



THE POST OFFICE (INLAND POST) REGULATIONS 1977,
AMENDMENT NO. 2

KEITH HOLYOAKE, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 23rd day of July 1979

Present:

THE HON. D. MACINTYRE PRESIDING 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.

ANALYSIS

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Title and commencement 2. Interpretation 3. Franking of official postage 4. Dimensions of postal articles 5. Weight of postal articles | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Compensation for loss or damage to registered or insured postal articles 7. Compensation for loss of or damage to uninsured parcel 8. Inland postage rates and fees for other services
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REGULATIONS

1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Post Office (Inland Post) Regulations 1977, Amendment No. 2, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Post Office (Inland Post) Regulations 1977* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of August 1979.

2. Interpretation—(1) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting from the definitions of the term “bulk mail” the words “either of”.

(2) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking the definition of the term “letter”, and substituting the following definition:

“‘Letter’ means any postal article prepaid, or to be paid, for transmission in the post at the postage rate prescribed for standard letters or at the first-class postage rate prescribed for non-standard articles, and conforming to such conditions as may from time to time be notified by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide*.”.

(3) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by inserting, in its appropriate alphabetical order, the following definition:

“‘Non-standard article’ means any postal article prepaid, or to be paid, for transmission in the post at the postage rates prescribed for non-standard articles, and conforming to such conditions as may from time to time be notified by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide*.”.

(4) Regulation 2 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking the definition of the terms “non-standard letter” and “other article”.

3. Franking of official postage—Regulation 12 of the principal regulations is hereby amended—

- (a) By omitting from subclause (1) the word “packet”, and substituting the words “non-standard article”;
- (b) By omitting from subclause (2) the words “other article”, and substituting the words “non-standard article”.

4. Dimensions of postal articles—Regulation 16 (b) of the principal regulations is hereby amended—

- (a) By omitting from subparagraph (ii) the words “non-standard letter, other article”, and substituting the words “non-standard article”;
- (b) By omitting from the proviso to subparagraph (iv) the figure “125”, and substituting the figure “140”.

5. Weight of postal articles—(1) Regulation 17 (a) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words “rate prescribed for other articles”, and substituting the words “second-class rate prescribed for non-standard articles”.

(2) Regulation 17 of the principal regulations is hereby further amended by revoking paragraph (c), and substituting the following paragraph:

- “(c) A householder circular or sample shall not exceed the following weight limits:
- “(i) For delivery by postman, 50 g;
 - “(ii) For delivery by other means, 100 g.”

6. Compensation for loss or damage to registered or insured postal articles—Regulation 44 (b) of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking subparagraph (iii), and substituting the following subparagraph:

- “(iii) For damage to an insured article: The amount for which the article was insured.”.

7. Compensation for loss of or damage to uninsured parcel—Regulation 48 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words “any parcel”.

8. Inland postage rates and fees for other services—(1) The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking the First Schedule (as amended by the Post Office (Inland Post) Regulations 1977, Amendment No. 1), and substituting the First Schedule set out in the Schedule hereto.

(2) The Post Office (Inland Post) Regulations 1977, Amendment No. 1 are hereby revoked.

SCHEDULE

NEW FIRST SCHEDULE TO PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

“FIRST SCHEDULE

INLAND POSTAGE RATES AND FEES FOR OTHER SERVICES

1. Airmail—For articles sent by airmail the following postage is payable:

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| (1) Letters .. | .. | .. | 17c for the first 10 g.
4c for each additional 10 g. |
| (2) Parcels .. | .. | .. | \$1.50 for the first 1 kg.
25c for each additional 500 g. |

