

**CHAPTER II Operations**

**SUBJECT 3            Emergency Operations**

**TOPIC 4             Mail Box Fires**

A.    SCOPE

This topic is limited to fires involving mail in U.S. Government Mail Deposit Boxes.

B.    PRIORITIES

1.     Keep damage to an absolute minimum.

C.    MAIL BOX FIRES

Carbon Dioxide is the agent of choice. The Post Master's Office should be contacted as soon as possible, given the location and asked to notify the proper person to respond and open the box. The company or one member should stand by until the box is opened by the Post Office employee.

If there is evidence of smoldering, short blast of Carbon Dioxide will control it until the box is opened by a Post Office employee.

For fires in boxes at the base of mail chutes, have building personnel place "out of order" notes on all floors, and notify the Post Office employee upon arrival.