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**THE POST OFFICE (INLAND POST) REGULATIONS 1973,
AMENDMENT NO. 3**

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DENIS BLUNDELL, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 26th day of January 1976

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Post Office Act 1959, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Post Office (Inland Post) Regulations 1973, Amendment No. 3 and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Post Office (Inland Post) Regulations 1973* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 2nd day of February 1976.

2. Interpretation—Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking the definition of the expression “express transit fee”.

3. Surcharging of postal articles—Regulation 6 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subclause (1), and substituting the following subclause:

“(1) If any person posts a postal article other than a parcel in respect of which the postal charge is unpaid or underpaid, the addressee shall be liable to pay to the Post Office on the article being delivered to him the deficient postage and, in addition, a surcharge as prescribed in the First Schedule to these regulations.”

4. Certain stamps not available for postage—Regulation 11 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking paragraph (f), and substituting the following paragraph:

“(f) Stamps of the Tokelau Islands and the Ross Dependency if used on articles posted outside the respective territory.”

5. Franking of official postage—Regulation 12 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subclause (4), and substituting the following subclause:

“(4) Any letter sent by a member of Parliament shall be exempt from the payment of postage if it is franked with the rubber stamp kept by the Clerk of the House of Representatives.”

6. Perishable articles—Regulation 30 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subclause (1), and substituting the following subclause:

“(1) Perishable articles of such classes as may from time to time be notified by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide* may be posted only in the uninsured post and only when packed in accordance with such special instructions as may be notified by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide*.”

7. Express transit—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 48.

8. Registration or insurance of postal articles—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 51, and substituting the following regulation:

*S.R. 1973/205

Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1974/32

Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1975/78

“51. (1) Subject to these regulations and to such conditions as may from time to time be notified by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide*, any person may send a letter by registered post or a letter or parcel by insured post.

“(2) Registration or insurance of a postal article shall entitle the sender of the article to the payment of compensation for the loss of the article or for damage thereto in accordance with these regulations:

“Provided that upon the sender waiving his right thereto such compensation may be paid to the addressee of such an article.”

9. Registration or insurance of valuables—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 52, and substituting the following regulation:

“52. (1) No person shall post, otherwise than by registered post, any postal article containing coins or anything made of gold or silver, or any bank notes, jewellery, cheques (including travellers’ cheques), other securities payable to bearer, or negotiable securities if such contents have a value of more than \$1 but not more than \$10.

“(2) No person shall post, otherwise than by insured post, any postal article containing coins or anything made of gold or silver, or any bank notes, jewellery, bullion, cheques (including travellers’ cheques), other securities payable to bearer, or negotiable securities if such contents have a value of more than \$10.

“(3) Except as provided in subclause (4) of this regulation a postal article containing coins, bank notes, postal notes, currency notes, treasury notes, bonds, securities, and other similar documents shall only be transmitted by post as a letter.

“(4) Any coins, bank notes, postal notes, currency notes, treasury notes, bonds, securities and other similar documents being transmitted by the Treasury or a bank in a parcel may be insured but not for more than the first step in the scale of insurance fees set out in the first Schedule to these regulations.”

10. Registration of poisons, narcotic drugs, and radioactive material—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 53, and substituting the following regulation:

“53. (1) No person shall post any article containing a substance required under the Poisons Act 1960 or under any regulations made under that Act to be labelled “poison”, “poisonous”, “restricted poison”, “deadly poison”, “prescription poison”, or “restricted drug”, or any narcotic within the meaning of the Narcotics Act 1965, except by registered post.

“(2) Articles containing radioactive material may be posted only in the registered post and they must conform to the requirements of Part B of the Schedule to the Transport of Radioactive Materials Regulations 1973* and must be packed and posted in accordance with such special conditions as may be notified by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide*.”

11. Offence to post valuables, poisons, or radioactive material except in registered or insured post—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 54, and substituting the following regulation:

“54. Every person commits an offence, and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$50, who posts or causes to be posted any unregistered or uninsured postal article knowing that it contains any item required by these regulations to be registered or insured as the case may be.”

12. Registered parcels—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 55.

13. Registered letters—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 56.

14. Method of registration and insurance—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 57, and substituting the following regulation:

“57. Every postal article required to be registered or insured shall be presented by the sender at a post office and a receipt obtained for it:

“Provided that—

“(a) Any person participating in a rural delivery service may hand an article for registration or insurance to the rural mail contractor, but in the case of an article to be insured, the cover may not be more than the first step in the compensation scale set out in the First Schedule of these regulations:

“(b) Any person having a private bag may forward an article for registration or insurance in his bag when it is dispatched to the Post Office, but the Postmaster-General shall not be liable for the loss of a registered or an insured article, or for any damage thereto, enclosed in a private bag at any time other than while it is in the possession of the Post Office or one of its servants.”

