

Delivery times

Sending letters and parcels abroad



Introduction

You are sending international mail and parcels with PostNL and would like to know how many days it will take until it arrives at its destination, the table below provides an indication of delivery times for mail and parcels. Since PostNL cannot influence the postal process in other countries, these times are only estimates, so the number of days may differ slightly.

Priority or Standard service

The delivery time also depends on the type of service used to send the postal item. In general, letters are sent by Priority mail. In some cases, you can opt for Standard service. This entails a slightly longer delivery time at a lower rate. Postal items sent by Standard mail within Europe are usually delivered within two business days, although this differs per country.

Express service

The delivery time shown in the 'Express service' column refers to capital cities and the most important business centres in the countries concerned. For outlying areas, the delivery time is expected to be longer. Unfortunately, it is not possible to give the exact delivery time for items sent with the Express service.

Registered and Insured mail

Important documents or valuables can be sent by registered mail or extra insured. Since Registered and Insured mail are processed through an extra secure channel, the delivery time is a few days longer than shown in the table. How much longer differs per destination. Parcels can be tracked via mijnpakket.postnl.nl and Registered mail via www.postnl.post

Other factors that can affect delivery times

A number of factors can affect the delivery time. Your postal item may arrive later due to, for example:

- Local holidays
- Customs handling in the destination country
- Strikes or other unforeseen events in the destination country

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A Afghanistan	8 - 15	-	8 - 15	3
Albania	4 - 7	8 - 9	5 - 7	3
Algeria	5 - 8	9 - 11	5 - 8	2
American Virgin Islands	4 - 7	8 - 12	5 - 12	-
Andorra	3 - 6	7 - 11	2 - 3	3
Angola	5 - 11	-	9 - 15	5
Anguilla	4 - 8	-	6 - 8	4
Antigua and Barbuda	4 - 8	9 - 12	5 - 12	3
Argentina	6 - 10	-	6 - 10	3
Armenia	8 - 10	-	10 - 12	4
Aruba	4 - 8	-	4 - 8	4
Ascension	6 - 8	-	9 - 15	-
Australia	5 - 8	9 - 13	6 - 8	4
Austria	2 - 3	6 - 12	2 - 3	1
Azerbaijan	3 - 8	9 - 10	5 - 10	2
Azores	3 - 6	10 - 14	4 - 5	1
B Bahamas	6 - 10	-	5 - 12	5
Bahrain	5 - 8	-	5 - 8	2
Balearic Islands (Mallorca, Ibiza, Menorca)	3 - 5	-	3 - 5	1
Bangladesh	8 - 15	-	8 - 15	3
Barbados	5 - 10	-	5 - 10	4
Belarus	5 - 8	-	5 - 10	4
Belgium	2 - 3	5 - 8	1 - 2	1
Belize	5 - 12	-	5 - 12	5
Benin	8 - 10	-	8 - 10	4
Bermuda	5 - 8	-	5 - 8	5
Bhutan	5 - 15	-	9 - 15	4
Bolivia	4 - 9	10 - 13	6 - 10	5
Bonaire	4 - 8	-	4 - 8	5
Bosnia-Herzegovina	4 - 8	-	4 - 9	3
Botswana	8 - 12	-	8 - 12	3
Brazil	6 - 11	12 - 16	6 - 8	4
British Virgin Islands	5 - 10	-	5 - 10	4
Brunei Darussalam	7 - 12	-	7 - 12	4
Bulgaria	4 - 7	8 - 12	4 - 7	1
Burkina Faso	8 - 15	-	8 - 15	4
Burundi	8 - 12	-	8 - 12	5
C Cambodia	8 - 12	-	8 - 12	4
Cameroon	5 - 10	-	9 - 15	3
Canada	3 - 6	7 - 12	5 - 6	2
Canary Islands	3 - 6	9 - 13	5 - 8	1
Cape Verde	6 - 12	-	6 - 12	5
Cayman Islands	5 - 12	-	5 - 12	4
Central African Rep.	7 - 15	-	7 - 15	9
Chad	7 - 15	16 - 20	7 - 15	3
Channel Islands	4 - 7	-	5 - 7	2
Chile	6 - 10	-	6 - 10	3
China (excl. Hong Kong and Macao)	5 - 10	11 - 12	9 - 15	2
Colombia	6 - 10	-	6 - 10	3
Comoros	7 - 10	11 - 14	9 - 15	5
Congo (Brazzaville)	8 - 12	-	8 - 12	4

