

respect to a Business Reply Licence, such provision shall (if the Post Office thinks fit) be combined with the provision made by the licensee with respect to the payment of postage on business reply packets;

- (b) such other terms and conditions (including conditions as to revocation and variation) as the Post Office thinks fit.

(9) Subject as provided in sub-paragraphs (10), (11) and (12), there shall be charged and paid by the licensee in respect of every year or part of a year in which a Freepost Licence is in force an annual fee of £15 for each address specified therein to which freepost packets may be posted; and, subject as aforesaid, such fee shall be paid (in respect of the first year) by the applicant for the licence before the licence is granted, and shall be due and payable on every anniversary of the day when it was granted on which it remains in force (hereinafter referred to in relation to such a licence as a "relevant anniversary").

(10) If the applicant for a Freepost Licence is the licensee in respect of a Business Reply Licence:

(a) there shall be charged and payable by him before the Freepost Licence is granted, instead of the full annual fee in respect of the first year thereof, a rateable proportion of the annual fee of £15 for each address specified therein in respect of the period commencing with the day on which it is to come into effect and ending immediately before the next anniversary of the day when the Business Reply Licence was granted;

(b) the full annual fee payable under sub-paragraph (9) shall be due and payable on that and on each subsequent anniversary of the day when the Business Reply Licence was granted (if the Freepost Licence then remains in force); and every such anniversary (but not such an anniversary as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (9)) shall be a relevant anniversary in relation to the Freepost Licence for the purposes of this paragraph.

(11) If and whenever on the application of the licensee there is added to a Freepost Licence an address of the licensee or of his agent to which freepost packets may be posted, then (unless the addition is to take effect on a relevant anniversary) there shall be charged and payable by the licensee for that address when the addition is made a rateable proportion of the annual fee of £15 in respect of so much as remains unexpired of the year ending immediately before the next relevant anniversary.

(12) For the purposes of the application of sub-paragraphs (9), (10) and (11) in relation to a Freepost Licence granted before the day on which this Scheme comes into operation and in force on that day:

(a) if when that Freepost Licence was granted the licensee was the licensee in respect of a Business Reply Licence, every anniversary of the day when the Business Reply Licence was granted on which the Freepost Licence remains in force shall be a relevant anniversary;

(b) in every other case, every anniversary of the day when that Freepost Licence was granted and on which it remains in force shall be a relevant anniversary;

and the first annual fee under those sub-paragraphs shall be due and payable on the relevant anniversary falling on or next after the day on which this Scheme comes into operation, without prejudice to the right of the Post Office to recover from the licensee the amount of any fee due and payable before that day under any provision of a scheme revoked by this Scheme which remains unpaid.

(13) On the surrender by the licensee or revocation by the Post Office of a Freepost Licence, the Post Office, if it thinks fit, may refund to the licensee such proportion as it thinks just of the annual fee paid in respect of the year in which the surrender or re-

vocation takes effect, or may appropriate the whole or any part of that proportion of the fee in or towards payment of any postage which is or may become due and payable by the licensee in respect of freepost packets or business reply packets posted to the licensee or to his agent.

Redirection by the public

32. (1) Any postal packet (other than a business reply packet, a freepost packet, a same day packet or a postage forward parcel) may be redirected from its original address, or any substituted address, to the same addressee at any other address in the British postal area, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or the Republic of Ireland.

(2) Any postal packet (other than a parcel) so redirected on the day of its delivery at the address from which it is redirected, or on the day next following (Sundays, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Good Friday, and public holidays being disregarded for this purpose), shall be transmitted by post to the new address free of any additional charge or postage in respect of such transmission:

Provided that this sub-paragraph shall not apply if before redirection the packet has been opened, or altered otherwise than by the substitution of a new address, or if the name of the addressee has been obscured by any adhesive label used to indicate the new address.

(3) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), there shall be charged on each redirection of a postal packet, and (if not previously paid) paid by the addressee on the delivery of the packet at the new address, additional postage of an amount equal to that which would be charged and prepayable thereon if, instead of being redirected, it were posted anew to that address (otherwise than as a registered postal packet or a recorded delivery packet), together with the following fee where applicable—

(a) in the case of a registered postal packet, a fee equal to the minimum registration fee;

(b) in the case of a recorded delivery packet redirected to an address in the British postal area, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, a fee of 9p:

Provided that (without prejudice to the general provision for remission under paragraph 56) in the case of a parcel redirected on the day of its delivery at the address from which it is redirected or on the day next following (Sundays, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Good Friday, and public holidays being disregarded for this purpose), the Post Office may remit such additional postage if the parcel is redirected to an address served from the same delivery area.

(4) (a) A second class letter which is redirected and to which sub-paragraph (2) applies may be withheld from despatch or delivery until any subsequent despatch or delivery.

(b) Any letter which is redirected and to which sub-paragraph (3) applies may be withheld from despatch or delivery until any subsequent despatch or delivery, unless before it is redirected there is paid the additional postage mentioned in that sub-paragraph at the rate specified in or fixed under Schedule 1 appropriate for its transmission as a first class letter, together with any fee chargeable under the said sub-paragraph.

Evasion of postage by redirection

33. (1) In any case where the Post Office considers that a packet, purporting to be redirected, has been posted as a redirected packet with a view to evading the payment of any postage chargeable upon such packet, it may, before the delivery of such packet, require the addressee (who shall furnish proof of identity to the satisfaction of the Post Office) to sign a receipt for the same.