

**FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF NEW YORK**

[Circular No. 4753]
June 29, 1959]

COLLECTION OF CASH ITEMS

**—Discontinuance of Federal Reserve Exchange Drafts
—Revision of Time Schedules**

*To the Member and Nonmember Clearing Banks, and Others
Concerned, of the Second Federal Reserve District:*

Effective July 1, 1959, the authority of member banks to issue Federal Reserve exchange drafts drawn on this Bank is hereby terminated. Effective on the same date, all other Federal Reserve Banks are similarly terminating the authority of their member banks to issue Federal Reserve exchange drafts drawn on them. This action has been taken because the Federal Reserve System's facilities for telegraphic and mail transfers of funds have practically eliminated the necessity for this special form of draft.

To reflect this change, we have revised our Operating Circular No. 5, "New York Head Office Time Schedule," and Operating Circular No. 6, "Buffalo Branch Time Schedule," both effective July 1, 1959, by deleting therefrom reference to Federal Reserve exchange drafts. Copies of the revised operating circulars are enclosed. In addition, the revised operating circulars contain the following changes:

Operating Circular No. 5

Paragraph 5(c) now provides, as a condition for our giving immediate credit for officers' checks of other Federal Reserve Banks received at our Head Office by 3 p.m., that such checks must be deposited in a separate cash letter.

Paragraph 6 now provides that our Head Office will give credit for items payable in Oklahoma City; Portland, Oregon; and Seattle *one* calendar day, instead of two, after receipt.

Paragraph 8 has been amended by including items payable in Puerto Rico in a class of deferred-credit items sent to our Head Office for which we may require separate sorting.

Operating Circular No. 6

Paragraph 5(c) now provides, as a condition for our giving immediate credit for officers' checks of other Federal Reserve Banks received at our Buffalo Branch by 3 p.m., that such checks must be deposited in a separate cash letter.

Paragraph 9 has been amended by including items payable in Puerto Rico in a class of deferred-credit items sent to our Head Office for which we may require separate sorting.

Additional copies of the revised operating circulars will be furnished upon request.

ALFRED HAYES,
President.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF NEW YORK

[Operating Circular No. 5
Revised effective July 1, 1959]

NEW YORK HEAD OFFICE TIME SCHEDULE

To the Member and Nonmember Clearing Banks of the Second Federal Reserve District (except Banks in the Territory assigned to the Buffalo Branch):

1. This circular applies only to member and nonmember clearing banks located in the territory assigned to our Head Office in New York City. Our Head Office territory includes all of the Second Federal Reserve District except the following counties in the State of New York, which are in the territory assigned to our Buffalo Branch: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates. Our Operating Circular No. 6, entitled "Buffalo Branch Time Schedule," applies to member and nonmember clearing banks in the territory assigned to such Branch.

2. As heretofore, cash items sent to us by member and nonmember clearing banks in the territory assigned to our Head Office in New York City should be sent to such Head Office, except that such banks may at their option send cash items payable in the territory assigned to our Buffalo Branch either to our Head Office in New York City or to our Buffalo Branch.

3. Subject to the terms and conditions of Regulation J of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, of our Operating Circular No. 4 relating to collection of cash items, and of this circular, we will give credit on our books to such member and nonmember clearing banks at the times indicated herein for cash items (a) received and accepted at our Head Office; (b) payable in the territory assigned to our Buffalo Branch and sent direct to the Branch; and (c) payable in other Federal Reserve Districts and sent, with our permission, direct to the Federal Reserve Banks of such other Districts for our account. We act only as agent of the banks from which we receive such cash items, or which send such cash items direct to Federal Reserve Banks of other Districts for our account, and we do not act as agent or subagent of any prior owners or holders of such items.

Credit for cash items received and accepted at Head Office

4. Credit is subject to applicable closing times and to sorting requirements as shown herein; credit for transfer drafts referred to in paragraph 14 is subject to the provisions of that paragraph. Credit for items received after the applicable closing times will be computed from the following business day. When items for which there are different closing times are not sorted and listed in accordance with requirements, credit for all such items may be deferred for the longest time for which credit may be deferred for any of such items as herein provided.

