioning or unavailability of the applications and/or integrations (V) misuse of the applications and/or integrations, (VI) loss of data, (VII) downloading or using software made available through the applications and/or integrations or (VIII) claims made by in relation to use of the applications and/or integrations. You indemnify PostNL against any claims made by third parties (including Addressees) in connection with the use of the applications and/or integrations.

Article 2

Parcels, the Netherlands

2.1 Delivery

Parcel delivery

PostNL applies standard specifications for delivering Shipments.

Table 2 - Specifications for delivering parcels, in the Netherlands

Reference	Specifications
Delivery days and times	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Monday to Saturday inclusive: 8:00 to 22:00.Evening: 17:30 to 22:00 (only for Evening Delivery).
If no answer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">In case of No-answer return, Shipments will be delivered to the neighbours by default. If the Shipment is delivered to the neighbours, the Addressee will be informed of this by means of a notification. If the Shipment cannot be delivered to the neighbours, the Shipment will be available next day, at a designated PostNL location, except on Saturdays (in this case the Shipment will be available on Monday). If a Shipment has been sent with an Additional Service, the designated PostNL location will carry out the corresponding delivery procedure.For Pharmaceutical shipments, respectively Guaranteed deliveries the following applies: 2nd delivery attempt the next delivery day during the day.
Delivery preferences	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Addressee of a Shipment can use the PostNL app or web page of PostNL to set its PostNL account to have the Shipments shipped to its home address sent directly to a PostNL location by default, i.e. before the first delivery attempt). If a Shipment has been sent with an Additional Service, the designated PostNL location will carry out the corresponding delivery procedure.The Addressee of a Shipment can arrange via the PostNL app or web page of PostNL in its PostNL account where the Shipments that are shipped to its home address must be delivered if the Addressee is not at home, with the Addressee having the choice between the neighbours, the Agreed Location selected in the account, or a PostNL location in the neighbourhood.
Choice of delivery day	<ul style="list-style-type: none">If you use PostNL's API, the Addressee can choose a specific delivery day with Choice of delivery day.The Addressee can choose a delivery day for the next 7 calendar days.Only Shipments that are delivered to PostNL one day before the chosen delivery day can be delivered on the Choice of delivery day. For Shipments that are delivered to PostNL earlier or later, PostNL strives to deliver the Shipment in the course of the next delivery day following the day the parcel is handed over to PostNL.If an Addressee chooses a delivery day/time for which you do not have an agreement with PostNL, PostNL is free to deliver on a different day and/or time.

Reference	Specifications
Change Delivery option	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Addressee of a Shipment can set the PostNL app or web page of PostNL to set up in its PostNL account to have the Shipments shipped to its home address sent directly to a PostNL location, i.e. before the first delivery attempt. If a Shipment has been sent with an Additional Service, the designated PostNL location will carry out the corresponding delivery procedure. ▪ The Addressee of a Shipment can change the delivery time and/or delivery address or choose an Agreed Location before the delivery attempt. ▪ For this purpose, the Addressee will use the PostNL app or the PostNL web page. To implement the change, the Addressee uses the Track & Trace code in combination with its postcode, the details specified on the notification left behind in combination with its postcode, or the data included in the personal PostNL account. ▪ The Addressee can make changes to the delivery time and/or delivery address and/or an Agreed Location without the intervention and/or approval of the Sender. ▪ PostNL will perform the delivery in accordance with the Addressee's request and may thus deviate from the original delivery. ▪ In certain cases, PostNL will be entitled to ask the Addressee for a contribution for changing the delivery.

Additional Services

You can have your package delivered with the following additional services:

Table 3 - Specifications for additional services

Additional service	Specifications
Home Address only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ With Home Address only the Shipment is not delivered to the neighbours or to an Agreed Location. ▪ Home Address only can be combined with No-answer return.
Signature for Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ With Signature for Delivery, the Addressee, the housemates or the neighbours of the Addressee must sign for delivery of the Shipment, on the handheld terminal or distribution list (including the name in capital letters). ▪ Signature for Delivery can be combined with Home Address only and No-answer return. ▪ If a Shipment cannot be delivered to the Addressee or neighbours, it will be available for collection the next day at a designated PostNL location, except on Saturdays (in which case the Shipment will be available on Monday). The Shipment can be collected at the designated PostNL location by the Addressee or on their behalf upon presentation of proof of identity and after signing for receipt on the handheld terminal.
Increased liability + Signature for Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The liability of PostNL for damaged or lost Shipments is limited to the limit of Article 13 AVC. With Increased liability + Signature for Delivery the maximum Liability of PostNL can be increased in steps of €100, €250 and €500 to a maximum of €5,000 per Shipment. ▪ The potentially higher compensation up to a maximum of €5,000 per Shipment is only paid out under the condition that the Shipment has undergone a proof of acceptance scan at the sorting centre. ▪ For securities, precious metals, jewels, pearls, objects or documents with an art-related or collection-related value, travel documents, call credit, plastic money, admission tickets and costs related to making calls under a subscription - even if Increased Liability + Signature for Delivery is purchased, liability is always confined to the limit of Article 13 GTC. Increased liability + Signature for Delivery includes the service Home Address only. Increased liability + Signature for Delivery can be combined with No-answer return.

