
1 days, or both.

2 Section 202. Carriage of matter out of mail over post routes.

3 Whoever, having charge or control of any conveyance which regularly
4 performs trips on any post route over which the mail is regularly
5 carried, carries any letters or packets, except such as relate to some
6 part of the cargo of such conveyance, or to the current business of the
7 carrier, or to some article carried at the same time by the same conveyance,
8 shall be fined not more than \$100.

9 Section 203. Private express for letters and packets prohibited.

10 (1) Whoever establishes any private express for the con-
11 veyance of letters or packets or in any manner causes or provides for
12 the conveyance of the same by regular trips or at stated periods on any
13 post route over which the mail is regularly carried shall be fined not
14 more than \$500, or imprisoned not more than 6 months, or both. This
15 section shall not prohibit any person from receiving and delivering to
16 the nearest post office or other authorized depository for mail matter
17 properly stamped.

18 (2) Whoever transmits by private express, or delivers to
19 any agent thereof, or deposits at any appointed place, for the purpose
20 of being so transmitted, any letter or packet shall be fined not more
21 than \$100.

22 (3) This section shall not prohibit the conveyance or
23 transmission of letters or packets by private hands without compensation
24 or by special messenger employed for the particular occasion only.

25 Section 204. Transportation of persons acting as private express.

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1 Whoever, having charge or control of any conveyance, knowingly
2 conveys or permits the conveyance of any person acting or employed
3 as a private express for the conveyance of letters or packets, and
4 actually in possession of the same for the purpose of conveying them
5 contrary to law shall be fined not more than \$200.

6 Section 205. Post office conducted without authority. Whoever,
7 without authority from the Postal Service, sets up or establishes any
8 office or place of business bearing the sign, name, or title of post
9 office shall be fined not more than \$500.

10 Section 206. Prompt delivery of mail. Whoever, having charge or
11 control of delivering mail to the postmaster or post office, fails to
12 so deliver that mail within 3 hours after its arrival, if during
13 business hours, and if after business hours, within 2 hours after the
14 next opening of business, all letters and packages within his power or
15 control, addressed to or destined for the postmaster or post office,
16 shall be fined not more than \$200.

17 Section 207. Desertion of mails. Whoever, having taken charge
18 of any mail, voluntarily quits or deserts the same before he has
19 delivered it to the post office or to a Postal Service employee or
20 official authorized to receive the same shall be fined not more than
21 \$500, or imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both.

22 Section 208. Obstruction of mails generally. Whoever knowingly
23 and willfully obstructs or retards the passage of the mail or any
24 carrier or conveyance carrying the mail shall be fined not more than
25 \$200, or imprisoned not more than 6 months, or both.

1 Section 209. Obstruction of correspondence. Whoever takes any
2 article of mail out of any post office or any authorized depository
3 for mail matter, or from any mail carrier, or which has been in any
4 post office or authorized depository or in the custody of any mail
5 carrier, before it has been delivered to the person to whom it was
6 directed, with design to obstruct the correspondence or to pry into
7 the business or secrets of another, or opens, secrets, embezzles, or
8 destroys the same shall be fined not more than \$2,000, or imprisoned
9 not more than 3 years, or both.

10 Section 210. Delay or destruction of mail. Whoever, being a
11 Postal Service officer or employee, unlawfully secrets, destroys,
12 detains, delays, or opens any article of mail entrusted to him or
13 which shall come into his possession, and which was intended to be
14 conveyed by mail, shall be fined not more than \$500, or imprisoned
15 not more than 3 years, or both.