Immediate Credit

5. Immediate credit will be given for the following items when received within the applicable closing time:

(a) When received in time for presentment through clearing houses or special collection arrangements on the day of receipt—

Items drawn on or payable at

New York Clearing House Association banks
Certain other New York City banks
Northern New Jersey Clearing House Association banks

} Lists of banks referred to
will be furnished
upon request.

(b) When received by 10 a.m.—
Checks on the Treasurer of the United States
Postal Money Orders

(c) When received by 3 p.m.—
Checks on Federal Reserve Bank of New York (including Buffalo Branch)
Officers' checks of other Federal Reserve Banks (only when deposited
in a separate cash letter)

Deferred Credit

6. Credit for all items other than those specified in paragraph 5 and transfer drafts (see paragraph 14), when received within the following applicable closing times, will be given as specified below:

- (a) Items payable in the Second Federal Reserve District—
When received by 1:30 p.m. (items \$500 and over deposited in a separate cash letter, 2:30 p.m.)
When received by 10:00 a.m. on Saturdays (not otherwise public holidays), items of \$500 and over deposited in a separate cash letter
- (b) Items payable in other Federal Reserve Districts—
When received by 12:30 p.m. (items \$500 and over deposited in a separate cash letter, 2:30 p.m.)
When received by 10:30 a.m. on Saturdays (not otherwise public holidays)

ONE CALENDAR DAY AFTER RECEIPT

Items payable in the following Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities:*

Atlanta	Cleveland	Louisville	Portland, Ore.
Baltimore	Dallas	Memphis	Richmond
Birmingham	Denver	Minneapolis	St. Louis
Boston	Detroit	Nashville	St. Paul
Buffalo	Houston	Oklahoma City	Salt Lake City
Charlotte	Jacksonville	Omaha	San Antonio
Chicago	Kansas City, Kan.	Philadelphia	Seattle
Cincinnati	Kansas City, Mo.	Pittsburgh	

TWO CALENDAR DAYS AFTER RECEIPT

Items payable in the following Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities:

El Paso	Helena	Little Rock	New Orleans
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TWO BUSINESS DAYS AFTER RECEIPT

Items payable in the following Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities:

Los Angeles	San Francisco
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and items drawn on or payable at (a) banks on the Par List in all localities outside of Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities, and (b) banks in New York City other than those mentioned in paragraph 5(a).

Sorting requirements

7. Any member or nonmember clearing bank which has for collection a daily average of not more than 300 immediate-credit and deferred-credit items payable outside of the city or town in which such bank is located may, upon

* For purposes of this circular, the term "Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities" includes Kansas City, Kan., and St. Paul.

application, be permitted to send its cash items to our Head Office unsorted with one cash letter. Credit for items so sent, when received by 1:30 p.m., will be given one business day after receipt.

8. Member banks and nonmember clearing banks, other than those permitted to send their cash items to our Head Office with one cash letter pursuant to paragraph 7, may be required, if volume warrants, to sort the cash items they send to our Head Office into some or all of the following classes and send them with a separate letter and total for each class:

Immediate-credit items subdivided into

- (1) Checks on the Treasurer of the United States
- (2) Postal Money Orders
- (3) All other immediate-credit items

Deferred-credit items subdivided into

- (1) Items payable in the State of New York
- (2) Items payable in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and in those counties of New Jersey and Connecticut that are included in the Second Federal Reserve District, namely:
New Jersey—Counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union, and Warren
Connecticut—County of Fairfield
- (3) Items payable in other Federal Reserve Districts, which may be subdivided into classes according to the credit availability as provided in paragraph 6 for such items.

Credit for cash items sent direct to Buffalo Branch

9. Member and nonmember clearing banks that send cash items payable in the territory assigned to our Buffalo Branch direct to that Branch will be given credit for such items received at the Branch as specified below:

(a) Items payable in the City of Buffalo—

One calendar day from the dispatch thereof; provided, however, that Federal Reserve Bank of New York may, by giving notice to such effect to any member or nonmember clearing bank, prescribe how, and the time or times before which, all items or certain items must be dispatched by such bank in order to obtain such credit.