Additional service	Specifications
Increased liability + Delivery code at the Door	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If you use PostNL's API, Business Portal or Plug-ins, you can send Shipments with Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door. These Shipments may not be delivered to PostNL by placing them in a Smart Letterbox or PostNL Parcel and Letter machine, or by handing them in at a Scan & Go. ▪ High-value electronic products, i.e. electronic products with a retail value. ▪ Sales value of more than €250, may only be sent with PostNL if you purchase Increased liability + Delivery code at the Door for this purpose. If high-value electronic products are shipped without Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door, the liability of PostNL is always limited to the maximum limit of Article 13 AVC. ▪ PostNL's liability for damaged or lost Shipments is limited to the limit of article 13 AVC. Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door, PostNL's maximum liability may be increased in increments of €100, €250 and €500 up to a maximum of €5,000 per Consignment. ▪ Any higher compensation, up to a maximum of €5,000 per Shipment, will only be paid under the condition that the Shipment has had a so-called proof of acceptance scan at the sorting center. ▪ For securities, precious metals, precious stones, pearls, objects or documents with an art or collector's value, travel documents, call credits, plastic money, admission tickets and costs arising from calling via a subscription - even if Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door is purchased - the liability is always limited to the maximum limit of article 13 AVC. Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door includes the Home Address Only service by default. ▪ For securities, precious metals, precious stones, pearls, objects or documents with an art or collector's value, travel documents, call credits, plastic money, admission tickets and costs arising from calling via a subscription - even if Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door is purchased - liability is always limited to a maximum of the limit in article 13 AVC. ▪ Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door includes the Home Address Only service by default. ▪ The Sender is responsible for providing a valid and non-encrypted e-mail address of the Addressee to PostNL. Without a valid and non-encrypted e-mail address, PostNL cannot perform this service and liability is always limited to the maximum limit of Article 13 AVC.
No-answer return	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ With No-answer return you can choose to have your Shipment returned immediately after a first or second failed delivery attempt (if applicable, see Table 2, If no answer).
Evening Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ With Evening Delivery you can have your Shipments delivered to your customer in the evening. ▪ Deliveries are made in the evening, Monday to Friday inclusive from 17:30 to 22:00. ▪ Shipments handed over to PostNL on Friday are delivered on Saturday during the day. ▪ Evening Delivery is possible for Shipments shipped to addresses in the Netherlands. PostNL manages the postcodes that are/are not eligible for Evening Delivery; they must be verified per order via the PostNL API. ▪ Evening Delivery can be combined with Home Address only, Signature for Delivery, No-answer return and Increased liability + Signature for Delivery and Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door.

Additional service	Specifications
Guaranteed delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ You can have your Shipments delivered before I) 10:00, II) 12:00 or III) 17:00. ▪ The second delivery attempt is made the next day between 8:00 and 22:00. ▪ If there is no answer during the second attempt, the Shipment will be returned to Sender. ▪ If the delivery is delayed, a request for refund of the surcharge can be submitted to the service team. ▪ Guaranteed delivery is possible for Shipments shipped to an address in the Netherlands, except for addresses on the Wadden Islands, and P.O. Box addresses (also if a Freepost number is linked to a P.O. Box). Delivery on Saturday and Sunday is not possible; if the Shipment is handed over to PostNL on Friday, the Shipment will be delivered on Monday. ▪ Delivery can be combined with Signature for Delivery, Increased Liability + Signature for Delivery, Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door, Home Address only and No-answer return. ▪ Guaranteed Delivery is not possible in combination with the Premium Collection service. <p>In the event of incorrect or incomplete pre-registration, the Shipment will be distributed during the day without guaranteed delivery. In this case the surcharge will not be applied.</p>
18+ age check	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Shipment is only delivered if the person taking receipt of the Shipment is older than the age specified. ▪ The courier checks the age of the recipient at the door via a proof of identity. The following documents qualify as a valid proof of identity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Dutch identity card ▫ Dutch passport ▫ Dutch driving license ▫ Dutch foreign national document ▫ European identity card ▫ Foreign passport ▪ The recipient of the Shipment is asked to sign for it. The Signature for Delivery is available electronically. ▪ Home Address only is standard for the additional service 18+ age check. The Shipment will not be delivered at the neighbours. ▪ After the first or second delivery attempt (Table 2, If no answer) the Addressee can collect the Shipment at a PostNL location. The PostNL location point checks the age of the recipient on their ID and the recipient is asked to sign for delivery. ▪ Age check 18+ shipments cannot be shipped to a P.O. box or Freepost address. ▪ Age check 18+ can be combined with Increased liability + Signature for Delivery, Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door, No-answer return, and Collect from a PostNL location. ▪ For all Shipments that legally require a certain age for taking receipt of a Shipment the additional service '18+ age check' must be included.

Additional service	Specifications
Collection from a PostNL location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ You can ship your Shipment directly to one of the 3500+ PostNL locations. Your customer can choose the location. ▪ The Shipment is available by no later than 15:00. ▪ Tendering is possible on Sunday to Friday inclusive, the next day the Shipment will be available at a PostNL location. ▪ The PostNL locations have extensive opening hours (also during late night shopping, on Saturday and sometimes on Sunday). ▪ The standard maximum dimensions and weights for Shipments apply (see 'Permitted Shipments'). ▪ Collect from a PostNL Location can be with Increased liability + Signature for Delivery, Increased liability + Delivery Code at the Door and 18+ age check. ▪ Your customer collects the Shipment on presentation of an electronic proof of collection, name and address details or the barcode of the Shipment. <p>The location manager asks for proof of ID and a signature for delivery. The number on the proof of ID and the signature is recorded.</p>
Collection from a PostNL Parcel and Letter machine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ With Collection from a PostNL Parcel and Letter machine, you can collect your Shipments 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. ▪ The maximum dimensions and weights for Shipments in PostNL Parcel and Letter machines apply (see 'Permitted Shipments'). ▪ Your customer collects the Shipment using a notification with PIN code. The correct pre-notification of contact information of the Addressee is necessary in order to be able to share the PIN. ▪ Shipments will remain in the PostNL Parcel and Letter machine for 72 hours for collection by the Addressee. ▪ Collection from a PostNL Parcel and Letter machine cannot be combined with an Additional Service, with the exception of Signature for Delivery (by means of PIN code). ▪ If no locker is available in the chosen PostNL Parcel and Letter machine, the Shipment will be rerouted to a nearby PostNL location at an early stage, during the sorting process. The Addressee will receive an excuses notification stating the address of the PostNL location where the Addressee will be able to collect the Shipment on the same day. ▪ PostNL is free to expand or reduce the number of PostNL Parcel and Letter machines and to also exclude certain shipping options from Collection from a PostNL Parcel and Letter machine.

PostNL may choose at any time to change, (temporarily) discontinue or (temporarily) no longer offer certain additional services. In such a case, senders with whom PostNL has concluded an Agreement for the transport of Shipments will be informed sixty (60) calendar days in advance.

2.2 Handover to PostNL: Collection service & Handover

To ensure that Shipments are delivered properly and on time, it is important that the Shipments are handed over to PostNL in the right way. PostNL provides several services for this purpose:

- Koninklijke PostNL Pickup service
- Pickup service PostNL Pakketten
- Handover at a PostNL location
- Handover at a PostNL sorting centre

If the conditions set out in these Service Frameworks are (partially) not met, PostNL will be free not to accept the Shipments and charge you for any costs incurred.

