

Lao People's Dem. Rep.

National legislation

- Name of the act/law/rule: Law on Postal Services
- Year of last amendment: 25 December 2013 (second amendment)
- All the postal legislation in place (Conventions/Rules/Regulations, etc.):
 - Postal licensing agreement;
 - Postal penalty agreement;
 - Postal prohibited articles agreement;
 - Postal products and quality of service standard agreement;
 - Postal service location standard agreement.

Coordinating body for postal policies

- Name of the coordinating body/ministry/committee/agency: Department of Post of the Ministry of Technology and Communications
- Level (Ministry or other): ministry

Licensing body

- Agency/authority responsible for issuing postal service operation licences to postal service operators:
 - The Department of Post of the Ministry of Technology and Communications issues licences for international and nationwide post services.
 - The Provincial Department of Technology and Communications issues licences for postal services within the province (messenger and local delivery services).
- Types of licence required:
 - Postal services licence;
 - Courier, express and parcel licence.

Universal service obligations

Products and services covered by universal service obligation: A universal service obligation (USO) is yet to be formally established, although there are plans to provide for one in 2025.