15. Registration of bullion—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 58.

16. Reservation in respect of dispatch of bullion—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 59.

17. Advice of delivery of registered or insured article—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 60, and substituting the following regulation:

“60. (1) The sender of a registered or an insured article may, at the time of registration or insurance or in accordance with subclause (2) of this regulation, arrange to obtain by means of an advice of delivery form an advice of delivery of the article to the addressee or his agent, or to the addressee only, by payment, at the time of posting of the article, of a prescribed special fee additional to the postage and the registration or insurance charge:

“Provided that the obtaining of the acknowledgment for delivery from the addressee or his agent, or the addressee only, shall be undertaken by the Post Office within the scope of the postal delivery services.

“(2) On payment of the prescribed special fee the sender may obtain from the Post Office a certificate of delivery at any time before the expiration of one year after the date of posting.”

18. Compensation for loss of or damage to registered or insured postal articles—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 61, and substituting the following regulation:

“61. Subject to this Part of these regulations, in the event of the loss of a registered or an insured postal article posted in New Zealand for delivery there or of damage thereto, the Director-General shall pay compensation out of the Post Office account in accordance with the following conditions:

“(a) The claimant shall supply particulars sufficient to identify the document to the Director-General in the case of the loss of any bill of exchange, bond, coupon, or other order or authority for the prepayment of money, or security for money enclosed in the letter:

“(b) Subject to these regulations, the compensation payable in respect of registered or insured items shall not exceed the following limits:

“(i) For damage to a registered article: \$10

“(ii) For the loss of a registered article: \$10

“(iii) For damage to an insured article: \$20

“(iv) For the loss of an insured article: The amount for which the article was insured:

“Provided that—

“(v) In no case shall the compensation exceed the value of the contents:

“(vi) In the case of an article containing unobliterated postage stamps the compensation payable shall not exceed their face value:

“(vii) The amount of compensation payable in respect of the loss of bullion shall not exceed \$50:

“(viii) In the case of the loss of an article containing coin the compensation payable in respect of the coin content shall not exceed \$50:

“(c) In every case the Director-General shall be satisfied that the loss or damage did not arise wholly or in part by the fault of the sender, and that it occurred while the article was in the post.”

19. Evidence of loss—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 62, and substituting the following regulation:

“62. (1) Evidence of the loss of a registered or an insured article shall be given to the Director-General by a statutory declaration made by or on behalf of the claimant, setting forth:

“(a) The date when and the place where the article was posted, so far as they can be reasonably ascertained:

“(b) A description of the contents and value of the article, so far as they are known to the claimant:

“(c) Any other particulars required by these regulations, tending to establish the facts of the loss and verify the claim made:

“Provided that the Director-General may require further evidence to satisfy himself as to any such alleged loss or value.

“(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subclause (1) of this regulation, the Director-General may dispense with all or any of the requirements of that subclause if he finds the loss proved by other means.”

20. Lost article may be reinstated—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 63.

21. Director-General may retain article—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 64.

22. Refusal of compensation—Regulation 65 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subclause (1), and substituting the following subclause:

“(1) Without limiting the provisions of this Part of these regulations, the Director-General may, if he thinks fit, refuse to give compensation for loss or damage on any ground on which a common carrier could, under the Carriers Act 1948 in a similar case, claim exemption from legal liability.”

23. Cases where compensation not payable in respect of registered or insured articles—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 66, and substituting the following regulation:

“66. No compensation for loss or damage may be given in respect of—

“(a) A registered or insured article containing any item which may not lawfully be sent by post:

“(b) A registered or insured article containing money unless it is sent in accordance with regulation 52 of these regulations:

“(c) A registered or insured article seized by an officer either of the Customs or Agriculture and Fisheries Departments:

“(d) A registered or insured article lost or damaged where the loss or damage arises from any cause beyond the control of the Post Office.”

24. Compensation for loss of an uninsured parcel or damage to any parcel—Regulation 67 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subclause (1), and substituting the following subclause:

“(1) The Director-General may, in his discretion, pay compensation not exceeding \$20 in respect of damage to any parcel or loss of any uninsured parcel, occurring during its transmission through the post.”

