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AIR MAIL

The normal regulations for make-up and acceptance of postal packets and parcels apply to air mail. The Post Office Guide, which may be consulted at any post office, details the regulations.

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Countries Outside Europe

Blue Air Mail label: Free at any post office. You must put a label on all air mail at the top left-hand corner on the address side. Or you may write "By Air Mail" boldly in the same place, but the label is more likely to catch the sorter's eye.

Air Letters, postage 6d., on special Air Letter forms may be sent to all countries. Enclosures are not permitted. You may get the special forms at post offices or use privately-manufactured forms which bear a statement that they have been approved by the Postmaster-General, with the approval number. Unapproved forms will be treated as ordinary air mail letters.

Second Class Mail: Printed Papers, Commercial Papers, Samples, Small Packets (to countries which admit them) and newspapers may be sent by air. You must write the service you intend below the air mail label. Rates on pages 2-5. Minimum for Commercial Papers, 6d.; for Small Packets, 10d. The special rates for newspapers apply only to publications registered as newspapers at the G.P.O. Write "Newspapers" below the air mail label.

Second class mail **must not be sealed**, or contain anything in the nature of a current letter.

Literature for the Blind may go by air mail to all countries at 3d. for each 2 oz.

Insured Letters and Boxes may be sent by air mail to many countries (see pages 2-5). Normal insurance fees are payable besides the air postage rate; (the Second Class rate applies for Insured Boxes). Minimum charge for Insured boxes: 1s. 8d. plus the insurance fee.

Information in this leaflet is correct on the first of the month. Air Mail services are liable to alteration, but between monthly issues of the leaflet any post office will give particulars of important changes. Your Head Postmaster will supply leaflets free if you give him a standing order.

Air Parcels may be sent by air at the rates on pages 2-5. Where no rate is shown there is no service at present. Supplemental services as for ordinary parcels are available except that air parcels can be accepted for insurance to certain countries only (see pages 2-5). You must put a blue air mail label close to the address (each address if the parcel is addressed in more than one place), on the despatch-note if one is used, and on the trade charge card for C.O.D. parcels. Air parcels are usually given speedy customs clearance abroad.

Posting Times in this leaflet apply to unregistered mail (but not parcels) posted at the London Chief Office, King Edward Street, E.C.1. Ask at your Head or Branch post office for posting times elsewhere. They are generally earlier than the London Chief Office times, but at Glasgow and Manchester may be later for some western destinations.

Transit Times: Pages 2-5 give a guide to times of transit of air mail letters to principal cities. The times do not apply to air parcels, but still give some guide. The times are calculated from the time of posting at London Chief Office. They do not allow for intervals between arrival and delivery in the country of destination and they are not guaranteed.

H.M. Forces: Special air mail rates—particulars in leaflet (PL89) obtainable at post offices—apply to correspondence for H.M. forces. Air parcels may be sent to the Army or the Royal Air Force. For rates to British Forces Post Office addresses see the Post Office Guide or ask at a post office. There is no air parcel service to Naval personnel.

Europe

Letter Mail: For Europe there is no special charge for air conveyance. Do not use air mail labels or air letters. Letters, letter packets and postcards are sent by air whenever this will give earlier delivery.

Second Class Mail: There is no second class air mail service to Europe. If you want the quickest possible delivery for Printed Papers, Commercial Papers, Samples, Small Packets and newspapers you should pay the letter rate or, where appropriate, the

postcard rate. Literature for the Blind is sent by air free of postage up to 2 lb.

Post as early as possible in the day. At London Chief Office, King Edward Street, E.C.1, the latest time of posting (Monday to Friday) for the night despatch to the nearer European countries is 9.30 p.m. (8.30 p.m. for the Netherlands).

Air Parcels go to Europe under the general conditions given on the front page.

H.M. Forces: See the front page.

Letter Mail Rates: First oz. 6d.; each additional oz. 4d. Postcards 4d. **But to Gibraltar or Malta:** First oz. 3d.; each additional oz. 1½d.; Postcards 2½d.

Air Parcel Rates:

To	First lb.	Each additional lb.	To	First lb.	Each additional lb.	To	First lb.	Each additional lb.
	s. d.	s. d.		s. d.	s. d.		s. d.	s. d.
§ALBANIA ...	8 6	3 0	GIBRALTAR ...	6 6	2 9	POLAND ...	8 0	2 6
AUSTRIA ...	7 3	2 0	GREECE ...	8 3	4 0	PORTUGAL ...	7 6	2 6
BELGIUM ...	5 6	1 0	HOLLAND ...	(See Netherlands)		ROUMANIA ...	No service	
§BULGARIA ...	7 3	2 9	HUNGARY ...	6 9	2 6	†SPAIN (inc. Balearic Islands)	8 9	3 3
CORSICA ...	6 0	1 6	ICELAND ...	9 3	3 9	SWEDEN ...	7 0	2 3
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	6 6	2 6	§ITALY ...	7 0	2 0	SWITZERLAND ...	6 0	1 6
DENMARK ...	6 6	1 9	LUXEMBOURG ...	5 6	1 0	TURKEY ...	8 3	4 3
FINLAND ...	7 9	3 0	MALTA ...	7 0	3 3	U.S.S.R. (Europe) ...	16 3	6 3
FRANCE ...	6 0	1 3	NETHERLANDS ...	5 6	1 0	YUGOSLAVIA ...	8 0	3 6
GERMANY ...	6 0	1 6	NORWAY ...	6 6	2 3			
(All Zones and all Sectors of Berlin)								

§These countries do not accept insured parcels

†There is no insured air parcel service to the Balearic Islands.

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