



Insurer's Checklist For Selecting the Right Print and Mail Vendor

Criteria

Checklist Items

Regulatory Compliance

- Ensure the vendor complies with data protection laws (e.g., GDPR, HIPAA).
- Verify the vendor's capability to meet insurance-specific document delivery regulations.

Certifications

- Verify SOC 1 Type II and SOC 2 Type II certifications to ensure robust data security and operational controls.

Data Security & Secure Email Delivery

- Evaluate encryption standards and data protection protocols.
- Confirm secure email delivery options with industry-standard protocols like SPF, DKIM, and DMARC.

Sustainability

- Look for environmentally friendly printing practices and sustainability initiatives.

Technology Integration

- Ensure seamless integration with existing insurance platforms and CRMs.

Disaster Recovery

- Assess the vendor's disaster recovery plans to ensure uninterrupted service during emergencies.

Equipment Reliability

- Verify the use of state-of-the-art production equipment and maintenance schedules.

Service Level Agreements (SLAs)

- Establish SLAs covering turnaround times, quality metrics, and support response times.

Postal Delivery and Optimization

- Ensure delivery to Bulk Mailing Entry Units (BMEU) for expedited processing.
- Confirm CASS-certified postal processing and address hygiene services.
- Support for USPS Intelligent Mail barcodes to limit mail delivery to inactive addresses.

Quality Control/Assurance Practices

- Ensure on-site USPS Representatives perform quality control routines.