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NOTES TO THE INSTRUCTOR

NALC created this educational program to train NALC representatives and letter carriers nationwide about the route examination and adjustment process. This "For the Instructor" section provides some basic advice on how to teach the program effectively.

Preparation. As you approach your training task, please keep in mind that preparation is the key to a successful training session. Read all of the materials thoroughly and then practice teaching the program at least once in advance. In addition, the training environment should be chosen carefully and prepared in advance. For instance, you should ensure that participants will be comfortable and will be able to see and hear the presentation clearly.

Participation. It is strongly recommended that you encourage maximum participation during every training session. Experienced labor educators know that participants learn more when they participate in educational sessions. Participants also enjoy the experience more when they contribute to it. A lecture is generally less interesting and less effective.

To encourage participation, direct questions to the group whenever possible. For example, you might go around the room, asking each participant how the next item should be entered on the Form 1838-C Worksheet. Or when a participant answers one of your questions, ask the others whether they agree. Always leave time for questions at the end of each program section.

Experience. Keep in mind that experience is the best training for instructors. Although training is a difficult task, each time you teach this program you should feel more comfortable with the training process.

Two chapters. This program is divided into two chapters, Chapter 1, "Route Examination and the Letter Carrier," and Chapter 2, "Route Examination and Adjustment for NALC Representatives." Depending upon your audience, you may wish to teach either Chapter 1 alone or the entire program. The time factor may also be important. Chapter 1 is designed for presentation in two to three hours. The full program will require a full-day session.

Using the materials. The program materials include the Instructor's Manual, handouts for participants and overhead transparencies. The Instructor's Manual is designed for use in a classroom setting. It contains material in large type that should be read aloud to the group. "Extra Information" and "Notes" on various topics appear in smaller type.

The program may be taught simply by reading the large-type material in the Instructor's Manual to the group. (The extra information and notes in smaller type may be used where more detail is desired or to answer questions from participants.) After you become familiar with the program you will probably find it more efficient to use your own words, and unnecessary to keep to the written text.

Two sets of handouts are included in the Instructor's Manual -- one for each chapter. Before a training session, use your handout sets to make copies for all participants. The Instructor's Manual refers participants to the handouts at appropriate points in each chapter.

The overhead transparencies are lettered for identification. The appropriate letters are referenced by the Instructor's Manual in places where a particular transparency should be shown to the group. The training instructor or another person must write information on the transparencies at various points. Graphics in the Instructor's Manual show what entries should be made and where.

Use an erasable overhead projector pen to write on the transparencies. Please note that your transparencies should include several blank sheets. Tape a blank sheet on top of each transparency that you will write on. This will help to preserve the image for future use.

Information on each of the two chapters follows.

Chapter 1 - Route Examination and the Letter Carrier

This initial chapter is intended primarily for an audience of letter carriers whose routes may be inspected and adjusted. It contains an introduction to the route examination process, step-by-step instructions on filling out the Form 1838-C Worksheet on the days of mail count, a brief outline of how management evaluates and adjusts the route, and advice on how to ensure that the results of the evaluation and adjustment are fair and accurate.

Instructors have a choice in the way they use certain transparencies in Chapter 1. Transparency A is the entire Form 1838-C Worksheet. Other transparencies are enlargements of smaller sections of the same form. Depending upon visibility the instructor may either use transparency A for all entries, or make the entries on the enlargements instead.

Chapter 2 - Route Examination and Adjustment for NALC Representatives

Chapter 2 is intended for an audience of NALC representatives who will advise and assist letter carriers in the route examination and adjustment process. Because this second chapter builds on Chapter 1, both chapters should be presented to these union representatives.

The second chapter contains "advanced" material covering the entire route examination and adjustment process. It reviews the forms that management must use in the process -- the Form 1838 management summary, the Form 1840-B eight-week analysis, the Form 3999 that records the details of the street inspection, and the Form 1840, which summarizes the result of the count and inspection and documents any adjustments made to the route. Participants can use the information in these sections to analyze management's route evaluations and proposed adjustments.

Chapter 2 also contains information on how to challenge the results of a route examination and how to advise letter carriers whose routes are examined. Finally, it covers grievances that may arise in the route examination.

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CHAPTER 1

ROUTE EXAMINATION AND THE LETTER CARRIER

A. INTRODUCTION

Every letter carrier has the right to an eight-hour route. A mail count and route inspection is the Postal Service's procedure for measuring your route. After the route examination management is supposed to adjust your route to eight hours.

Be prepared. You, the individual letter carrier, must take responsibility for ensuring that you get a fair shake in the route examination procedure. Learning how the process works is the best way for you to protect your right to a properly adjusted route. That is why NALC created this educational program.

"Route stabilization." Management has proposed to change carrier routes by a process it calls "2 & 6" or "route stabilization." This happens when management proposes to change all routes in your unit to two hours of office time and six hours of street time. Or management may propose to alter routes based on the "projected savings" from some operational or technical change -- such as vertical flat casing, segmentation or sector/segment presorting.

NALC has taken the firm position that full, week-long route examinations must be conducted before management may implement any of these changes. This is the best way to ensure that letter carriers obtain their right under the National Agreement to an 8-hour route.

This educational program takes you through the route examination process, step by step. It is called "Best Efforts" because that is all the Postal Service can ask of each individual letter carrier -- his or her best efforts. There is great variation among the thousands of carriers across the nation. The Postal Service must understand that, and it must accommodate our differences. Keep this in mind as we review the material ahead.

B. BEFORE THE INSPECTION

Before a route examination begins, management must provide notice to the local union and to the letter carrier. Management also must give the carrier a chance to practice filling out the Form 1838-C Worksheet -- called a "dry run."

The advance notice and dry run requirement are set forth in the manuals -- the M-41 and M-39. They are part of the National Agreement through Article 19. If management violates either requirement you should file a grievance.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Management must give advance notice before conducting a mail count and route inspection:

Five working days before the start of the count, management must post a notice giving the schedule of the count week and the proposed day of inspection. Letter carriers are usually scheduled to report to work earlier during the week of the count, because counting the mail and filling out the Form 1838 take extra time.

One day advance notice must be given to a carrier if management changes the proposed day of inspection to a different date.

See M-41 913; M-39 215.1.

DRY RUN

Within 21 days before the count and inspection begins, management must give each carrier a "dry run" to practice the mail counting procedures and filling out the Form 1838-C Worksheet. You should know a few additional things about the dry run:

Shortened process. The dry run is a practice session only. It is not the same as the full-scale process the letter carrier will complete during the count and inspection period. The Form 1838-C Worksheet filled out in the practice session will not be used to evaluate the route.

Materials: A supervisor gives the letter carrier some mail, a sample list of mail-count items and time-used items, and the Form 1838-C Worksheet.

Instruction period: The supervisor must hold an instruction period with the letter carrier before the dry run.

Carrier fills out 1838-C Worksheet: The letter carrier then uses the sample materials and fills out the Form 1838-C Worksheet.

Management review: The supervisor must review the form for accuracy and then discuss any problems with the letter carrier. If necessary the supervisor may require a second dry run.

See M-39 217.1-217.4.

C. THE WEEK OF COUNT AND INSPECTION

Management conducts the mail count and route inspection over six consecutive delivery days on one-trip routes, or for 5 consecutive days excluding Saturday on two-trip routes or one-trip routes with abbreviated or no Saturday delivery.

Most of the five or six days are <u>mail count days</u>. The other day is the <u>day of inspection</u>. Sometimes there is more than one inspection day. On each mail count day you will count the mail and fill out the Form 1838-C Worksheet, and deliver your route as usual on the street.

On the day of inspection, the route examiner will conduct the mail count and fill out the 1838-C Worksheet. The examiner will follow you around all day in the office and on the street, observing and making entries on various paperwork.

There are a few points I want to make about the week of count and inspection.

Regular carrier presence. First, it is important that you make every effort to be present during the week of count and inspection. You will have the most important role in seeing to it that your route obtains a fair evaluation.

Operational changes. Management should not implement any operational changes affecting your entire work unit after the dry run or during the week of count and inspection.

During the week of count and inspection there should be no changes in normal distribution procedures or clerical schedules. The normal cutoff time for distribution should be observed.

All mail must be delivered. All mail distributed to your route up to the normal established cutoff time must be delivered every day of the count week. There must be no accumulation of curtailed mail on the day preceding the count, and no mail may be curtailed on the last day of the count. M-39 Sections 221.133, 221.134.

Perform your job as usual. I may say this over and over again in this program, because it is extremely important: During the week of count and inspection you should perform your job precisely the way you do throughout the rest of the year.

D. OFFICE TIME: FILLING OUT THE FORM 1838-C WORKSHEET

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In this section we're going to go step by step through a typical day of the mail count, and fill out the Form 1838-C Worksheet to record those work functions that make up office time.

The letter carrier performs office work as usual on the day of the count, but does two things in addition: (1) the carrier counts the mail, and (2) the carrier fills out the 1838-C Worksheet along the way.

You have in front of you a blank copy of the Form 1838-C Worksheet, "Carrier's Count of Mail - Letter Carrier Routes Worksheet." You will fill out this form in the office on the days of mail count, to record the tasks you perform in the office. On the day of inspection the route examiner will fill out the form while you do your job as usual.

Please take a look at your 1838-C Worksheet. I'd like to make some brief remarks to introduce you to the form.

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OVERVIEW OF THE FORM 1838-C WORKSHEET

Please take a minute to look at your copy of the Form 1838-C carrier Worksheet. It looks complicated because it is poorly designed, but it is simpler than it appears.

The Form is divided into a few main sections.

- A **Identifying information.** First, at the very top and the very bottom there are sections to identify you, your post office, delivery unit, route number, the date of the inspection, and a space for your signature.
- B Mail count section. The mail count section is almost the entire top half of the Form 1838-C Worksheet. Look it over. You'll see boxes -- management calls them "columns" -- identifying the different kinds of mail. Column 1 at the left is for letter-size mail, Column 2 is for mail of all other sizes, and so forth.

Some of the columns are for counting other items that are not mail. Column 12 at the top right of the Worksheet is for counting Changes of Address Recorded, and Column 13 is for Insured Receipts Turned In.

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Take a look at Column 1, Letter-Size Mail. Although the lines on the Form are confusing, Column 1 reaches down the page, right through to the bottom of Column 6, Sequenced and Collated Mail, and the AM and PM boxes within Column 6.

Column 6 appears inside of Columns 1 and 2. It is for recording a count of presequenced letter-size mail or flat mail. All mail delivered is recorded, even if the letter carrier does not case it.

Column 1A, Marked-Up mail, is also part of Column 1. It is for recording the count of letter-size mail marked up manually by the carrier, and the count of mail returned to CMU for mark-up. There are separate boxes in "AM Entries" and "PM Entries" for each type of mark-up mail.

Column 2, Mail of All Other Sizes, also includes separate sections for marked-up mail. There are three different types of mark-ups. Column 9 is for counting the number of 2nd-class pieces for which Form 3579 is not filled out. Column 10 is for counting 2nd-class mail for which Form 3579 is filled out. And the third mark-up category under Column 2, "1st, 3rd and 4th Class," has no separate column number.

Column 3, Accountable and Signature Mail, also includes space at the bottom for recording a count of marked-up pieces.

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All entries in the mail-count section of Form 1838-C Worksheet are just that -- counts only, rather than times. Letter carriers receive certain time credits based on the various counts entered on this section of the Form.

C Clock ring section. A third section of the Form is for clock rings only. It is found on the right side of the Form about two-thirds of the way down.

On the five days of the count, you will ring in and out as usual -- and in addition, you will ring in and out on the 1838-C Worksheet. Your clock rings begin at the bottom of this section and continue up from there.

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D Actual Time Entries section. The last major section of the Form 1838-C is for "Actual Time Entries." It is sideways on the bottom half of the Form. This section has three separate parts: (a) a column for making "Actual Time Entries" -- the actual times that you perform certain tasks, (b) line item numbers with descriptions for each, and (c) an area for descriptive comments.

Actual times. Turn your Form 1838-C sideways and look at this section. The long vertical column on the right, labeled "Actual Time Entries," is for writing down the times that a letter carrier performs certain office functions.

Time entries on a day of mail count begin at the bottom, just above "Total," and continue up from there. Each entry has a time for beginning, marked "B," and a time for ending, marked "E."

To the right of the beginning and ending times are separate boxes for "Elapsed Time." That's for entering the total minutes spent on the particular function.

To the left of the Bs and Es are spaces for entering an **Explanation** of each time entry. The explanation tells what office function the letter carrier performed during those times. The function is described by a **number** instead of words.

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E Line number explanations. The guide to the function numbers is on the left of the time entry column, at the bottom. Every actual time entry you make will correspond to one of these categories.

There are three different kinds of numbered office functions. Starting at the top, lines 14 through 20 are specific, identified office functions.

F Line 21 is different. It is a "grab-bag" line number for a lot of different regular, recurring office functions. When you spend time doing a line 21 task, such as performing window caller service or replenishing the forms pouch, you record the beginning and ending time and also write a note in the comments box, which is above the line number descriptions. Because there are many possible Line 21 activities, you have to describe them in the comments box.

Line 22 is a lot like Line 21. It covers a variety of possible non-continuing or non-recurring office activities. These items are also described in the comments box when actual time entries are made. However, because they are not regular office activities, the carrier receives no credit in the route evaluation for the time spent performing them.

Line 23 covers time spent counting mail and filling out the Form 1838-C Worksheet. Because carriers count the mail and fill out the Form only during the count and inspection period, **no credit** in the route evaluation is received for Line 23 time.

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THE 1838-C WORKSHEET STEP-BY-STEP

I will be talking us through a typical day in the office for a letter carrier with a park and loop route, and asking you to fill in the 1838-C Worksheet. Please note that in this exercise, the carrier works in a non-EPM office in which there are routers who case part of the mail. Later in the program I will point out how this process would be different in an EPM office. In addition, you may note some other differences from your own office procedures -- for example, you may perform certain tasks in a different order. Feel free to ask questions.

Please fill in the Worksheet as we go through this process. Filling out the Worksheet here and now is the best way to learn how to do it again later, and learn how management uses the information on the Form to adjust a route. So please, pick up your pencils.

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- 1. CLOCK IN. Your first job function of the day, of course, is to clock in.
- Clock ring. Ring in your badge on the transactor, or your card on the time clock, as usual. Then you immediately take your 1838-C Worksheet to the time clock and ring in the time on the Worksheet, at the bottom of the "clock rings" section. In this example, you clock in at 6:00 a.m.

You may find it helpful at this point to set your watch to agree with the time clock.

D Actual time entry. You also enter the clock-in time as the first item on the actual time entries section of the Form. Write 6:00 as the first actual time entry.

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- 2. INSPECT VEHICLE. In this office your first task of the day is to inspect your vehicle. This takes five minutes. You return to your case at 6:05.
- D Actual time entry Line 19. The vehicle inspection is an actual time entry covered by Line 19, so you enter the number 19 to the left of the beginning time of 6:00, and enter the number 19 to the left. Then you inspect the vehicle.

Ending time. When you finish, you enter the ending time of 6:05. You also write 5 minutes in the elapsed time column to the right.

EXTRA INFORMATION

COMPLETE VEHICLE INSPECTION: The carrier should perform every point on the expanded vehicle inspection safety checklist. If you don't have the checklist ask management for one. The checklist also appears in M-41 Section 852.2, as Exhibit 8-1. You are allowed to use the "buddy system" in a vehicle inspection where necessary -- for example, to check the brake lights.

TIME OF VEHICLE INSPECTION: Although local management determines the beginning function of the carrier, M-41 Section 922.51f reads that generally vehicle inspection is made promptly after the carrier records his reporting time." A similar statement appears in M-39 Section 222.214(b)(3)(f).

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- 3. FILL OUT TOP AND BOTTOM OF FORM. Next, you fill out the top and bottom parts of the 1838-C Worksheet. This takes you two minutes; you finish at 6:07.
- D Actual time entry Line 23. Filling out the 1838-C Worksheet is also an actual time entry, covered by Line 23. First, carry forward the ending time of 6:05 to the beginning of the next entry. Then, write 23 in the explanation column on the left.
- A **Top of form.** Then fill in the name of your Post Office, your delivery unit and route number at the top of the Form.
 - **Bottom of form.** On the bottom, write in the day of the week, the date and your I.D. number. Leave the signature and lunch times blank for now.
- D Ending time. It is now 6:07. Write the ending time in the actual time entries. You also write 2 minutes in the elapsed time section.

EXTRA INFORMATION

LINE 23. Filling out the form is a task you perform only during the week of count and inspection. So although you write down the time it takes to perform this task, later management will subtract this time out when adjusting your route.

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- 4. WITHDRAW MAIL. Your next task is to withdraw mail. You withdraw mail from trays, sacks, from the floor and so forth, cut twine, remove rubber bands and set the mail up at the case. You finish at 6:09.
- D Actual time entry Line 15. This is an actual time entry. Carry forward the previous ending time of 6:07. Withdrawing mail is covered by Line 15, so write 15 on the left. Then withdraw the mail.

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5. COUNT THE MAIL. You count the letter-size mail first, turning one letter up on end every 100 pieces. Then you count your flats.

You have a **router** in this office, who has cased some of your letter mail and some flats before you arrived. You have a record of how much mail the router has cased.

In every office there should be an established procedure for recording a count of mail by a router. It is important for you to record the router's mail count on your 1838-C Worksheet, because you receive time credit for strapping out router mail.

You count a total of 997 letters and 207 flats. The router cased 120 letters and 425 flats. You finish counting at 6:19.