16 Section 211. Keys or locks stolen or reproduced.

17 (1) Whoever steals, embezzles, or obtains by false pretense
18 any key suited to any lock adopted by the Postal Service and in use
19 on any of the mails or bags thereof, or any key to any authorized
20 receptacle for the deposit or delivery of mail matter; or

21 (2) Whoever knowingly and unlawfully makes, forges, or
22 counterfeits any such key or possesses any such mail lock or key with
23 the intent unlawfully or improperly to use, sell, or otherwise dispose
24 of the same, or to cause the same to be unlawfully or improperly used,
25 sold, or otherwise disposed of; or

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1 (3) Whoever, being engaged as a contractor or otherwise
2 in the manufacture of any such mail lock or key, delivers any lock
3 or part thereof, or key, used or designed for use by the Postal
4 Service, to any person not duly authorized by the Postal Service to
5 receive the same, unless the person receiving it is the contractor
6 or his agent for furnishing the same or engaged in the manufacture
7 thereof as authorized by the contract

8 shall be fined not more than \$500, or imprisoned not more than
9 5 years, or both.

10 Section 212. Destruction of letter boxes or mail. Whoever
11 willfully or maliciously injures, tears down, or destroys any letter
12 box or other receptacle intended or used for the receipt or delivery
13 of mail, or breaks open the same or willfully or maliciously injures,
14 defaces, or destroys any mail deposited therein shall be fined not
15 more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than 3 years, or both.

16 Section 213. Damage to mail bags. Whoever tears, cuts, or
17 otherwise damages any mail bag, pouch, or other thing used or
18 designed for use in the conveyance of the mail with intent to rob
19 or steal any such mail or to render the same insecure shall be fined
20 not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than 3 years, or both.

21 Section 214. Theft of property used by Postal Service. Whoever
22 steals or embezzles any property used by the Postal Service or
23 appropriates any such property to his own or any other than its proper
24 use, or conveys away such property to the hindrance or detriment of
25 the public service, shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned

1 not more than 3 years, or both; but if the value of such property
2 does not exceed \$100, he shall be fined not more than \$500, or
3 imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both.

4 Section 215. Theft of mail matter generally. Whoever steals,
5 destroys, or otherwise unlawfully takes any article of mail from a
6 post office, a Postal Service officer, or any authorized mail
7 receptacle or locale shall be fined not more than \$2,000, or
8 imprisoned not more than 3 years, or both.

9 Section 216. Receipt of stolen mail matter generally. Whoever
10 buys, receives, conceals, or unlawfully possesses any article of
11 mail which has been stolen or otherwise unlawfully taken, knowing the
12 same to have been stolen or otherwise unlawfully taken, shall be fined
13 not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than 3 years, or both.

14 Section 217. Theft of mail matter by officer or employee.
15 Whoever, being a Postal Service officer or employee, embezzles any
16 article of mail entrusted to him or which comes into his possession
17 intended to be conveyed by mail, or steals or removes any of the
18 contents of a parcel intended to be conveyed by mail, shall be fined
19 not more than \$2,000, or imprisoned not more than 3 years, or both.

20 Section 218. Misappropriation of postal funds. Whoever, being
21 a Postal Service officer or employee, loans, uses, pledges, or
22 converts to his own use, except as authorized by law, any money or
23 property coming under his control in the execution or under control of
24 his office, employment, or service is guilty of embezzlement and shall
25 be fined not more than \$5,000, or in a sum equal to the amount or value

1 of the money or property embezzled, or imprisoned not more than 5
2 years, or both; but if the amount or value thereof does not exceed
3 \$100, he shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not
4 more than 1 year, or both.

5 Section 219. Falsification of postal returns to increase
6 compensation. Whoever, being a Postal Service officer or employee,
7 makes a false return, statement, or account to any officer of the
8 Federated States of Micronesia, or makes a false entry in any record
9 book or account required by law to be kept in respect to the
10 business or operations of any post office for the purpose of fraud-
11 ulently increasing his compensation or the compensation of any
12 officer or employee of the Postal Service shall be fined not more
13 than \$500, or imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both.

14 Section 220. Issuance of money orders without payment. Who-
15 ever, being an officer or employee of the Postal Service, issues a
16 money order without having previously received the money therefor
17 shall be fined not more than \$500.