Table 4 - Specifications for the Collection service

Reference	Specifications
Shipments handover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shipments in accordance with 'Permitted Shipments' (described in chapter 1 Service Framework). ▪ Shipments must be handed over in PostNL roller containers, unless explicitly agreed otherwise with PostNL and with the exception of Shipments handed over at a PostNL location. ▪ Shipments in a roller container may be stacked up to the maximum height of the roll container, without the load protruding at the top or sides. ▪ The Shipments on the PostNL roller container may not weigh more than 325 kilos (i.e. 390 kilos including the roller container). ▪ Shipments on a pallet may not be stacked higher than 190 cm (incl. pallet). In addition, weight restrictions apply to pallets if no electric pallet truck is available at the PostNL collection location: (a) if the PostNL driver has to use a tail lift, a maximum weight of 300 kg applies, and (b) at locations with a raised loading dock, a maximum weight of 400 kg applies. ▪ The cargo on the designated packaging material must be suitable for transport and not cause damage to other cargo. If incorrect delivery proves to have caused damage to other cargo and/or the vehicle, the Customer shall indemnify PostNL against third-party claims. ▪ Failure to handover Shipments separately, as stated above, may affect the delivery time. PostNL cannot be held liable for this under any circumstances.
Separate handover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The following Shipments must be handed over separately: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Shipments subject to non-standard processing non-machine suitable, must be handed over in a separate roller container in the case of at least 20,000 Shipments requiring non-standard processing a year (on average 70 per day). ▫ Shipments to be shipped to Belgium must be handed over in a separate roller container as of 20,000 Shipments with destination Belgium per year (average 70 per day). ▫ (Consignments of) Letterbox mail, provided that it is tendered separately by means of a suitable receptable and agreed with PostNL. ▫ If it has been agreed with PostNL that (part of) the Shipments must be delivered to the Small Parcels Sorting Centre, these parcels must be handed in separately. ▪ Failure to handover Shipments separately, as stated above, may affect the delivery time. PostNL cannot be held liable for this under any circumstances.
Indication card	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The packaging receptacle must have an indication card, affixed to the holders provided for his purpose on the roller container (or the exterior of the sealed pallets). The indication cards can be ordered via MyPostNL or from your PostNL contact and must indicate the following types of Shipments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Standard Shipment; ▫ Non-machine suitable, (from 70 Shipments a day); ▫ Shipments to destinations other than the Netherlands (from 70 Shipments a day); ▫ Shipments intended for Small parcels Sorting centre; or ▫ Mix: a combination of the Shipments specified above.

Koninklijke PostNL Collection Service

With the Collection Service Koninklijke PostNL, your parcels will be picked up by PostNL at the agreed collection location. Up to and including a delivery volume of 6 PostNL roll containers, the Collection Service of Koninklijke PostNL can be used. The General Conditions for Collection and Delivery Service (latest version) apply.

Collection Service PostNL Packages

With the Collection Service your parcels are collected by PostNL from the designated collection location. An agreement for the PostNL Pakketten Collection Service is made in consultation with the contact person at PostNL. You can read more about the possibilities and conditions of the PostNL Pakketten Collection Service below.

Options related to the collection service are determined based on the client-shipment profile. The client-shipment profile consists of the following references:

- Type of Shipments (including average size/weight)
- Number of Shipments
- References of the Shipments (including the destination of the Shipments)
- Location of collection address

Collection days, time slots and collection times are in consultation with the contact person at PostNL and availability depends on our operational capacity. PostNL strives to perform the Collection service within the agreed time windows and otherwise provide a suitable alternative.

Table 5 - Specifications and conditions for Collection service PostNL Pakketten

Reference	Specifications
Pickup days	▪ Monday to Friday inclusive.
Time slots	▪ 30 minutes. ▪ 1 hour. ▪ 2 hours. ▪ Multiple-hour time slots.
Packaging receptacle	▪ PostNL roller containers, unless agreed otherwise.
Accessibility pickup location	▪ The pickup location is accessible by truck via paved roads and a paved outside area. ▪ The pick-up location is recognizable from the street both during the day and at night, for example by a logo or nameplate. ▪ The pick-up location and the loading/unloading area are adequately lit ▪ The loading/unloading location is not on a busy main road.
Coordination and communication	▪ You let us know when making the appointment whether (access to) the outside area is wide enough for trucks . ▪ You let us know, when making the appointment, if there are certain days and/or times that the location is not accessible. ▪ You let us know, when making the appointment, if there is an access control at the site and/or if access codes are required to enter the site. ▪ You let us know when making the appointment if there is a loading dock and/or a loading pit and if we are allowed to use them. If there is more than one dock, please indicate which one is for PostNL. ▪ When making the appointment, please let us know what the house rules are regarding safety at the pick-up location.
Other conditions PostNL Pakketten Collection Service	▪ The load must be ready, in accordance with the conditions below, unless explicitly agreed otherwise: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▫ at the beginning of the agreed time window.▫ Shipments on the agreed number of packing carriers.▫ on the agreed packing medium.▫ at the agreed place on your premises.

Reference	Specifications
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If the load is not ready in accordance with these conditions, PostNL reserves the right to take only the load that is ready or this may affect the delivery time of the Shipments. ▪ The end time of the selected time window is at least half an hour before the closing time of the pick-up location. If the margin is less than half an hour, this may affect the delivery time of the Shipments. ▪ The cargo must be ready at the agreed location on your premises where up to the transport vehicle the surface is flat and non-slippery, without thresholds and ramps. ▪ Only the driver will load the cargo into the vehicle. The customer may not enter the vehicle. ▪ Upon transfer to PostNL at the time of pickup appointment, the bill of lading will also be handed over from customer to PostNL. ▪ The customer is responsible for safe conditions for loading and unloading operations in accordance with general health and safety standards. ▪ The driver is not responsible for requests, changes, disruptions or complaints regarding the pickup order. These can only be submitted via MijnPostNL or the designated contact person at PostNL. ▪ The load carriers being picked up are placed a maximum of 5 meters from the loading spot. Load carriers that are delivered are placed a maximum of 5 meters from the unloading point. ▪ The location itself provides the appropriate tools for loading and unloading, such as (electric) pallet lifters. PostNL drivers may not operate dock-levelers and forklifts for safety reasons.

