POSTAGE QUESTION

Need some advice on postage system. Several years ago, I used Stamps.com and was reasonably satisfied. My assistant did complain that we wasted postage when we misprinted envelopes and started printing our postage out on stickers instead of directly on envelopes, but that was about our biggest complaint. The terms of the service have changed a little since then, for instance, there is a higher monthly fee. However, it still appears to be cheaper than having a postage meter from Pitney Bowes. Do any of you have recommendations for postage systems. Thanks in advance for your help.

Stamps.com now provides for one automatic reprint of a misprinted envelope, and electronic refund of unused/misprinted envelopes (you still need to mail labels in for the refund, though).

Wendell Finner, Florida

My office uses stamps.com and have been very happy with it. If there's a misprinted we simply file for - and do receive - a refund.

I like how it confirms addresses which helps ensure we're using a good address and there's no typo. And then it saves the address into the stamps.com address book so we only enter the address once.

Deborah Matthews, Virginia

I use www.endicia.com and I'm very happy with it.

Lisa Solomon, New York

I have a postage meter with PB. Well worth it to me.

Robert M. Louque, Jr., Louisiana

I highly recommend the dymo system. I got one on eBay for around \$100 and it uses the stamps software with no monthly fee.

Shawn M. French, Sr.

I recommend the Dymo system. You can do everything without the fees.

Jeffrey Taylor, Oklahoma

We use Endicia, together with the Dymo Twin 450 label printer. I would highly recommend it.

Cheers,

David Hiersekorn, California

I don't understand. If we have the Dymo printer we can use Stamps.com without paying their fee? How does that work?

Mark J. Astarita, New York

Like majik. Seriously, I think it's just some deal the companies have.

Shawn M. French, Sr.

Stamps.com rocks! Especially if you sent large envelopes or packages as the service allows you to bypass the 12oz mailbox rule.

Sincerely,

Amanda Benedict, California

But it allows you to print only on stamps, not to an envelope, right?

Meyer Silber, New York

With stamps.com my office prints directly on #10 and 6x9 envelopes. So we're printing the address and stamp in the same print job.

Deborah Matthews

With the Dymo?

Meyer Silber

While I have a Dymo that we use for stamps on stickers for large envelopes, my post below describes how we use stamps.com and print directly on the #10 or 6x9 envelopes using our regular printer.

Deborah G. Matthews

Dymo has its own stamps program with Endicia that is free (other than the cost of stamps). It is also somewhat limited in functionality but includes the basics. It did not include Media Mail, which I use in the continuing effort to liquidate some of my oversize library, so I am signed up for the 15.95 deal for now.

Michael A. Gort, Florida

You can print directly onto an envelope through stamps.com, or using Word. I really like it.

Seth Crosland, Texas

I thought with all the scanning and e-fax and e-mail that we were all paperless. What the heck is everyone mailing?

Ellen A. Victor, New York

Ditto with Endicia. Print either to a label or directly to a letter. Unfortunately, my dell cool laser badly wrangles every letter. So i designed a branded large mailing sticker with return address that I use on letters, and bigger packages.

Michael A. Gort