

POST OFFICE

SCHEME P6/1973

NOTE: The Scheme which follows this note is made under section 28 of the Post Office Act 1969 and amends the Post Office Overseas Letter Post Scheme 1971. The amending Scheme, which comes into operation on 10th September, 1973, provides for:

1. Postage rates generally to be revised.
2. The number of specified countries or places to which concessionary postage rates are applied to be decreased.
3. The conditions of acceptance for reduced rate printed papers to be amended.

(This note is not part of the Scheme)

**THE POST OFFICE OVERSEAS LETTER POST AMENDMENT
(No. 5) SCHEME 1973**

Made 21st August, 1973

Coming into operation 10th September, 1973

The Post Office, by virtue of the powers conferred upon it by section 28 of the Post Office Act 1969 and of all other powers enabling it in this behalf, hereby makes the following Scheme:

Commencement, citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Scheme shall come into operation on the 10th day of September, 1973, and may be cited as the Post Office Overseas Letter Post Amendment (No. 5) Scheme 1973.

(2) This Scheme shall be read as one with the Post Office Overseas Letter Post Scheme 1971 (Post Office Scheme P7/1971) (hereinafter called "the Scheme") as amended by the Post Office Overseas Letter Post Amendment (No. 1) Scheme 1972 (Post Office Scheme P2/1972), The Post Office Overseas Letter Post Amendment (No. 2) Scheme 1972 (Post Office Scheme P6/1972), the Post Office Overseas Letter Post Amendment (No. 3) Scheme 1972 (Post Office Scheme P8/1972) and the Post Office Overseas Letter Post Amendment (No. 4) Scheme 1973 (Post Office Scheme P2/1973).

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889 applies for the interpretation of this Scheme as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament and as if the Post Office Act 1953 (as amended) were an Act conferring the power to make this Scheme.

Reduced rate printed packets

2. For sub-paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of paragraph 6(2) of the Scheme there shall be substituted the following:

- "(a) any newspaper or other periodical publication which complies with the following conditions:
- (i) It is printed and published in the British Postal Area;
 - (ii) it is issued in consecutive numbers at intervals of not more than one year;
 - (iii) it consists only of paper or of some substance ordinarily used for printing publications;
 - (iv) it is not in the nature of current and personal correspondence and at least one third of the publication consists of articles of a literary character (with or without publicity or advertising matter);
 - (v) the full title, and the date, month or year of issue, or an indication of the frequency of issue, are conspicuously printed on the cover (or, in the absence of a cover, at the top of the first page) and on every detached sheet, page or piece of paper which is issued as part of such newspaper or publication;
- (b) any book;
- (c) any pamphlets, which expression for this purpose means short printed publications or works of a literary character whether or not enclosed within covers;
- (d) any musical scores;
- (e) any maps;"

3. For paragraph 5 of the Scheme there shall be substituted the following:

"Letters and postcards other than air mail packets

5.—(1) Postage at the rates specified in Part 1 of Schedule 1 shall be charged and paid on letters and postcards:

- (a) posted in the British postal area for transmission to a person in any of the countries or places specified in Part 1 of Schedule 2;
- (b) posted on board a ship registered in any part of the British postal area while the ship is on the high seas, for transmission to a person in any of the countries or places specified in Part 1 or Part 2 of Schedule 2;

(2) Postage at the rates specified in Part 2 of Schedule 1 shall be charged and paid on letters and postcards posted in the British postal area, or posted on board a ship registered in any part of the British postal area while the ship is on the high seas:

- (i) for transmission to a person on board ship of the Royal Navy (whether on the high seas or in any port or place outside the British postal area); or
- (ii) for transmission to a member of the armed forces of the United Kingdom or of any other Commonwealth country serving outside the British postal area with the armed forces of the United Kingdom or of any other Commonwealth country, being transmission through a British Forces' Post Office or a civilian Postal Administration in any Commonwealth or foreign country which has agreed to deliver without surcharge letters and postcards at the said rates.

(3) Postage at the rates specified in Part 3 of Schedule 1 shall be charged and paid on all other outgoing letters and postcards.

(4) This paragraph does not apply to air mail packets."

Postage on air mail packets

4. For sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 10 of the Scheme there shall be substituted the following:

"10.—(1) There shall be charged and paid:

- (a) on every air letter of the smaller size, postage of 6p;
- (b) on every air letter of the larger size, postage of 7p;
- (c) on every Forces air letter, postage of 3p;
- (d) on other air mail packets, postage at the rate specified in Schedule 4."

Surface mail postage rates

5.—(1) For Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Scheme there shall be substituted the following:

PART 1
Rates of postage under paragraph 5(1)

1. Letter:		
not exceeding 1 oz. in weight	.....	3½p
exceeding 1 oz. but not exceeding 2 oz. in weight	.....	7p
exceeding 2 oz. but not exceeding 4 oz. in weight	.....	12p
exceeding 4 oz. but not exceeding 8 oz. in weight	.....	20p
exceeding 8 oz. but not exceeding 1 lb. in weight	.....	35p
exceeding 1 lb. but not exceeding 2 lb. in weight	.....	60p
exceeding 2 lb. but not exceeding 4 lb. in weight	.....	100p
2. Postcard	.....	4p "

—(2) For Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Scheme there shall be substituted the following:

PART 2
Rates of postage under paragraph 5(2)

1. Letter:		
not exceeding 1 oz. in weight	.....	3½p
exceeding 1 oz. but not exceeding 2 oz. in weight	.....	5p