Additional services PostNL Pakketten Collection Service

The following services are available in addition to the PostNL Pakketten collection service. The possibilities depend on your shipping profile and operational feasibility and are only possible in coordination with your designated PostNL contact.

If high-quality products are shipped, PostNL reserves the right to set additional safety requirements for the transport to be deployed for the Collection service. Any additional costs for this will be borne by the customer.

Table 6 - Additional services Collection Service PostNL Pakketten

Additional Services*	Specifications
'Wait till end time' time slot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We wait until the end of the indicated time slot.
Packaging options	PostNL also collects other packaging receptacles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pallets: If desired and agreed, empty pallets can also be returned. ▪ Swap trailer.
Sealed transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The possibility to seal the cargo space. After being loaded, PostNL transports the shipments sealed to our sorting centres. ▪ Including transport seal via PostNL or use of your own seal if you wish. ▪ The seal's unique code is also specified in the consignment note.
Combi pickup service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PostNL collects the parcels, break bulk and pallets from a handover address.

* During busy periods, the possibility of additional services for extra or modified trips is limited. PostNL reserves the right not to offer them, or to apply a surcharge.

Handover at a PostNL location

Shipments can be handed over at one of the PostNL locations. Shipments have been received by PostNL once a proof-of-acceptance scan of the Shipment has been produced at the PostNL location.

Table 7 - Specifications for handover at a PostNL sorting centre

Reference	Specifications
Handover specifications and volume	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Handover at PostNL locations is permitted up to 15,000 Shipments per year. ▪ The maximum number of dm3 of Shipments per day may vary for each PostNL location. Consult the PostNL location guide for the suitable PostNL locations and the maximum volume permitted. ▪ Shipments larger than 95 cm (longest side) x 50 cm x 50 cm can only be delivered to the largest PostNL Points (filter on maximum delivery volume of 'maximum 5 roll containers' in the PostNL Business location guide). ▪ Which type of Shipments can be handed over can be checked in the PostNL Business location guide.
Handover deadline, delivery time and opening hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The handover deadline is the time at which PostNL collects the Shipments from the PostNL Points. ▪ Handover times vary for each PostNL location and may change during the year. Consult the PostNL location guide or the Business location advice at MyPostNL to see which handover time applies to the PostNL location where you want to handover your Shipments. ▪ PostNL aims to deliver Shipments handed over before the handover deadline, on the next delivery day. ▪ Opening hours may differ from the handover deadline and cannot be used for your delivery promise to the Addressee.

Handover at a PostNL sorting center

Shipments can be handed over at one of the PostNL sorting centres. In consultation with your contact person at PostNL, we will determine which sorting center suits your shipment profile and operational feasibility. Deliveries can only be made at the agreed delivery location(s) and times. PostNL reserves the right to refer to a different delivery location if the customer's shipment profile or means of transport deviates from what was previously agreed.

Table 8 - Specifications for handover at a PostNL sorting centre

Reference	Specifications
Handover conditions specifically for handover at a sorting center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The means of transport used by the customer must meet the specifications of a PostNL sorting centre for proper unloading. Specifications must be determined with PostNL depending on the type of handover location. If the means of transport used by the customer deviate from the agreed specifications, this may have consequences for the assigned handover location. PostNL reserves the right to set additional safety requirements to the vehicle. ▪ At the PostNL sorting centre site, the driver must adhere to the applicable house rules and code of conduct. All PostNL instructions and guidelines must be respected. PostNL has the right at all times to remove the driver, or have him/her removed, from the site for reasons it deems appropriate. ▪ The cargo on the designated packaging receptacle must be suitable for transport and not cause damage to any other cargo. If it appears that damage has been caused to the other cargo and/or the vehicle due to inappropriate handover conditions, the client indemnifies PostNL from claims from third parties.

Reference	Specifications
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On handover, the party effecting the transfer for the customer must also hand over the consignment note to PostNL. ▪ The customer is responsible for ensuring safe conditions for loading and unloading in accordance with general health and safety standards. ▪ PostNL can only guarantee that unloading at a PostNL sorting centre will be possible if a specific handover arrangement is in place. ▪ If the cargo does not arrive on time, handover will take place as soon as space is available. ▪ Only the cargo, number of roller containers or equivalent as agreed with PostNL can be handed over to PostNL.

Packaging

PostNL only supports the Koninklijke PostNL Collection Service, PostNL Pakketten Collection Service and handover at a PostNL sorting center with packaging by making roller containers, on which the Shipments can be stacked.

Table 9 - Packaging features and specifications

Features	Collection Service Koninklijke PostNL	Pick-up service PostNL Pakketten & handover at a PostNL sorting center
Packaging Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On arrival of the agreed Shipment to be handed over, packaging is provided for the following day. ▪ With a maximum of the required daily number of roller containers ▪ In the event of additional volume, quantities can be adjusted as long as stocks last. ▪ In case of a first request or in case of additional volume, an order of roller containers can be placed via MijnPostNL. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Separate packaging trip. ▪ Required weekly or daily numbers of roller containers. ▪ Packaging is arranged (structurally) in coordination with the designated PostNL contact.

The packaging volume must be appropriate for the quantity of Shipments, with a reasonable margin for any additional volume. If more roller containers are received than appropriate for the volume of Shipments, the subsequent delivery will be a maximum supplement until the number of roller containers arranged in the agreement has been reached.

Request and change Collection service PostNL Pakketten or handover at a PostNL sorting center

Structural arrangements for the PostNL Pakketten Collection Service or Delivery to a PostNL sorting center are established in consultation between PostNL and the customer.

The following requests related to these agreements must be presented to PostNL in a timely manner:

- Higher or lower volumes of roller containers or other packaging receptacles agreed in advance, to be collected or handed over.
- Change in the collection location or handover location.
- Change in the collection time or handover time.
- Temporary suspension of the series of appointments for one or more days.
- Cancellation of a single appointment.
- Changes in load type ratios in accordance with [Table 4](#).

If you have an Agreement with PostNL, the details and any impact on the price are included there. The request will only be in force if confirmed by PostNL. This confirmation can be found via MyPostNL or via the contact person at PostNL. PostNL aims to confirm or reject the request within a reasonable period - and at least before the start of the day/time to which the request relates.