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C Congo (Kinshasa)	8-12	-	8-12	-
Corsica	2-3	-	2-3	1
Costa Rica	5-10	-	5-10	3
Croatia	3-6	7-11	5-8	4
Cuba	5-12	-	5-12	-
Curaçao	4-8	-	4-8	4
Cyprus	4-7	8-12	4-7	2
Czech Republic	2-4	6-12	3-5	1
D Denmark (excl. Greenland and Faroe Islands)	2-3	4-7	2-3	1
Djibouti	9-15	-	9-15	4
Dominica	5-12	-	5-12	5
Dominican Republic	5-12	-	5-12	4
Dutch Antilles	4-8	-	4-8	-
E East Timor	5-9	10-15	10-16	4
Ecuador	6-10	-	6-10	6
Egypt	7-8	-	7-8	2
El Salvador	5-12	-	5-12	4
Equatorial Guinea	9-15	-	9-15	-
Eritrea	7-10	11-12	7-10	3
Estonia	2-5	6-12	4-6	2
Ethiopia	5-10	-	9-15	4
F Falkland Islands	8-10	11-20	8-10	-
Faroe Islands	2-3	6-8	2-3	-
Fiji	7-12	-	7-12	8
Finland	2-3	7-12	2-4	1
France	2-3	5-10	2-3	1
French Guiana	6-10	11-19	6-10	4
French Polynesia	10-12	15-24	10-12	4
G Gabon	7-12	15-25	7-15	3
Gambia	9-15	16-25	9-15	7
Georgia	5-12	-	5-12	2
Germany	2-4	5-8	2-3	1
Ghana	5-10	-	9-15	3
Gibraltar	3-6	7-11	4-6	2
Greece	3-5	7-9	3-6	1
Greenland	3-5	-	3-5	-
Grenada	5-10	-	5-10	5
Guadeloupe	5-12	13-14	5-12	4
Guatemala	5-10	-	5-10	3
Guernsey	5-7	-	5-7	2
Guinea	7-15	16-17	7-15	5
Guinea-Bissau	6-10	-	9-15	4
Guyana	6-10	-	6-10	4
H Haiti	5-12	-	5-12	6
Honduras	5-12	13-20	5-12	3
Hong Kong	4-6	-	4-6	2
Hungary	2-4	7-11	3-5	1
I Iceland	2-5	7-11	3-5	1
India	5-10	11-13	5-10	4
Indonesia	4-9	10-12	4-9	5
Iran	4-8	-	4-8	-

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I Iraq	6-10	-	6-10	5
Ireland	2-4	7-11	2-3	1
Israel	4-5	-	4-5	2
Italy (excl. San Marino, Vatican City)	2-5	6-12	3-5	1
Ivory Coast	6-12	-	6-12	3
J Jamaica	5-12	-	5-12	5
Japan	4-7	-	4-7	3
Jersey	5-7	-	5-7	2
Jordan	4-8	-	4-8	2
K Kazakhstan	6-12	-	6-12	4
Kenya	5-12	-	5-15	2
Kiribati	6-12	13-17	10-16	8
Kosovo	4-7	-	7-9	5
Kuwait	5-8	-	5-8	2
Kyrgyzstan	6-12	-	6-12	2
L Lakshadweep	6-8	9-13	6-8	-
Laos	5-12	-	9-15	4
Latvia	3-6	7-12	3-6	1
Lebanon	5-10	-	5-10	4
Lesotho	6-10	-	6-10	4
Liberia	9-15	16-25	9-15	3
Libya	6-8	-	6-8	3
Liechtenstein	2-3	5-7	3-4	1
Lithuania	3-6	6-12	4-6	1
Luxembourg	2-3	4-7	4-6	1
M Macau	5-8	-	9-15	3
Macedonia	4-7	8-10	5-8	2
Madagascar	7-12	13-18	7-12	4
Madeira	4-5	9-13	4-5	1
Malawi	6-12	-	6-12	5
Malaysia	7-10	11-13	7-10	2
Maldives	6-13	-	6-13	4
Mali	6-10	11-12	6-10	3
Malta	3-6	6-11	4-6	1
Martinique	5-10	-	5-10	5
Mauretania	5-10	-	9-15	6
Mauritius	6-10	-	6-10	4
Mexico	5-10	-	5-10	6
Moldavia	5-7	-	6-10	1
Monaco	2-3	5-6	2-3	1
Mongolia	6-12	-	6-12	3
Montenegro	5-7	8-9	5-7	2
Montserrat	5-10	-	5-10	6
Morocco	4-8	-	4-8	2
Mozambique	6-15	-	6-15	4
Myanmar	6-12	-	6-12	-
N Namibia	5-8	-	9-12	4
Nauru	9-12	13-21	9-12	-
Nepal	5-15	16-17	9-15	4
New Caledonia	10-15	16-22	10-15	6
New Zealand	5-7	-	5-7	4

