

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF DALLAS
DALLAS, TEXAS 75222

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REVISION OF APPENDIX A
BULLETIN NO. 8
COLLECTION OF CASH ITEMS

**To the Member and Nonmember Banks of the
Eleventh Federal Reserve District and others concerned:**

There is enclosed revised page 11 (Appendix A) of our Bulletin No. 8, dated September 1, 1967, governing the collection of cash items.

This revision deletes all references to Treasury Department Circular No. 176 and substitutes references to Treasury Department Circular No. 21 which now contains the provisions regarding handling of checks drawn on the Treasurer of the United States.

We shall appreciate your signing and returning the attached postal card acknowledging receipt of the enclosures.

Yours very truly,

Watrous H. Irons
President

Enclosures (2)

APPENDIX A

GOVERNMENT CHECKS

1. Government checks drawn on the Treasurer of the United States will be handled by us as cash items in accordance with, and subject to, the provisions of Treasury Department Circular No. 21 (31 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 360). Copies of that Circular will be furnished upon request. With respect to matters not covered by that Circular, the terms and conditions of Regulation J applicable to cash items, of this bulletin, and of our time schedules shall be applicable to all such Government checks.

2. We will give immediate credit, subject to payment in actually and finally collected funds, for Government checks as provided in our time schedules. Such checks will be forwarded by us to the Treasurer of the United States and shall be subject in all cases to examination and payment by the Treasurer. Under Treasury Department Circular No. 21, the Treasurer has reserved the right to examine and to refuse payment of all Government checks handled by the Federal Reserve banks.

3. Section 210.12 of Regulation J, relating to the return of cash items by paying banks, is not applicable to Government checks. In the event that the Treasurer of the United States refuses payment of any Government check upon first examination and such check, or photographic copy thereof, is returned to this bank as outlined in Treasury Department Circular No. 21, the amount of such check will be charged back to the account of the sender and simultaneously credited to the account of the Treasurer. This bank shall have no responsibility to the sender of any Government check, or any other owner or holder thereof, with respect to the nonpayment of any such check and return by the Treasurer of any such check or photographic copy thereof.

4. The attention of senders is directed to 31 U.S.C. §§122 and 129, to the effect that (a) claims on a Government check which appears of record to have been paid, must be made within six years after the date of issuance of the check and (b) an action to enforce liability upon a forged or unauthorized signature or endorsement or alteration of any Government check must be commenced within six years after the presentment of the check, or written notice of such a claim given within that period, provided that, if a claim is made upon an apparently paid check, the six-year period with respect to the commencement of an action or the giving of written notice will be extended an additional 180 days.

This page amended December 1, 1967.

APPENDIX B

POSTAL MONEY ORDERS

1. Postal money orders (United States postal money orders ; United States international postal money orders ; domestic-international postal money orders) will be handled by us as cash items in accordance with an agreement made by the Postmaster General, in behalf of the United States, and by the Federal Reserve banks as depositaries and fiscal agents of the United States pursuant to authorization of the Secretary of the Treasury. With respect to matters not covered by that agreement, the terms and conditions of Regulation J applicable to cash items, of this bulletin, and of our time schedules shall be applicable to all such postal money orders.

2. We will give immediate credit for postal money orders received from a sender maintaining or using an account with us as provided in our time schedules. Simultaneously with such credit, we will debit the amount of such money orders against the general account of the Treasurer of the United States under such symbol numbers as may be assigned by the Treasurer of the United States ; and such credit to the account of the sender shall then become final as between us and the sender.

3. The agreement between the Postmaster General and the Federal Reserve banks provides, in effect, that no claim for refund or otherwise with respect to any postal money order debited against the general account of the Treasurer of the United States and delivered to the representative of the Post Office Department as provided in said agreement (other than a claim based upon the negligence of a Federal Reserve bank) shall be made against or through any Federal Reserve bank ; that, if the Post Office Department makes any such claim with respect to any such money order such money order will not be returned or sent to a Federal Reserve bank, but the Post Office Department will deal directly with the bank or the party against which such claim is made ; and that the Federal Reserve banks will assist the Post Office Department in asserting such claim, including making their records and any relevant evidence in their possession available to the Post Office Department. Section 210.12 of Regulation J, relating to the return of cash items by the paying banks, is not applicable to postal money orders.