2.3 Returns within the Netherlands

Freepost

With Freepost (Antwoordnummer) you pay the shipping costs of a Shipment your customer returns.

You can choose from two Return products.

Freepost	Return to home address
The return label is addressed to a Freepost address.	The return label is addressed to a home address
Freepost parcels weighing between 0 and 10 kg are subject to 21% VAT.	Returns to home addresses weighing between 0 and 10 kg are subject to 21% VAT.
With a Freepost address, in addition to the fixed annual subscription fee, you also pay the shipping costs for the Shipment that your customer returns.	With Returns to home address, you pay the shipping costs for the Shipment that your customer returns.
The Shipment can be dropped off at a PostNL point, a PostNL Parcel and Letter machine, a Scan & Go, Return at the door, or given to a Picnic delivery person. Depending on the chosen return label solution, a drop-off point may be excluded.	The Shipment can be dropped off at a PostNL point, a PostNL Parcel and Letter machine, a Scan & Go, Return at the door, or given to a Picnic delivery person. Depending on the chosen return label solution, a drop-off point may be excluded.
PostNL is at all times entitled to exclude the PostNL Parcel and Letter machine and Scan & Go from the use of Freepost.	PostNL is at all times entitled to exclude the PostNL Parcel and Letter machine and Scan & Go from the use of Returns to home address.
For return packages with a value of €250 or more, the optics brand valuable returns 002/099 must be ticked in the pre-registration. These return packages can only be handed in at a (staffed) PostNL point.	For return packages with a value of €250 or more, the valuable returns 002/099 option must be ticked in the pre-registration. These return packages can only be handed in at a (staffed) PostNL point.
The standard dimensions of a Shipment apply to Freepost parcels. The maximum weight is 31.5 kg.	The standard dimensions of a Shipment apply to Returns to home address. The maximum weight is 31.5 kg.
Returned Shipments can be tracked with Track & Trace.	Returned Shipments can be tracked with Track & Trace.

Returnlabels

PostNL offers business customers various return label options. Depending on the technical link you have set up with PostNL, you can choose a return label option. The available labels are:

- Smart Returns – your customer receives a barcode by email and can use this digital barcode to return the Shipment at a PostNL location. PostNL prints the shipping label for your customer and sticks it on the box.
- Single label – your customer must print the return label themselves and stick it on the box.
- Label in the box – your customer will receive the return label in the package with their Shipment. The consumer only needs to stick the return label on the box.

PostNL reserves the right to make changes to the return label options. Any changes will be communicated no later than 60 calendar days prior to the effective date.

Collection service Basic and Plus

With the collection service you can have a return package collected and delivered to any address of your choice within the Netherlands.

Collection service Basic	Collection service Plus
Shipments that are collected using the Collection service Basic must be shipped to a Freepost number.	Shipments that are collected using the Collection service Plus must be shipped to a home address.
With Collection service Basic, Increased Liability + Signature for Delivery is not part of the service.	The Collection service Plus includes the Additional Service Increased Liability + Signature for Delivery up to €500 as standard.

Specifications Collection service Basic and Plus

- A maximum of five (5) Shipments can be collected per address in a single collection order; you pay the collection rate once (the number of Shipments to be collected must be communicated in advance).
- A Shipment can be collected Monday to Saturday inclusive between 8:00 and 22:00.
- If there is no answer, a second collection attempt will be made the following day or Monday in case of a first collection attempt on Saturday.
- If there is no answer during the second collection attempt, the order expires; the collection rate will be charged, though.
- The standard Shipment size and weight requirements apply to Collection service Basic and Plus.
- Shipments can be collected from physical addresses throughout the Netherlands, but not from P.O. Box addresses.
- You can submit a collection order for the following day until 22:00 at the latest; during weekends the following applies: if registered before 22:00 Saturday or Sunday, collection will take place on Monday.
- Orders may be submitted no more than 7 days in advance.
- Your customer receives a collection receipt (barcode number of the Shipment).
- As standard, your customer receives an email notification from PostNL of the time of collection, sent to the email address and/or mobile number provided by you.

Return to the door, the Netherlands

With Return to the door your customer can hand over a returns package to the courier, without an arrangement. The Shipment must be accompanied by a valid shipping label with a barcode.

Specifications

- Return at the door is not a separate collection order; the Shipment is handed over to the PostNL parcel deliverer if he or she comes to deliver something (maximum of 5 Shipments at the same time). The product code of the return package remains unchanged.
- Collection of Return at the door is only possible at addresses where a Shipment is delivered by a PostNL parcel deliverer and not on the basis of an explicit order.
- The Shipment must have a valid shipping label with a barcode, shipped to a Freepost number or home address.
- The Shipment must be packaged in proper packaging.
- A deliverer may refuse collection if, for example, his/her bus is full.

Return by appointment

With Return by appointment you can have your returns, addressed to a Freepost address (Antwoordnummer), collected within a 2-hour time slot of your choice.

Return with Picnic

With Return by appointment your customer can give a return package to the Picnic delivery person.

Specifications

- Your customer must have an appointment with Picnic for the delivery of groceries.
- The Shipment must have a valid shipping label with a barcode: this can be addressed to a Freepost address or a Return to home address.
- Instead of the standard dimensions and weight requirements, for a Return with Picnic, the dimensions of the Shipment may not exceed 56x29x36cm and the maximum weight is 23 kg.

E-waste

Our e-waste proposition allows you to recycle waste electrical and electronic equipment. This electrical and electronic waste is sent to our recycling partner by means of a Freepost number.

Specifications

- Your customer can hand over the return package at a PostNL location or as a Return at the door, including the applicable basic specifications for returns and/or Return at the door.
- E-waste Shipments must meet the standard size and weight requirements for returns.
- The customer must provide the electrical/electronic device with a proper packaging and return label with barcode, which can be printed via our website or at a PostNL location.
- E-waste returns are transported to our recycling partner.
- If the electrical/electronic device has personal data on it, the sender itself is responsible for the erasure of all data prior to transport.

Article 3

Parcels, the Netherlands - Belgium

3.1 Delivery

Parcel delivery

With Parcels, the Netherlands - Belgium you can ship your parcel efficiently from the Netherlands to Belgium.

Specifications

- Shipments to P.O. Box addresses/poste restante are not possible.
- The return address must be based in the Netherlands.
- The Shipment must comply with the regulations for 'Permitted Shipments' (see article 1 Service Frameworks).