25. Conditions as to claim for compensation—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 68, and substituting the following regulation:

“68. (1) Where a claim for compensation is made under these regulations in respect of the loss of or damage to any registered or insured postal article or any uninsured parcel, the following provisions shall apply:

“(a) Before any such compensation is paid, the Director-General shall be satisfied that any loss or damage did not arise wholly or in part because of insufficient or faulty packing or fastening, incomplete, faulty, or incorrect addressing or affixing of address, or other fault or neglect on the part of the sender

or his agent, or the addressee or his agent or by cause subsequent to the delivery of the article within the terms of section 12 (3) of the Act:

- “(b) The amount of any compensation paid under this regulation shall not exceed the value of the article lost or the amount of the damage suffered:
- “(c) Where the Director-General decides that compensation is payable under these regulations, he may, instead of paying compensation, replace the article lost or damaged or reinstate it:
- “(d) Where a claim is made in respect of damage to or loss of contents of an article, the package shall be produced to the Director-General for inspection as nearly as possible in the same condition as that in which it was delivered:
- “(e) If a complaint is made that the contents of an article have been taken or stolen, the cover shall be produced:
- “(f) Where compensation in respect of an article is paid in full, the Director-General may retain the article and dispose of it in such manner as he thinks fit:
- “(g) Where compensation is paid to any claimant in respect of a lost article the Director-General shall, if it should subsequently come into his hands, have the right to retain it, and shall if practicable sell it. The proceeds of any such sale shall be paid into the Post Office Account.
- “(2) No compensation shall be payable in respect of—
- “(a) Damage to any article containing liquids, semi-liquids, perishable articles, or articles comprised wholly or in part of exceptionally fragile or brittle materials or which, from their nature or construction, are peculiarly liable to damage however carefully packed, except in instances where the damage is the result of mishandling in the post:
- “(b) Injury or damage consequent upon the loss, damage, delay, non-delivery, or misdelivery of anything sent otherwise than by parcel post:
- “(c) Claims made later than 6 months after the date of posting of the article:
- “(d) Loss or damage suffered through any cause beyond the control of the Post Office.”

26. Inland postage rates and fees for other services—The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking the First Schedule, and substituting the new First Schedule set out in the Schedule to these regulations.

27. Articles prohibited in the post—The Second Schedule to the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking clause 2, and substituting the following clause:

“2. Radioactive substances, unless they conform to the requirements of Part B of the Schedule to the Transport of Radioactive Materials Regulations 1973*.”

SCHEDULE

NEW FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

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Reg. 4

INLAND POSTAGE RATES AND FEES FOR OTHER SERVICES

1. Letters—The following postage is payable in respect of letters:

- (a) For letters sent by surface mail
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| 8c for a letter not exceeding 1 oz. |
| 10c for a letter exceeding 1 oz but not exceeding 2 oz. |
| 15c for a letter exceeding 2 oz but not exceeding 4 oz. |
| 25c for a letter exceeding 4 oz but not exceeding 8 oz. |
| 40c for a letter exceeding 8 oz but not exceeding 1 lb. |
| 70c for a letter exceeding 1 lb but not exceeding 2 lb. |
| 70c for each additional 2 lb in excess of 2 lb. |
- (b) For a letter sent by airmail .. 10c for the first half ounce.
3c for each additional half ounce.

2. Postcards—The following postage is payable in respect of postcards:

- (a) For a postcard sent by surface mail 7c each.
(b) For a postcard sent by airmail 9c each.

3. Printed matter—The following postage is payable in respect of printed matter:

- (a) For ordinary printed matter 7c for each 8 oz up to 2 lb 8 oz.
(b) For a Government publication 8c per pound of separately addressed packages weighed together. Provided that, with the exception of the *School Journal* and the *Education Gazette*, each package weighs at least 4 oz.
(c) For library exchanges and books for lightkeepers 4c for each 8 oz up to 5 lb.
(d) For householder circulars and samples—
(i) Circulars and small flat samples 2c for each article not weighing more than 2 oz.
(ii) Sample packets .. 4c for each article not weighing more than 2 oz.

4. Magazines and newspapers—Conditional upon the sender complying with reasonable requests for the presentation of the articles in lots according to districts, towns, and other relevant considerations, the following postage is payable in respect of newspapers or magazines posted in bulk by the publisher or proprietor or his distributing agent:

- (a) For registered magazines (at least 20 copies must be posted at the one time)—each copy 3c up to 2 oz
(b) For registered newspapers (at least 20 copies must be posted at the one time)—each copy 3c each 8 oz up to 2 lb 8 oz
(c) For unregistered magazines and unregistered newspapers and for registered magazines over 2 oz in weight (at least 100 copies must be posted at the one time)—each copy .. 4c each 8 oz up to 2 lb 8 oz.

