

- (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:
- 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;
 - 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 revocation 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—
- in the case of a registered postal packet, a fee equal to the minimum registration fee;
 - 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 5) 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 I 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.

- (2) Any redirected packet which appears to have been opened before being redirected, and any packet which purports to be redirected, but which appears to have been treated in a manner designed to evade the payment of any postage chargeable thereon shall be dealt with and charged as an unpaid packet of the same description or otherwise dealt with as the Post Office may think fit.

Poste restante

34. The following provisions shall apply to postal packets addressed to a post office to be called for:

- Except as the Post Office may otherwise decide, the service is provided only for the convenience of travellers.
- The address of such packets shall include the words "To be called for" or "Poste Restante".
- Such packets shall not be addressed to an addressee designated by a fictitious name, or by initials only, or by a forename without a surname.
- The Post Office may refuse to deliver any such packet to a caller unless it is satisfied of the caller's identity.
- Such packets shall not be retained at the post office for delivery to the caller for more than 14 days, unless the Post Office shall otherwise decide in relation to any particular packet or class or description of packets.
- The Post Office may refuse or cease to retain for delivery to the caller any such packet the retention of which would in its opinion involve an abuse of the service, or which contravenes sub-paragraphs (b) or (c), or which is addressed to a post office at which the service is not available.
- The sender may add to the address of any such packet a request that the packet may, if not called for within the time specified in the request, be returned to the sender or some person designated by him; and (subject to sub-paragraph (e) at the expiration of such time the packet shall be returned as specified in the request.
- The provisions of this Scheme as to the return, or treatment of, undeliverable postal packets shall apply to any such packet which the Post Office refuses or ceases to retain for delivery to the caller.

Rebate postings of second class letters

35.—(1) The Post Office may accept consignments of second class letters for transmission by post as rebate postings under this paragraph.