2. Surface mail—For articles sent by surface mail the following postage is payable:

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| (1) Standard letters .. | .. | .. | 14c for each article. |
| (2) Christmas cards .. | .. | .. | Posted during the period 15 November to 31 December each year, if enclosed in an envelope conforming to the dimensions prescribed for a standard letter:
10c for each article. |
| (3) Non-standard articles— | | | |
| (a) First class .. | .. | .. | 20c for each article weighing up to 100 g.
35c for each article weighing over 100 g, but not exceeding 250 g.
55c for each article weighing over 250 g, but not exceeding 500 g.
75c for each article weighing over 500 g, but not exceeding 1 kg.
75c for each additional 1 kg in excess of 1 kg. |
| (b) Second class .. | .. | .. | 17c for each article weighing up to 100 g.
22c for each article weighing over 100 g, but not exceeding 250 g.
35c for each article weighing over 250 g, but not exceeding 500 g.
55c for each article weighing over 500 g, but not exceeding 1 kg. |
| (4) Registered publications .. | .. | .. | Posted in bulk by the publisher or proprietor or his distributing agent under conditions specified in these regulations and the <i>Post Office Guide</i> : |
| (a) Posted before 1 April 1980 | | | 8c for each copy of a registered publication weighing up to 250 g.
14c for each copy of a registered publication weighing over 250 g, but not exceeding 500 g.
21c for each copy of a registered publication weighing over 500 g, but not exceeding 1 kg. |

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- (b) Posted on or after 1 April 1980 10c for each copy of a registered publication weighing up to 250 g.
20c for each copy of a registered publication weighing over 250 g, but not exceeding 500 g.
30c for each copy of a registered publication weighing over 500 g, but not exceeding 1 kg.
- (5) Householder circulars and samples—
- (a) Within standard letter dimensions and weighing up to 50 g 2.5c for each article.
- (b) Exceeding standard letter dimensions and weighing up to 50 g 3.5c for each article.
- (c) Weighing over 50 g but not exceeding 100 g and for delivery to rural boxholders, to private letter box lessees or to private mail bag lessees or over the Post Office counter 5c for each article.
- (6) Library exchanges and books for lightkeepers .. 11c for each 250 g up to 2 kg.
- (7) Parcels—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.

The following postage rates are payable:

	Within a zone; or between zones 1 and 2 or 3 and 4	Between zones 2 and 3	Between zones 1 and 3 or 2 and 4	Between zones 1 and 4
Up to 3 kg	\$ 1.05	\$ 1.30	\$ 1.40	\$ 1.50
Over 3 kg but not exceeding 5 kg	1.10	1.65	1.90	2.20
Over 5 kg but not exceeding 10 kg	1.25	2.20	2.60	3.10

(8) Bulk Mail—

(a) The following postage is payable in respect of bulk mail postings of standard letters, or non-standard second class articles, comprising 3000 articles or more, which meet such conditions as may from time to time be notified by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide*:

(i) General Postings—For standard letters presorted by the sender into:

	District Delivery Order	Delivery Office Order	Street Delivery Order
14c for each letter	Less 15 percent discount	Less 20 percent discount	Less 30 percent discount

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For non-standard articles in the second class category presorted by the sender into:

—	District Delivery Order	Delivery Office Order	Street Delivery Order
17c for each article weighing up to 100 g			
22c for each article weighing over 100g, but not exceeding 250 g			
35c for each article weighing over 250g, but not exceeding 500 g	Less 15 percent discount	Less 20 percent discount	Less 30 percent discount
55c for each article weighing over 500g, but not exceeding 1 kg			

(ii) Promotional Postings—As in subclause (a) above, less an additional 10 percent discount:

Provided that in no case shall the total discount exceed 30 percent.

(b) The following postage is payable in respect of bulk mail postings of parcels, comprising 500 articles or more, which meet such conditions as may from time to time be notified by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide*:

For parcels presorted by the sender into:

—	District Delivery Order	Delivery Office Order
The rates payable shall be those prescribed in clause 2 (7) above	Less 7½ percent discount	Less 12½ percent discount

3. Miscellaneous rates and charges—The following miscellaneous rates and charges shall be payable:

- (1) Fee for registration of a publication—A fee of \$7 is payable upon the initial registration of a publication. A further fee of \$7 is payable in respect of each annual renewal of registration.
- (2) Literature for the blind—No postage is payable in respect of literature posted for blind persons if the article weighs not more than 7 kg.
- (3) Express delivery packages—The fee payable in respect of packages delivered by express delivery up to 5 km is 70c in addition to postage.
- (4) Business reply post—The following charges shall be payable in addition to postage in respect of items sent “business reply post”:
 - (a) For 500 or more items per month to the same addressee provided such conditions as may be notified from time to time by the Postmaster-General in the *Post Office Guide* are met: \$10 per month.
 - (b) For all other items: 2c per item.
- (5) Insurance—The following fees are payable, in addition to postage, in respect of insured articles:
 - (a) For any article insured for an amount of up to \$50 \$1.10
 - (b) For each additional \$50 of insurance cover or fraction thereof up to a maximum of \$1,000 15c
- (6) Registration—The fee payable, in addition to postage, in respect of registered letters is 85c.