- D Actual time entry Line 23. Counting mail is an actual time entry covered by Line 23. Carry forward the previous ending time of 6:09.
- B Mail count entries. When you finish counting, write 997 for the letter-size mail you cased at the top of the Form, under Column 1, AM Entries. Write the total flats you cased, 207, in Column 2.

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Router mail. There is no special place for router-cased mail on the 1838-C Worksheet. So write the number of router-cased letters -- 120 -- under Column 1, PM Entries, with a notation that it is router mail. Record the 425 router-cased flats under Column 2, PM Entries, with a similar notation. You will receive strapping out time credit of one minute for each 70 pieces of mail, including router mail.

D Ending time. Then write in your ending time of 6:19 under actual time entries, and your elapsed time of 10 minutes.

(See EXTRA INFORMATION, Letters vs. Flats, Routers, below.)

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EXTRA INFORMATION:

LETTERS vs. FLATS. To receive full credit under the "18 and 8" standard, you must be careful to count letter mail and flat mail properly. To do so you must know the definition of "letter size mail," as opposed to "other size mail."

Letter size mail is defined as mail that fits vertically, without folding or bending, between the two closest shelves in the standard six-shelf letter case. M-41 Section 922.411.

Other size mail is all mail that does not fit that definition. Mail that does not fit should be counted as "other size" mail even if it is sorted into the letter case. Similarly, items such as TV Guide, Readers Digest, newspapers, catalogs, small parcels or coupon booklets are counted as "other size" mail regardless of how they are sorted. M-41 Sections 922.411, 922.421.

ROUTERS. Routers are relatively new to the Postal Service and to most letter carriers. You should follow a few guidelines to deal with router assistance during a route examination.

Is router assistance a permanent part of your route? Router assistance may be provided to a route during the week of count and inspection only if the route has already been permanently adjusted to add router assistance.

Enter router assistance on 1838-C. If your route receives router assistance during the week of count and inspection, make sure that all mail sorted by the router is entered on the 1838-C Worksheet.

Strapping out credit. Verify that the correct count for all mail cased by the router is written in column 1 or 2 of the form, as appropriate. These numbers are necessary to calculate strapping out time. You may, upon request, verify the count of mail cased by a router. If this is done, the time spent should be entered as separate actual time entry covered by Line 23.

Sequencing of router flats. You should verify that all flats cased by a router have been sequenced. If they have not been, a notation should be made in the comments section of 1838-C Worksheet so that your receive the full 8 pieces per minute time credit.

6. CASE THE MAIL. You case mail from 6:19 until 6:50, when you take your 10-minute rest break.

No entry. You make no entry at all for time spent casing the mail. Later, management will take your starting and ending office times, subtract out all the time accounted for, and know that what is left is the time you spent casing mail. You will also receive time credit for your 10-minute rest break when it is taken in the office.

EXTRA INFORMATION

CASING STANDARDS. Casing standards are 18 letters per minute and 8 flats per minute. After the route examination management will adjust your route, figuring office time for casing in one of two ways. One way is to use your actual, average office time for casing. This is the time received by most carriers, who case faster than the 18 & 8 standards.

If you case slower than the 18 & 8 standard, management will adjust your route to 18 & 8.

However, a letter carrier may not be disciplined solely for failing to meet the 18 & 8 standard. M-39 Section 242.332 states:

No carrier shall be disciplined for failure to meet standards, except in cases of unsatisfactory effort which must be based on documented, unacceptable conduct that led to the carrier's failure to meet office standards. (Emphasis added.)

SEQUENCING FLATS IS PART OF CASING. If you use the standard horizontal flat case, you have to set your flats in delivery order. You probably do this before collating in any pre-sequenced bypass flats. Sequencing your flats is considered part of casing -- no entry is made to record this function.

VERTICAL FLAT CASES - NO DIFFERENCE. If you use a vertical flat case, you do not have to sequence your flats after you case them. However, nothing else has changed as a result of vertical flat casing. There is no change in the 8 flats per minute standard. There is no deduction from the time credit you receive for casing flats. And there is nothing to write on the 1838-C Worksheet to indicate that you case flats vertically. For the purposes of standards and the route examination, vertical flat cases make no difference at all.

Discretionary effort. Vertical flat casing tends to save some time, of course, and it will eventually save the Postal Service a lot of money. However, whatever time savings the Postal Service receives is due entirely to the discretionary effort of letter carriers. In other words, management may not instruct letter carriers to case faster when they use vertical flat cases, or demand shorter office times. If this happens, file a grievance.

UNAUTHORIZED CASING EQUIPMENT. The M-41 authorizes only the standard 6-shelf case for casing letters. Any unauthorized modifications, such as 5-shelf letter cases or the use of vertical flat cases to case letters, should be discontinued prior to route examinations.

REST BREAKS - LOCAL OPTION: Your local branch decides annually whether both rest breaks will be taken on the street or one will be taken in the office and the other on the street. Here, the branch decided to take one in the office.

The two 10-minute rest breaks are mandatory, and a national-level arbitrator has ruled that management must enforce a break taken in the office. C-08555.

PERSONAL NEEDS. You automatically receive time credit for five minutes of personal time each day. This time is figured into your route adjustment whether you use it or not.

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- D Actual time entry Line 21. A safety talk is recorded as an actual time entry covered by a Line 21. You enter 7:30 as the beginning time and 21 in the explanation column.
- F Comment Line 21. When you make any Line 21 actual time entry, you must describe the activity in the Comments of the 1838-C Worksheet. Here, the carrier places an "A" next to actual time entry, and then writes a note in the comment section, also labeled "A."
- D Ending time. When the safety talk is over you enter the ending time of 7:35 and 5 minutes under elapsed time.

See EXTRA INFORMATION on Safety Talks, Line 21 Activities, below.

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SAFETY TALKS. Management is required to to present a safety talk once a week. So there should be one safety talk during the week of count and inspection. Employee and Labor Relations Manual Section 812.5, EL-801 Section 313.1.

LINE 21 ACTIVITIES. A 1980 national settlement agreement between NALC and the Postal Service provides that several activities fall under Line 21 when they are recurring and necessary in the performance of carrier office duties, including:

- Performing window caller service.
- -- Weekly safety talks and other appropriate unit discussions.
- -- Travel to and from the throwback case or to other designated locations to return mark-up mail and mis-throws.
- -- Replenishing the forms pouch.
- -- Wash-up time, in excess of the regular 5-minute allowance for personal time, if provided for in a Local Memorandum of Understanding, or if pursuant to local past practice additional or longer wash-up time had been granted and included on line 21.
- -- Official communications including, but not limited to, general delivery; CMU Clerk inquiries; and responding to inquiries from supervisors.
- -- Facing or separating collection mail upon return to office.
- -- Verifying hold mail.
- -- Union steward activities (grievance handling), when necessary and if occurring weekly or more often.

Other office functions that may be appropriate for credit on line 21 but that are not referenced in the settlement agreement are:

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- -- Taking vacation-hold mail to the designated area.
- -- Returning empty equipment to the designated area.
- -- DUVRS measuring and recording by carriers in units where carriers are doing so.
- -- Taking accountable misthrow mail to the accountable clerk.
- -- Taking box-holder mail to the designated area.
- -- Handling misfaced mail.
- -- Any other recurring, necessary task in the office that is not covered by another Line number or Column.

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Casing - no entry. You make no entry for casing the mail.

D Actual time entry - Line 15. Withdrawing mail is a Line 15 function, so you enter 8:00 and 15 in the actual time entry section before you withdraw the mail.

Ending time. After you withdraw it and return to the case, enter the ending time of 8:03 and the elapsed time of 3 minutes.

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- 9. COUNT THE MAIL. Now you count the mail you have just withdrawn, beginning at 8:03. You count 308 letter-size, 71 flats, 14 parcels and 385 pieces of presequenced flat mail. At 8:09 you have finished counting and writing down your totals, and you begin casing the mail again.
- D Actual time entry Line 23. Counting mail and recording totals on the 1838-C are Line 23 functions. Write the starting time and 23 under actual time entries, and then count the mail.
- B Mail count entries. Enter the 308 additional letters at the top left of the Form under Column 1, AM Entries, underneath your previous letter count of 997. Enter the 71 flats under Column 2. Record the parcel count of 14 under Column 5. Enter the 385 pieces of presequenced flats in the "AM" box under Column 6, which appears down at the bottom of Column 2.
- D Ending time. When you finish counting and recording the totals, enter the ending time of 8:09 under actual time entries and 6 minutes under elapsed time.

Casing - no entry. Remember, you make no entry for casing the mail.

EXTRA INFORMATION

Definition of "parcel." A "parcel" is defined as a piece of mail weighing over two (2) pounds or bigger than a shoebox.

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- 10. WINDOW CALLER SERVICE. At 8:15 you stop casing to bring a window caller her mail; this takes two minutes. Then you resume casing the mail.
- D Actual time entry Line 21. This is a Line 21 function. It is a recurring, required task that has no special number on the 1838-C Worksheet. Write in the starting time of 8:15 and 21 in the explanation column. Label this Line 21 entry "B."
- F Comment Line 21. Remember that you must explain each Line 21 item in the comments section. Write, "B. Bring mail to window caller."
- D Ending time. When you return to your case write in your ending time, 8:17, and 2 minutes under elapsed time.
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- 11. PICK UP ACCOUNTABLE ITEMS. At 8:30 you are called to the finance cage to pick up accountable items. (This office uses the loudspeaker rather than the paddle system.) You receive 2 certified letters, one (1) COD and 7 postage dues. You take care of your accountable business and return to your case at 8:36.
- D Actual time entry Line 14. Line 14 covers your trips to and from the finance cage to obtain and return accountable items. Enter 8:30 as the beginning time under actual time entries and write 14 on the left, and then go to the finance cage.
- B Mail count entry. When you return to your case enter the number of accountables under Column 3, Accountable and Signature Mail, at the top of the Form. Here your entries are 2 certified, 1 COD and 7 postage dues.
- D Ending time. Then enter your ending time of 8:36 under actual time entries and 6 minutes under elapsed time.

EXTRA INFORMATION

VERIFYING AND SIGNING FOR ACCOUNTABLES. It is important to take the time to properly verify and sign for all accountable items, because you are responsible for accounting for this mail. You may take time under Line 14 to fill out the name or address for identification purposes on the Form 3849, to case the Form as a reminder, and to verify and sign for all accountables. See M-41 Sections 261.2, 262.

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- 12. REPLENISH FORMS. Today you need to replenish your supply of forms to take with you. You leave the case to obtain forms at 8:36 and return at 8:38. You then resume casing your mail.
- D Actual time entry Line 21. This is a Line 21 function -- it is recurring and required, but there is no special line number covering it. Write 8:36 under actual time entries, with a "C" to label it as your third Line 21 entry of the day.
- F Comment Line 21. Explain this Line 21 item in the Comments section. Write, "C. Replenish forms for pouch" in the comments section.
- D Ending time. When you return, write in your ending time of 8:38 and elapsed time of 2 minutes.

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EXTRA INFORMATION

REPLENISHING FORMS. M-41 Section 143 requires letter carriers to check the forms pouch several times each week to be sure all necessary forms are there when needed.

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- 13. COLLATE PRESEQUENCED FLATS. At 8:43 you finish casing your mail. Now you take your presequenced flats and begin collating them with the flats you have cased. You finish collating these flats at 9:07.
- D Actual time entry Line 16. This is covered by Line 16, "Sequencing and Collating By-Pass Mail." Enter your beginning time of 8:43 and the number 16 before you begin collating.

Ending time. When you finish, write your ending time of 9:07 and elapsed time of 24 minutes.

EXTRA INFORMATION

PRE-SEQUENCED BY-PASS MAIL. In this example you have received, and you have already recorded on Column 6, 385 pieces of by-pass mail. Also in this example, you have collated this mail with your other flats. When you collate by-pass mail you enter the actual time spent under Line 16.

However, in some cases you may handle pre-sequenced mail differently. There are two possibilities -- either you case the by-pass mail, or you carry it out as a separate bundle. Each situation is handled differently:

Cased - Write Comment. If you have to case the bypass mail, you do not make a Line 16 actual time entry. Instead, you write a note in the Comments box stating how many pieces were cased, so that you receive time credit for casing and for strapping out this mail. M-39 Section 222.212(d).

Separate bundle - no special entry. If you carry the by-pass mail out as a separate bundle, you do not make a Line 16 entry or any other notation on the 1838-C Worksheet. You will not receive time credit for casing, collating or strapping out this mail.

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- 14. CHECK CHANGES OF ADDRESS. You receive one (1) change of address and fill out a Form 3982.
- B Mail count section. This is an entry in the mail count section of the 1838-C Worksheet. Write the number "1" under Column 12 at the top right of the form, under "AM Entries."

You do not make an actual time entry for changes of address. Instead, you will receive two minutes of office time credit for each change of address.

15. ALPHABETIZE CMU MAIL. Next, you alphabetize the flat mail for Central Mark-Up.

No actual time entry for alphabetizing flats. You make no actual time entry. Alphabetizing is considered part of casing the flat mail, so you receive no extra time credit.

16. MARK UP THE MAIL. Next you mark up the mail -- 3 letter-size and one (1) flat.

Remember, even in CMU offices there are manual markups. Your markups may be, for example: (1) Deceased; (2) Temporarily Away; (3) Refused, (4) No Mail Receptacle, or (5) Vacant. (M-41 Section 922.452.)

No actual time entry for marking up mail. There is no actual time entry for marking up the mail. You receive one minute of time credit for each four pieces of mail you mark up -- rounding up.

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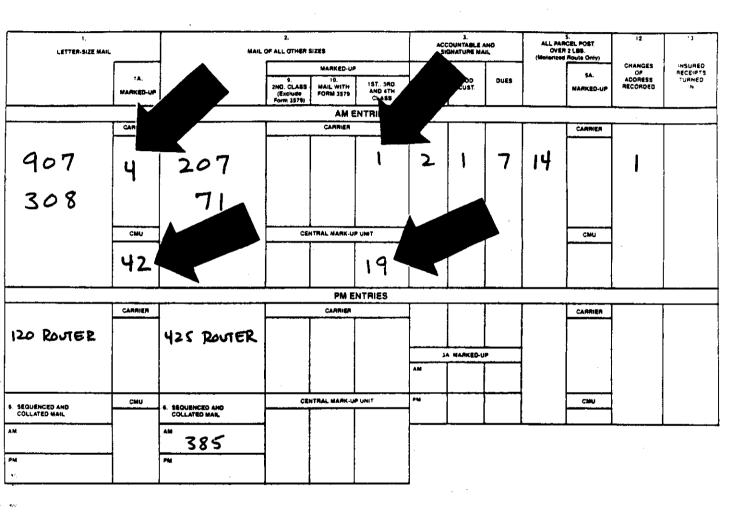
17. COUNT MANUAL MARK-UP AND CMU MAIL. At 9:13 a.m. you count the manual mark-ups and CMU mail. You have manually marked up 3 letters and one (1) flat.

You add one (1) an extra mark-up to your 3 marked up letters for a total of 4, because you know you always receive credit for one (1) manual mark-up for marking up the bundle of CMU mail.

You also count CMU mark-ups of 42 letters and 19 flats. You record the mark-up counts and finish at 9:14.

- D Actual time entry Line 23. Counting mail is a Line 23 function that you record under actual time entries. Enter the starting time of 9:13 and write 23 to the left.
- B Mail count section. When you finish counting, write the totals for marked-up and CMU mail on the mail count section at the top of the Worksheet. The 4 manual letter mark-ups are recorded under Column 1A, under the word "Carrier." Record the 42 letter-size pieces for CMU just below that. The one (1) marked-up flat is recorded in the "Marked-Up" section under Column 2, in the right-hand column because it was a 3rd-class piece. The 19 CMU flats were also 3rd class and are recorded just below.
- D Ending time. You enter your ending time of 9:14 under actual time entries, and 1 minute under elapsed time.

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- 18. TRIP TO CMU AND THROWBACK CASE. Next you bundle the CMU mail and make your daily trip to CMU and the throwback case. You return to your case at 9:16. This function should not be performed by clerks or mail handlers. In addition, the carrier case should not be the designated CMU mail location.
- D Actual time entry Line 21. This is an actual time entry under Line 21. Carry forward the beginning time of 9:14, write 21 under explanation, and mark this "D" -- your fourth Line 21 entry of the day.
- F Comment Line 21. Next, you explain the activity in the comments section: "D. Trip to CMU and throwback case."
- D Ending time. When you return, write your ending time of 9:16 under actual time entries, and 2 minutes under elapsed time.

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- 19. VERIFY HOLD MAIL. Your next task is to verify the hold mail at your case. This takes you 3 minutes and you finish at 9:19.
- D Actual time entry Line 21. This is also an actual time entry under Line 21 -- a separate entry because you are performing a separate task. Carry forward the beginning time of 9:16, write 21 under explanation, and mark this "E" -- your fifth Line 21 entry of the day.
- F Comment Line 21. You explain the Line 21 activity in the comments section: "E. Verify hold mail."
- D **Ending time.** When you return, write your ending time of 9:19 under actual time entries, and 3 minutes under elapsed time.

EXTRA INFORMATION

Verifying hold mail. Section 231.122 of the M-41 requires letter carriers to verify hold mail held at the carrier case once each week to ensure that no mail designated by the mailer is kept beyond the retention period. Such mail is endorsed "temporarily away." This is counted as a manual carrier mark-up.

20. PULL DOWN AND STRAP OUT THE MAIL. You pull down and strap out your mail.

No entry for pulling down and strapping out. You make no entry on the 1838-C Worksheet for pulling down and strapping out your mail. Instead, you will receive time credit of 1 minute for each 70 pieces of mail strapped-out, including any mail cased by a router.

