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## **Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement**

The United States Postal Service® reaffirms its long-standing commitment to equality of opportunity in every aspect of employment. Equal employment opportunity (EEO) is not only a legal requirement under our nation's laws, but also a business imperative. EEO is a critical component of the Postal Service's efforts to recruit, develop, and retain the most qualified, diverse workforce to support our organization's strategic mission of delivering to every household in America.

It is the policy of the Postal Service® that all employees and applicants for employment be afforded equal opportunities in employment without regard to race, color, sex (including gender identity and gender stereotypes), national origin, religion, and disability. As part of its program of equal employment opportunity, the Postal Service® prohibits discrimination or harassment based on any of these categories. In addition, it is also the policy of the Postal Service® to prohibit discrimination or harassment based on age, genetic information, sexual orientation, marital status, status as a parent and past, present, or future military service. All employees must refrain from practicing or tolerating discrimination or harassment.

Employees found to have taken actions that violate this policy and our country's EEO laws may be subject to corrective action up to and including removal from the Postal Service®

All of us, executives, managers, supervisors, and employees, share in the responsibility for successfully incorporating the Postal Service's policy on equal employment opportunity in every aspect of our duties and complying with this country's EEO laws

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