

after the words "a registered letter," and before the words "a registered newspaper" there shall be inserted the words "a Datapost packet."

(2) In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 3 of the Scheme, in the definition of "postal packet", the words "except a telegram" shall be deleted.

#### *Prohibitions*

3. The following sub-paragraph shall be inserted after sub-paragraph (2) (f) of paragraph 8 of the Scheme:

"(g) Whereon the payment of any postage or fees is denoted by an adhesive stamp or stamps, and where the stamp or stamps have not been securely affixed in such manner as the Post Office may require."

#### *Return of undeliverable parcels*

4. In sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 17 of the Scheme the words "a period of 3 months beginning with the day when it was opened and examined" shall be deleted and the words "such time as the Post Office shall think fit" inserted in their place.

#### *Conditions as to current registered newspapers*

5. Sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 22 of the Scheme shall be deleted.

#### *Parcels*

6. The following sub-paragraphs shall be inserted after sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 23 of the Scheme:

"(3) The sender of a parcel shall attach to the parcel such label in such position, as the Post Office may require.

(4) On the delivery of a parcel the recipient shall, where the Post Office so requires, give a written receipt therefor in the prescribed form. Where such a receipt is not obtained, the packet may nevertheless be delivered, or may be withheld and dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Post Office may think fit."

#### *Articles for the blind*

7. Paragraph 24 of the Scheme shall be deleted and the following inserted in its place:

#### *"Articles for the blind"*

24. (1) In this Scheme the expression "articles for the blind" means:

- (i) Books, papers and letters to or from blind persons, impressed or otherwise prepared for use by the blind.
- (ii) Paper sent to any person for impressing or otherwise preparing for that purpose.

and the following articles specially adapted for the use of the blind:

- (iii) Relief maps.
- (iv) Machines, frames and attachments for making impressions for use by the blind.
- (v) Writing frames and attachments.
- (vi) Braillette boards and pegs.
- (vii) De Braille instructional devices.

and the following articles which may be sent only to blind persons by organisations or institutions which have entered into special arrangements with the Post Office for sending these articles, or to such organisations by blind persons:

- (viii) Games (including card games).
- (ix) Mathematical appliances and attachments.
- (x) "Talking Books" and "Talking Newspapers", that is to say voice recordings on magnetic tape, disc, film or wire of either:
  - (a) readings from printed books, journals, newspapers, periodicals or similar publications; or
  - (b) material which, although not necessarily printed, is of the nature of a book, journal, newspaper or similar publication and is not of the nature of a general entertainment programme;

and apparatus designed to play such recordings.

- (xi) Metal plates impressed, or sent for impressing, for use by the blind.
- (xii) Supplies of wrappers, envelopes and labels for sending articles for use by the blind.
- (xiii) Watches, clocks, timers, tools, aids, precision instruments, rules and measures designed for use by the blind.
- (xiv) Sectional or collapsible walking sticks.
- (xv) Harness for guide dogs.

(2) The following provisions shall apply to postal packets consisting of articles for the blind:

- (a) Every packet shall bear on the outside thereof the inscription "Articles for the Blind" and the written or printed name and address of the sender.
- (b) Except as the Post Office may either generally or in any particular case allow, every packet shall be subject to examination in the post, and every packet shall be posted either without a cover or in a cover which can be easily removed for the purposes of examination.
- (c) No packet shall contain any article which is not an article for the blind (except a label which may bear the name and address of the person to whom the packet is to be returned).
- (d) No packet shall contain any communication or inscription either in writing or printing (except the title, date of publication or manufacture, serial number, names and addresses of printer, publisher or manufacturer, price and table of contents of the book or paper, and any key to or instructions for the use of the special type or of any enclosed article)."

#### *Express delivery*

8. The following sub-paragraph shall be inserted after sub-paragraph (6) of paragraph 28 of the Scheme:

"(7) In the event that an express packet is not available for delivery at the place of address on the same day as it was posted, where such a facility is provided, the fee paid under (1) above may be refunded to the sender of the packet at the discretion of the Post Office."

#### *Compensation for certain other postal packets*

9. In sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 47 of the Scheme, after the words "ordinary packet" and before the words "and its contents" there shall be inserted the following: "(except a Datapost packet or an express packet)". After the figures "£16.50." there shall be added the words "In the case of a Datapost packet or an express packet, the maximum amount shall be £100."

#### *Cash on delivery*

10. In sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 48 of the Scheme, after the words "(other than" and before the word "parcels)" there shall be inserted the words "Datapost packets and".

#### *Services not available for packets to and from the Channel Islands, Isle of Man or the Republic of Ireland*

11. In paragraph 58 of the Scheme, after the words "Republic of Ireland" there shall be inserted the following: "except that the Datapost service shall be available for packets posted for transmission between the British postal area and Guernsey".

#### *Compensation for certain postal packets to and from the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man and the Republic of Ireland*

12. In paragraph 67 of the Scheme, after the words "the Post Office may" and before the words "pay compensation" there shall be inserted the following: "(except as hereafter provided)". After the words "administrations of these Islands or the Republic.", there shall be added the words "In the case of a Datapost packet posted for transmission between the British postal area and Guernsey, the maximum amount of compensation which shall be payable shall be £16.50."