- 21. CLOCK OUT. With your hamper loaded, you sweep the hot case on your way out and clock out at 9:45.
- C Clock ring. You ring out as usual, and then also ring out on the clock ring section of the 1838-C Worksheet. You make no actual time entry.

(Clock ring graphic on next page)

EXTRA INFORMATION

HUNDREDTHS OF AN HOUR vs. MINUTES. As you know, clock rings are in hundredths of an hour, rather than minutes. Entries on the 1838-C Worksheet should be in minutes. When the clock ring is 9:75, that means the actual time is 9:45.

TIME CLOCK RINGS

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STREET TIME

STREET TIME: After clocking out you <u>load your</u> <u>vehicle</u> -- this is considered part of street time, and no entry is made on the 1838-C Worksheet.

You go out on your route and deliver it as usual on this day of mail count. You are not supervised on the street on a mail count day -- only on the day of inspection.

We will skip street time at this point and return to it later. First, let's finish filling out the 1838-C Worksheet, beginning with your return from the street.

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- 22. CLOCK IN. You clock back in at 3:16 p.m., after returning from the street and carrying the collection mail and undeliverable parcels to the designated area. Your next task will be to turn in accountables.
- C Clock ring. You ring in as usual, and then also ring in the time in the clock ring section of the 1838-C Worksheet. Your clock in time is 15.26, which is 3:16 p.m.
- D Actual time entry. You also enter the clock-in time of 3:16 under actual time entries, because you are about to return your accountables -- an actual time entry function.

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- 23. TURN IN ACCOUNTABLE ITEMS. Your first task upon clocking back in is to go to the finance cage and turn in your accountable items. Make sure to obtain Form 3821, "Clearance Receipt," after clearing your accountables. You return to your case at 3:19.
- D Actual time entry Line 14. Your trip to the finance cage is a Line 14 function. Record the line number under actual time entries, then go to your case and do your accountable business.

Ending time. When you return, enter the ending time under actual time entries, 3:19, and the elapsed time of 3 minutes.

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- 24. FINISH FILLING OUT THE 1838-C WORKSHEET. Your last function before ringing out is to fill in the last entries on the 1838-C Worksheet. You finish this at 3:24.
- D Actual time entry Line 23. Filling out the 1838-C Worksheet is a Line 23 item. Carry forward your starting time of 3:19 and the function number, 23.
- B Mail count section. Enter the number of insured receipts you turned in at the finance cage -- 3 -- under Column 13 at the top right corner of the Worksheet. You will receive one minute of credit for returning one (1) or more insured receipts.

Comments - unusual occurrences. Then, in the comments section, you should note any unusual occurrences on the tour such as "light mail," "vehicle breakdown" or "bad weather."

Total the columns in the mail count section. Now add up the mail count numbers in Columns 1 and 2 and write in the totals.

Add the router mail separately. If there is router mail, total it separately from other mail.

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Bottom of form. At the bottom of the Worksheet, fill in your lunch period times and add your signature.

D Ending time. When you have finished filling out the Worksheet, enter your ending time of 3:24 under actual time entries and the elapsed time of 5 minutes.

Total actual time entries. Now you add up your total elapsed minutes under actual time entries and write the result at the bottom. Here, your total is 81 minutes.

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- 25. RING OUT. You ring out at 3:24.
- C Clock ring. After you ring out as usual on the transactor or time clock, ring out the 1838-C on the time clock, in the clock ring section. Then leave the Worksheet in the designated area.

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EPM OFFICES

In this exercise we have assumed that the letter carrier works in a non-EPM office. Many carriers work in EPM offices, however, and they case more mail in the afternoon after returning from the street.

For the purpose of filling out the 1838-C Worksheet, there is very little difference for a carrier working in an EPM office. The major change is that the carrier makes <u>additional</u> entries in the afternoon for counting and casing mail and for actual time line items. These entries are made in the same manner as the morning entries in our example -- except that mail count entries are under the "P.M." section of the 1838-C Worksheet. Mark-ups are also recorded under "P.M. Entries."

The only other difference is that on the <u>first day of the</u> week you -- or examiner if the route is being inspected -- must count the mail in the case from the previous day. These numbers for letter and other size mail must be entered in the <u>Comments section</u> of the form 1838-C (not in column 1). The totals will be used to calculate strapping out time.

QUESTIONS

This is the end of our practice run through the process of filling out the Form 1838-C Worksheet on a day of the mail count. Are there any questions?

E. STREET TIME

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

On the day or days of inspection you will carry your route as usual -- with one exception: You will be followed around the entire day by the route examiner who, clipboard and pen in hand, will observe every detail as you deliver your route. The examiner will also takes notes on a special form, the Form 3999.

Deliver the route as usual. The most important thing about the street inspection is this: You should deliver your route in precisely the same manner as you do throughout the rest of the year.

There are a few other things you should also know about the street portion of the route inspection.

ROUTER EXAMINER CONDUCT

The route examiner must follow some rules while observing you on the street.

Observe, not supervise. The examiner must act as an observer and not a supervisor. You should not be told to change the way you usually deliver your route.

No standard pace, no setting the pace. NALC and the Postal Service have agreed that there is no standard or

minimum street pace that a carrier is required to maintain. Do not allow yourself to be intimidated into speeding up on the day of inspection. The examiner may not set the pace for you, but should maintain a position to observe only.

No directions on comfort stops. The examiner may not suggest or forbid any rest or comfort stops.

No discussion of route evaluation or mail volume. The examiner may not discuss with you the mail volume or the evaluation of the route. Those matters can be discussed on a later date. See M-39 Section 232.1.

LETTER CARRIER CONDUCT

There are also a few things that every letter carrier should watch out for while delivering the route on inspection day.

Fingering mail: Do not finger mail when walking up or down steps or curbs, when crossing streets, or at any time it would create a safety hazard to yourself or to the public. You must not finger mail while driving or hold mail in your hands while the vehicle is in motion.

Crossing lawns: You should cross lawns to deliver mail only if there is, in your opinion, no safety hazard, such as a dog, slippery surface, snow, uneven terrain, or unusual obstacles, and only if there is no objection from the patron. During the route inspection, the examiner may not instruct you to cross lawns that you do not cross

throughout the year. National Agreement, Article 41 Section 3.N.

Only during street supervision, apart from the route examination, may a supervisor order a carrier to cross a specific lawn that the supervisor believes is an obvious shortcut. However, each and every order to cross a specific lawn is a grieveable matter.

Breaks: As mentioned earlier, carriers are entitled to either one 10-minute break in the office and one 10-minute break on street time or two 10-minute breaks on street time. You should take your street break or breaks at the same location as during the rest of the year.

Lunch: You should take your full 30 minute lunch at one of the authorized locations recorded on the Form 1564-A in your route book. When leaving the route for lunch, lock the satchel containing undelivered registered and COD mail in a designated relay box or the vehicle. Make a simple record of the registered, COD, and other more-than-ordinary-value items that are left. When returning from lunch, check to ensure that no pieces are missing. M-41 Section 131.13.

Comfort stops: In addition to your lunch period and break periods, you may take any comfort stops reasonably necessary during the course of performing your street duties. Reasonable comfort stops will not be deducted from your actual time. M-39 Section 242.341.



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FORM 3999

As mentioned earlier, the examiner who observes you on the street uses a Form 3999 to record information about the street phase of your day. You should have a copy of the Form 3999. It is a two-page form, front and back, called "Inspection of Letter Carrier Route."

I will briefly review the Form 3999, without going into any detail. Please look at the front page of the Form, lower half.

YES and NO comments. You should see 25 questions that the route examiner answers by checking a "Yes" or "No" box. The route examiner uses the check marks to identify certain problems and then recommend changes to supervisors. However, that is the only purpose of these questions.

No discipline from Form 3999 comments. The "Yes" and "No" check marks on this Form are part of the route inspection and adjustment process -- they are <u>not</u> a valid basis for any discipline. If management ever does base discipline on the Form 3999, see your shop steward about filing a grievance.

No deductions without specific documentation. Management also cannot use the check marks as a basis for making deductions from a carrier's street time. They are not specific enough to justify any deduction.

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Reverse Side: The other important part of the Form 3999 is on the second page -- the reverse side. Here, the route examiner makes notes on every block delivered on the route. The examiner makes entries for times, number of delivery stops possible, and number of delivery stops actually made. The examiner also makes entries for every vehicle movement, rest break, comfort stop and so forth, and the time it occurs.

Purposes of Form 3999: Generally, management uses the Form 3999 for two purposes in the route adjustment process:

To determine street time. The form is used to determine the actual street time of the route. The examiner will look for any unnecessary time spent on the street. Unnecessary time could be the result of an inefficient layout of the route, or other matters having nothing to do with the carrier's performance. The examiner also may use the Form 3999 to document any wasteful carrier practices on the street, and to justify a proposed deduction from street time.

Transfer of territory. Management also uses the detailed information on the Form 3999 to figure out how much time will be transferred when it transfers territory from one route to another.

F. AFTER THE COUNT AND INSPECTION

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

The route examination and adjustment process is not finished when the week of count and inspection is done. There are several additional steps that take place before a route is actually adjusted to 8 hours.

Although we do not need to cover the all of the details, there are some things that every letter carrier should know. First, you should know that management uses several additional forms to summarize all of the data it will use to evaluate your route. Second, there are some basic rules that management follows when it measures your route at a particular office time and particular street time.

Third, every letter carrier must take responsibility for what happens after the week of count and inspection. The carrier will receive copies of certain management forms, and must look them over for mistakes or violations. The carrier also will have a "consultation" -- a special meeting with management about the results of the count and inspection. There are several things you can do in this process to protect your route from an unfair or incorrect evaluation.

DATA ANALYSIS

Management takes information from the route examination, plus information from other sources, and engages in a great deal of number-crunching. It compiles this information on certain forms:

Form 1838 Management Summary. Management takes the information from each 1838-C Worksheet and transfers it to a different form, the 1838 Management Summary. Actual office time, standard office time and actual street time are calculated on this form.

Form 1840-B Eight-Week Analysis. Management also performs an "eight week random analysis" of your street time and office time. The <u>average street time</u> from eight randomly selected weeks is calculated on the Form 1840-B.

Form 1840, "Summary of Count and Inspection." Finally, management takes the data from the 1838 management summaries, the Form 3999 street inspection form and the Form 1840-B eight-week analysis, and summarizes it on a final form, the Form 1840, "Summary of Count and Inspection." On the Form 1840 management determines what street time applies to the route, and what office time applies. In addition, when management makes an adjustment to a route -- adding to it or taking part of it away -- the adjustment is documented on the Form 1840. So the Form 1840 is extremely important.

ADJUSTMENT

When management evaluates your route, it does not simply take your actual working times from the route examination and average them together. Instead, there are some rules that management follows and some choices it makes. Street time and office time are handled separately.

Office time - actual versus standard. Office time is figured two ways. First, the carrier's actual office time during the examination period is averaged. Second, management also calculates "standard office time," using the "18 & 8" casing standard and several other time standards for handling accountables, for strapping-out and so forth.

If the carrier is "under standard" -- actual office time is <u>less</u> than standard office time -- then management uses the shorter <u>actual time</u> when adjusting the route. If the carrier's actual office time <u>meets or exceeds</u> standard office time -- then management adjusts the route using standard time.

Street time - inspection period average or eight-week average. Management has a choice between two possible street times when adjusting a route -- either the street time average during the route examination period, or the street time average from the eight-week random analysis. Whichever choice it makes, management must justify it. You can expect management to choose the shorter time on every route.

After management determines office time and street time, it adds them together to find the evaluated length of the route. Once it comes up with this final figure, it then adjusts the route to 8 hours -- by taking away some work or by adding some.

THE CONSULTATION

The individual letter carrier plays an important role in the final adjustment of his or her route. Before management may adjust the route, it must give the carrier the information it has collected about the route, and then it must hold a "consultation" with the carrier. The consultation is held no sooner than one week after the count and inspection period is concluded.

1. Information in advance - Form 1838 management summaries and Form 1840. Before the consultation management must give the letter carrier some of the forms it has used to summarize information about the route examination. Usually these forms are in a computerized format.

Forms 1838 - 5 days in advance. Management must provide the letter carrier with copies of the Form 1838 management summaries at least 5 calendar days before the consultation. M-39 Section 241.4.

Form 1840 - 1 day in advance. Management must provide the letter carrier with a copy of the Form 1840 at least one (1) day before the consultation. There is just one Form 1840. M-39 Section 241.4.

Obtain NALC review of advance information. You should make every effort to show these forms to an NALC representative for review before the consultation. Your union representatives can help identify any problems or mistakes on the forms.

If you cannot obtain an NALC review in advance, don't panic. There will be time afterwards to address any problems.

- 2. The consultation. The postmaster or another designated manager is required to hold a consultation with the letter carrier before adjusting the route. M-39 Section 243.11. At the consultation management should discuss with you its evaluation of your route, explain the Form 1838 and 1840, explain any proposed deductions from your office or street time, and explain how it proposes to adjust your route.
- 3. Letter carrier rights in the consultation. You have several rights that you may and should exercise during the consultation:

Right to a full explanation and consideration of your views. It is your right to be consulted about any change that management proposes to make to your route. So ask the manager lots of questions and make sure you get a

full explanation. Your own views must be considered by management, so do not hesitate to speak up. This is the meaning of a "consultation."

Right to have disagreements, recommendations written on Form 1840. During the consultation you have the right to disagree with management's proposed evaluation of your route. Your comments, recommendations and disagreements and the reasons for them <u>must be entered</u> on the Form 1840. M-39 Section 243.11.

Right to make a written demand for documentation of deductions. Management may write comments on the Form 1838s, or the Form 1840, proposing to disallow or deduct time. You have the right to get specific documentation of any deductions from your actual working times.

No vague explanations. Management comments on the forms such as "excessive time," "too much time," "...adequate or sufficient for this function," "...used on the day of inspection," "too slow a pace," and other similar comments, without more, are not sufficient to justify any deduction. Management may not simply state, for example, that you "talked excessively with patrons." Where did it happen? Which customers? How many minutes of conversations? Management must be specific to justify a time deduction. M-39 Section 222.214(b)(3).

Written comments noting lack of documentation. If management does not provide sufficient documentation of its proposed deductions, you should write a comment on the Form 1838 or Form 1840. You should date and initial the comment. For instance, you may write:

No documentation of deduction for "excessive conversations with patrons." (Date and Initials)

When you write this type of comment on a form, make a copy before you give it to management.

Right NOT to sign statements. Management may <u>not</u> require you to sign any statement during the consultation. M-39 Section 243.11.

Right to receive final adjustment papers. You have the right to see the management paperwork that documents its final decision on how your route will be adjusted. Ask for this paperwork during the consultation. M-39 Section 243.11.

AFTER THE CONSULTATION

After the consultation management should provide you with any documentation that you requested within 7 days. You should also receive the final paperwork documenting management's decision on your route will be adjusted.

You should contact your shop steward if management fails to do any of the following:

- 1. No documentation if management makes a time deduction where it has failed to provide the documentation you requested;
- 2. Insufficient documentation if the documentation for any deduction is insufficient;
- 3. Unfair or incorrect adjustment if you believe the adjustment to your route is incorrect or unfair;
- 4. No adjustment in 52 days if management fails to implement the adjustment within 52 days after the count and inspection period is concluded. Management must make the adjustment within 52 days unless an exception is granted by the district manager. The local union must be notified promptly of any exception granted. M-39 Section 211.3.

G. CONCLUSION

Now that we have reviewed the entire route examination process, I would like to cover a few points in closing.

First, keep in mind that during the week of the route examination you should perform your job as usual, the same way you do during the rest of the year. Each individual letter carrier is a different person, and management only has the right to the your <u>individual best efforts</u>.

Second, NALC has offered you some advice on how to protect your route from any unfair or improper adjustment. To get a fair shake in the route examination process, know your rights, stay on your toes and monitor the process carefully.

Finally, remember that NALC is here to assist you. Your local union representatives can give you information, review your forms, provide advice and, if necessary, file a grievance to ensure that you receive a fair and accurate adjustment and a true 8-hour route.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS, AFL-CIO

CHAPTER 2

ROUTE EXAMINATION AND ADJUSTMENT FOR NALC REPRESENTATIVES

A. INTRODUCTION

NALC created this educational program to ensure that every letter carrier across the nation gets a fair shake in the route inspection and adjustment process. To accomplish this task NALC is training you, a team of route inspection experts, to serve as "truth squads" who will monitor route examinations and adjustments wherever they occur. Your role will become increasingly important to all letter carriers as automation begins to change our routes and the way we perform our work.

First of all, your role is to ensure that letter carriers receive a full mail count and route inspection prior to the implementation of any "route stabilization" scheme. You know that management has proposed to change carrier routes through a plan known as "2 & 6" or route stabilization. The point of this plan is to change routes to reflect the <u>projected</u> savings in office time that may be gained -- sometime in the future -- from increased automation.

Whenever management proposes to reconfigure routes in this manner, you must inform management that all routes in a work unit must be fully inspected first. That is the only way to ensure that any changes are based on current and accurate route evaluation data. If management refuses, file a grievance.

Second, NALC representatives must learn the details of the route examination and adjustment process. To take on your roles as "truth squads," you must learn to <u>analyze the</u> <u>various management forms</u> used in this process. We must know everything that management knows so we can challenge management mistakes and represent letter carriers effectively.

So in this advanced section of this NALC educational program, we will be learning a lot about these forms. You already know about the 1838-C Worksheet. Now we will follow the rest of the process through to the end. This material is long and tedious, but it is important for NALC representatives to learn it.

After we have reviewed the entire route examination and adjustment process, we will address the issue of management violations. The process is so complex that management often makes mistakes. And sometimes management simply takes advantage of letter carriers. We will discuss the various kinds of violations and what you, the NALC representative, can do to challenge them successfully.

