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Foreword

This document complies with the provisions of GB/T 1.1-2020 "Standardization Work Guidelines Part

1.Structure and Drafting Rules of Standardization Documents". Drafting. This document supersedes GB/T 17128.2-1997 "Special Postal Envelopes - International Postal Business Envelopes" and is consistent with GB/T 17128.2-1997. In comparison, aside from structural adjustments and editorial changes, the main technical changes are as follows:

- a) The definition of "international postal official envelope" has been changed (see 3.2, Chapter 3 of the.1997 edition);
- b) Added the terms and definitions for "wall erection" and "tongue sealing" (see 3.3, 3.4);
- c) The word "variety" has been removed (see 4.1 in the.1997 edition);
- d) The codes for the dimensions of international postal official envelopes have been changed (see Table 1,.1997 edition);
- e) The requirement for "wall thickness" has been added (see Table 1);
- f) The requirements for paper and its technical specifications have been changed (see 5.2,.1997 edition 5.2);
- g) Added requirements for paper packaging recycling labels (see 5.3.1.6);
- h) Added limits for "heavy metals and specific substances" (see 5.5);
- i) The wording of the "Inspection Rules" has been changed (see Chapter 7, Chapter 7 of the.1997 edition);

j) The map of international postal official envelope locations has been revised (see Appendix A, Chapter 5,.1997 edition). The following editorial changes have been made to this document.

---Change the standard name to "Special Envelopes International Postal Business Envelopes". Please note that some content in this document may involve patents. The issuing organization of this document assumes no responsibility for identifying patents. This document was proposed by the State Post Bureau. This document is under the jurisdiction of the National Postal Industry Standardization Technical Committee (SAC/TC462). This document was drafted by: China Postal Science Research and Planning Institute Co., Ltd. and China Post Group Corporation. The main drafters of this document are. Zhao Zhenzhen, Ba Ning, Huang Yanan, Fan Rui, Yang Manlin, Wei Qianqian, Yue Yu, Ying Qi, He Shi, Liu Fangwei, and Gao Xiaoqing. Li Chao, Li Lingna, Chen Yu. The release history of this document and the document it replaces is as follows:

1 Scope

GB/T 47060-2026 is the Chinese national standard covering the envelope used for official international postal correspondence - the dimensions, the paper, the printing and the markings that identify it under the Universal Postal Union arrangements. It replaces GB/T 17128.2-1997, renumbering it into the GB/T 47060 series. It was issued on 28 January 2026 and has been in force since 1 August 2026, replacing GB/T 17128.2-1997. The document is under the responsibility of the State Post Bureau. This page is published from the official record of the 2026 edition; the clause text of a standard this recent is not yet in circulation, and the figures, limits and tables it contains are those of the document itself, delivered in full with the English translation.

This document specifies the dimensions, design, paper, printing, pasting, and limits on heavy metals and specific substances for international postal official envelopes. The test rules, packaging, labeling, transportation and storage requirements are described, along with the corresponding test methods. This document applies to the production and inspection of international postal official envelopes.

2 Normative references

The contents of the following documents, through normative references within the text, constitute essential provisions of this document. Dated citations are not included. For references to documents, only the version corresponding to that date applies to this document; for undated references, the latest version (including all amendments) applies. This document. GB/T 1416-2021 Envelopes

GB/T 2828.1 Sampling Procedures for Inspection by Attributes - Part

1.Sampling Schemes Retrieved by Acceptable Quality Limit (AQL) for Lot-by-Lot Inspection

GB/T 2829 Periodic inspection sampling procedures and tables (applicable to the inspection of process stability)

GB/T 18455-2022 Packaging Recycling Mark

GB/T 22834-2008 Envelope Paper

GB 43352-2023 Limits for Heavy Metals and Specific Substances in Express Packaging

3 Terms and Definitions

The following terms and definitions apply to this document.

3.1 envelopes Packaging materials made from paper as raw material, processed through die-cutting, printing and gluing, which can be used to carry letters during delivery. [Source: GB/T 1416-2021, 3.1]

3.2 Postal administration departments, postal enterprises, international postal organizations, postal operators and regulatory agencies in other countries (regions), and my country Envelopes used for exchanging letters between exchange bureaus/stations and exchange bureaus/stations in other countries (regions) for business purposes.

3.3 foldedroot-edge The envelope has enlarged folds on both sides and the bottom edge.

3.4 Sealingflap The portion of the envelope reserved for sealing.