

original address, or the parcel at the time of such correction is lying at a returned letter office, the sender shall at the time when the address is corrected pay additional postage of the same amount as that which would be prepayable on the parcel if it were posted anew to the corrected address:

Provided that if for any reason, the parcel cannot be delivered at the corrected address, the provisions of sub-paragraph (2) or sub-paragraph (3) shall apply.

(5) Where, in the case of a parcel which for any reason cannot be delivered (not being a case such as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (4) in which the parcel is to be forwarded to a corrected address):

- (a) the parcel is subsequently retransmitted to the addressee at the request of the sender or of the addressee; or
- (b) the name and address of a substituted addressee is furnished by the sender or by the addressee and the parcel is transmitted to the substituted address,

the addressee or, as the case may be, the substituted addressee, shall pay additional postage of the same amount as that which would have been prepayable on the parcel if it had been posted anew for such retransmission or transmission.

(6) Notwithstanding anything herein contained, a parcel shall not be given up or returned by post to the sender except upon payment by him of any charge to which the parcel has become liable under the provisions of any such regulations as are referred to in section 16 of the Act.

(7) The Post Office may require proof to its satisfaction that a person claiming a parcel is entitled to receive it as (or as the agent of) the sender or the addressee.

(8) Where:

- (a) in the case of a parcel retained under sub-paragraph (3), no claim is made within the period therein provided by any person who appears to the Post Office to be entitled to receive it, or the claimant (being such a person) refuses or fails to pay any such charge as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (6); or
- (b) in the case of a parcel forwarded to the address of the sender (by way of return) pursuant to sub-paragraph (2), or tendered for delivery at the address to which it has been retransmitted or the substituted address pursuant to sub-paragraph (5), the parcel is refused at that address, or the sender, addressee or substituted addressee (as the case may be) refuses or fails to pay any postage or additional postage payable thereon under this paragraph or any such charge as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (6),

the parcel may be dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Post Office may think fit.

(9) Any parcel in the possession of the Post Office which becomes offensive or injurious to any officer of the Post Office, or other person, or to other parcels, or which is likely from its character or condition to become offensive or injurious as aforesaid, or to become valueless before it can be delivered or otherwise dealt with in accordance with the provisions of this Scheme, may forthwith be dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Post Office may think fit, notwithstanding that the provisions of this Scheme as to the return of such parcel have not been, or have only partially been, complied with.

Treatment of packets addressed to deceased persons

18. (1) Where the Post Office is satisfied that the addressee of postal packets is dead, it may at its discretion:

- (a) deliver or redirect such postal packets on the written application of any one or more of the executors named in the will of the addressee,

or of a person appearing to the Post Office to be entitled to take out letters of administration to the estate of the addressee, or in Scotland of a majority or quorum of the executors or (if there is no will) of the person whose appointment is being sought as executor dative; or

- (b) deliver or redirect such postal packets on the written application of any person appearing to the Post Office to be conducting the affairs of the deceased addressee of the postal packets; or
- (c) retain such postal packets for such period as it may think fit and, on production of probate of the will or letters of administration to the estate of the addressee together with the written application of one or more of the executors or administrators, or in Scotland on production of confirmation together with the written application of a majority or quorum of the executors or the executor dative, deliver or redirect the packets in accordance with such application; or
- (d) treat such postal packets in accordance with the provisions of this Scheme as postal packets which cannot be delivered.

(2) The charges specified in paragraph 10A of Schedule 3 shall be payable for redirection under this paragraph, and paragraph 7 of this Scheme shall apply to parcels so redirected.

Cards

19. A letter consisting of a card not enclosed in an outer covering shall be made of material of such rigidity and thickness that its sorting and handling will not be hindered.

PART IV

CONDITIONS RELATING TO PARTICULAR CLASSES OF POSTAL PACKETS

Deferment of second class letters

20. Any second class letter may be withheld from despatch or delivery until any subsequent despatch or delivery.

Registration of newspapers

- 21. (1) The proprietor or printer of any publication which meets the requirements specified in sub-paragraph (6) may register it in a register of newspapers kept by the Post Office for that purpose in such form and with such particulars as the Post Office may direct:

Provided that the Post Office may refuse to permit the registration under this sub-paragraph of any publication printed and published outside the British postal area, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man unless arrangements have been made to its satisfaction for maintaining a responsible representative of the publication in the United Kingdom.

(2) Any such registration shall be in respect of a period of twelve months commencing on such date in each year as the Post Office may direct, and there shall be payable on each registration a fee of two pounds.

(3) A publication which is on the said register immediately before this Scheme comes into operation shall remain on the register (without prejudice to sub-paragraph (5)) until the date mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) which occurs next after this Scheme has come into operation.

(4) A publication for the time being on the said register—

- (a) shall be a registered newspaper within the meaning of the provisions of this Scheme and of any other scheme made under the Post Office Act 1969;
- (b) shall be a newspaper within the meaning of any arrangement with the Government or postal administration of any other country for securing advantages for newspapers sent by post.