SOURCE MATERIALS

This program contains much of information you will need to monitor the route examination process effectively.

However, keep in mind that the only <u>authoritative sources</u> of information about route examinations are the National Agreement, related settlements and arbitrations, and the management handbooks -- the M-41 and M-39. Please note that the M-39 has been updated more recently than the M-41. Wherever the two manuals appear to disagree, the M-39 is controlling.

In this educational program NALC has attempted to make some sense of all of this information. However, we have not covered every detail. After you leave this training session, if you need more information first look it up in the handbooks. If you cannot find the answer, then call your National Business Agent's office for help.

OVERVIEW OF THE FORMS

Now let's talk about the forms. As you probably know, postal management uses a series of forms to collect, organize and analyze the information it uses to measure and adjust a route. We will go over the most important forms in this program.

You should have some handouts, which are the forms we will cover in the advanced section of this program. At this point I will briefly identify the forms and outline their main purposes.

- 1. Form 1838-C, "Carrier's Count of Mail Letter Carrier Routes Worksheet." You should already be familiar with the 1838-C Worksheet. Management uses this form to collect information about time clock rings and office time. One Form 1838-C is filled out for each day during the count and inspection period.
- 2. Form 1838, "Carrier's Count of Mail Letter Carrier Routes (Management Summary)." Management transfers information from each 1838-C Worksheet onto a separate Form 1838 management summary, and then

analyzes it to obtain several key numbers used in the route adjustment:

Standard Office Time. First, management uses mail and piece counts to calculate standard office time for each day of the count and inspection period.

Actual Office Time. Second, management calculates the "Net Office Time Used" for each day of the count and inspection period.

Actual Street Time. Third, management figures the actual street time used on the Form 1838, using clock rings from the 1838-C Worksheet.

3. Form 1840-B, "Carrier Time Card Analysis." The Form 1840-B is four pages long. It contains information about actual office times and street times during eight randomly-selected weeks, not including the week of count and inspection. Sometimes the 1840-B is called the "eight week random analysis." Management uses this form for two basic purposes:

Comparison. Management compares the 8-week average office time and average street time to the averages from the week of count and inspection, to check for reliability or unusual variations.

Adjustment - Choice of street time figures. In adjusting the carrier's route, management may choose to use either the average street time during the week of count and inspection, or the average

street time figure from the Form 1840-B eight-week analysis (see below).

4. Form 3999, "Inspection of Letter Carrier Route." The Form 3999 is filled out on the front and back. It is used to record the details of carrier performance on the street. The route examiner fills out the Form 3999 on the day (or days) of inspection only. Two items on the Form 3999 are most important to the route adjustment:

Adjustments to Street Time. The examiner documents any <u>unnecessary time</u> spent on the street, either because of operational matters such as an inefficient route layout, or because of the carrier's inefficient practices.

Transfer of Territory. Management also collects detailed information on the Form 3999 about the street time required to deliver particular sections of territory, and the number of delivery stops in each section. It uses this information to figure out how much time will be transferred when it transfers territory from one route to another.

5. Form 1840, "Summary of Count and Inspection."

The Form 1840 is the final form used by management to adjust a route. It is filled out on the front and back.

Management uses the Form 1840 in two ways:

Summary analysis of data. The front side of the 1840 summarizes in one place all of the data collected on the Form 1838-C Worksheets, Form

1838 management summaries, Form 3999 and Form 1840-B. So the 1840 contains almost all of the key numbers that management uses to analyze a letter carrier route.

Adjustment. When management evaluates and adjusts a route to 8 hours, it must explain its decisions on the Form 1840. For instance, if management proposes to make time deductions from the carrier's street time, it must make specific comments on the form documenting the justification for the deductions. On the back of the 1840, management shows how it actually adjusted a route — for example, by adding territory or adding router assistance.

This is only an introduction, of course. Now we will go into the forms in more detail.

B. FORM 1838 MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

The first management form we will review is the Form 1838 management summary. Every day during the count and inspection period, management takes the information from the 1838-C Worksheet and transfers it onto the Form 1838 management summary. The management 1838 form is called "Carrier's Count of Mail-Letter Carrier Routes (Management Summary)."

Management performs this task on each day of the mail count -- using the 1838-C Worksheet filled out by the carrier. On the day (or days) of inspection, the manager fills out the 1838-C Worksheet and the Form 1838 management summary, and the carrier just does the job as usual as the manager observes.

We are going to take the 1838-C carrier Worksheet that we filled out as a group, and do what management does -- transfer the information to a Form 1838 management summary. We will see how management takes the raw data and calculates the numbers that really count -- actual office time, standard office time and actual street time.

OVERVIEW OF THE FORM 1838 MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

You should have a copy of a blank Form 1838 management summary in your handouts. Before we fill it out together, please take a look at the form. It has several main sections that I will describe briefly at this point. They are as follows:

[Instructor: Transparency I is blank Form 1838. The completed form appears on the next page. You may wish to remove it from this manual to use as a guide in this section.]

- 1. Identifying information is entered across the top of the Form -- Post Office, Delivery Unit and Route Number, and on the left below Post Office the manager indicates the type of route -- EPM or Non-EPM, CMU.
- 2. Mail counts are entered in four columns, (a), (b), (c) and (d), under the appropriate Line numbers, one (1) through 13. These various piece counts come from the mail count section of the 1838-C carrier Worksheet. The Line numbers on the left side correspond to Column numbers in the mail count section of the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.
- 3. Time credits in minutes are entered under columns (e), (f) and (g), under the appropriate Line numbers all the way down the form. The various Line numbers work in different ways under this time count section:

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Lines 1 through 13 come from the mail count section of the 1838-C carrier Worksheet. Here, the carrier receives time credit for the number of pieces.

Lines 14 through 23 are where management transfers the totals for <u>actual time entries</u> from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet. There are some exceptions, which we will address later.

Line 24 is for totalling columns (e), (f) and (g).

- 4. Final totals are figured in column (h) running down the right-hand side of the page. Some key numbers are calculated here: Net Office Time, Standard Office Time, Net Street Time and Net Total Time. These numbers are later transferred to another form, the Form 1840, Summary of Count and Inspection.
- 5. Bottom of form. At the bottom are two boxes. One is a comments box on the left, where management may write explanatory notes, if needed. At the right is a box for representative times on Lines 16 and 17.

1838 MANAGEMENT SUMMARY, STEP-BY-STEP

Now let's go through the process of filling out the Form 1838 management summary step-by-step. You should have handout that is a blank Form 1838, and your filled-out 1838-C carrier Worksheet. Pick up your pencils, please. I will talk us through each item, one at a time. If you aren't clear on any point, please feel free to stop me and ask questions.

- 1. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION: First, at the top of the management summary form, write in the post office, delivery unit, ZIP code and route number from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.
- 2. MAIL COUNT SECTION NUMBER OF PIECES. Now we will write in the various piece counts, under columns (a), (b) and (c), and figure totals under column (d).
- A. Line 1 Letter-Size Mail. Transfer the total number of letter-size pieces from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet to the corresponding place on the Form 1838 management summary. Transfer any router mail totals separately. Also transfer totals for letter-size carrier manual mark-ups and CMU mark-ups.

Entries. Read across Line 1, the upper portion, to column (b), today's a.m. trip, and write in 1305 pieces of letter size mail.

In the next box down under column (b), write 4 for carrier marked-up letter size mail. In the third box down under column (b), write 42 for CMU letter mail.

The 1838-C carrier Worksheet also shows 120 pieces of letter-size mail cased by a router. Enter 120 under column (a), router, Line 1.

B. Line 2. - Other-Size Mail. Transfer the total number of other-size pieces from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet to the corresponding place on the Form 1838 management summary. Transfer any router mail totals separately. Also transfer totals for other-size carrier manual mark-ups and CMU mark-ups.

Entries. Under column (b), Line 2 write in 278 othersize pieces. Then total the other-size marked-up mail from the three separate columns on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet. The total carrier marked-up mail is one (1) piece and the total CMU is 19 pieces. Write 1 and 19 in the appropriate boxes under column (b), Line 2.

The 1838-C carrier Worksheet also shows 425 pieces of other-size mail cased by a router. Enter 425 under column (a), router, Line 2.

- C. Line 3 Accountable and Signature Mail. Transfer the total accountable and signature mail from Column 3 on the Worksheet, from all three sections. Also transfer the number of mark-ups under Line 3.
 - Entry. Here, the total accountable signature mail on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet is 2 + 1 + 7 = 10 pieces. On the Form 1838 management summary, write 10 under column (b), Line 3. There are no mark-ups.
- D. Line 6 Sequenced Mail. Skip down to Line 6. Transfer the total pre-sequenced letter mail and other-size mail from Column 6 of the 1838-C carrier Worksheet, which appears at the bottom of Columns 1 and 2.
 - Entry. In this exercise we have 385 pre-sequenced flats. On the Form 1838 management summary, write 385 under column (b), Line 6, other size.
- E. Line 4 Strap-Out Time. Line 4 is for calculating the strapping-out time credit -- which will be one minute for each 70 pieces. Two steps are required to determine the total pieces of mail strapped-out.
 - Step 1. Check Line 6 of the Form 1838 management summary for pre-sequenced mail. If there is any pre-sequenced mail recorded under Line 6, you must check the 1838-C Worksheet to see if that mail was cased by the letter carrier, rather than collated with other mail or carried out as a separate bundle. If it was cased, we would add it to the piece total used for calculating strapout time.

However, in this exercise the 385 pre-sequenced flats were collated by carrier into other flats. They were not cased and are not counted for strap-out purposes.

Note: Management knows the mail was collated rather than cased or delivered as a separate bundle because of the Line 16 actual time entry on the 1838-C, where the carrier recorded time spent collating presequenced mail.

Step 2. Next, add the total pieces from Lines 1, 2 and 3 together, and subtract out <u>carrier mark-ups</u>. In our example the total pieces under column (b) are 1305 + 278 + 10 = 1,593. Do not include the marked-up mail, because that is already part of the totals. Now, add up the carrier mark-ups -- 4 letter size plus 1 other size -- to obtain the total of 5. Subtract the 5 carrier mark-ups from total pieces, 1,593. The result is 1,588 pieces. Entry: Write 1588 under column (b), Line 4.

Note. This total on column (b), Line 4 includes CMU mark-ups because the carrier receives time credit for strapping out <u>CMU</u> markups. Strap-out time credit is <u>not</u> given for the carrier's <u>manual</u> markups; rather, Line 8 provides a separate time credit for carrier mark-ups.

The router mail recorded under column (a), Lines 1, 2 and 3 also must be totalled on Line 4. 120 letter-size plus 425 other-size = 545 total pieces of router mail. Entry: Write 545 under column (a), router, Line 4.

Note. If any of the Line 6 pre-sequenced mail was cased by the carrier, that amount is also included in the above total, to give strap-out credit. Here, it was not cased and it is not added.

- The two totals under Line 4, 545 and 1,588, will be totalled later to find the total pieces of mail counted for strapping-out time credit.
- F. Line 5 Parcel Post Over 2 Pounds. Transfer the number of parcels over 2 pounds from Column 5 on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.
 - Entry. Here the number of parcels is 14. Write 14 under column (b), Line 5 on the Form 1838 management summary.
- G. Line 8 Total Carrier Manual Mark-Ups. Skip down to Line 8. Determine the carrier's total manual mark-ups from Line 1, 2, 3 and 5. Do not include mail sent to CMU.
 - Entry. Here, add 4 letter-size plus 1 other-size for a total of 5. Write 5 under column (b), Line 8 on the Form 1838 management summary.
- H. Line 9 2nd Class Marked-Up. Transfer the number of 2nd-class marked-up pieces for which Form 3579 was not prepared from Column 9 on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet. (On the Worksheet Column 9 appears within the mark-up section under Column 2.)
 - No entry. Here there is no entry. Go to the next item.
- I. Line 10 Mail With Form 3579 Attached. Transfer the number of marked-up pieces for which Form 3579 was prepared from Column 10 on the 1838-C carrier

Worksheet. (On the Worksheet Column 10 appears within the mark-up section under Column 2.)

No entry. Here there is no entry. Go to the next item.

J. Line 11 - Total Mark-ups (Except Second-Class and Form 3579). One Line 11 take the number of pieces on Line 8 and subtract out the totals on Lines 9 and 10.

Entry. Here we have 5 Mark-ups in column (b), Line 8 and no figures on Lines 9 or 10. Write 5 in column (b), Line 11.

K. Line 12 - Changes of Address Recorded. Transfer the number of changes of address from Column 12 on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.

Entry. Here there is one (1) change of address. Write 1 under column (b), Line 12 on the Form 1838 management summary.

L. Line 13 - Insured Receipts Turned In. Transfer the number of insured receipts turned in from Column 13 on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.

Entry. 3 insured receipts were turned in. Write 3 under column (b), Line 13 on the Form 1838 management summary.

M. Line 5 - Total Parcel Post Minus Markups. Take the total parcel post items under Line 5 and then subtract out all marked-up parcel post.

- Entry. Here, we have 14 total parcel post under Line 5 and no marked-up parcel post. Write 14 under column (d), Line 5.
- N. Line 6 Sequenced Mail. Total the pre-sequenced mail under Line 6 and write the result in column (d). However, if any of the pre-sequenced mail was <u>cased</u> by the carrier, and previously added to the Line 4 total, that amount must be subtracted from the total pre-sequenced mail.

Entry. Here, we have 385 pieces of pre-sequenced flats. They were not cased or added to the Line 4 total. Write 385 under column (d), Line 6.

Note: The rule is that pre-sequenced mail is counted <u>either</u> under the Line 4 total <u>or</u> the Line 6 total; it cannot be double-counted under column (d). If the mail was cased it is included in Line 4 and the carrier receives strap-out time credit for it. If the mail was not cased, there is no strap-out time credit and the pre-sequenced mail is counted under Line 6 instead.

- O. Line 7 Total Deliverable Pieces. Figure the total deliverable pieces of mail under column (d), and enter the result under column (d), Line 7. This requires three steps:
 - **Step 1**. Next, calculate the total pieces, minus markups, in Line 1, Line 2 and Line 3. Write the totals under column (d).

In Line 1, add up the total pieces -- 120 + 1,305 = 1425. Now add up the markups -- 42 + 4 = 46. Subtract 46 markups from the total pieces, 1,425. The result is 1,379. **Entry:** Write 1379 under column (d), Line 1.

In Line 2, add up the total pieces -- 425 + 278 = 703. Next add up the markups -- 1 + 19 = 20. Subtract 20 from the total pieces, 703. **Entry:** Write the result, 683, under column (d), Line 2.

In Line 3, there are no markups. Entry: Write the total pieces, 10, under column (d), Line 3.

Step 2. Add up the numbers in column (d). 1,379 + 683 + 10 = 2,072. Entry: Write 2072 in the bold box under column (d), Line 4.

Step 3. Total the numbers in column (d), Lines 4, 5 & 6. The total here is 2,072 + 14 + 385 = 2,471. Entry: Write 2471 under column (d), Line 7.

Note. The total deliverable pieces figure is not used in figuring standard office time.

3. TIME CREDITS IN MINUTES. Now we will fill in the time credits in minutes, under columns (e), (f) and (g). This is how standard office time is figured. In this exercise the carrier has a single-trip route, so we will be using only column (f).

Handouts. Before we proceed, please note that you should have three handouts that we will use in this section. They are:

TIME ALLOWANCES FOR CARRIER OFFICE WORK

Office time allowance shall be determined as follows:

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Form 1838 Line No.		Pieces Pe	2-Trip
1 2	Routing Letter-size mail		18
4	Strapping mail in bundles or placing in trays, preparing relays and placing mail in satchels; for each 70 pieces regardless of character (minimum allowance 3 minutes). Strapping mail bundles for markup at central unit. Lines 1-2-3 combined mail volume (strapping out pieces and markup pieces) is used		Minutes
8	in determining time allowance at 70 pieces per minute For each 10 pieces of all classes of mail separated for for-		
9	warding or return		
10	or return)		
11	For each 4 pieces marked up (mail marked Deceased, Temporarily Away, Refused, Vacant (Occupant mail of obvious value only) No Mail Receptacle).	or	
12	For each change of address, including Form 3546, recorded on Forms 1564-B and 3982		
13	Insured receipts turned in		
14	Registered, Certified, CCD, Express Mail, Customs and Postage-D keys, Form 3868, signing for, returning funds or receipts, a partial completion of Form 3849 (name or address for identif Base minimum allowance is 6 minutes	ue; nd for ication).	
15	Withdrawing mail where applicable (from distribution cases, tra sacks, and/or hampers). Base minimum allowance is 5 minutes	ys,	
16	Sequencing and collating by-pass mail. (Representative time in minutes will be allowed for the work function).		
17	Strapping out time (when mail must be placed in order of delive See 922.51d of Handbook M-41. (Representative time in minut be allowed for the work function).		
18	Break (local option).		
19	Vehicle inspection. See 922.51f of Handbook M-41. Base minimu	m	
20	Personal needs, etc. (Time allowances are printed on the form feach trip, and must not be changed.)	or	••••
21	Office work not covered by form. (Work functions must be ident and approved as being necessary and of a continuing nature). "Comments" section.) Base minimum allowance is 9 minutes	(Use	*
22	Waiting for mail (office) and all other office activities not p on a continuing basis which are excluded in computing net of (Use "Comments" section.)	erformed	
23	Counting mail and filling out Form 1838-C worksheet.		
Us	or piece items, grant the next higher allowance in minutes for free actual times for Lines 14 through 19 and Lines 21 through 23 wors are performed.	ractional hen those	units. func-
If mi er th	imputing Standard Office Time Under Columns (e), (f), and (g) on the actual time for each of Lines 14 , 15 , 19 and 21 is less that nimum and the carrier performs the work function the base minimum attered for the Line Item in the appropriate column. If the actual he base minimum, an adjustment to that time cannot be shown which	n the bas m must be il time en	e :
tì	man the base minimum.		

