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Letter-Size First-Class Mail Containing CDs or DVDs

A First-Class Mail letter-size paper envelope containing a single CD or DVD - whether the CD or DVD is in a paper sleeve or not - is machinable and priced accordingly: 42¢ if 1 ounce or less, as long as it has no other nonmachinable characteristics. The inclusion of a single CD or DVD does not itself make the mailpiece nonmachinable.

However, the same letter-size paper envelope containing two or more CDs or DVDs, or any CD or DVD in a rigid container such as cardboard box, is nonmachinable due to rigidity. If the mailpiece is no more than 1/4-inch thick, apply the 20¢ nonmachinable surcharge in addition to postage. If over 1/4-inch thick, apply the parcel prices. These pieces are never priced as large envelopes (flats).

At Mailers Company, most of our CD / DVD paperboard envelopes fall into the “nonmachinable First-Class Letter Rates”. Therefore your postage should be 62¢ if 1 ounce or less, and 79¢ for to 2 ounces.