Table 10 - Specifications Parcels, the Netherlands - Belgium

Reference	Specifications
Delivery days and times	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Monday to Saturday inclusive: 8:00 to 22:00.▪ A surcharge applies for delivery on Monday.
If no answer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Shipments are delivered as standard to a neighbour if there is no answer. If the Shipment is delivered to a neighbour the Addressee is informed through a notification. If the Shipment cannot be handed over to the neighbours, the Shipment will be ready for collection at a designated PostNL location on the next day, with the exception of Saturday (the Shipment will be ready on Monday). The Addressee will be informed of this by means of a notification. If a Shipment has been sent with an Additional Service, the PostNL point will carry out the corresponding delivery procedure.
Change delivery option	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The Addressee of a Shipment can use the PostNL app or PostNL website to set up its PostNL account so that Shipments addressed to its home address are sent directly to a PostNL point before the first delivery attempt. If a Shipment has been sent with an additional service, the PostNL point will carry out the corresponding delivery procedure.▪ The Addressee of a Shipment can change the delivery time and/or delivery address before the delivery attempt, or choose an Agreed Location. To do this, the Addressee uses the PostNL app or the PostNL website. To make changes, they use the Track & Trace code in combination with their own postal code, the information on the notification in combination with their own postal code, or the information included in their personal PostNL account.▪ The Addressee can change the delivery time, delivery address, and/or an Agreed Location without the intervention and/or consent of the Sender.

Reference	Specifications
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PostNL will carry out the delivery in accordance with the Addressee's request and may therefore deviate from the original delivery. ▪ In certain cases, PostNL is entitled to request a contribution from the Addressee for changing the delivery. ▪ In certain cases, PostNL is entitled to request a contribution from the Sender for returning a Shipment on request before the delivery time to the Addressee.

Additional services

You can have your Shipment delivered with the following additional services:

Table 11 - Specifications for additional services for Parcels, the Netherlands - Belgium

Additional service	Specifications
Home Address only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Shipment is not delivered to the neighbours.
Signature for Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Addressee, adult housemates or adult neighbours must sign upon delivery of the Shipment, on the hand-held terminal or distribution list (including the name in capital letters).
Increased liability + Signature for Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PostNL's liability for damaged or lost Shipments is limited to the limit of article 23 or 25 CMR. With Increased Liability + Signature for Delivery, the maximum Liability of PostNL can be increased incrementally in steps of €100, €250 and €500 to a maximum of €5,000 per Shipment. The potentially higher compensation up to a maximum of €5,000 per Shipment is only paid out under the condition that the Shipment has undergone a proof of acceptance scan at the sorting centre of PostNL. ▪ For securities, precious metals, jewels, pearls, objects or documents with an art-related or collection-related value, travel documents, call credit, plastic money, admission tickets and costs related to making calls under a subscription, - even if Increased Liability + Signature for Delivery is purchased liability is always confined to the limit of Article 23 or 25 CMR. ▪ Increased liability with Signature for Delivery is standard including the service Home Address only.
Increased Liability + Delivery Code at the Door	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If you use PostNL's API, Business Portal or Plug-ins, you can send Shipments with Increased Liability + Delivery Code at the Door. These Shipments may not be delivered to PostNL by placing them in a PostNL Parcel and Letter machine. ▪ High-value electronic products, i.e. electronic products with a retail value of more than €250, may only be sent with PostNL if you purchase Increased Liability + Delivery Code at the Door for this purpose. ▪ PostNL's liability for damaged or lost Shipments is confined to the limit of Article 23 or 25 CMR. With Increased Liability + Delivery Code at the Door, the maximum liability of PostNL may be increased in increments of €100, €250 and €500 up to a maximum of €5,000 per Shipment. ▪ A potentially higher compensation up to a maximum of €5,000 per Shipment is only paid out under the condition that the parcel has undergone a proof of acceptance scan at the sorting centre of PostNL. ▪ For securities, precious metals, jewels, pearls, objects or documents with an art-related or collection-related value, travel documents, call credit, plastic money, admission tickets and costs related to making calls under a subscription, liability is - even if Increased Liability + Delivery Code at the Door is purchased - always confined to the limit of Article 23 or 25 CMR. ▪ Increased Liability + Delivery Code at the Door is standard including Home Address Only. ▪ The Sender is responsible for providing a valid and non-encrypted e-mail address of the Addressee to PostNL. Without a valid and non-encrypted e-mail address, PostNL cannot perform this service and liability is always confined to the limit of Article 23 or 25 CMR.

Shipment type

Collect from a PostNL location, Belgium

With Collect from a PostNL location, Belgium you can ship your Shipment directly to one of the PostNL locations in Belgium. Your customer can choose the location. PostNL sends a notification to inform your customer about the Shipment.

Specifications

- The Shipment is available by no later than 17:00.
- Tendering is possible on Sunday to Friday inclusive, the next day the Shipment will be available at a PostNL location.
- The PostNL locations have extensive opening hours (also during late night shopping, on Saturday and sometimes on Sunday).
- The standard maximum sizes and weights for Shipments apply (see 'Permitted Shipments').
- ID verification is standard for Collect from a PostNL Location.
- Your customer collects the Shipment on presentation of an electronic proof of collection, name and address or the barcode of the Shipment.
- The location manager asks for proof of ID and a signature. The number on the proof of ID and the signature is recorded.

3.2 Returns Belgium - the Netherlands

The product Returns Belgium offers a uniform returns solution for the Benelux. With Returns Belgium, consumers can easily return a Shipment at any of our PostNL locations in Belgium.

Specifications

- For returns sent from Belgium to the Netherlands, a Freepost address or Return to home address can be used.
- In order to process return Shipments in Belgium a printed label is required and must be affixed to the box; you can choose to send the label with the package (label in the box) or to send a returns label separately (single label).
- PostNL reserves the right to make changes to the return label options. Any changes will be communicated no later than 60 calendar days prior to the effective date.
- The standard requirements for sizes and weight apply to Returns Belgium.
- For this product you can use Track & Trace for the entire returns process.
- When handing over the returns package, an electronic proof of shipping is sent to the email address provided to PostNL.