[Instructor: Transparency J is "Time Allowances for Carrier Work." Your copy is on the opposite page.]

1) Time Allowances for Carrier Work. This is Exhibit 2-7 from the M-39 Handbook, and Exhibit 1-1 in the M-41 Handbook. It shows all of the time standards, or credits, used in calculating office standard time. The Line numbers down the left side are the same Line numbers on the Form 1838 management summary.

Most letter carriers know about the casing standards of 18 letters per minute and 8 flats per minute. However, there are many additional time credits, or standards, used by management to figure standard office time. We will use this handout to fill out several time credit items on the Form 1838 management summary.

[Instructor: Transparency K is "Maximum Time Allowance for Routing Mail." You copy is on the next page.]

2) Maximum Time Allowance for Routing Mail. You should also have a handout called "Maximum Time Allowance for Routing Mail." It is exhibit 2-8 in the M-39, and Exhibit 1-2 in the M-41. This time allowance guide shows standard times for casing and strapping out the mail.

MAXIMUM TIME ALLOWANCE FOR ROUTING MAIL

Column A: Letter-size (ordinary letters, cards, and circulars). Column B: Mail of all other sizes and insured.

1 AND 1 TRIP BOUTES			1 AND	TRIP RO	UTES	1 AND	2 TRIP RO	STRAPPING ALL MAIS		
(4) Pieces	Time (Min.)	(#) Pieces	(A) Pleces	Time (Min.)	(B) Pieces	(A) Pieces	Time (Min.)	(5) Pieces	Pieces	Time (Min.)*
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36	2	16	882	49	392	1728	96	768	140	3•
54	3	24	900	50	400	1746	97	776	210	1
72	4	82	918	51	406	1764	96	784	280	4
90	8	40	986	52	416	1782	99	792	850	5
108	6	48	954	54	424	1800	100	800	420	6
126	7	56	972	54	432	1818	101	806	490	7
144	8	64	990	86	440	1836	102	816	560	8
162	9	72	1006	56	448	1884	108	824	690	9
180	10	80	1026	57	456	1873	104	882	700	10
198	11	88	1044	58	464	1890	108	840	770	11
216	12	96	1062	59	472	1908	106	848	840	12
234	18	104	1080	60	480	1926	107	856	910	18
252	14	112	1096	61	488	1944	108	864	980	14
270	15	120	1116	62	496	1962	109	872	1050	15
288	16	128	1184	68	504	1980	110	880	1120	16
306	17	136	1152	64	512	1998	111	888	1190	17
324	18	144	1170	6.5	520	2016	112	896	1260	18
342	19	152	1188	86	528	2084	118	904	1880	19
360	20	160	1206	67	.586	2052	114	912	1400	20
878	21	168	1334	68	544	2070	115	920	1470	21
396	22	176	1242	69	552	2088	116	928	1540	22
414	28	184	1260	70	560	2106	117	986	1610	23
432	24	192	1278	71	568	2124	118	944	1680	34
450	25	200	1296	72	576	2142	119	952	1760	25
468	26	206	1814	73	584	2160	120	960	1820	26
486	27	216	1332	74	593	2178	121	965	1890	27
504	26	234	1350	75	600	2196	123	976	1960	28
522	20	282	1366	76	606	2314	128	984	2080	20
640	20	240	1386	77	516	2282	124	992	2100	80
588	81	248	1404	78	634	2250	125	1000	2170	81
576	33	256	1422	79	483	2266	126	1008	2340	23
594	23	264	1440	80	840	2286	137	1016	2810	38
612	84	273	1458	81	648	2904	128	1024	2280	34
630	86	280	1476	82	644	2922	129	1082	24.50	25
648	36	288	1494	88	644	2840	180	1040	2620	*
666	87	296	1513	84	672	2858	181	1048	2590	37
684	38	304	1530	85	680	2376	183	1056	2660	*
702	89	\$12	1548	86	686	2394	188	1064	2730	30
720	40	820	1566	87	906	2412	184	1072	2000	40
738	41	228	1584	88	704	2430	185	1080	4	
756	42	336	1602	80	712	2448	186	1086		
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846 Notice 26 April 1971 Casing time. The time allowance guide has four columns. The first three show casing standards for increasing numbers of letters and flats. At the top of the first column, the 18 under column A corresponds to the time credit of one (1) minute. To the right of the one minute is the number 8 in column B, telling us that 8 flats are also cased in one (1) minute.

Strapping out time. The far right column shows the time credit for pieces of mail strapped-out. It provides one minute for each 70 pieces strapped-out, with a minimum time of 3 minutes.

[Instructor: Transparency L is "Time Conversion Schedule." Your copy is on the next page.]

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3) Time Conversion Schedule. Your third handout is a "Time Conversion Schedule," which you can use to convert military time to regular time, and to convert the time clock's 100ths of an hour into minutes.

We will use all three handouts to figure the time credit items that make up standard office time.

A. Line 1 - Letter-Size Mail. Determine the time credit for the total letter-size mail entered under Line 1.

Note - Use Piece Totals from Column (b). To determine the time credits for Lines 1 through 13, you will be using the corresponding piece totals from column (b) -- not the numbers in column (d). The router mail from column (a) is excluded, because the regular carrier does not receive casing time credit for mail cased by a router.

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ORDINARY	24-HOUR				ENTS OF MIN	ITES	
TIME	CLOCX	MINUTES	IN HUNDREDTHS	MINUTES	IN HUNDREDTHS	MINUTES	HUNDREDTHS
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1:00 A.M.	100	1	.02	21	.35		
2:00	200			21	.33	41	.68
3:00	300	2	.04	22	.36	42	.70
4:00	400	3	.05	23	.38	43	.72
5:00	500	4	.06	24	.40	44	.74
6:00	600		.08	25			7.
7:00	700	5	.00	25	.42	45	.75
8:00	800	6	.10	26	.44	46	.76
9:00	900	7	.12	27	.45	47	.78
10:00	1000	8	.14	28	.46	48	.80
11:00	1100	9	.15	29	.48	49	.82
12:00 NOON	1200			•		-7	.02
1:00 P.M.	1300	10	.16	30	.50	50	.84
2:00	1400	11	.18	31	.52	51	.85
3:00	1500	12	.20	32	.54	52	.86
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9:00	2100	17	.28	37	.62	57	.95
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11:00	2300	18	.30	38	.64	58	.96
		19	.32	39	.85	59	.91

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Entry. In this exercise you start with the total of 1,305 letter-size pieces from column (b). Next, look up 1,305 letter pieces in the maximum time allowance guide. There is no entry for 1,305. Rather, 1,305 falls between 1,296, a 72 minute time credit, and 1,314, a 73 minute time credit. You round up to the higher number of minutes.

Your time credit is 73 minutes. Write 73 under column (f), Line 1.

B. Line 2 - Other-Size Mail. Determine the time credit for casing the total other-size mail under Line 2.

Entry. Here, you have 278 other-size pieces under column (b), Line 2. This translates in the maximum time allowance guide (rounding up) to 35 minutes of time credit. Write 35 under column (f), Line 2.

C. Line 4 - Strap-Out Time. Next, total the number of pieces entered under Line 4, and enter the time credit for total pieces strapped-out.

Entry. Here, you have 1,588 pieces under column (b), Line 4, and 545 pieces of router mail under column (a), Line 4. 1,588 + 545 = 2,133. The 2,133 total translates in the maximum time allowance guide (rounding up) to 31 minutes of strap-out time credit. Write 31 under column (f), Line 4.

- D. Line 8 Carrier Manual Mark-Ups. Determine the time credit for carrier manual mark-ups under Line 8, using the "Time Allowances for Office Work" handout. You receive one (1) minute for each 10 pieces.
 - Entry. Here, there are 5 carrier mark-ups recorded under Line 8, column (b). You receive one (1) minute of credit. Write 1 under column (f), Line 8.
- E. Line 9 2nd Class Marked-Up. Total the pieces entered under Line 9, and find the time credit in the "Time Allowances for Office Work" handout. You receive one (1) minute for each 2 pieces.
 - **No entry.** In this exercise we have no entries under Line 9. Go to the next item.
- F. Line 10 Mail With Form 3579 Attached. Total the numbers entered under Line 10, and find the time credit in the "Time Allowances for Office Work" handout. You receive two (2) minutes for each piece.
 - No entry. In this exercise we have no entries under Line 10. Go to the next item.
- G. Line 11 Total Markups (Except Second-Class and Form 3579). Total the numbers entered under Line 11, and find the time credit in the "Time Allowances for Office Work" handout. You receive one (1) minute for each 4 pieces.

Entry. Here we have 5 pieces under Line 11. You receive 2 minutes of time credit. Write 2 under column (f), Line 11.

H. Line 12 - Changes of Address Recorded. Total the numbers entered under Line 12, and find the time credit in the "Time Allowances for Office Work" handout. You receive 2 minutes for each change of address.

Entry. There is one (1) change of address under Line 12. You receive 2 minutes of time credit. Write 2 under column (f), Line 12.

I. Line 13 - Insured Receipts Turned In. Total the numbers entered under Line 13, and find the time credit in the "Time Allowances for Office Work" handout. You receive one (1) minute for turning in any insured receipts -- regardless of how many you turn in.

Entry. Line 13 shows 3 receipts turned in. You receive 1 minutes of time credit. Write 1 under column (f), Line 13.

EXTRA INFORMATION

BASE MINIMUM TIMES - Lines 14, 15, 19 and 21. There are certain time periods, called "base minimum times," that apply only to Lines 14, 15, 19 and 21. The base minimum times are noted on your handout, "Time Allowances for Carrier Office Work," under these line items and in the note at the bottom. The times are:

Line 14	6 minutes
Line 15	5 minutes
Line 19	3 minutes
Line 21	9 minutes

To figure standard office time, the carrier receives at least base minimum. If the carrier performs these functions, and the actual time used is less than the base minimum time, then management must write the base minimum time on the Form 1838. This time is then used, along with other standard time credits, to figure the standard office time.

If actual time spent on one of these functions is greater than base minimum time, then actual time is written on the Form 1838 management summary, and actual time is used to figure standard office time.

If the carrier is under standard overall, actual time applies. Even though base minimum times are used to calculate standard office time, they become irrelevant if the carrier meets or beats standard office time overall during the count and inspection period. That is, if the carrier works at standard office time or faster, then base minimum times, like all standard times, are not used to adjust the route. Average actual time is used instead.

J. Line 14 - Registered-Certified-COD-Customs and Postage Due-Keys-Form 3868-Signing For, Returning Funds and Receipts.

Note - Actual Time Entries. On Lines 14 through 23, actual time entries from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet are totalled and then transferred to the Form 1838 management summary. Lines 18 and 20 are exceptions; they do not appear on the Worksheet and are handled differently, as we will see. And if actual time is less than base minimum time for Line 14, 15, 19 or 21, the base minimum time is entered instead.

Transfer the total minutes of actual time spent on Line 14 tasks from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.

Entry. Here, the Worksheet has two different Line 14 entries, showing 6 + 3 = 9 minutes of elapsed time. The actual time of 9 minutes is greater than the base minimum time of 6 minutes, so actual time is entered. On the Form 1838 management summary write 9 minutes under column (f), Line 14.

K. Line 15 - Withdrawing Mail. Transfer the total minutes of actual time spent on Line 15 tasks from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.

Entry. Here, the Worksheet has two different Line 15 entries, showing 2 minutes and 3 minutes of elapsed time. On the Form 1838 management summary write the total, 5 minutes, under column (f), Line 15. 5 minutes is also the base minimum time for Line 14.

L. Line 16 - Sequencing and Collating By-Pass Mail.

Transfer the total minutes of actual time spent on Line 16 tasks from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.

Entry. Here, the Worksheet has a single Line 16 entry showing 24 minutes of elapsed time. On the Form 1838 management summary write 24 under column (f), Line 16.

Note: Credit for 3 or more days only. A carrier receives time credit for Line 16 work, re-sequencing or collating pre-sequenced by-pass mailings with other mail, only where this task must be performed on 3 or more days during the count and inspection period. M-39 Section 222.214(b)(3)(c) (first sentence).

Management should record any Line 16 actual times on the Form 1838 management summary on a daily basis. At the end of the count and inspection period a manager will transfer the total time credits to another Form, the 1840, Summary of Count and Inspection. If the Line 16 time occurred on fewer than 3 days during the count and inspection period, time credit for this work will be removed on the Form 1840.

M. Line 17 - Actual Strapping Out Time. This line is used only in extremely unusual circumstances. Usually strapping-out credit is calculated at one (1) minute for each 70 pieces, on Line 4.

No entry. Here, strapping-out credit was figured at one (1) minute per 70 pieces on Line 4. Go to the next item.

Note. See M-39 Section 222.214(b)(3)(d) for more information.

N. Line 18 - Break (Local Option). The local branch opts once each year for two breaks in the street or for one break in the office and one in the street. If the option is for one office break, 10 minutes per day must be recorded under Line 18 of the Form 1838 management summary. There is no entry on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet indicating whether or not a break was taken in the office.

Entry. In this exercise the branch opted to take one break in the office. Write 10 under column (f), Line 18.

O. Line 19 - Vehicle Inspection. Transfer the total minutes of actual time spent on Line 19 work from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet. Entry. Here, the Worksheet has one (1) Line 19 entry showing 5 minutes of elapsed time. The actual time of 5 minutes is greater than the base minimum time of 3 minutes, so actual time is entered. On the Form 1838 management summary write 5 under column (f), Line 19.

P. Line 20 - Personal Needs, Etc. The carrier receives 5 minutes of automatic time credit for personal needs on a one-trip route, and 7 minutes on a two-trip route.

Entry. Here the carrier has a one-trip route. On the Form 1838 management summary circle the 5 under column (f), Line 20.

Q. Line 21 - Recurring Office Work Not Covered by Form. Transfer the total minutes of actual time spent on Line 21 tasks from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.

Entry. Here, the Worksheet has five different Line 21 entries, showing 5 + 2 + 2 + 3 + 2 = 14 minutes of elapsed time. The actual time of 14 minutes is greater than the base minimum time of 9 minutes, so actual time is entered. On the Form 1838 management summary write 14 minutes under column (f), Line 21.

Note - Management corrections. Management may make corrections if a letter carrier has made entries on Line 21 that belong elsewhere. For instance, if a carrier recorded time counting mail under Line 21, the manager would mark it out on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet, add the proper entry under Line 23, and initial the change on the Worksheet. M-39 Section 222.214(b)(3)(h). The corrected information would be transferred to the Form 1838 management summary.

R. Line 22 - Waiting for Mail and Other Non-Continuing Office Activities. Transfer the total minutes of actual time spent on Line 22 tasks from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.

No entry. Here, the Worksheet has no Line 22 actual time entries. Skip the next item.

S. Line 23 - Counting Mail and Filling Out Form 1838-C Worksheet. Transfer the total minutes of actual time spent on Line 23 tasks from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet.

Entry. Here, the Worksheet has five different Line 23 entries, showing 2 + 10 + 6 + 1 + 5 = 24 minutes of elapsed time. On the Form 1838 management summary write 24 under column (f), Line 23.

Note - The Day of Inspection. On the day (or days) of inspection, the route examiner counts the mail and fills out the 1838-C carrier Worksheet. So the Line 23 entry would be zero on the inspection day unless the carrier decides to verify management's mail count -- which is the carrier's right. NALC encourages the carrier to verify the examiner's mail count.

T. Line 24 - Totals. Total up column (f), all the way from Line 1 at the top through Line 21. Exclude Lines 22 and 23 from the calculation.

Entry. Here the calculation is: 73 + 35 + 31 + 1 + 2 + 2 + 1 + 9 + 5 + 24 + 10 + 5 + 5 + 14 = 217. Write 217 under column (f), Line 24.

- 4. FINAL TOTALS. Next, we move from the time credit section to the final totalling and figuring area on the Form 1838 management summary, which appears under column (h) down the right-hand side.
- A. Total Office Time. From the clock rings on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet, calculate the total hours and minutes the carrier actually spent in the office.

Time conversion. You should have the handout called "Time Conversion Chart," which you can use to convert the clock ring's 100ths of an hour into minutes. Management often makes mistakes in this area -- either forgetting to convert or figuring the time wrong.

Entry. Here, the carrier clocked in at 6:00 a.m. and clocked out at 9.75, which is 9:45 a.m. The total morning office time is 3 hours and 45 minutes. After delivering her route the carrier clocked in again at 15.26, which is 3:16 p.m., and left at 15.40, which is 3:24 p.m. The total afternoon office time is 8 minutes. The total of 3 hours and 45 minutes, plus 8 minutes, is 3 hours and 53 minutes.

Write 3 hours and 53 minutes under Total Office Time on the Form 1838 management summary, under column (h). B. Deduct Line 22 Time. The box just below Total Office Time is for entering the total Line 22 time recorded under column (f).

No entry. Here, we have no Line 22 time. Go to the next item.

C. Deduct Line 23 Time. The box two down from Total Office Time is for entering the total Line 23 time recorded under column (f).

Entry. Here, the Line 23 entry is 24 minutes. Write 24 in the box for deducting Line 23 time.

D. Net Office Time Used. Add up the total Line 22 and 23 times and subtract the sum from Total Office Time.

Entry. Here the sum of the Line 22 and 23 totals is 24 minutes. Subtract 24 minutes from Total Office Time of 3 hours and 53 minutes. Write the result, 3 hours and 29 minutes, under Net Office Time Used.