5. Literature for the blind—No postage is payable in respect of literature posted for blind persons if the article weighs not more than 15 lb.**6. Express delivery packages**—The following postage is payable in respect of packages delivered by express delivery:

- (a) For a package not exceeding 3 lb in weight, 10c for each mile up to 3 miles.
(b) For a package exceeding 3 lb, but not exceeding 6 lb in weight, 20c for each mile up to 3 miles.

"FIRST SCHEDULE—*continued*

7. Business reply post—Two cents in addition to postage at the rates prescribed for the appropriate category is payable in respect of each article sent "business reply post".

8. Registration—The fee payable in addition to postage, in respect of registered letters is 30c.

9. Insurance—The following fees are payable, in addition to postage, in respect of insured postal articles:

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| (a) For any article insured for an amount of up to \$50 | 50c |
| (b) For each additional \$50 of insurance cover or fraction thereof up to a maximum of \$1000 | 10c |

10. Advice of delivery of a registered or insured article—

- (a) The charge payable in respect of an advice of delivery of a registered or an insured article is 25c but if an advice of delivery to the addressee only is required the charge is 60c.
- (b) The charge payable for obtaining a certificate of delivery of a registered or an insured article up to one year after the date of posting is 60c.

11. Late fee—The late fee payable in respect of a letter or postcard is 6c in addition to postage.

12. Parcels—(1) The postage rates for parcels are assessed on the basis of the following zones:

- (a) Zone 1—Postal Districts of Whangarei, Auckland, Hamilton, Thames, Tauranga, Rotorua, and Gisborne.
- (b) Zone 2—Postal Districts of New Plymouth, Wanganui, Palmerston North, Napier, Masterton, and Wellington.
- (c) Zone 3—Postal Districts of Blenheim, Nelson, Westport, Greymouth, Christchurch, and Timaru.
- (d) Zone 4—Postal Districts of Oamaru, Dunedin, and Invercargill.
- (2) The following postage is payable in respect of parcels:
- (a) For an ordinary parcel:

	By surface transport				By air transport*
	Within a zone or between zones 1 and 2 or between zones 3 and 4	Between zones 2 and 3	Between zones 1 and 3 or between zones 2 and 4	Between zones 1 and 4	—
Not exceeding 8 oz ..	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.80
Exceeding 8 oz, but not exceeding 1 lb ..	0.18	0.20	0.21	0.23	0.80
Exceeding 1 lb, but not exceeding 1 lb 8 oz ..	0.27	0.29	0.30	0.32	0.80
Exceeding 1 lb 8 oz, but not exceeding 3 lb ..	0.44	0.50	0.56	0.60	0.80
Exceeding 3 lb, but not exceeding 7 lb ..	0.56	0.63	0.80	0.96	1.19
Exceeding 7 lb, but not exceeding 14 lb ..	0.80	1.02	1.35	1.68	1.82
Exceeding 14 lb, but not exceeding 21 lb ..	1.16	1.59	2.15	2.67	2.81
Exceeding 21 lb, but not exceeding 28 lb ..	1.43	2.09	2.81	3.57	3.72

*Zonal rates do not apply.

"FIRST SCHEDULE—*continued*

- (b) For a fragile parcel an additional fee of 50c.
 (c) A fee of 10c per pound or part thereof shall, notwithstanding anything in paragraph (a) of this clause, be payable for each parcel sent by air transport to or from the Chatham Islands in addition to the charge for air transport for that parcel as set out in the appropriate paragraph of this clause.

13. Customs clearance fee—For each postal article a Customs clearance fee of 40c is payable.

14. Storage—The following storage fees are payable in respect of postal articles:

- (a) If the article is collected within 5 working days after the end of the free storage period 20c per day
 (b) If the article is collected after the expiration of the period referred to in paragraph (a) of this clause 40c per day.

15. Pharmaceutical requirements—For each package of pharmaceutical requirements posted by a chemist under the Social Security (Pharmaceutical Supplies) Regulations 1961 a fee of 3c additional to postage shall be payable by the addressee.

