

POST OFFICE

POST OFFICE SCHEME L1/1993

NOTE: The Scheme which follows this Note has been made under Section 28 of the Post Office Act 1969, and amends the Post Office Inland Letter Post Scheme 1989. The Scheme, which comes into operation on 28th June 1993, revises certain conditions relating to express packets, recorded delivery packets and registered packets.

(This Note is not part of the Scheme).

THE POST OFFICE INLAND LETTER POST AMENDMENT
(NO.5) SCHEME 1993

Made 28th May 1993

Coming into operation 28th June 1993

The Post Office, by virtue of the powers conferred on 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 and citation

1. (1) This Scheme shall come into operation on 28th June 1993 and may be cited as the Post Office Inland Letter Post Amendment (No.5) Scheme 1993.

(2) This Scheme shall be read as one with the Post Office Inland Letter Post Scheme 1989 (Post Office Scheme L1/1989) (hereinafter called "the Scheme") as amended by the Post Office Inland Letter Post Amendment (No. 1) Scheme 1990 (Post Office Scheme L3/1990), the Post Office Inland Letter Post Amendment (No.2) Scheme 1991 (Post Office Scheme L4/1991), the Post Office Inland Letter Post Amendment (No.3) Scheme 1992 (Post Office Scheme L1/1992) and the Post Office Inland Letter Post Amendment (No.4) Scheme 1992 (Post Office Scheme L2/ 1992)

Interpretation

2. (1) In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 3 of the Scheme, in the definition of "cash on delivery packet" the words "or a registered newspaper" shall be deleted.

(2) In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 3 of the Scheme, the definition of "express delivery office" shall be deleted.

(3) In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 3 of the Scheme, in the definition of "preferred envelope" the figure "63" shall be deleted and "65" inserted in its place.

Additional postage on late posted packets

3. (1) In sub-paragraph (1) (c) of paragraph 6 of the Scheme, after the words "registered postal packet" there shall be inserted the words "or as an express packet".

(2) In sub-paragraph (1) (d) of paragraph 6 of the Scheme, after the words "registered postal packet" there shall be inserted the words "or as an express packet".

(3) In sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 6 of the Scheme, after the words "registered postal packet" there shall be inserted the words "or as an express packet".

(4) In sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 6 of the Scheme, after the words "has such a label as is mentioned in" there shall be inserted the words "sub-paragraph (9) of paragraph 24 or".

Unpaid or underpaid postage

4. Paragraph 12 of the Scheme shall be deleted and the following shall be inserted in its place:

"12. (1) Where the postage or any other sum chargeable for the transmission of an inland postal packet is required to be prepaid and the sender has failed to pay any or all of the postage or other sum due, the Post Office may:

(a) deliver the packet; or

(b) return to the sender or otherwise dispose of the packet; or

(c) retain the packet for such period as it thinks fit and then return to the sender or otherwise dispose of the packet

and seek to recover from either the addressee or the sender whatever amount is due to it in accordance with sub-paragraph (2).

(2) In the event that the packet:

(a) is delivered then the addressee shall pay such amount as the Post Office may determine;

(b) is retained by the Post Office then the addressee shall pay such amount as the Post Office may determine and upon receipt of such payment the Post Office shall either deliver the packet or permit its collection by the addressee or his agent,

(c) cannot be delivered or the addressee refuses to pay any amount due under this paragraph then the packet may be dealt with as provided in paragraph 15."

Express delivery

5. (1) In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 24 of the Scheme, the word "a" shall be deleted and the words "an unregistered" inserted in its place.

(2) Sub-paragraphs (5), (6) and (7) of paragraph 24 of the Scheme shall be deleted and the following shall be inserted in their place:

"(5) No such packet shall exceed 10 kg in weight.

(6) Where such a packet exceeds 2 kg in weight, the rate of postage specified in item 1 (b) (i) of Schedule 1 shall not apply, and the following shall be substituted:

"Exceeding 2 kg, but not exceeding 10 kg £10.80".

(3) The following shall be inserted after item (b) of sub-paragraph (8) of paragraph 24 of the Scheme:

"and any express packet which has been transmitted to its original address and which is redirected in pursuance of paragraph 28 shall also be handed to such an officer as aforesaid."

(4) In sub-paragraph (12) of paragraph 24 of the Scheme, after the words "day of posting", there shall be inserted the words "an amount not exceeding twice".

(5) The following sub-paragraph shall be inserted after sub-paragraph (13) of paragraph 24 of the Scheme:

"(14) On the delivery of an express packet the recipient shall give a written receipt therefor in the prescribed form. Where such a receipt is not obtained, the packet may be withheld and dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Post Office thinks fit."

Recorded delivery

6. (1) In sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 25 of the Scheme, after the words "any unregistered postal packet" there shall be inserted the words "other than an express packet".

(2) In sub-paragraph (9) of paragraph 25 of the Scheme, the words "may nevertheless be delivered, or" shall be deleted.

Redirection by the public

7. The following item shall be inserted after item (b) of sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 28 of the Scheme:

"(c) in the case of an express packet redirected to an address in the British postal area, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, the fee specified in item 4 of Schedule 3."