Note. In figuring a carrier's actual office time all time performing Line 22 and Line 23 tasks is deducted, because those tasks are not regular parts of the carrier's day-to-day duties.

E. Standard Office Time. Standard Office Time is the total minutes shown in column (f) under Line 24, stated as hours and minutes.

Entry. Here the entry under Line 21, column (f) is 217 minutes. This is equal to 3 hours and 37 minutes. Write 3 hours, 37 minutes in the Standard Office Time box.

- F. Minutes Over or Under Standard. If Net Office Time Used is greater than Standard Office Time, find the difference and enter it the box labeled "Over." If Net Office Time Used is less than Standard Office Time, find the difference and enter it the box labeled "Under."
 - Entry. Here the Net Office Time Used -- 3:29 -- is less than Standard Office Time -- 3:37 -- by 8 minutes. Enter 08 in the "Under" box. The carrier is 8 minutes under standard office time.
- G. Total Street Time. From the clock rings on the 1838-C carrier Worksheet, calculate the total hours and minutes the carrier actually spent on street time, excluding the half-hour lunch period.
 - Entry. The Worksheet's clock rings show the carrier clocked out of the office at 9.75, which is 9:45 a.m., and clocked back in at 15.26, which is 3:16 p.m. The difference is 5 hours and 31 minutes. Subtract the 30 minutes taken for lunch and enter the result, 5 hours and 01 minutes, under Total Street Time.
- H. Waiting Street Time. Transfer any Street-Time Waiting from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet, and calculate the total. The carrier Worksheet has boxes, to the lower left of the Comments box, for recording any street time spent waiting for relays, for transportation or for other reasons. Similar boxes appear on the Form 1838 management summary under column (h) at the top, far right. Add up the total time, if any, from those boxes and record the

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total under Waiting Street Time, just below the Total Street Time box.

No entry. Here, the 1838-C Worksheet does not show any waiting street time. Go to the next item.

I. Net Street Time Used. Subtract Waiting Street Time from Total Street Time to find the Net Street Time Used.

Entry. Here there is no Waiting Street Time, so copy the 5 hours and 1 minute of Total Street Time to the Net Street Time box.

J. Actual Auxiliary Time Used. Total any office and street auxiliary assistance time given to the carrier, from the sideways box at the top of column (h). Enter the result under Actual Auxiliary Time Used, just underneath Net Street Time Used.

Note - specific entries on Form 3996. If there is street assistance during the week of count and inspection, the regular carrier <u>must</u> enter on the Form 3996 the specific blocks of territory to be carried by the relief carrier. This is imperative because the route will be evaluated based on the time the <u>regular carrier</u> used to deliver the territory in question -- taken from the Form 3999. We will discuss this in more detail later.

Note - auxiliary assistance. M-39 Section 221.138 provides, "Only in very unusual circumstances or emergencies when excessive late delivery would result should auxiliary assistance be granted the regular carrier during the week of the count." However, if auxiliary assistance is provided -- either office or street assistance -- management must record it on the Form 1838 management summary.

No entry. In this exercise the carrier received no auxiliary assistance, so there is no entry.

DATE: CARRIER'S COUNT OF MAIL OFFICE:

U S POSTAL SERVICE LETTER CARRIER ROUTES UNIT: MAIN OFFICE NAME MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

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K. Net Total Time Used. Add Net Office Time Used to Net Street Time Used and enter the total under Net Total Time Used.

Entry. Add Net Office Time Used, 3 hours and 29 minutes, to Net Street Time Used, 5 hours and 1 minute. Enter the total, 8 hours and 30 minutes, under Net Total Time Used.

[Instructor: Transparency M is the completed Form 1838.]

QUESTIONS

Are there any questions on the Form 1838?

COMPUTERIZED FORM 1838

The 1838 Management Summary we have used for this exercise is in a printed format and it is filled out by hand. However, where management performs unit-wide route examinations you should expect to receive the Form 1838 management summary in a computerized format.

[Instructor: Transparency P is computerized Form 1838. Your copy is on the opposite page.]

You have a handout that is a computerized Form 1838 management summary. Please look it over. Except for the fact that it is printed by computer, there is no major difference in the computerized form. It shows the same information as the printed Form 1838.

EPM OFFICES

The Form 1838 is filled out somewhat differently in EPM offices. The computerized Form 1838 management summary is filled out for an EPM-office carrier. The differences between this form and the one we filled out together are as follows:

Mail count entries. In column (a) there are entries taken from the Form 1838-C Worksheet for mail cased and counted during the previous afternoon. In column (c), "Today P.M.," there are entries for mail cased and counted after return from the street during the <u>current day</u>. On the Form 1838 management summary, today's "P.M." mail counts from column (c) will be transferred to the <u>next day's</u> form, and will be recorded under column (a).

Line 4 - Strapping-out credit. For the purpose of this day's strapping-out credit, only the mail count totals in the columns (a) and (b) will be entered on Line 4. The carrier will receive strapping-out credit only for the mail actually strapped-out for delivery on the current day.

Column (d) - Pieces Delivered. The total piece counts in column (d) will also come from columns (a) and (b), but not column (c). This because management counts total deliverable pieces for the current day only.

Minutes of office time are entered in two columns in EPM offices -- column (f), "Today A.M." and column (g), "Today P.M." The carrier receives credit for both. Both columns are totaled, and the two totals are added together to determine Standard Office Time, which is entered on the lower right part of the form.

C. FORM 1840-B EIGHT WEEK ANALYSIS

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Another form used by management in the route adjustment process is the Form 1840-B, "Carrier Time Card Analysis." This form records a carrier's office and street time during eight randomly selected weeks, using information taken from time cards. Sometimes the Form 1840-B is called the "eight week random analysis." You should have a copy of the 1840-B. It is four pages long.

[Instructor: Transparencies N1-N4 are the blank Form 1840-B. Your copies are on the next four pages.]

Management uses the Form 1840-B for two purposes. First, it calculates the average street time and average office time used during the eight random weeks, and compares the figures to the numbers it obtains during the week of count and inspection. Second, in adjusting a route to eight hours management may choose to use either the actual street time measured during the week of count of inspection, or the eightweek average street time from the Form 1840-B.

I will review the Form 1840-B briefly.

CARRIER TIMECARD ANALYSIS

INSTRUCTIONS

General

Select timecards or PSDS Carrier Report Printouts for carriers assigned to each route for a seven-week period prior to the count and inspection week as per instructions in Sec. 242.323, Handbook M-39. Do not use weeks during the months of June, July, August, or December. Do not include time of leave replacement carriers. Special Instructions: For carriers serving two trip routes, use a separate Form 1840-B for each trip.

- 1. Group same day of the week together; all Saturdays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc., and show the day of the month in the "Day of Week" column.
- Enter the scheduled begin, return, and end times: the scheduled morning and afternoon office time; the scheduled street time; and the total time above each day of the week.
- From the timecards or PSDS Carrier Report Printouts, enter the actual begin, leave, return, and end times for each day. Only the days the regular carrier served the route are to be recorded on Form 1840-B.
- 4. Compute and record the morning and afternoon office time, street time, and total time used each day.
- From Form 3996, enter the approved overtime and auxiliary assistance used each day, as indicated in Item K of the Form, less any travel time.
- 6. Total the morning and afternoon office time, street time, overtime, and auxiliary assistance for each day.
- 7. The eighth week to be recorded is the week following the week of count and inspection. The regular carrier must serve the route at least one day during this week, or the week is not to be recorded. No future weeks are to be used under any conditions.
- Divide the total for each item by the number of days the assigned carrier worked on each group of Saturdays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc.
- From Form 1840, enter the street time, office time, (AM & PM combined), total, and auxiliary assistance used, on the comparable day of the week during the count period. Circle in black the day of inspection total.

Analysis

Before the count period.

- Compare the actual time used with the scheduled time to determine whether:
 - a. Carrier adhered to schedules.
 - b. There was excessive late leaving and or returning.
 - There was excessive office time used on return from delivery trip.
 - d. A regular pattern on certain week days has formed to indicate an adjustment in schedule is necessary
- 2. Circle in red time entries and totals where irregular practices occurred or schedule was not maintained

After the count period.

- Compare average time used on each day during analysis period with the same day during the count
- 2. Determine whether office time and street time is more or less for comparable days. If the office time or street time during the count period is more than the analysis period, discuss with the carrier to determine the reason
 - a. When the time used during the count and inspection period is substantially greater than the analysis period, the supervisor must compare the man volume for the periods where available.
- 3. When the supervisor concludes that the time used during week of count and inspection does not truly represent the time required to serve the route as substantiated by the comparative analysis, appropriate corrective action must be taken.

Important

In making this comparative analysis, be sure all factors are considered. Where the performance during the count period varied from that during the comparative period, include the comments of the carrier's supervisor in the space provided

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Before we review the form itself, you should know there is a special procedure for choosing the eight random weeks. Briefly, seven months before the count and inspection are selected for analysis, and the union draws lots to select the weeks that will be used within each month. Then an eighth week is added -- the week after the count and inspection. M-39 Section 242.323.

The regular letter carrier must have worked in each of the eight weeks selected -- at least one day during the week.

The regular carrier's timecard information from the eight weeks is transferred to the Form 1840-B. In addition, management must transfer information about <u>auxiliary</u> assistance used on each and every day during these periods.

REVIEW OF THE FORM 1840-B

Your handouts include a blank Form 1840-B. Please take a look at the form. Although we do not need to cover every item, I will review some important things you should know about the form.

1. Cover sheet - instructions. The first page of the form is a cover sheet that sets out instructions for managers. To save some time, I will not go over them here. Please look over the instructions on your own.

- 2. Only regular carrier's time is recorded. Only the regular carrier's time should be recorded on the Form 1840-B. No entries should appear on the days when the route was carried by anybody else. Those days will be left blank, and averages will usually be figured based on five-day weeks or less, rather than full six-day weeks. If a carrier is out for an entire week, that week cannot be used at all. M-39 Section 242.324.
- 3. Pages 2 and 3 Time Card Information. Management records daily time card information on pages 2 and 3 of the Form 1840-B.
 - A. Sections for each day of the week. There are six identical sections on pages 2 and 3 -- each for a different day of the week. Take a look at the top of page 2. The top section records data from the Saturday in each of the 8 randomly-selected weeks. There are eight rows for Saturdays. The other five sections are the same, for Monday through Friday.
 - B. Clock rings columns. Clock ring data is entered according to the columns across the top. The "Begin" and "Leave" time are used to calculate "A.M. Office Time." Then "Leave" time to "Return" time is used to calculate "Street Time." "Return Time" and "End Time" are used to figure "P.M. Office Time." The "Total" is entered, and then any "Overtime Used" and "Auxiliary Assistance." In addition, total delivery volume is recorded.

C. Totals and Averages. Each day-of-the-week section has boxes for totals and averages at the bottom.

Common Error - Auxiliary Assistance Left Out. The most common error that management makes on the Form 1840-B is to figure the "Total" column wrong, by failing to include auxiliary assistance. Management's instructions on page 1, item 6 cover this point, but it is often missed because management gets most of the information in the Form 1840-B from carrier timecards. Auxiliary assistance, however, does not appear along with timecard information; instead, management must get information about auxiliary assistance from the Form 3996. You should check to see if management has left out auxiliary assistance time whenever you review a Form 1840-B.

- D. Comparable Day (From 1840). Management takes office and street time information from the Form 1840, Summary of Count and Inspection, and transfers it to the "Comparable Day" section below the averages. Management can then compare each day of the count and inspection week to the comparable day averages in the eight-week analysis.
- 4. Page 4 Summary data. The data from pages 2 and 3 are summarized in the upper right-hand corner of page 4. The average street times for Saturdays through Fridays are transferred and averaged together to find the final figure on this form -- the <u>Average Daily Street Time</u>.

Management transfers the Average Daily Street Time figure from here to the Form 1840, "Summary of Count and Inspection." The eight-week average figure is compared to the average Net Street Time Used during the week of count and inspection.

QUESTIONS

Are there any questions about the Form 1840-B?

D. FORM 3999 - STREET INSPECTION

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

On the day of inspection the letter carrier works the route as usual -- with one exception: He or she is followed around the entire day, in the office and on the street, by a route examiner. The route examiner counts the mail in the morning and fills out a Form 1838-C Worksheet while observing the carrier in the office.

The examiner also follows the carrier out on the route, clipboard and pen in hand, and observes every detail as the carrier delivers the route. The examiner uses a special form, the Form 3999, to record information about the street phase of the carrier's day. The Form 3999 is entitled, "Inspection of Letter Carrier Route."

I will cover the main features of the Form 3999, without going over every separate item in detail.

REVIEW OF THE FORM 3999 - FRONT SIDE

[Instructor: Transparency H1 is the blank front side of the Form 3999. Your copies of the Form 3999, front and back, are on the next two pages.]

You should have a sample copy of it the Form 3999. It is two pages long. Please take a look at the front side of the Form, which has not been filled out. I will cover the sections on the front side briefly.

- 1. Identifying information about the Post Office, the route and so forth is entered in the top three rows of boxes.
- 2. Times and miles are entered in the next major section below the identifying information. Read down the left-hand column labelled "Description." Management begins filling in the "Time" column near the bottom of this section, under "Report Garage," and fills in the rest of the times of day going up from there. Certain of the times recorded there should match the carrier's clock rings -- Report Office and Leave Office near the bottom of this section, Arrive Office and End Office near the top. The next column, "Elapsed Time," should show the time elapsed between each two time entries. Two additional columns record odometer readings and milage when the carrier has a mounted route.

Usually not important. In most cases this section has little or no effect upon a letter carrier's route adjustment.



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3. YES and NO comments. Below the time and mileage section are 25 questions that the route examiner answers by checking a "Yes" or "No" box. This checklist helps the route examiner remember to observe various items of the carrier's street performance. The route examiner uses the check marks to identify certain problems and then recommend changes to supervisors.

No discipline from Form 3999 comments. The "Yes" and "no" check marks on the Form 3999 are part of the route inspection and adjustment process -- they are <u>not</u> to be used as the sole basis for discipline. If management ever does base discipline solely on the Form 3999, a grievance should be filed immediately.

No deductions without specific documentation.

Management cannot use the check marks as a basis to make deductions from a carrier's street time. They are not specific enough to justify any deduction. We will discuss deductions in more detail later.

REVIEW OF THE FORM 3999 - REVERSE SIDE

[Instructor: Transparency S is the reverse side of the Form 3999.]

On the reverse side of the Form 3999 the route examiner makes notes on every stop, every vehicle movement and every block delivered on the route. The examiner makes entries for times, number of delivery stops possible and number of delivery stops actually made.

Please look at the second page of your Form 3999. This partially filled-out sample form is for illustration purposes only. As you will note in the time column, only part of the letter carrier's street time is recorded on this single page. Usually, to finish the inspection the examiner must fill out more than one page like this. Totals would be shown on the final page.

- 1. Types of information recorded. The reverse of the Form 3999 records three main types of information:
 - A. Description of activity. The first three columns on the left are for recording the letter carrier's activities on the street. Delivery methods, loading time, travel to the route, and then blocks delivered and travel pattern are all recorded in these columns.

Miscellaneous activities. The carrier's miscellaneous activities are also recorded -- comfort stops, ten-minute breaks, lunch periods.

- **B.** Times. For each activity the manager enters the beginning time under "Time Enter Block," and the elapsed minutes under "Actual Time Used."
- C. Deliveries possible and deliveries made. The rest of the columns are for recording the total number of delivery stops possible on each block -- whether or not any mail was delivered -- and the number of delivery stops actually made on that block.

Totals for the deliveries possible and deliveries made appear along the bottom of the form.

- 2. Uses for information. Generally, management uses the information from the back of the Form 3999 for two purposes in the route adjustment process:
 - A. Adjustments to Street Time. The examiner looks for any unnecessary time spent on the street. If management believes the carrier's performance on the street is not fully efficient in some way, it must document any wasted time or inefficient practice on the Form 3999. The Form 3999 documentation can be used to justify any proposed deductions from the carrier's actual street time. The examiner also may observe inefficiencies in the layout of the route, or other problems that have nothing to do with the carrier's performance. The Form 3999 information may be used to justify changes in the route.

B. Transfer of Territory. Management uses information on block-by-block time and possible deliveries when it transfers territory from one route to another. For each block that management may wish to transfer, it knows from the Form 3999 how much time it took the regular carrier to deliver the block and how many delivery stops the block contains.

Office time also transferred. Management may use the total possible deliveries on a route, along with certain other information, to figure out how much office time must be transferred along with transferred street time. We will address this in more detail later.

QUESTIONS

Are there any questions about the Form 3999?

E. FORM 1840, SUMMARY OF COUNT OF INSPECTION

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Management summarizes all of the information collected during the week of count of inspection on another form -- the Form 1840, "Summary of Count and Inspection." This is still another step in the examination and adjustment process -- transferring to one form, the 1840, all key information from the five or six Form 1838 management summaries, and from the Form 3999 filled out on the day of inspection.

Understanding the Form 1840 is important because management uses this final form to justify an adjustment to a route. Management also shows the 1840 to the letter carrier during the consultation.

Although the Form 1840 is important to understand, there is no need for us to fill it out during this session step-by-step. Instead, we will go over the main features of the Form -- how the different parts of it are filled out, how the calculations are made and how management uses the final figures to adjust a route. This is what you need to know to monitor the results of a route examination.

Please note that the M-39 Handbook contains detailed instructions on how to fill out and use the Form 1840, in Section 241.