16. Private letter box rental rates—The following charges are payable in respect of the renting of private letter boxes:

- (a) At the chief post office or postal centres (if any) at Auckland, Christchurch, Dunedin, and Wellington:
 (i) To a person residing within the limits of the delivery by postman:
 For a box of the small size At the rate of \$20 per annum.
 For a box of the large size At the rate of \$40 per annum.
 (ii) To a person residing beyond the limits of the delivery by postman:
 For a box of the small size At the rate of \$4 per annum.
 For a box of the large size At the rate of \$8 per annum.
 (b) At other places where there is a postman's delivery:
 (i) To a person residing within the limits of the delivery by postman:
 For a box of the small size At the rate of \$15 per annum.
 For a box of the large size At the rate of \$30 per annum.
 (ii) To a person residing beyond the limits of the delivery by postman:
 For a box of the small size At the rate of \$4 per annum.
 For a box of the large size At the rate of \$8 per annum.
 (c) At places where there is no postman's delivery:
 For a box of the small size At the rate of \$4 per annum.
 For a box of the large size At the rate of \$8 per annum.

17. Private mail-bag charges—(1) The fee for a private bag for the delivery of correspondence to an address which is within an area served by a postman's delivery shall be as follows:

- (a) For a bag which is collected at the post office by the holder:
 (i) \$40 a year for each closing a day, Monday to Friday:
 (ii) \$12 a year for each closing on Saturday:
 (iii) \$16 a year for each closing on Sunday:
 (b) For a bag which is delivered by the Post Office:
 (i) \$40 a year for each closing a day, Monday to Friday:
 (ii) \$12 a year for each closing on Saturday:
 (iii) \$16 a year for each closing on Sunday.

There is also payable under this paragraph a delivery charge of \$60 per annum for each closing a day if the bagholder resides within 1 mile of the delivery office and an additional charge of \$45 per annum for each additional mile or part thereof of delivery.

"FIRST SCHEDULE—*continued*

(2) The fee for a private bag for the delivery of correspondence to an address which is outside an area served by a postman's delivery shall be as follows:

Size of bag and frequency of closing	For carriage on route of established mail service unrestricted as to quantity or weight of mail carried	For collection by holder at post office
(a) For a bag measuring 20 in. by 36 in.:		
(i) If the bag is dispatched or closed not more than once daily	\$4 a year	\$2 a year.
(ii) If the bag is dispatched or closed more frequently than once daily	\$4 a year for each time a day the bag is dispatched	\$2 a year for each time a day the bag is closed.
(b) For a bag measuring 24 in. by 45 in.:		
(i) If the bag is dispatched or closed not more than once daily	\$6 a year	\$3 a year.
(ii) If the bag is dispatched or closed more frequently than once daily	\$6 a year for each time a day the bag is dispatched	\$3 a year for each time a day the bag is closed.

18. Rural mail service charges—The following rural mail service charges are payable:

- (a) For delivery three times weekly or less \$1 a year.
 (b) For delivery more often than three times weekly \$2 a year.

19. Register of newspapers and magazines—The fee for the entering of a newspaper or magazine in the register of newspapers and magazines shall be \$1.

20. Postal stationery—The following charges are payable in respect of postal stationery:

- (a) An envelope bearing 8c postage .. Small 10c.
 .. Large 11c.
 (b) An envelope bearing 10c postage 12c.
 (c) A letter card bearing 8c postage 10c.
 (d) A postcard bearing 7c postage 9c.
 (e) A wrapper bearing 7c postage 9c.
 (f) A registered-letter envelope bearing 8c postage and 30c registration fee 42c.

21. Stamp coils—The following fees are payable in addition to the value of the stamps:

- (a) For postage stamps in coils of 400 30c.
 (b) For postage stamps in coils of 800 60c.

22. Redirection orders—A charge of \$1.50 is payable in respect of each renewal of a redirection order after a period of 12 months."

P. G. MILLEN,
 Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of these regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations increase the rates and charges for the Postal Services of the Post Office.

Other material changes effected by these regulations are—

- (a) The “Express Transit” service is withdrawn.
- (b) Part VII, as amended, establishes separate registration and insurance services in place of the former registration service which enabled articles to be registered for up to a maximum of \$800. The new registration service provides a record of delivery of letters containing low-value items, with an indemnity of up to \$10 against loss or damage. The insurance service provides a greater degree of security for letters and parcels having a higher value, offering indemnity against loss for up to a maximum of \$1,000.
For all parcels, compensation for damage remains at \$20.
- (c) Many of the special rates previously applicable for certain types of parcels are abolished and these items will be treated as ordinary parcels.

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