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- (7) 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 50c, but if an advice of delivery to the addressee only is required the charge is \$1.
- (b) The charge payable for obtaining a certificate of delivery of a registered or an insured article up to 1 year after the date of posting is \$1.
- (8) Late fee—The late fee payable in respect of a letter is 14c in addition to postage.
- (9) Customs clearance fee—For each postal article a Customs clearance fee of 80c is payable.
- (10) 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 25c per day.
- (b) If the article is collected after the expiration of the period referred to in paragraph (a) of this clause 50c per day.
- (11) Pharmaceutical requirements—For each package of pharmaceutical requirements posted by a pharmacist under the Social Security (Pharmaceutical Benefits) Regulations 1965 a fee of 15c additional to postage shall be payable by the addressee.
- (12) 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 a delivery by postman:
 For a box of the small size . . . at the rate of \$28 per annum.
 For a box of the large size . . . at the rate of \$56 per annum.
- (ii) To a person residing beyond the limits of a delivery by postman:
 For a box of the small size . . . at the rate of \$10 per annum.
 For a box of the large size . . . at the rate of \$20 per annum.
- (b) At other places where there is a postman's delivery:
- (i) To a person residing within the limits of a delivery by postman:
 For a box of the small size . . . at the rate of \$21 per annum.
 For a box of the large size . . . at the rate of \$42 per annum.
- (ii) To a person residing beyond the limits of a delivery by postman:
 For a box of the small size . . . at the rate of \$10 per annum.
 For a box of the large size . . . at the rate of \$20 per annum.
- (c) At places where there is no postman's delivery:
 For a box of the small size . . . at the rate of \$10 per annum.
 For a box of the large size . . . at the rate of \$20 per annum.
- (13) Private mail bag charges—
- (a) 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:
- (i) For a bag that is collected at the post office by the holder:
 \$100 a year for each closing a day, Monday to Friday.
 \$30 a year for each closing on Saturday.
 \$40 a year for each closing on Sunday.
- (ii) For a bag that is delivered by the Post Office:
 \$100 a year for each closing a day, Monday to Friday.
 \$30 a year for each closing on Saturday.
 \$40 a year for each closing on Sunday.
- There is also payable under subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph a delivery charge of \$100 per annum for each closing a day if the bagholder resides within 1 kilometre of the delivery office and an additional charge of \$64 per annum for each additional kilometre or part thereof of delivery.

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(b) The fee for a private bag for the delivery of correspondence to an address that 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
(i) For a bag of the small size— If the bag is dispatched or closed not more than once daily	\$50 a year	\$30 a year
If the bag is dispatched or closed more frequently than once daily	\$50 a year for each time a day the bag is dispatched ..	\$30 a year for each time a day the bag is closed
(ii) For a bag of the large size— If the bag is dispatched or closed not more than once daily	\$60 a year	\$35 a year
If the bag is dispatched or closed more frequently than once daily	\$60 a year for each time a day the bag is dispatched	\$35 a year for each time a day the bag is closed

- (14) Rural mail service charges—The following rural mail service charges are payable:
 (a) For delivery 3 times weekly or less \$5 a year.
 (b) For delivery more often than 3 times weekly \$10 a year.
- (15) Redirection orders—A charge of \$10 is payable in respect of each renewal of a redirection order after a period of 12 months.
- (16) Surcharge on unpaid or underpaid mail—The fee payable, in addition to the deficient postage in respect of unpaid or underpaid postal articles, is 15c per article.

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 Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations, which take effect on 1 August 1979,—

- (a) Prescribe new postage rates;
- (b) Clarify the interpretation of articles in the non-standard category;
- (c) Introduce changes in the householder circular and bulk mail categories;
- (d) Alter the provisions relating to the payment of compensation in respect of damage to an insured postal article;
- (e) Omit reference to the charges for postal stationery items.

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