REVIEW OF THE FORM 1840 - FRONT SIDE

[Instructor: Transparency o1 is a completed Form 1840, first page. Your copies of the front and back of the form are on the next two pages.]

Your handouts include a filled-out sample Form 1840. Please look at the first page of the form. We will go over the important parts of the form section-by section.

- 1. Identifying information. The rows of boxes at the top of the form are for identifying information.
- 2. Date and days. Below the identifying information at the far left there are boxes for the dates of the count and inspection period, and the days of the week are filled in under the "Day" column. Here, the period began on a Saturday and ran for six days.

Special notations appear in the days of the week section. There is an "R" next to Wednesday, Thursday is circled and there is a "T" next to Saturday.

R = Relief. The capital "R" written next to Wednesday stands for relief. On Wednesday the relief carrier carried the route.

Circle = Day of Inspection. Thursday is circled because that was the day of inspection. Sometimes management will write an "I" next to the day instead of circling it.

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T = Carrier Technician. The capital "T" next to Saturday means the T-6 carried the route on that day.

(U = Regular Utility Carrier. Although this is not shown on your sample 1840, a capital "U" written next to a day of the week means a regular utility carrier worked the route that day.)

Reference: M-39 Section 241.32.

- 3. Working Times Section Columns A through G. Columns A through G are for entering the various times used in the route examination -- actual office time, standard office time, actual street time and so forth.
- A. Office Time Section Columns A through D. The first four columns to the right of the day of the week -- Columns A, B, C and D -- are for recording office time. All of these figures are transferred from the Form 1838 management summaries.

Bracketed numbers. If you look at the numbers entered under columns A through E, you will notice that some of the entries are <u>bracketed</u>. The brackets are around all of the entries made on days that the <u>regular carrier did not carry the route</u>. Here, the entries have been bracketed on Wednesday, when the relief carrier was on the route, and Saturday, when the route was carried by a T-6 technician.

As we will discuss in a few minutes, the bracketed entries are excluded when figuring averages.

Column A - Net Time Used. These figures come directly from Net Office Time Used box on the lower right of the Form 1838 management summary. You will remember that Net Office Time Used is Total Office Time figured from the clock rings, minus any time used on Line 22 and Line 23 activities.

Column B - Standard Office Time. These figures are also lifted out of the Form 1838 management summaries - from the Standard Office Time box.

Columns C and D - Time Over or Under Standard. The numbers in Columns C and D are also taken from the Form 1838 management summary forms. If the carrier's Net Office Time Used was greater than Standard Office Time, management writes the time "over standard" in Column C. If the Net Office Time Used was less than Standard Office Time, management writes the time "under standard" in Column D.

- B. Column E Net Street Time Used. The figures for Net Street Time Used also come from the Form 1838 management summaries. There is additional time included for auxiliary assistance given on the street, where this occurs. Auxiliary assistance is an important issue here. I will return to it shortly.
- C. Column F Net Total Time Used. Column F, Net Total Time Used, is the total of two other numbers -- Net Office Time Used (Column A) plus Net Street Time Used (Column E).

D. Column G - Actual Auxiliary Time Used. Column G figures for Actual Auxiliary Time Used are transferred from the Form 1838 management summaries. The numbers represent total auxiliary assistance -- street plus office -- used by the carrier who provided the assistance. Any street time recorded here should be marked "S.T.," and any office time should be marked "O.T." M-39 Section 241.235(f).

EXTRA INFORMATION

AUXILIARY STREET ASSISTANCE - SPECIAL PROCEDURES.

Management probably will not give auxiliary assistance on the street during the week of count and inspection. However, if there is auxiliary assistance there are some special procedures both the carrier and management must follow to account for the assistance properly.

Regular carrier's time used to adjust route. The route is adjusted to the time of the regular carrier assigned to the route. So management does <u>not</u> use the assisting carrier's time to adjust the regular carrier's route. Instead, management uses the <u>regular carrier's time for delivering the same territory</u>. M-39 Section 241.35(d).

Management obtains that information from two places:

Form 3996. The first is the Form 3996, which must specify the territory delivered by the carrier giving street assistance. So it is essential during the count and inspection period that all carriers specify on the Form 3996 any territory given away to street assistance.

Form 3999. Once management determines from the Form 3996 what territory is delivered by auxiliary assistance, it then refers to the Form 3999 filled out on the day of inspection. The 3999 shows every block on the route and how much time the regular carrier used to deliver each block on the day of inspection.

Add to Column E, Net Street Time Used. On any day during the count and inspection period that street assistance is provided, this time -- the time used by the regular carrier on the day of inspection to deliver the same territory -- is added to Net Street Time Used, Column E.

So if street assistance is provided to the regular carrier, the entry under Column E of the 1840 is not just a straight transfer from the Form 1838 management summary. It is that number from the 1838 plus the time from the Form 3999 that the regular carrier used to deliver the territory on the day of inspection.

Advice to letter carriers: Specify territory on 3996. It is important to advise all letter carriers who may receive street assistance during the count and inspection period, that they must specify the territory for which assistance is given on the Form 3996.

E. Totals and Averages. At the bottom of columns A through G there are rows for entering totals and averages. It is important to know how these numbers are calculated.

Separate Columns A through E. At this time it will be helpful if you take your pen or pencil and draw a border or wavy line on your Form 1840, vertically between Column E and Column F. Draw the line as if you're building a wall between Column E and Column F. There's a reason I ask you to do this: The totals and averages in Columns A through E are figured one way; the totals and averages in Columns F and G are figured a different way.

In Columns A through E, bracketed figures are left out of the calculations. When figuring totals and averages in Columns A through E, management uses only the figures from the days when the <u>regular carrier carried</u> the route. The figures for any other days -- when a relief, utility or T-6 carrier carried the route -- are left out.

In your sample Form 1840, the totals and averages under Columns A through E are figured for <u>four days only -- Monday</u>, <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>Thursday and Friday</u>. Wednesday and Saturday are left out.

So for example, to find the Column A average you first add up the Net Street Time used under Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and write the total in the box at the bottom. The same goes for Columns B, C, D and E.

To figure the average you then divide the total by four (4) days rather than six (6).

In Columns F and G, use all of the figures. All of the figures are used to calculate totals and averages in Columns F and G. On your sample Form, the totals are for all six days, and the totals are divided by six (6) to obtain the averages.

Round up. As you divide to obtain the averages, sometimes you will get a fraction. Always round up to the next full minute when you get a fraction.

Special Handling of Line 16 Time. You will remember from the 1838-C Worksheet and Form 1838 exercises we did earlier, that the letter carrier made an actual time entry on Monday under Line 16 for time spent collating pre-sequenced mail. The line 16 time was transferred from the 1838-C carrier Worksheet to the Form 1838 management summary. It was included in Net Office Time Used on the 1838 summary, which is then transferred to the Form 1840, Column A.

However, in the route adjustment the carrier will receive credit for the Line 16 time only if the Line 16 work was performed on 3 or more days during the count and inspection period. M-39 Section 222.214(b)(3)(c). If it was not performed on 3 or more days, then the Line 16 time would be deducted after the Column A total and average are figured. This would be done in the Comments section of the Form 1840, as follows:

Determine total Line 16 time. First, management would add up all the Line 16 time recorded. In this exercise the <u>24 minutes</u> of Line 16 time recorded on the Form 1838 management summary for Monday is the only Line 16 time.

Divide total by number of regular carrier days.

Next, find the number of days used in calculating the averages in Column A -- that is, the number of days the regular carrier carried the route -- and divide the total Line 16 time by that number. Round up the result to the next higher number of minutes. Here, we divide 24 minutes by 4 days. The result is 6 minutes even.

Deduct the result from the Average Net Office Time Used. In the comments section, management must note the 6 minute deduction from Net Office Time Used and the reason for it. That is what appears on our sample Form 1840.

Columns C and D - Special Procedure. Columns C and D, Over Standard and Under Standard, may require a different method for figuring totals and averages. If the regular carrier was over standard all of the time, or under standard all of the time, there is no complication -- the average figured the same as in Columns A, B and E. That is the case here, where the regular carrier was under standard all week.

However, there is a special procedure for figuring the average in Columns C and D when there are entries in both columns -- the carrier was over standard on some days and under standard on other days:

Total each column. First, add up the total numbers in each column, excluding the bracketed figures where the regular carrier did not carry the route.

Subtract smaller total from larger. Next take whichever total is larger, and subtract the smaller total from it.

Divide by number of days. Next, divide the remainder, by the number of regular carrier days, and round up.

Enter average in "Over" or "Under." If, for instance, there was more "under standard" time than "over standard time," then the average is the average time <u>under</u> standard. So the average is entered in the box under Column D. The average box for Column C is left blank.

- F. 1840-B Average Street Time. At the bottom of Column F there is a special box labelled "1840-B Average Street Time." This is for entering the final average street time figure from the last page of the Form 1840-B, the 8-week random analysis of street time. The box is there because management compares this average street time from the 8-week random analysis, to the average net street time used during the week of inspection, recorded just above in Column E.
- 4. Number of Pieces Delivered Columns 1 through 7. The Form 1840 also has a mail count section. The total piece counts on the upper right side of the Form 1840 are taken from the corresponding totals in column (d), Lines 1,2,3,5,6 and 7 of the Form 1838 management summaries.

Totals and averages. There are no special rules for the totals and averages calculated under Number of Pieces Delivered.

Not used in adjustment. Generally, the mail count section of the Form 1840 is not used in the route adjustment process. However, the mail volumes can be referenced when questions arise about the amount of time used on a particular day.

5. Column H - Total and Possible Deliveries, Day of Inspection. In Column H, at the bottom right-hand side of the Form 1840, management transfers the figures from the Form 3999 filled out on the day of inspection. Totals

for "Deliveries Possible" and "Deliveries Made" are transferred, as well as "New Construction" possible deliveries.

Percent made. Next, management figures the percentage of possible delivery stops that were actually made on the day of inspection. The formula for figuring the percentage is:

- a) Subtract Deliveries Made from Deliveries Possible;
- b) Divide the result by Deliveries Possible; and
- c) Multiply the result times 100 to get the percent made.

Not used in adjustment. Generally, the possible deliveries section of the Form 1840 is not used in the route adjustment process. However, like mail volumes, the percent of possible deliveries made on a particular day can be used to explain and justify the time the carrier spent on the street.

For example, say a letter carrier usually delivers mail to between 60 and 80 percent of possible delivery stops. Then on a particular day the carrier has a pre-sequenced mailing that goes to 98 percent of possible delivery stops. That could explain an increase in street time.

DISCUSSION: FRONT OF SAMPLE FORM 1840

Let's talk a bit about the results of the analysis on the front of our sample 1840. I'd like you to tell me whether management has analyzed this route properly.

1. OFFICE TIME

First, please look at office time. Was management right to choose 3 hours and 30 minutes as the office time allowance? And what about the adjustments to office time -- are they proper?

SUGGESTED ANSWERS (Offer only if the group does not.)

- A. 3:30 office time allowance is correct. Management is correct to choose 3 hours and 30 minutes as the office time allowance to use in this adjustment. The office time allowance is actual time if the carrier is under standard, and standard time if the carrier is over standard. Here the carrier's average actual office time was 3:30, 6 minutes under standard. So management may use 3:30 as the office time allowance. M-39 Section 242.31.
- B. Assumed time savings -- sector/segment and vertical flat casing. Management is not permitted to make any time deduction based on sector/segment sorting of the mail, on vertical flat casing, or based

on any other technological innovation that may or may not result in actual time savings. There is nothing in the contract or the manuals that permits this, and management has specifically agreed with NALC that savings from vertical flat casing shall be based solely upon the **individual letter carrier's discretionary effort.**

In other words, if automation and vertical flats happen to save some time, and letter carriers are able to work more efficiently as a result, then management may measure the time savings -- after it occurs -- in a route inspection and it may adjust routes accordingly. (See M-39 Section 242.344.) However, no arbitrary savings may be imposed on letter carriers. Letter carriers may not be asked, or ordered, to work faster as a result of any technological change. And management certainly cannot make a projection about future savings and then try to impose the savings before they are realized.

The installation of vertical flat cases has <u>not</u> changed the office time standards. "18 & 8" remains the standard for casing letters and the other standards in the M-39 remain in place.

A grievance should be filed to challenge this sort of error.

2. STREET TIME

Now take a look at the street time chosen by management -- 4 hours and 40 minutes. A comment on the 1840 states that management selected this figure from the 1840-B average street time. Is this right?

SUGGESTED ANSWER (Offer only if group does not.)

A. No explanation for choice of 1840-B base street time. Management has a choice of two "base street times" when it performs an adjustment. One is the average street time used during the week of count and inspection from Column E of the Form 1840. The other is average street time from the Form 1840-B, which is transferred to the bottom of Column E on the 1840. M-39 Section 242.321.

In this example management chose the street time of 4:40 from the Form 1840-B, rather than the 5:00 hour average from the Form 1840. However, management did not explain this choice in a comment on the back of the Form 1840. M-39 Section 242.322 requires management to explain the choice in the comments on the back, and provides that management's choice of base street time "cannot be based on the sole criterion that the particular time selected was the lower." In this case, management has selected the lower time without an explanation.

A grievance should be filed to challenge this sort of error.

Notes on street time: Management might argue that the 1840-B average street time of 4:40 is close to the regular carrier's time on Tuesday, when mail volume was high but the carrier's street time was 4:42. (See Column E.) Management could further argue that the discrepancy in street times between Tuesday and Thursday -- the day of inspection and also the day of highest volume -- is evidence that the carrier was regulating her performance.

NALC could counter that on Thursday the high volume caused street time to be 5:20, much higher than 4:40. NALC also could point out that percent of coverage was 98% on the day of inspection, and that fewer delivery stops may have been made on Tuesday.

Management also might argue that on Wednesday the relief carrier's street time was only 4:35, as compared to Monday, a similar volume day, when the regular carrier spent 5:01 on the street. However, NALC could counter that management always pressures relief carriers to run their routes. In addition, the relief carrier's office time on Wednesday was over standard by 23 minutes.

REVIEW OF THE FORM 1840 - REVERSE SIDE

Once management has determined the length of the route on the front of the Form 1840, it must document any necessary adjustments on the reverse side. I will use the second page of our sample 1840 to explain how management adds territory to a route that it finds to be shorter than 8 hours.

[Instructor: Transparency o2 is the completed reverse side of Form 1840.]

Look at the Form 1840, reverse side. Let's go through each important part of this document:

- 1. Times from front of 1840. At the upper left-hand corner management begins by copying the office time and street time it selected for adjustment purposes, from the front of the Form 1840. Here, it selected office time of 2:45 and street time of 4:40, for a total of 7:25. So management writes in a 35 minute addition for the adjustment needed. If the route had been evaluated at longer than 8 hours, obviously the carrier should be provided relief instead.
- 2. Record of Office and Street Adjustments Made.

 Starting with the column "Relief (R), Addition (A)" column, the rest of the top of the form is for recording adjustments made to the route. This section is called "Record of Office and Street Adjustments Made."

 Instructions for completing this section appear in the M-39, Section 243.3. Let's go over each column in our sample form.
- A. Street territory transferred. Several columns are used to document the exact territory to be transferred from another route to this one.

In the wide column management records the **street names and blocks**. Here, management is proposing to add the 600, 700 and 800 blocks of Main street and the 400, 500 and 600 blocks of Flower Street.

The address numbers appear in the next two columns to the right. A separate column identifies the "ZIP + 4 Sector/Segment." In the 9-digit ZIP code, the 6th and 7th numbers identify the sector and the 8th and 9th numbers identify the segment.

The next column to the right identifies the **number of the** route from which the territory is being transferred.

B. Deliveries and times transferred. The next three columns identify the number of possible deliveries, office time and street time to be transferred. Each of these numbers must be explained.

Deliveries transferred. You will recall from our review of the Form 3999 that the route examiner who follows the carrier on the street records each block and the possible and actual delivery stops made. Here, the other carrier's Form 3999 -- the carrier on Route No. 17 -- is the source of the number of possible deliveries. This number represents the possible deliveries on those blocks, rather than the number of deliveries actually made on the day the other carrier's route was inspected.

Street time transferred. The street time transferred is also taken from the other carrier's Form 3999. The examiner should add up the specific "Elapsed Time" entries for the territory to be transferred, and write the result in the street time column on the back of the 1840.

Note - Adjustments to transferred street time. Management also may make certain reasonable adjustments to this time, based on the abilities of the two carriers and certain questions of route layout. See M-39 Section 243.317.

Office time transferred. Whenever street time is transferred from one route to another, the associated office time must go with it. There is no way to know exactly how much office time goes with a specific piece

of transferred territory. So management estimates this from available information.

The M-39 sets forth two ways for estimating the office time transferred (Section 243.316):

1) Average Office Time Divided by Possible Deliveries (AOT/D). One method is to obtain two figures from the other carrier's current Form 1840. The first figure is the average office time during the week of the other carrier's route examination. This comes from the average in Column A, Net Office Time Used. The second figure -- possible deliveries on the other carrier's entire route -- comes from Column H on the bottom right of the other carrier's Form 1840.

[Instructor: You may wish to perform the following calculations on the overhead projector for maximum benefit.]

To make the calculation needed, convert the average office time to minutes, and then divide that number by the number of deliveries. In our example, assume that the Route 17 carrier's average office time is 3:00 hours; that is equal to 180 minutes. If the possible deliveries figure is 400, the calculation is:

$$\frac{\text{Average Office Time}}{\text{Deliveries}} = \frac{180}{400} = 0.45$$

In other words, the other carrier performed a just under a half-minute of office time for each possible delivery stop on his or her route. The 0.45 figure is used in our

sample Form 1840. In the upper right-hand corner of the Comments section, you will see the notation: "Route 17 AOT/D = 0.45."

