

# AIR MAIL

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ZANZIBAR ... Air mail correspondence for St. Helena is sent by air to South Africa, but the surface outlets both from South Africa and from the United Kingdom are irregular and the air mail route is therefore occasionally slower than the surface route. The Post Office cannot advise on the choice of route.

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Letters, letter packets and postcards for all European countries, prepaid at the ordinary international postage ites, are in general despatched daily by air or save. rates, are in general despatched daily by air or surface transport\*, whichever offers earlier delivery. The postage rates, except for Gibraltar and Malta are. Postage rates, except for Gibraltar and Malta are: Letters, 6d. for the first ounce and 4d. for each additional ounce; Postcards 4d. For Gibralta Additional ounce are: Letters, 3d. for the additional ounce; Postcards 4d. For Gibraltar and Malta the rates are:—Letters, 3d. for the first ounce and 11d, for each additional ounce.

Postings should be made as early as possible in the day. At the London Chief Office the latest time of posting (Monday to Friday) for the night mail despatch to the nearer European countries is 9.30 p.m. (8.30

PAYMENT OF AIR POSTAGE IS UNNECESSARY ON CORRESPONDENCE TO EUROPE AND AIR MAIL LABELS SHOULD NOT BE USED.

\* There is no air service to Poland for letters (or letter packets) exceeding 2 oz. in weight.

#### EUROPE-AIR PARCELS

Insured parcels may now be sent to most European destinations. These are indicated by a § in col. 1 in the table below.

Destination	Rates of	Postage		Rates of Postage			Rates of Postage		
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BELGIUM BULGARIA	5 6 7 3	1 0 2 9	§HOLLAND §HUNGARY	(See Net	therlands)	ROUMANIA	No	service	
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	6 0 6 6	1 6 2 6	SICELAND ITALY	9 3 7 0	3 9 2 0	§SPAIN (inc. Baleari and Canary Islands §SWEDEN §SWITZERLAND	7 0	2 3	
DENMARK	6 6	1 9	§LUXEMBOURG	5 6	1 0	STURKEY	8 3	3 4.3	
	7 9	3 0	§MALTA	7 0	3 3	§U.S.S.R. (Europe)	16	3 6	
FRANCE	6 0	1 3	§NETHERLANDS §NORWAY	5 6 6 6	1 0 2 3	VATICAN CITY STATE	7	0 2	
GERMANY (All Zones and all Sectors of Berlin)	6 0	1 6	§POLAND	8 0	2 6	SYUGOSLAVIA	8	0 3	

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#### AIR MAIL SERVICES—GENERAL INFORMATION

GENERAL CONDITIONS: The normal regulations governing the make-up and acceptance of various categories of postal packets and parcels apply with equal force to items sent by air is regulations are set out in detail in the Post Office Guide which may be consulted at any post of the consultation of the letter insurance fees are payable in addition to the letter

Air mail label: A blue air mail label, obtainable free of charge at any post office, must be affixed to each air mail item (except letters, letter packets and postcards for Europe) at the top left-hand corner on the address side; alternatively the indication "By Air Mail" may be written boldly in the same position, but the absence of an air mail label may lead

Air Letters: Air Letters, postage 6d., written on special Air Letter forms, may be sent to all countries. Enclosures are not permitted. The special forms may be obtained at post offices. Privately manufactured forms may be used only if they bear an indication that they have been approved by the Postmaster-General. Forms which do not bear such an indication will be treated as ordinary air mail letters. treated as ordinary air mail letters.

Second Class Mail: Printed Papers, Commercial Papers, Samples, Small Packets (to those countries which admit them) may be sent by air to countries outside Europe at the rates shown in col. 4 on pages 2-4; special rates apply to Newspapers and Literature for the Blind—see below. There is a minimum charge of 6d. for Commercial Papers and 10d. for Small Packets. Second class mail items must be clearly superscribed in the upper left-hand corner of the cover, below the air mail label, for the particular service intended. Such items must not contain anything in the nature of a current letter and must not be sealed against inspection.

Newspapers: Publications registered as newspapers at the G.P.O.—and these items only—may be sent at the special rates of postage for newspapers shown on pages 2-4. Such items must be clearly superscribed "Newspapers" below the air mail label.

Literature for the Blind: This may be sent by air mail to countries outside Europe at the special standard postage

rate of 3d. for each 2 oz.

NOTE: There is no Second Class air mail service to European countries. When it is desired that items normally transmissible as Small Packets, Printed Papers, Commercial Papers or Samples should be despatched by air (when this will offer earlier delivery) they must be sent as letters. Packets containing Literature for the Blind for which no postage has been prepaid are eligible for air conveyance provided that they do not exceed 2 lb. in weight. The air mail label is not used in the

Insured Letters and Boxes: Insured letters and boxes may be sent by air mail to those countries outside Europe against which an indication appears in col. 6 on pages 2-4. The normal

insurance fees are payable in addition to the letter rate in the case of insured letters, and in addition to rate in the case of insured letters, and in addition to the class air postage rate in the case of insured boxes boxes are subject to the minimum charge of Is, and insurance fee. Insured letters are sent by air to those which admit them where this will in Europe which admit them where this will give

Air Parcels: Air Parcels may be sent by air at the rates indicated in col. 5, pages 2-4 (countries outside and on page 5 (Europe). Where no postage rate is a constant of the same and the rate is a constant. and on page 5 (Europe). Where no postage rate is a pages 2-4 there is no service at present. The same suppose services as for surface parcels are available except parcels can be accepted for insurance only to these parcels can be accepted to appears in col. 6 on lose of against which an indication appears in col. 6 on page against which an indication appears in cot. o on page 2, in col. 1 on page 5. A blue air mail label must be affixed in col. 1 on page 5. A blue air mail label must be affixed to the address (or to each address if the parcel is address) to the relative despatch note it. more than one place), to the relative despatch note if one more than one place), to the relative despatch note if one and to the trade charge card for C.O.D. parcels. In additional the acceleration afforded by air conveyance, air parcel usually given speedy customs clearance abroad. The information cale. 7 and 8 on pages 2-4 is not applicable. tion given in cols. 7 and 8 on pages 2-4 is not applicable to

parcels.

Posting Times: The times of posting shown in this leaflet en those applicable to unregistered correspondence posted at those applicable to unregistered correspondence posted at the London Chief Office, King Edward St., E.C.1, and are closely related to the despatch of the mails. The latest posting time to the local Living Line and Line an related to the despatch of the lines. These times are generally earlier to elsewhere can be ascertained by inquisionally earlier than the Branch post office. These times are generally earlier than the company of the Branch post office. These times are generally earner than the London Chief Office times but exceptionally the times a Glasgow and Manchester may be later for Canada, Newfound Mexico, and St. B. Weyloo, and St. Weyloo, and St. B. Weyloo, and St. B. Weyloo, and Glasgow and Manchester May Mexico and St. Pierre and land, U.S.A., Alaska, Hawaii, Mexico and St. Pierre and

Times of Transmission: A guide to the times of transmission of letter mails sent by air to the principal cities of countries outside Europe is given in col. 8 on pages 2-4. This information is not applicable to air parcels, but in most cases col. 8 gives some guidance to the likely transmission times. The times are calculated from the time of posting at London Chief Office, The times shown do not allow for intervals between arrival and delivery in the country of destination. No guarantee can be given that the times shown will invariably be achieved.

Services to H.M. Forces: Special air mail rates, particular of which are given in a leaflet (PL89) obtainable at all post offices, apply to correspondence for members of H.M. Forces overseas. Particulars of Air Parcel rates are given in the Post

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