

# USPS Decertification / Meter Migration FAQ

## What is Decertification/Meter Migration?

The USPS has established a four-phased meter migration plan to ensure secure postage meter technology in the US marketplace. The USPS meter migration plan is aimed at transitioning the installed base of meters from certain technology demonstrated to be susceptible to tampering, counterfeit or misuse to available technology offering enhanced security. The plan also targets metering technology that imposes operational costs that may be avoided with newer, alternative technology.

## What is Phase IV of Decertification?

Phase IV meters use letterpress technology to print postage and have a timeout feature to disable the meter. Phase IV meters must be removed from service by the end of 2008. This fourth and final phase of the migration results in the removal of all non-digital meters.

## Which Mailing Systems are being Decertified?

### Neopost Affected Meter Models

9647, 9648

### Pitney Affected Meter Models

B900, B905

### Hasler Affected Meter Models

1263, 1263TMS, 1263TMOS, 16413ZTMOS, 16413ZTMS, 17563ZTMOS, 17563ZTMS, 4280TMS, 4280TMOS, 64280TMS, 64280TMOS, 5280

### Postalia Affected Meter Models

8000, 8100, EFS 3000

## What happens if I do not replace my Phase IV meter by 12/31/08?

Effective January 1st, 2009 you will no longer be able to add postage to your meter. You can use up the remaining balance of postage currently in your machine; however, after the postage runs out, you will no longer be able to use it to meter your mail.

## Why should I replace my meter today instead of waiting until 12/31/08?

- *Today's digital machines are technically superior:* You can usually upgrade to a new digital machine at a similar cost with significant performance enhancements.
- *Supply and demand:* The longer you wait, the higher risk of **reduced supplies, increased pricing, and longer delivery times** as people are hurrying to get their new machines.

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