Next, we multiply the resulting fraction by the number of deliveries transferred, and round up to the next higher minute. In our example the first block of transferred territory included 85 deliveries on Main Street. The calculation is:

AOT/D X No. of Delivs. = Office Time 0.45 X 85 = 39 minutes

So in this example, the office time to be transferred along with 52 minutes of street time for Main Street time is 39 minutes. That amount is entered in the Office Time box. Next, the same calculation is performed for the 55 deliveries transferred from Flower Street.

AOT/D X No. of Delivs. = Office Time 0.45 X 55 = 25 minutes

2) Average Office Time Divided by Average Total Time (AOT/ATT). The other method for calculating office time to be transferred with street time is the other carrier's average office time during the week of count and inspection, divided by the average total time during that period. The total time figure comes from the front of the Form 1840 -- the average in Column F.

For example, assume the other carrier's average office time was 180 minutes and average total time was 400 minutes. The AOT/ATT calculation is:

Average Office Time $\frac{180}{400} = 0.45$

In this hypothetical example the AOT/ATT figure of 0.45 is identical to the AOT/D figure. So the amount of transferred office time would be the same using either method. Usually the two figures are different, and management generally chooses the smaller one.

Regardless of which formula is used, keep in mind that these are <u>only estimates</u>. Only <u>after</u> the territory is transferred and the carrier is casing and delivering the new territory can we know how close the estimate was to reality.

3) "Arbitrary, fair" application of time. In addition to these two mathematical estimating methods, the M-39 permits management to make an "arbitrary, fair application of time" where the transferred territory consists of "large apartments, stores, residences, shops or any combination of them." See M-39 Section 243.316(b)(2).

3. Final Adjustments - "2 & 6." On our sample Form 1840, management has implemented what is known as "route stabilization" or "2 & 6," by arbitrarily adjusting the carrier's route to 2 hours of office time and 6 hours of street time, by adding router help to keep the office time down.

The adjustment was made in two steps:

- A. Addition of territory. First, although management initially determined that this carrier needed an additional 35 minutes of work time, management added far more than that. Management added 80 minutes of street time and 37 minutes of associated office time. That brought total street time to 6 hours exactly and office time to 3 hours and 49 minutes. The new total time is 9:49 -- far too much time.
- **B.** Provision of router assistance. Second, to bring the total time down management added one hour and 49 minutes of router assistance, bringing office time down to 2 hours even.

COMPUTERIZED FORM 1840

The sample Form 1840 we have used for this exercise is in printed format and it is filled out by hand. However, in most cases you should expect to receive the Form 1840 in a computerized format.

[Instructor: Transparency Q is a computerized Form 1840. Your copy is on the next page.]

Computerized front page. You have a handout that is a computerized version of the front of the Form 1840. It shows the same information as the printed form.

[Instructor: Transparency R is a computerized analysis page of Form 1840. Your copy is two pages ahead.]

Analysis page. You have another handout that is a retyped version of a computerized "Form 1840 Analysis." Postal Service computers also generate this page of analysis, which contains some additional information about the route.

We do not need to cover this form in detail. However, please note the two numbers used for calculating transferred office time appear on the right side of the page -- Average Office Time/Deliveries (AOT/D), and Average Office Time/Average Total Time (AOT/ATT). In the sample 1840 we reviewed, postal management used the AOT/D of the other carrier to figure the added office time. To check that figure you should obtain the 1840 analysis page of the other carrier.

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F. MONITORING AND CHALLENGING THE RESULTS

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

As an NALC union representative, you will shoulder a great deal of responsibility for ensuring that letter carriers receive a fair and accurate route examination and adjustment.

When you are notified that route examinations will occur, you should be prepared to conduct training for the affected carriers in advance. Chapter 1 of this program is designed with that purpose in mind. It is yours to use.

You will also have an important role to play both during and after the count and inspection period. During the examinations you should make efforts to provide advice and assistance to carriers who may have questions about the process.

Perhaps most important, NALC representatives should be available to review -- and if necessary, to challenge -- the results of the route examinations.

THE CONSULTATION

Prior to the consultations, you should make every effort to review each letter carrier's Forms 1838 and Form 1840, plus any attachments. If this is not possible due to time

constraints, you should review the forms and discuss the consultations with the carriers as soon as possible afterwards. Keep in mind the normal time limit of 14 days for filing a grievance.

Please note that the advice to letter carriers in Chapter 1 of this program (see "F. After the Count and Inspection") is general in nature. In particular, that section advises letter carriers to demand documentation of any time disallowances or deductions in writing on the Forms 1838 or Form 1840. However, the M-39 regulations contain more specific rules for challenging different types of proposed time deductions. I will review those items briefly. The rules are as follows:

STREET TIME

No deductions allowed - fingering mail, short cuts. Management is not allowed to make any deductions from street time if it observes during the inspection that the carrier failed to properly finger the mail or failed to take proper short cuts. Instead, management may instruct the carrier about these items and then reinspect the route afterwards. The reinspection should be conducted prior to the implementation of adjustments in the delivery unit. M-39 Section 242.344.

Carrier may demand documentation in writing. In certain circumstances where management proposes deductions from street time, the letter carrier can demand documentation for the deduction in writing, and if management does not provide it, it cannot make the deduction. Carriers have this right in three cases:

- 1) Where management proposes to deduct time for alleged improper practices of the carrier on the street;
- 2) Where management proposes to deduct time for operational changes such as eliminating relay or park points, or travel pattern changes; and
- 3) Where management claims that certain days must be eliminated from its analysis of street time because of abnormal conditions. This could happen if management proposes to adjust the route using average street time from the Form 1840-B eightweek random analysis, but it proposes to eliminate certain days or weeks from that analysis because of abnormal conditions. It could also happen where management proposes to adjust the route using average street time during the week of count and inspection, but it attempts to eliminate a certain day or days because of alleged abnormal conditions.

Where a carrier has demanded documentation of a street time deduction in writing on the Form 1840 or attachments, management must <u>provide</u> the requested documentation <u>within one week</u> from the consultation. If it does not, it cannot make the time deduction.

See M-39 Sections 242.344, .345, .346.

OFFICE TIME

Office time deductions. If management proposes to make any deductions from office time, the deductions must be documented. (See the advice above in Chapter 1, "F. After the Count and Inspection.")

Current Form 1838. The current Form 1838 management summary is dated October, 1989. This is the <u>only</u> version of the Form 1838 that management should be using. Reference: USPS Publication 223, September, 1990, p. 80.

Representative time. Prior to a Memorandum of Understanding that was incorporated into the 1978 National Agreement, management had the right to use what it called "representative time" for certain actual time line numbers -- Lines 14, 15, 16, 17, 19 and 21. "Representative time" was management's own estimate of the proper time to be used for these functions -- rather than the actual time used by the carrier.

After the Memorandum of Understanding, the Form 1838 was changed to <u>delete</u> the "representative time" boxes at the bottom of the form for all but Lines 10 and 17. Previously, there were boxes for Lines 14, 15, 16, 17, 19 and 21.

Now, management may <u>not</u> make any estimates of "representative time" for Lines 14, 15, 19 or 21 on the Form 1838. Any disallowances for Lines 14,

15, 19 or 21 must be specifically documented in the "comments" section. Vague comments such as "excessive time," and so forth, are not sufficient. M-39 Section 222.214(b)(2) & (3).

ALL TIME DEDUCTIONS

Carrier may have disagreements, recommendations written on Form 1840. A carrier's disagreements or recommendations regarding the proposed evaluation and reasons for them must be entered on the Form 1840. M-39 Section 243.11.

Carriers should request final adjustment papers. You should advise carriers to request the final, complete Form 1840 during the consultation. M-39 Section 243.11. Before it was computerized, this information appeared on the back of the Form 1840. Now it may be in a different format.

After the consultation. No later than one week after the consultation management must give the letter carrier any documentation that he or she demanded regarding the street time deductions noted earlier, plus the final Form 1840 documenting management's decision on the evaluation and adjustment. M-39 Sections 242.345, 242.346, 243.11.

GRIEVANCES

You may have to file and process grievances that arise in the route examination and adjustment process. Let's cover some basic points about route examination grievances.

- 1. **Documentation.** First, it is extremely important to include all relevant documentation in the grievance file. When you file a route examination grievance, make sure to include copies of at least the following items:
 - a. Form 1838-C Worksheet for each day.
 - **b.** Form 1838 management summary for each day -- which may be in computerized format.
 - c. Form 1840, including both sides of the Form, plus the analysis sheet. These forms probably will be in computerized format.
 - d. Form 1840-B (eight week random analysis), including copies of Form 3996 where there is a dispute concerning auxiliary assistance.
 - e. Form 3999, including the Forms 3999 from the other routes if the grievance concerns a transfer of
 - f. Route examiner's comments.
 - g. All required grievance forms -- Standard Grievance Form, management's Step 2 answer, etc.

2. Some Possible Grievances. Many different kinds of grievances may arise in this process. Here are some of the more common ones:

Before the Inspection

Failure of management to give advance notice to the union concerning the inspection. (Reference: M-39 Section 211.2)

Failure to give proper advance notice to the carriers. (Reference: M-39 Section 215.1)

Failure to conduct a proper dry run. (Reference: M-39, Section 217)

In the Office

Failure to allow the carrier to verify mail counts. (Reference: M-39, Section 221.131)

Inaccurate recording of mail counts, or incorrect classification of mail as "letter," or "other size" or "parcel."

Failure by management to enforce the office break.

Curtailing mail during the week of count and inspection. (Reference: M-39, Sections 221.134 through .138)

Conduct of the Route Examiner

Failure to inform the carrier to operate in a normal fashion and to advise and impress the carrier of their intention to make a fair and equitable evaluation. (Reference: M-39, Section 231.5)

Providing auxiliary assistance during the week of count and inspection. (Reference: M-39, Section 221.138)

Attempting to set the pace for the carrier.

Suggesting or forbidding any rest or comfort stops.

Discussing the route evaluation with the carrier on the day of inspection.

Failure to make clear and detailed comments and suggestions or to note comments and suggestions made by the carrier. (Reference: M-39, Section 232)

Improperly issuing instructions to the carrier on the day of inspection. (Reference: M-39, Section 242.344)

Any improper conduct by the examiner regarding breaks and lunch periods. (Reference: M-39 Sections 232.1b, 242.341, and 171.36)

The Consultation

Failure to provide Forms 1838 and 1840 in a timely manner before the consultation. (Reference: M-39, Section 241.4)

Failure to give adequate consideration to the comments and suggestions of the carrier and failure to record same.

Requiring the carrier to sign a statement. (Reference: M-39 Section 243.11)

Evaluation and Adjustment

Failure to provide adequate, specific documentation of all time deductions.

Any attempt to make time deductions based on projected savings from operational or technological changes such as vertical flat casing, segmentation or sector/segment presorting.

G. CONCLUSION

We have completed the advanced portion of the <u>Best</u> <u>Efforts</u> program. You should now have the tools you need to assist letter carriers in the route examination and adjustment process.

As local union representatives, you shoulder the greatest responsibility for ensuring that letter carriers receive fair and accurate route evaluations and adjustments. You must train the carriers, review the forms before and after the consultation, and challenge any management violations. The letter carriers we represent must depend on your own best efforts to accomplish these tasks.

NALC stands ready to provide additional advice and support when you need it. Questions may arise as you teach Chapter 1 of this program to letter carriers and as you review the results of route examinations. To resolve those questions, look first in the M-39 and M-41 handbooks. If you do not find the answers there, ask other branch officers or contact your National Business Agent's office.

Thank you.

BEST EFFORTS

NALC ROUTE EXAMINATION AND ADJUSTMENT TRAINING

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS, AFL-CIO

HANDOUTS

CHAPTER 2 ROUTE EXAMINATION AND ADJUSTMENT FOR NALC REPRESENTATIVES

		CARRIER'S	COUNT O		Postal Se		JTES (Mam	t. Summa	rv)					
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TIME ALLOWANCES FOR CARRIER OFFICE WORK

Office time allowance shall be determined as follows:

Form 1838 Line No.	Work Function	Pieces Per Minute 1-Trip 2-Trip
1 2	Routing Letter-size mail	
4	Strapping mail in bundles or placing in trays, preparing relays and placing mail in satchels; for each 70 pieces regardless of character (minimum allowance 3 minutes). Strapping mail bundles for markup at central unit. Lines 1-2-3 combined mail volume (strapping out pieces and markup pieces) is used in determining time allowance at 70 pieces per minute	in
8	For each 10 pieces of all classes of mail separated for forwarding or return.	
9	Second-class marked up (for 2 pieces handled for forwarding or return)	
10	For each Form 3579, Undeliverable 2nd, 3rd, 4th or Controlled Circulation Matter	
11	For each 4 pieces marked up (mail marked Deceased, Temporarily Away, Refused, Vacant (Occupant mail of obvious value only) of Mail Receptacle)	or
12	For each change of address, including Form 3546, recorded on Forms 1564-B and 3982.	
13	Insured receipts turned in	
14	Registered, Certified, COD, Express Mail, Customs and Postage-D keys, Form 3868, signing for, returning funds or receipts, a partial completion of Form 3849 (name or address for identif Base minimum allowance is 6 minutes	ue; nd for ication).
15	Withdrawing mail where applicable (from distribution cases, tra sacks, and/or hampers). Base minimum allowance is 5 minutes	
16	Sequencing and collating by-pass mail. (Representative time in minutes will be allowed for the work function).	1
17	Strapping out time (when mail must be placed in order of delive See 922.51d of Handbook M-41. (Representative time in minut be allowed for the work function).	
18	Break (local option).	
19	Vehicle inspection. See 922.51f of Handbook M-41. Base minimu	
20	allowance is 3 minutes	
21	Office work not covered by form. (Work functions must be ident	
22	and approved as being necessary and of a continuing nature). "Comments" section.) Base minimum allowance is 9 minutes Waiting for mail (office) and all other office activities not p on a continuing basis which are excluded in computing net of	performed
23	(Use "Comments" section.) Counting mail and filling out Form 1838-C worksheet.	
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In mi er th	imputing Standard Office Time Under Columns (e), (f), and (g) on the actual time for each of Lines 14, 15, 19 and 21 is less that inimum and the carrier performs the work function the base minimum tered for the Line Item in the appropriate column. If the actual he base minimum, an adjustment to that time cannot be shown which han the base minimum.	an the base um must be al time exceeds

MAXIMUM TIME ALLOWANCE FOR ROUTING MAIL

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90	5	40	936	52	416	1782	99	792	850	8
108	6	48	954	58	424	1800	100	800	420	6
126	7	56	972	54	482	1818	101	808	49C	7
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162	9	72	1008	56	448	1854	108	824	680	9
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288	16	128	1184	68	504	1980	110	880	1120	16
306	17	186	1152	64	512	1998	111	888	1190	17
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Notice 26 April 1971 U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

TIME CONVERSION SCHEDULE

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DATE: CARRIER'S COUNT OF MAIL OFFICE:

U S POSTAL SERVICE LETTER CARRIER ROUTES UNIT: MAIN OFFICE NAME MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

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CARRIER TIMECARD ANALYSIS

INSTRUCTIONS

General

Select timecards or PSDS Carrier Report Printouts for carriers assigned to each route for a seven-week period prior to the count and inspection week as per instructions in Sec. 242.323, Handbook M-39. Do not use weeks during the months of June, July, August, or December. Do not include time of leave replacement carriers. Special Instructions: For carriers serving two trip routes, use a separate Form 1840-B for each trip.

- 1. Group same day of the week together; all Saturdays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc., and show the day of the month in the "Day of Week" column.
- Enter the scheduled begin, return, and end times: the scheduled morning and afternoon office time; the scheduled street time; and the total time above each day of the week.
- 3. From the timecards or PSDS Carrier Report Printouts, enter the actual begin, leave, return, and end times for each day. Only the days the regular carrier served the route are to be recorded on Form 1840-B.
- 4. Compute and record the morning and afternoon office time, street time, and total time used each day.
- 5. From Form 3996, enter the approved overtime and auxiliary assistance used each day, as indicated in Item K of the Form, less any travel time.
- 6. Total the morning and afternoon office time, street time, overtime, and auxiliary assistance for each day.
- 7. The eighth week to be recorded is the week following the week of count and inspection. The regular carrier must serve the route at least one day during this week, or the week is not to be recorded. No future weeks are to be
- Divide the total for each item by the number of days the assigned carrier worked on each group of Saturdays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc.
- From Form 1840, enter the street time, office time, (AM & PM combined), total, and auxiliary assistance used, on the comparable day of the week during the count period.

 Circle in black the day of inspection total.

Analysis

Before the count period.

- Compare the actual time used with the scheduled time to determine whether:
 - a. Carrier adhered to schedules.
 - b. There was excessive late leaving and/or returning.
 - c. There was excessive office time used on return from delivery trip.
 - d. A regular pattern on certain week days has formed to indicate an adjustment in schedule is necessary.
- Circle in red time entries and totals where irregular practices occurred or schedule was not maintained.

After the count period.

- 1. Compare average time used on each day during analysis period with the same day during the count.
- Determine whether office time and street time is more or less for comparable days. If the office time or street time during the count period is more than the analysis period, discuss with the carrier to determine the reason.
 - a. When the time used during the count and inspection period is substantially greater than the analysis period, the supervisor must compare the mail volume for the periods where available.
- 3. When the supervisor concludes that the time used during week of count and inspection does not truly represent the time required to serve the route as substantiated by the comparative analysis, appropriate corrective action must be taken.

important

In making this comparative analysis, be sure all factors are considered. Where the performance during the count period varied from that during the comparative period, include the comments of the carrier's supervisor in the space provided.

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