

International mail and parcel delivery

Holiday shipping deadlines 2026

To make sure your international mail and parcels arrive on time during the holiday season, we recommend handing it over by the final hand over date. Below is a list of deadlines for each destination:

Parcels

Destination	Final hand over date (delivery before Christmas)	Final hand over date (delivery before New Year's Day)
Belgium	Thursday 17 December	Tuesday 22 December
France, Germany and Luxembourg	Thursday 17 December	Monday 21 December
Austria, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland and United Kingdom	Tuesday 15 December	Friday 18 December
Italy	Tuesday 15 December	Friday 18 December
Rest of Europe	Thursday 10 December	Monday 14 December
USA, Canada, Japan, Australia and New Zealand	Tuesday 8 December	Thursday 10 December
Rest of the world	Thursday 3 December	Friday 4 December

Please make sure to provide accurate recipient information, including the recipient's name, email address, and phone number, for a smooth delivery of the parcel.

Packets

Destination	Final hand over date (delivery before Christmas)	Final hand over date (delivery before New Year's Day)
Austria, Belgium, France Germany, Luxembourg and Switzerland	Wednesday 16 December	Friday 18 December
Rest of Europe	Thursday 10 December	Tuesday 15 December
USA, Canada, Japan, Australia and New Zealand	Tuesday 8 December	Thursday 10 December
Rest of the world	Thursday 3 December	Friday 4 December

Please make sure to provide accurate recipient information, including the recipient's name, email address, and phone number, for a smooth delivery of the packet.

See next page for information about **letters and cards**.

Letters and cards

Service level: priority

Destination	Final hand over date (delivery before Christmas)	Final hand over date (delivery before New Year's Day)
Austria, Belgium, France Germany, Luxembourg and Switzerland	Thursday 17 December	Tuesday 22 December
Rest of Europe	Thursday 10 December	Wednesday 16 December
USA, Canada, Japan, Australia and New Zealand	Wednesday 9 December	Thursday 10 December
Rest of the world	Thursday 3 December	Friday 4 December

Service level: standard

Destination	Final hand over date (delivery before Christmas)	Final hand over date (delivery before New Year's Day)
Austria, Belgium, France Germany, Luxembourg and Switzerland	Thursday 10 December	Monday 14 December
Rest of Europe	Thursday 3 December	Friday 4 December
USA, Canada, Japan, Australia and New Zealand	Friday 27 November	Tuesday 1 december
Rest of the world	Thursday 19 November	Friday 20 November

Do you have any questions?

For more information, visit **https://www.postnl.nl/en/customer-service/general-delivery-days-times/holiday-delivery-schedule** where you will find information on mail and parcel hand over and delivery during the holiday season. Business customers can contact their account manager or an account support agent for more information.