Double-Enveloping

Double-Enveloping is a security control applied to the physical transfer of sensitive and classified information. It is achieved by:

- A tamper-evident inner barrier to detect unauthorised access, and
- An outer barrier to obscure the information's sensitivity or classification.

Inner 'Envelope'. The inner envelope can consist of:

- An envelope or pouch sealed with a SCEC-approved tamper-evident seal so that any tampering is detected, or
- A SCEC-approved single use envelope.

The classification of the information sent is to be conspicuously marked on the top and bottom of the front and back of the envelope.



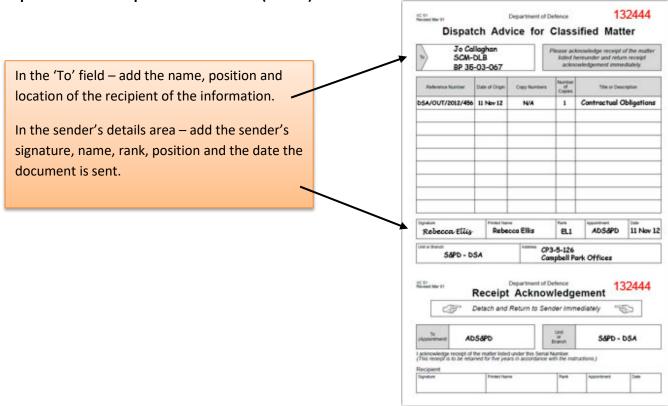


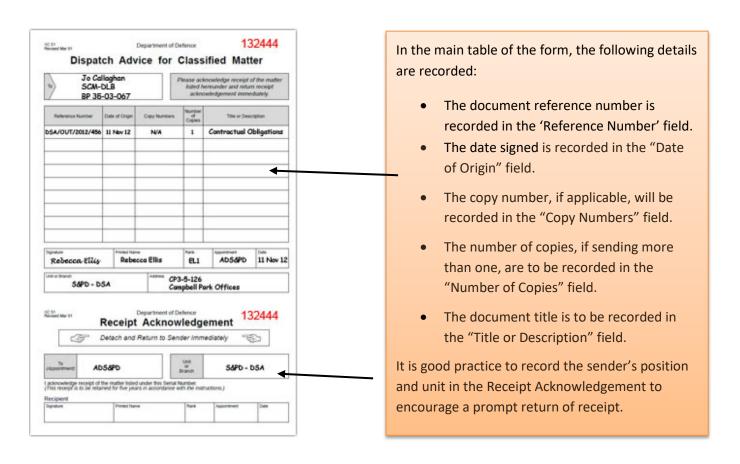
Outer 'Envelope'. The outer envelope is some form of sealed opaque covering. It could be a regular mail envelope, a SCEC-approved single-use outer envelope, security briefcase, satchel, pouch or transit bag.

The outer envelope may display information identifying the recipient and any receipt/reference numbers. It must not display any details that indicate the information inside is sensitive or classified (ie no protective markings).

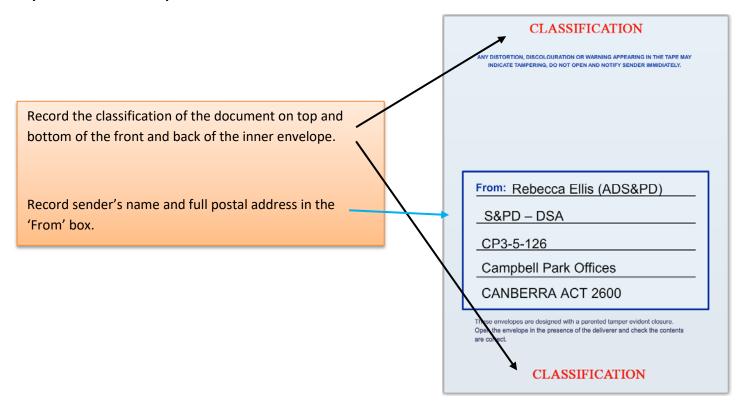
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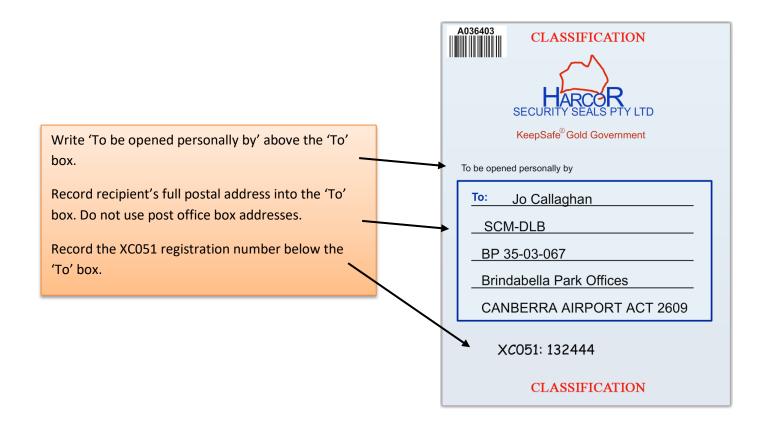
Step 1: Fill in the Dispatch Advice Form (XC051)

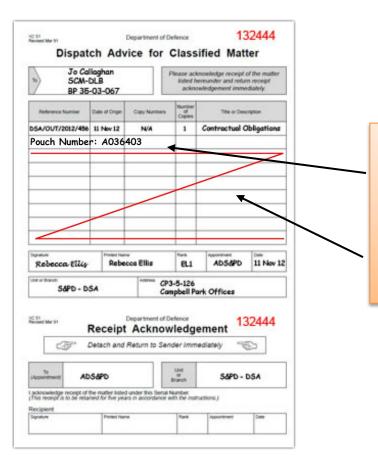




Step 2 the inner envelope







It is good practice to also write the pouch number on the XC051 in the main table under the document details, as verification that the pouch hasn't been changed.

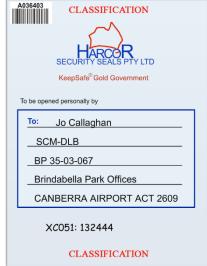
The unused portion of the main table is then ruled out using a red "Z" format so additional documents cannot be added alter.



Place the document and the XC051 in the pouch and seal.

It is also good practice to include a self- addressed envelope to encourage the prompt return of the receipt.





Step 3 the outer envelope



On the outer envelope:

- Write SAFEHAND on the top and bottom, front and back of the envelope.
- Record your full postal address in the return area.
- Record the recipient's full postal address in the centre. Do not use post office box addresses.
- Write "To be opened personally by" above the recipient's details.
- Record the XC051 number on the bottom left.
- Seal the inner envelope in the outer envelope.

Options

If the consignment is to be hand delivered to the recipient the second envelope can be replaced by a SCEC endorsed box, bag or briefcase. It may then be delivered by hand by a Defence employee or Defence contractor custodian.

OR

Arrange delivery by a SCEC endorsed courier. This may involve using another tamper evident pouch from the selected courier. Check with your Security Officer for local arrangements.

Note that there is a separate list of couriers that are endorsed by the SCEC to carry TOP SECRET and security caveat material.