18 Section 221. Firearms as nonmailables.

19 (1) Firearms are nonmailable and shall not be deposited
20 in or carried by the mails or delivered by any officer or employee
21 of the Postal Service; PROVIDED that firearms may be conveyed in the
22 mails, under such regulations as the Postal Service may prescribe,
23 to State or National law enforcement officers.

24 (2) For purposes of this section, "firearm" means any
25 device, by whatever name known, which is designed or may be converted

1 to expel or hurl a projectile or projectiles by the action of an ex-
2 plosion, a release, or an expansion of gas, including, but not limited
3 to, guns except a device designed or redesigned for use solely as a
4 signaling, line throwing, spearfishing, or industrial device.

5 (3) Whoever knowingly deposits for mailing or delivery,
6 or knowingly causes to be delivered by mail, any firearm declared
7 nonmailable by this section shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or
8 imprisoned not more than 2 years, or both.

9 Section 222. Injurious articles as nonmailable.

10 (1) All kinds of poison, and all articles and compositions
11 containing poison, and all poisonous animals, insects, reptiles, and
12 all explosives, inflammable materials, and mechanical, chemical, or
13 other devices or compositions which may ignite or explode, and all
14 disease germs or scabs, and all other natural or artificial articles,
15 compositions, or material which may kill or injure another, or injure
16 the mails or other property, are nonmailable matter and shall not be
17 conveyed in the mails or delivered from any post office or station
18 thereof, nor by any officer or employee of the Postal Service.

19 (2) The Postal Service may permit the transmission in the
20 mails, under such rules and regulations as it shall prescribe as to
21 preparation and packing, of any such articles which are not outwardly
22 or of their own force dangerous or injurious to life, health, or
23 property.

24 (3) The transmission in the mails of poisonous drugs and
25 medicines may be limited by the Postal Service to shipments of such

1 articles from the manufacturer thereof or dealer therein to licensed
2 physicians, surgeons, dentists, pharmacists, and veterinarians under
3 such rules and regulations as it shall prescribe.

4 (4) All spirituous, vinous, malted, fermented, or other
5 intoxicating liquors of any kind are nonmailable and shall not be
6 deposited in or carried through the mails.

7 (5) All knives having a blade which opens automatically

8 (a) By hand pressure applied to a button or other
9 device in the handle of the knife, or

10 (b) By operation of inertia, gravity, or both,

11 are nonmailable and shall not be deposited in or carried by the
12 mails or delivered by any officer or employee of the Postal Service.

13 (6) Whoever knowingly deposits for mailing or delivery, or
14 knowingly causes to be delivered by mail, according to the direction
15 thereon, or at any place at which it is directed to be delivered by
16 the person to whom it is addressed, anything declared nonmailable by
17 this section, unless in accordance with the rules and regulations
18 authorized to be prescribed by the Postmaster General, shall be fined
19 not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

20 (7) Whoever knowingly deposits for mailing or delivery, or
21 knowingly causes to be delivered by mail, according to the direction
22 thereon, or at any place to which it is directed to be delivered by
23 the person to whom it is addressed, anything declared nonmailable
24 by this section, whether or not transmitted in accordance with the
25 rules and regulations authorized to be prescribed by the Postmaster

1 General, with intent to kill or injure another, or injure the mails
2 or other property, shall be fined not more than \$10,000, or imprisoned
3 not more than 20 years, or both.

4 (8) Whoever is convicted of any crime prohibited by this
5 section, which has resulted in the death of any person, shall be subject
6 also to imprisonment for life, if the Court shall in its discretion so
7 direct.