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N Nicaragua	5 - 10	-	5 - 10	2
Niger	7 - 18	-	7 - 18	5
Nigeria	8 - 12	-	8 - 12	4
North Korea	7 - 10	-	7 - 10	-
Norway	2 - 5	6 - 11	2 - 4	1
O Oman	5 - 8	-	5 - 8	2
P Pakistan	6 - 10	11 - 13	6 - 10	2
Pacific Islands	10 - 12	15 - 21	10 - 12	-
Palestine	7 - 8	-	7 - 8	-
Panama	5 - 10	11 - 12	7 - 8	4
Papua New Guinea	7 - 15	-	5 - 10	5
Paraguay	6 - 10	-	6 - 10	5
Peru	6 - 10	-	6 - 10	4
Philippines	7 - 10	11 - 16	7 - 10	2
Pitcairn Islands	10 - 12	13 - 21	10 - 12	-
Poland	2 - 4	7 - 13	2 - 5	1
Portugal	2 - 4	6 - 12	3 - 5	1
Puerto Rico	4 - 8	9 - 12	4 - 8	2
Q Qatar	4 - 8	-	8 - 10	2
R Réunion	5 - 10	-	9 - 13	3
Romania	2 - 5	6 - 12	4 - 7	1
Russia	8 - 14	10 - 25	8 - 14	2
Rwanda	7 - 10	15 - 25	9 - 15	7
S Saba	4 - 8	9 - 14	4 - 8	5
Saint Helena	6 - 10	-	6 - 10	-
Saint Kitts and Nevis	5 - 10	-	5 - 10	5
Saint Lucia	5 - 10	-	5 - 10	5
Saint Martin	4 - 8	-	4 - 8	4
Saint Pierre and Miquelon	4 - 7	-	4 - 7	-
Saint Vincent & Gren.	6 - 12	-	6 - 12	5
Samoa	7 - 12	-	7 - 12	-
San Marino	2 - 5	6 - 9	3 - 5	1
São Tomé and Príncipe	6 - 8	9 - 10	6 - 8	-
Saudi Arabia	4 - 7	8 - 12	9 - 15	2
Senegal	5 - 10	-	9 - 15	2
Serbia	3 - 6	8 - 14	5 - 7	5
Seychelles	7 - 11	-	9 - 15	5
Sierra Leone	6 - 10	-	9 - 15	5
Singapore	4 - 6	7 - 8	4 - 6	2
Slovakia	2 - 4	7 - 12	3 - 5	1
Slovenia	3 - 5	7 - 13	3 - 5	1
Solomon Islands	8 - 12	-	10 - 12	9
Somalia	no postal service	-	-	-
South Africa	5 - 8	-	5 - 8	3
South Korea	7 - 10	-	7 - 10	2
South Sudan	6 - 15	-	6 - 15	-
Spain (excl. Can. Islands)	2 - 4	6 - 11	3 - 5	1
Spanish North Africa	3 - 5	6 - 7	3 - 5	-
Sri Lanka	7 - 10	11 - 13	7 - 10	3
St Eustatius	4 - 8	-	4 - 8	4
Sudan	6 - 15	16 - 25	6 - 15	-

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S Suriname	5-8	-	5-8	7
Swaziland	5-9	-	9-15	5
Sweden	2-3	5-8	2-3	1
Switzerland	2-3	5-10	2-3	1
Syria	5-8	-	5-8	-
T Taiwan	5-9	-	9-15	2
Tajikistan	7-14	-	7-14	3
Tanzania	5-12	-	9-15	4
Thailand	5-9	10-12	5-9	2
Togo	8-12	-	8-12	3
Tonga	8-12	15-21	10-12	9
Trinidad and Tobago	5-10	-	5-10	5
Tristan da Cunha	6-10	-	6-10	-
Tunisia	5-8	-	5-8	3
Turkey	5-9	6-12	5-8	2
Turkmenistan	6-12	-	6-12	-
Turks and Caicos	5-12	13-20	5-12	3
Tuvalu	9-13	15-21	10-12	11
U Uganda	5-12	13-16	9-15	5
Ukraine	5-9	-	6-10	2
United Arab Emirates	6-9	-	6-9	2
United Kingdom	2-3	5-9	2-3	1
United States	3-6	7-11	3-6	2
Uruguay	6-10	-	6-10	5
Uzbekistan	6-10	-	6-10	3
V Vanuatu	7-12	-	10-12	5
Vatican City	2-5	5-8	4-5	-
Venezuela	6-11	12-13	6-11	5
Vietnam	7-10	11-12	7-10	3
Y Yemen	5-10	-	9-15	4
Z Zambia	6-12	-	6-15	3
Zanzibar	6-12	-	6-15	-
Zimbabwe	6-12	-	6-15	4