

Aviation Security – air parcel restrictions to the United States

Due to heightened border protection and increased aviation security measures introduced by the United States (US), there is likely to be delays of around 48 hours to parcels being sent to this destination.

These new measures have higher requirements for screening and transport, and as a result a \$9.00 surcharge will be imposed on all air parcels over 453 grams (16 ounces) destined for the United States from **Monday 22 November 2010**. This includes all US states and territories, and other countries with open transits through the US as listed below:

- Puerto Rico
- Guam
- Marshall Islands
- Palau
- Virgin Islands
- Federated States of Micronesia

We advise customers sending mail to the United States for Christmas to lodge their items as soon as possible. Australia Post is working hard to meet the demands of the increased security measures, whilst maintaining a focus on timely mail delivery.

This surcharge has been introduced solely to cover the costs of the revised security arrangements required by the United States, and Australia Post reiterates that the circumstances are beyond our control.

Australia Post apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.