8 Section 223. Canceled stamps and envelopes.

9 (1) Whoever uses or attempts to use in payment of postage
10 any canceled postage stamp; or

11 (2) Whoever removes, attempts to remove, or assists in
12 removing the canceling or defacing marks from any postage stamp or
13 the superscription from any stamped envelope, package, or postal card
14 that has once been used in payment of postage with the intent to use
15 the same for a like purpose; or

16 (3) Whoever sells or offers to sell the same; or

17 (4) Whoever knowingly possesses any such postage stamp,
18 stamped envelope, package, or postal card with intent to use the
19 same; or

20 (5) Whoever knowingly sells or offers to sell any such
21 postage stamp, stamped envelope, package, or postal card; or

22 (6) Whoever uses or attempts to use the same in payment
23 of postage; or

24 (7) Whoever unlawfully and willfully removes from any
25 mail matter any stamp attached thereto in payment of postage; or

1 (8) Whoever knowingly uses in payment of postage any
2 postage stamp, postal card, postal package, or stamped envelope,
3 issued in pursuance of law, which has already been used for a like
4 purpose

5 shall be fined not more than \$500, or imprisoned not more than
6 1 year, or both; but if he is a person employed in the Postal
7 Service, he shall be fined not more than \$500, or imprisoned not
8 more than 3 years, or both.

9 Section 224. Sale or pledge of stamps. Whoever, being a
10 Postal Service officer or employee, knowingly and willfully:

11 (1) Uses or disposes of postage stamps, stamped envelopes,
12 or postal cards entrusted to his care or custody in the payment of
13 debts or in the purchase of merchandise or other salable articles,
14 or sells or disposes of them except for cash; or

15 (2) Sells or disposes of postage stamps or postal cards
16 for any larger or less sum than the values indicated on their faces; or

17 (3) Sells or disposes of stamped envelopes for a larger
18 or less sum than is charged therefor by the Postal Service for like
19 quantities; or

20 (4) Sells or disposes of postage stamps, stamped
21 envelopes, or postal cards at any point or place outside of the
22 delivery of the office where such officer or employee is employed; or

23 (5) Inflates or induces the inflation of the receipts of
24 any post office for the purpose of increasing the emoluments or
25 compensation of any Postal Service officer or employee; or

1 (6) Sells or disposes of postage stamps, stamped envelopes,
2 or postal cards otherwise than as provided by law or regulation
3 shall be fined not more than \$500, or imprisoned not more than
4 1 year, or both.

5 Section 225. False evidence to secure second-class rate.
6 Whoever knowingly submits to any officer or employee of the Postal
7 Service any false evidence relative to any publication for the
8 purpose of securing the admission thereof at the second-class rate
9 for transportation in the mails shall be fined not more than \$500.

10 Section 226. Avoidance of postage by using lower class matter.

11 (1) Matter of the second, third, or fourth class contain-
12 ing any writing or printing in addition to the original matter, other
13 than as authorized by law, shall not be admitted to the mails, nor
14 delivered, except upon payment of postage for matter of the first
15 class. Unless by direction of a duly authorized officer of the
16 Postal Service such postage shall be remitted.

17 (2) Whoever knowingly conceals or encloses any matter of
18 a higher class in that of a lower class and deposits the same for
19 conveyance by mail at a lower rate than would be charged for such
20 higher class matter shall be fined not more than \$100.

21 Section 227. Postage unpaid on deposited mail matter. Whoever
22 knowingly and willfully deposits any mailable matter on which no
23 postage has been paid in any receptacle established, approved, or
24 accepted by the Postal Service for the receipt or delivery of mail
25 matter with intent to avoid payment of lawful postage thereon shall

1 for each such offense be fined not more than \$300.

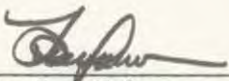
2 Section 228. Postage collected unlawfully. Whoever, being a
3 Postal Service officer or employee authorized to receive the
4 postage of mail matter, fraudulently demands or receives any rate
5 of postage or gratuity or reward other than is provided by law for
6 the postage of such mail matter shall be fined not more than \$100,
7 or imprisoned not more than 6 months, or both.

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9 EFFECTIVE DATE

10 Section 301. Effective date. This act shall become law upon
11 approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon
12 its becoming law without such approval.

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14 December 21, 1983

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17 Tosiwo Nakayama
18 President
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