Article 4

Parcels International

Table 12 - Definitions of Parcels EU and Parcels Non-EU

Europe (Parcels-EU)	Rest of Europe (Parcels Non-EU)	Rest of the world (Parcels Non-EU)
Bulgaria, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden and the Czech Republic.	Albania, Andorra, Bosnia Herzegovina, Canary Islands, Faroe Islands, Gibraltar, Greenland, Channel Islands, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Ukraine, San Marino, Serbia, Turkey, Vatican City, United Kingdom, Iceland, Belarus and Switzerland.	All other countries outside of Europe.

4.1 Parcels EU

With Parcels EU (see Table 12 for the definition of the EU) you can ship your International shipments quickly, cheaply and with additional security within many European countries.

Specifications

- Parcels EU can be shipped to both business addresses and consumer addresses.
- In there is no answer, a (digital or physical) notification will be left behind. It specifies how the Addressee can get hold of its International shipment as quickly as possible. In some countries deliveries are made to neighbours without your explicit permission.
- Depending on the destination, there may be one to three attempts to deliver Parcels EU, or they may be delivered directly to a collection location. This depends on the standard delivery per destination.
- If a Shipment cannot be delivered, it will be returned to the Sender. The return address must be based in the Netherlands.
- The International shipment must comply with the maximum requirements for weight and size that also apply within the Netherlands, see 'Permitted shipments'.
- If the shipping label is incorrect, PostNL will apply a (new) shipping label to the Shipment. PostNL may charge a surcharge for this.
- Parcels EU contains the Track & Trace functionality as standard.
- Shipping restrictions apply to Shipments with an international destination. There are published here.
- The delivery time depends on the destination (see here for the latest indication per country), the accuracy and completeness (email, foreign telephone number) of the pre-registration, and the size and weight of the International shipment.
- For accurate and timely delivery, the addressee's email address and/or mobile phone number are required.
- Shipments to P.O. Box addresses/poste restante and packing stations are not possible.
- There are no applicable multi-package rates (rate per package).

4.2 Parcels Non-EU

With Parcels Non-EU, (see Table 12 for the definition of Non-EU), you can send your International Shipments reliably and cheaply to all other international destinations.

Specifications

- If the Addressee is absent, a notification is left stating where the Shipment can be collected. Depending on the destination country, the International shipment may be subject to one or two delivery attempts.
- The International shipment is returned to Sender, for example, if the address is incorrect; specifying a return address is compulsory.
- The delivery time:
 - is exclusive of customs handling time in the destination country; this may vary for each country and depend on the contents of the International Shipment.
 - depends on the destination (see here for an indication per country), accuracy and completeness (email, foreign telephone number) of the pre-registration.
 - depends on the size and weight of the International shipment.

- The International shipment must comply with the conditions related to size, weight and packaging.
- A Parcel Non-EU Shipment may weigh no more than 20 kg. The maximum dimensions are: no bigger than 150 cm x 70 cm x 50 cm and no smaller than 10 cm x 10 cm x 1 cm.
- Parcels Non-EU includes the Track & Trace functionality as standard.
- There are no applicable multi-package rates (rate per package).
- The Sender is responsible at all times for the contents of the Shipment and any corresponding customs documents. PostNL can advise the Sender on this matter.
- To speed up customs clearance in the destination country it is recommended that you affix a (commercial) invoice to the exterior of the Shipment or to provide it digitally as coordinated with PostNL.

Additional services for Parcels EU and Parcels Non-EU

You can have your Parcels EU and Parcels Non-EU delivered with the following additional services:

Table 13 - Specifications of additional services for Parcels EU and Parcels Non-EU

Additional service	Specifications
Track & Trace Insured	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Track & Trace ▪ Signature for Delivery. With Signature for Delivery, the Addressee, adult housemates or adult neighbours must sign upon delivery of the International Shipment, on the hand-held terminal or distribution list (including the name in capital letters). Depending on (the procedure in) the country of destination, International Shipments may be provided with proof of delivery in a different manner. ▪ Increased liability of €50 per International Shipment sent with Track & Trace Insured. With Increased liability you can be insured against missing or damaged Shipments. A potentially higher compensation up to a maximum of €50 per package is only paid out under the condition that the package has undergone a proof-of-acceptance scan at PostNL's sorting centre. ▪ For securities, precious metals, jewels, pearls, objects or documents with an art-related or collection-related value, travel documents, call credit, plastic money, admission tickets and costs related to making calls under a subscription, liability is always confined to the limit of Article 23.3 of the CMR, Article 22.3 of the Montreal Convention and Article 22.2b of the Warsaw Convention respectively.
Track & Trace Insured Plus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Track & Trace. ▪ Signature for Delivery. With Signature for Delivery, the Addressee, adult housemates or adult neighbours must sign upon delivery of the Shipment, on the hand-held terminal or distribution list (including the name in capital letters). Depending on (the procedure in) the country of destination, International Shipments may be provided with proof of delivery in a different manner. ▪ Increased liability of €500 per International Shipment sent with Track & Trace Insured Plus. With Increased liability you can be insured against missing or damaged Shipments. A potentially higher compensation up to a maximum of €500 per package is only paid out under the condition that the package has undergone a proof-of-acceptance scan at PostNL's sorting centre. ▪ For securities, precious metals, jewels, pearls, objects or documents with an art-related or collection-related value, travel documents, call credit, plastic money, admission tickets and costs related to making calls under a subscription, liability is always confined to the limit of Article 23.3 of the CMR and the Air Transport Agreements.

4.3 Returns, International

Parcels, Europe Returns (ERS)

With Parcels Europe Returns, also called Easy Return Service ("ERS"), your customer can return a International Shipment easily and free of charge in twenty-four European countries via a local post office. Your return Shipments are delivered to you separately. If you are looking for a different returns solution we also offer Returns International, which are returned to you consolidated.

Specifications

- The indicative delivery time and number of post offices depends on the destination (see here).
- Parcels Europe Returns can only be shipped to an address in the Netherlands.
- Parcels Europe Returns can be shipped to an address or P.O. Box address, but not to a Freepost address.
- All Parcels Europe Returns must have a returns label; this can be requested via the ERS web application.
- The foreign customer prints out the label, affixes it to the Shipment, which can then be handed over at the post office.
- For Parcels Europe Returns, Signature for Delivery and Increased liability up to €500 are standard.
- The weight of a Shipment may be no more than 30 kg per package The maximum dimensions are: longest side 150 cm, shortest side 58 cm, other side 78 cm. And length plus circumference may not be more than 300 cm.
- There are no applicable multi-package rates (rate per package).
- The consumer receives a receipt when the Shipment is handed over at the post office.
- PostNL is responsible for the Shipment after the first sorting scan has been performed abroad. The liability of PostNL is restricted to the limit specified in Article 23, paragraph 3 of the CMR, in accordance with that described in Parcels EU.

