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Mail forwarding - How it works by [MailNetwork](#)

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Mail forwarding refers to redirecting mail which is destined for one location to another for a specific period of time and is generally offered by post offices or private mail service providers. In case of United States Postal Service this time period is one year. Usually people who have recently changed their address opt for this service. In simple terms it is mail redirection which helps save a lot of money. Commonly referred to as hybrid mail, it proves very helpful to people who would want their packages delivered outside the U.S such as expatriates, international shoppers, frequent travelers, international businesses.

It is important to know how you plan to use the service as it helps in choosing the right mail service provider. A frequent shopper might be keen on package consolidation while a business might be looking for timely delivery and to lower its shipping costs thereby improving its customer service. And for people living outside the U.S who require their mail on a regular basis online shipment tracking could be important.

How it works?

In order to start using a mail forwarding service you need to first give them the authorization to handle your mail. The United States Postal Service form 1856 is to be filled and signed out for this purpose and sent to the mail forwarding service provider. Once this is done the mail forwarding company will provide you with a U.S address which you can use when you are shopping online and give it to the companies that send you mail such as monthly bills and magazine subscriptions. The mail forwarding company receives your packages and mails and updates their arrival on your private account, some even send pictures of each package or mail you receive and send it to your online account. You can view your online account and tell the company what to do with each package and mail i.e., you can either choose to send, hold or discard the package(s) or if there are many then you can ask them to consolidate them into a single package. The mail forwarding company will put the shipment together along with the proper documents and ship them to you whenever you wish to receive it.

What to look for?

Firstly the mail forwarding company should be reliable and have a track record of customer satisfaction for more than 10 years. A quick way to evaluate if a company is reliable is to see the number of customer complaints and how they get handled. After checking the reliability, make a list of the companies and compare their features and costs. Companies with a quick response and good customer service are the ones you should opt for as they will handle your mail efficiently with due respect to your privacy.

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