

GENERAL GRADING INFORMATION

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Thanks for joining the group! Below is some information detailing the grading process from your door and back again, as well as other important points to note. Please read and agree to this information before going any further. If you submit cards with me, you are agreeing to these conditions whether stated in a comment below or not.

--- GRADING COSTS ---

Prices below include shipping from me to PSA, grading and return shipping. If the exchange rate alters significantly (e.g. below 0.65 or above 0.80 USD to AUD) these will be updated.

Card Grade Only

Card Value <\$99US (Option 1) = \$16.50 per card (65 days)
Card Value <\$99US (Option 2) = \$20 per card (45 days)
Card Value <\$500US = \$32.50AU per card (20 days)
Card Value \$500US-\$1000US = \$95AU per card (10 days)
Card Value \$1000US-\$2000US = \$120AU per card (8 days)
Card Value \$2000-\$5000US = \$300AU per card (2 days)

Card Grade/Authentication + Auto Grade/Authentication

Card Value <\$500US = \$35AU per card (40 days)
Card Value \$500US-\$2000US = \$120AU per card (20 days)
Card Value \$2000-\$5000US = \$300AU per card (5 days)

--- GRADING PROCESS ---

1. You send your cards to me, my address is:

*Laine Pearce
PO BOX 156
Laverton, VIC
3028*

It is your responsibility to ensure they arrive safely. Therefore it is highly recommended that you post with signature on delivery and insure the cards if you feel they need to. We all know how awesome Australia post can be...

2. Please ensure each card is sent in a penny sleeve, inside a clean top loader, inside a team bag (the plastic bags that go over the top loader with the sticky flap). Don't put multiple cards into one team bag as it makes my job harder and I have to remove them and individually bag them myself. As of July 19 anyone who does not adhere to this will have an additional processing fee of \$1 per 10 cards added to their final invoice to cover my time and materials. Also keep in mind that presentation is important so don't use old dirty, sticky top loaders as that will set the tone for the grader.

3. For all submissions not in the <\$99US category please fill out the Submission Form available directly from me or download a copy from OneDrive ([link here](#)). Once complete send it to me before the submission due date either via messenger or email (psa.subs.aus@gmail.com). This information makes my life infinitely easier when it comes to filling out the submission paperwork. If you have any questions about the form please let me know.

*** NOTE ON VALUING CARDS ***

To date we have had no issues valuing the cards using the most recent raw sales value from eBay. Please use any of the following tools to price your cards. If you can't find a value send me a PM:

<https://sales.130point.com>

<https://priceguide.cards>

<https://ebay.com> (filter by sold items)

4. I will sort the cards into the appropriate submission groups and prepare them for postage. Please note that PSA requires each submission (e.g. <\$500USD, \$500-1999USD, etc) to be packaged up separately hence why I need each card packed individually when sent to me.

5. Once all cards have arrived, or the agreed submission date is reached, I will post them all to PSA via express post, insured up to the maximum of \$2,000AUD (Customs limit without the need for an export clearance) as required. If we have several high value cards (over 500USD) you may be required to pay an additional fee to cover the postage insurance as the grading costs do not have enough allowance in them to cover the additional cost.

***** IN THE EVENT CARDS ARE LOST IN TRANSIT *****

All attempts are made to ensure the safety of your cards in transit, but ultimately I will not be responsible for reimbursing you the full market value of your cards if they are lost in transit to PSA. You must be willing to accept this risk when you submit cards through this service. If cards are lost in transit I will work with the mail carrier and seek the insurance payment through them up to the limit of insurance purchased of the submission in question. Any insurance payouts received from the mail carrier will be made to you based on a percentage of card value as per your submission paperwork. For example, if you submitted \$500US worth of cards from a total of \$5000US of cards sent, you would receive 10% of the payout obtained from the mail carrier. No submission paperwork, no payout. Cards sent in the bulk submission are not covered by the insurance at all and are sent completely at your own risk as this to significantly keep the cost down for bulk submissions.

6. Once they arrive at PSA they will be inwards processed. The clock starts ticking on the grading process only once PSA registers the order in their system. Also keep in mind the processing time is in business days, so 20 days = 4 weeks.

7. When grading is completed PSA will return our submissions via insured FedEx Priority post. Cards with stated turnaround times of 25 days or less will ship back together, and cards with a stated turnaround time of more than 25 days will be shipped together. Sometimes we might have crossover of order from previous months (e.g. bulk order and next month's regular order), and I will aim to ship back as many cards together as I can to save on postage.

***** CUSTOMS ISSUES *****

Please not we have had some issues with customs at times trying to charge us duties and taxes on our returned submissions. PSA do help us with this and have sent me the relevant documentation to enable us to avoid these fees, but if for any reason Customs change their mind on this the cost of grading for that submission will increase. Usually 10% is enough to cover these fees but I will advise everyone of the impact if this happens.

8. Once each package arrives back to me I will sort them and send invoices to everyone. I WILL NOT SHIP THE CARDS BACK TO YOU UNTIL YOU HAVE PAID ME! If you don't pay within 5 business days, and other arrangements haven't been made, I reserve the right to sell some of your cards to cover the grading costs.

--- CLEANING CARDS ---

Sorry, but I won't be able to do this for you at the moment. Jump on YouTube for information on how to do this. Fingerprints on the surface are bad for grades so make sure you check and clean if necessary before sending.

--- OTHER INFORMATION ---

I make nothing from this service so please be nice 😊 I also have no control over submission turnaround times as they are all indicative and not guaranteed so please don't hassle me if our submissions run over the indicated dates. I will endeavour to provide a submission status update every week which will show what stage of the grading process each of our categories are at.

If you have any questions after reading this please let me know and I will do what I can to answer them.