(b) Items payable in localities outside of the City of Buffalo—

As indicated in Operating Circular No. 6 entitled "Buffalo Branch Time Schedule."

Credit for cash items sent direct to other Federal Reserve Banks

10. Member and nonmember clearing banks that have received permission to send cash items payable in other Federal Reserve Districts direct to other Federal Reserve Banks for account of Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Head Office) will be given credit for items so sent as specified below:

(a) Items payable in Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities—

Based on the time (not in excess of two business days) normally required for the collection thereof as indicated in separate availability schedules furnished to the respective direct-sending banks;

- (b) Items payable in localities outside of Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities—

Two business days from the dispatch thereof;

provided, however, that Federal Reserve Bank of New York may, by giving notice to such effect to any member or nonmember clearing bank, prescribe how, and the time or times before which, all items or certain items must be dispatched by such bank in order to obtain such credit.

General provisions

Time of presentment

11. We do not by this circular, or otherwise, agree to present any item, or to cause any item to be presented, earlier than such item is required to be presented, in the exercise of ordinary care, under the provisions of the Negotiable Instruments Law of New York.

Effect of Saturday closing and holidays upon availability

12. Operating Circular No. 7 specifies the Federal Reserve Banks and Branches that are normally closed on Saturday, and the extent to which Saturday will not constitute a business day in determining the time when, pursuant to this circular, credit will be given for deferred-credit items drawn on, or payable at, banks located in the areas served by such Federal Reserve Banks or Branches.

13. When the day on which credit would otherwise be given, pursuant to this circular, is a Sunday or a Saturday or other holiday for Federal Reserve Bank of New York, credit will be given on the following business day.

Credit for transfer drafts

14. Credit will be given for transfer drafts drawn by member or nonmember clearing banks on their commercial bank correspondents based on actual transit time, whether received at our Head Office or our Buffalo Branch or sent for our account direct to the Federal Reserve Bank in the District where such draft is payable. Such drafts should be sent with separate cash letters; when sent direct to other Federal Reserve Banks, separate advices (marked "Transfer Drafts") of such direct sendings should be sent to the Head Office.

Revision of this circular

15. We reserve the right at any time, with or without notice, to revoke, modify, amend, or add to, this circular or any provision thereof, effective as to all or any particular member banks and nonmember clearing banks.

Effect of this circular on previous circular

16. This circular supersedes our Operating Circular No. 5, Revised effective October 28, 1957.

ALFRED HAYES,
President.

**FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF NEW YORK**

[Operating Circular No. 6
Revised effective July 1, 1959]

BUFFALO BRANCH TIME SCHEDULE

*To the Member and Nonmember Clearing Banks in the
Territory assigned to the Buffalo Branch:*

1. This circular applies only to member and nonmember clearing banks located in the territory assigned to our Buffalo Branch (i. e., the counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates, in the State of New York). Our Operating Circular No. 5, entitled "New York Head Office Time Schedule," applies to member and nonmember clearing banks in the territory assigned to our Head Office in New York City.

2. As heretofore, cash items sent to us by member and nonmember clearing banks in the territory assigned to our Buffalo Branch should be sent to our Buffalo Branch, except that such banks may at their option send cash items payable in the territory assigned to our Head Office in New York City either to such Head Office or to our Buffalo Branch.

3. Subject to the terms and conditions of Regulation J of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, of our Operating Circular No. 4 relating to collection of cash items, and of this circular, we will give credit on our books to such member and nonmember clearing banks at the times indicated herein for cash items (a) received and accepted at our Buffalo Branch; (b) payable in the territory assigned to our Head Office and sent direct to that Office; and (c) payable in other Federal Reserve Districts and sent, with our permission, direct to the Federal Reserve Banks of such other Districts for our account. We act only as agent of the banks from which we receive such cash items, or which send such cash items direct to Federal Reserve Banks of other Districts for our account, and we do not act as agent or subagent of any prior owners or holders of such items.