Returns International

With the Returns International service the client, being the contracting party of PostNL ("Client") offers its own customer ("End customer") the possibility of returning an International Shipment (via the best returns network system selected by PostNL) easily and free of charge. This is possible from twenty-six countries.

Returns International service

One or more International Shipments originating from outside the Netherlands, sent by the End customer to a final destination in the Netherlands. This service begins at the moment the International Shipment is handed over by the End customer at a handover location abroad and ends when the International Shipment(s) destined for the Client, are consolidated by PostNL after arriving in the Netherlands. The Returns International service can only be arranged in combination with the PostNL 'Parcels, the Netherlands' service or 'Pallet shipment' (EUR-pallet), so that the consolidated International Shipments can be delivered per pallet or box to the Client's address.

Specifications

- The Client opts for a postal or commercial network with corresponding Handover locations for its End customer.
- The indicative delivery time depends on the destination*.
- The number of Handover locations differs from one country to another*.
- A Returns International Shipment can be followed using Track & Trace from the moment it is handed over at a Handover location by the End customer until it arrives at PostNL in the Netherlands.
- All Returns International Shipments must have a returns label; this can be requested via the consumer portal or customer portal or via an API connection.
- The End customer prints out the return label, affixes it to the International Shipment and can then hand it over at the agreed Handover location.
- An International Shipment may weigh no more than 30 kg per package. The maximum parcel dimensions differ from one country to another.
- There are no applicable multi-package rates (rate per parcel International Shipment).
- The frequency with which the International Shipments are consolidated when they arrive in the Netherlands is agreed with the Client.

* More information per destination regarding Handover locations, (indicative) delivery times, maximum weight and size can be consulted on this website.

Other terms and conditions

1. The Client guarantees that the Customer and End customer are authorised to hand over the International Shipments to PostNL for transport and processing thereof. PostNL is not liable for the accuracy and completeness of the contents of International Shipments, which it receives from the Client or End customer.
2. The Client can follow the shipping status of the International Returns insofar as this is possible and permitted in the country or countries concerned. PostNL is subject to a best efforts obligation related to the execution of the Track & Trace functionality and is in no way liable for any damage and/or costs incurred by the Client or third parties related to the Track & Trace functionality, including but not limited to the (temporary) unavailability of the functionality.
3. Articles 12 and 13 of the GTCTG do not apply to the Returns International service.
4. If and insofar as PostNL continues to receive any International Shipment(s) after termination of the Agreement, PostNL will be entitled to charge the relevant costs as agreed in the Agreement and the Client will be obliged to pay these costs.

Article 5 Freight

General service frameworks

There are two Freight solutions, in which the differentiation is made between cargo Shipments to the Benelux (Benelux Freight) and to Europe (Euro Freight). The following specifications apply to both Benelux Freight and Euro Freight.

Specifications

- Pre-registration of cargo Shipments is compulsory.
- We strive to deliver cargo Shipments pre-registered before 20:00 within 24 hours in the Netherlands and within 48 hours in Belgium and Luxembourg.
- Invoicing is based on the pre-registration.
- Cargo Shipments that are pre-registered, but not handed over to us, are still charged.
- Track & Trace via www.postnl.nl.
- Signature upon receipt is standard.
- Digital signatures for delivery (POD) are available online free of charge, original signatures can be requested for a fee.
- The outgoing rate applies for a second delivery attempt or return Shipment.
- Shipments can only be delivered to a physical business address (no P.O. Boxes).
- Delivery takes place on working days (Monday to Friday inclusive) between 8:00 and 18:00. If it is not possible to deliver to the address provided we will contact the shipper for further instructions.

Refused Shipments

If your customer refuses the Shipment you will be informed accordingly. You can then decide whether the Shipment should be subject to a second delivery attempt or be returned to you. PostNL applies a surcharge for this.

Address error

If your Shipment is undeliverable because there is an error in the address, you will be informed accordingly. This could have consequences for the delivery time. The Shipment will subsequently be delivered to the correct address if you so wish. If required, the Shipment can be returned to you. PostNL applies a surcharge for this.

5.1 Benelux Freight

Destinations

Addresses in the Benelux.

Wadden Islands

Deliveries to your customer on the Wadden Islands is possible, and is subject to a surcharge.

Table 14 - Sizes and weights for Benelux Freight

Type of freight	Min. dimensions (lxwxh) (cm)	Max. dimensions (lxwxh) (cm)	Max. weight (kg)	Explanation
EUR-pallet	120x80x180	120x80x180	800	
Half EUR-pallet	80x60x150	80x60x150	200	
Break bulk cargo	N/A	Longest side 300	50	Max. volume factor 0.3m3 per shipment
Stukgoed				

We recommend you use Direct Freight as of five pallets per delivery address. Please contact your account manager or PostNL for this matter.

5.2 Euro Freight

Destinations

Euro Freight delivers to a number of countries. For a list of destinations and delivery times per destination see [here](#).

Remote areas

An extra rate is applied for deliveries to your customers who live on islands. Please contact your account manager or PostNL to discuss this matter.

Table 16 - Sizes and weights for Euro Freight

Type of freight	Min. dimensions (lxwxh) (cm)	Max. dimensions (lxwxh) (cm)	Max. weight (kg)	Explanation
EUR-pallet	120x80x180	120x80x180	800	Max. volume factor 0.3m3 per shipment
Break bulk	N/A	Longest side 300	30	

Liability and Terms & Conditions

PostNL is liable in accordance with the provisions in the international applicable CMR conditions. In this regard we are obliged to compensate the actual proven damage up to the limits that apply on the basis of the aforementioned provisions. The actual weight of the freight shipped must be demonstrated by the client.

Do you have any questions?

General questions and minor matters: 088 86 86 868

We can be reached from Monday to Friday inclusive from 8:00 to 19:00.

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