Credit for cash items received and accepted at Buffalo Branch

4. Credit is subject to applicable closing times and to sorting requirements as shown herein; credit for transfer drafts referred to in paragraph 15 is subject to the provisions of that paragraph. Credit for items received after the applicable closing times will be computed from the following business day. When items for which there are different closing times are not sorted and listed in accordance with requirements, credit for all such items may be deferred for the longest time for which credit may be deferred for any of such items as herein provided.

Immediate Credit

5. Immediate credit will be given for the following items when received within the applicable closing time:

(a) When received in time for presentment through clearing houses or special collection arrangements on the day of receipt—

Items drawn on or payable at banks in Buffalo

(b) When received by 12:30 p.m.—

Checks on the Treasurer of the United States
Postal Money Orders

(c) When received by 3 p.m.—

Checks on Federal Reserve Bank of New York (including Buffalo Branch)
Officers' checks of other Federal Reserve Banks (only when deposited
in a separate cash letter)

Deferred Credit

6. Credit for all items other than those specified in paragraph 5 and transfer drafts (see paragraph 15), when received within the following applicable closing times, will be given as specified below:

- (a) Items payable in the Second Federal Reserve District—
When received by 2 p.m. (items \$500 and over deposited in a separate cash letter, 3 p.m.)
- (b) Items payable in other Federal Reserve Districts—
When received by 12:30 p.m.

ONE CALENDAR DAY AFTER RECEIPT

Items payable in New York City drawn on or payable at.

New York Clearing House Association banks	} <i>List of banks referred to will be furnished upon request.</i>
Certain other New York City banks	
Northern New Jersey Clearing House Association banks	

and items payable in the following Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities:*

Atlanta	Cleveland	Kansas City, Mo.	Omaha
Baltimore	Dallas	Louisville	Philadelphia
Birmingham	Denver	Memphis	Pittsburgh
Boston	Detroit	Minneapolis	Richmond
Charlotte	Jacksonville	Nashville	St. Louis
Chicago	Kansas City, Kan.	Oklahoma City	St. Paul
Cincinnati			

TWO CALENDAR DAYS AFTER RECEIPT

Items payable in the following Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities:

El Paso	Little Rock	Salt Lake City
Helena	New Orleans	San Antonio
Houston	Portland, Ore.	Seattle

TWO BUSINESS DAYS AFTER RECEIPT

Items payable in the following Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities:

Los Angeles San Francisco

and items drawn on or payable at (a) banks on the Par List in all localities outside of Federal Reserve Bank or Branch cities, and (b) banks in New York City other than those mentioned above.

Sorting requirements

Items sent to Buffalo Branch

7. Any member or nonmember clearing bank which has for collection a daily average of not more than 300 immediate-credit and deferred-credit items payable outside of the city or town in which such bank is located may, upon application, be permitted to send its cash items to our Buffalo Branch unsorted with one cash letter. Credit for items so sent, when received by 2 p.m., will be given one business day after receipt.

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8. Member and nonmember clearing banks, other than those permitted to send their cash items to our Buffalo Branch with one cash letter pursuant to paragraph 7, may be required, if volume warrants, to sort the cash items they send to our Buffalo Branch into some or all of the following classes and send them with a separate letter and total for each class:

Immediate-credit items subdivided into

- (1) Checks on the Treasurer of the United States
- (2) Postal Money Orders
- (3) All other immediate-credit items

Deferred-credit items, which may be subdivided into classes according to the credit availability as provided in paragraph 6 for such items.

Items sent to Head Office in New York City

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Connecticut—County of Fairfield

Credit for cash items sent direct to Head Office in New York City

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- (a) Items drawn on or payable at New York Clearing House Association banks, certain other New York City banks, and Northern New Jersey Clearing House Association banks—

One calendar day from the dispatch thereof; provided, however, that Federal Reserve Bank of New York may, by giving notice to such effect to any member or nonmember clearing bank, prescribe how, and the time or times before which, all items or certain items must be dispatched by such bank in order to obtain such credit.

- (b) Items drawn on or payable at all other banks in the territory assigned to our Head Office—

As indicated in Operating Circular No. 5 entitled "New York Head Office Time Schedule."

Credit for cash items sent direct to other Federal Reserve Banks

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other Federal Reserve Banks for account of Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Buffalo Branch) will be given credit for items so sent as specified below:

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