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### It incorporates the following:

- 1/ Status of the Offices that used barred numeral cancellations.
- 2/ A list of the Sub Offices of major Offices that used barred numeral cancels.
- 3/ The later numeral allocations that were made after barred numerals ceased to be issued.

### Dates, codes and times in red are new to the published volumes.

Dates of a change in status are derived largely from the Post Office Guide for January of each year, if a change occurs in say the 1865 edition, it actually took place sometime in 1864.

### Status of the Offices

**Head Post Offices** / **Post Town** collected, sorted, cancelled and distributed mail from and to a series of Subordinate Offices.

The address of mail sent to a place with a Head Office would end just with the name of the town i.e. Bedford.

**Independent Sub Offices** evolved in the second half of the 19th Century having an address that was independent of the nearest Head Office, most of their mail could come straight to them.

Mail sent to these addresses ended with S.O. and the county name.

i.e. Shefford S.O. Beds. (from 1873 to 1886)

### Railway Sub Offices (R.S.O.)

These were offices that received and sent their mail to a travelling railway post office rather than a conventional head office.

i.e. Shefford R.S.O. Beds. (from 1886 to 1905)

When the term "Railway Sub Office" was abolished in 1905, these became Independent Sub Offices; in 1909 they became Post Towns. Although the term R.S.O. was abolished in 1905 it remained in use in many cds's for several years afterwards.

Subordinate Offices The address of mail sent there had to include the name of the Head Office:-

- i.e. Potton, Biggleswade. (1844 to 1854)
- i.e. Potton, St Neots. (1854 to 1872)
- i.e. Potton, Sandy. (1872 to present)

These normally received and sent most of their mail direct to a Head Office.

In the text the dates given are for the length of time that they were sub offices not the period of use of barred numerals.

A Sub Office in an urban environment, before 1892 was called a Town Receiving Office.

### LETTER BOXES.

Pillar Boxes and Wall Boxes, did not normally have their own cancellation, exception were Late Fee Letter Boxes at Railway Stations. The cancellation was applied either in the Travelling Post Office, eg. Euston Square Station with its provincial style 964 cancellation, or in transit the Manchester/Liverpool/Leeds/ Bradford Late Box cancellations which were cancelled in London.

### THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE CANCELLATIONS:

1844 type for the single obliterators issued to all the offices in the lists to 1850.



1844

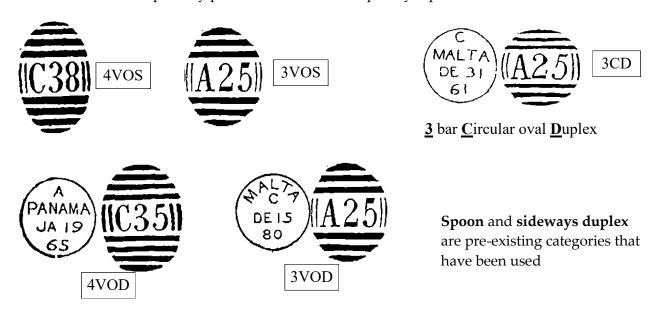
### 3HOS is a 3 Bar Horizontal Oval Single obliterator

The 3HOS replaced the 1844 type in the 1850's. They can sometimes be very similar in that the 1844's can have three bars at the top and base. The key characteristic to separate these from a subsequently issued 3HOS is the length of the uppermost and lowermost bars. These are long in the 1844 type and short and often convex in the 3HOS. The figure 4 almost always has a serif on the horizontal bar in 1844s and is always sans serif in the 3HOSs.



## **4VOS** is a **4** Bar Vertical Oval Single obliterator **3VOS** is a **3** Bar Vertical Oval Single obliterator

Obliterators that were first issued as a 4VOS can through wear and local recutting become a 3VOS or indeed rarely a 2VOS. As these always derive from the original 4VOS they are placed in that category. The evidence is that the size of the figures and letters stay the same despite the reduction in the number of bars. True 3VOS's are separately proofed as such and frequently replace a 4VOS.



<u>4</u> bar <u>Vertical <u>O</u>val Duplex <u>3</u> bar <u>Vertical <u>O</u>val <u>D</u>uplex</u></u>

**3VODX** A distinctive pattern of 3VOD was sent to 21 towns on 10 MAY1873. In the Proof Books the cds and obliterator were separately entered, with the cds often at an angle and some distance from the obliterator. In use the cds and obliterator were also some distance apart, they were the first 3VOD cancels to be issued. They are often described as a 3VOS in the literature. Of the 21, three are common Birmingham, Manchester and Cheltenham, 11 are very rare, and 7 have never been seen. They might have been for use in an experimental new style of handstamp or cancelling machine. Whatever the nature of the experiment it appears to not to have been successful.

### **ILLUSTRATIONS**

The majority of the illustrations are face different Proof Book entries. These have been photocopied from photocopies held in the Post Office archive.

There are very few examples of the 1844 type in the Proof Books, most examples in the catalogue have been traced from actual examples.

If there are two identical copies of a cancel entered at the same in the Proof Books this can often be shown to be the issue of two different cancels. The official stamping the entry found it easier to make two impressions of the same cancel rather than one of each.

### **DATE OF ISSUE**

The date attached to each illustration is the first date of entry in the Proof Books. Just the month and year are quoted because of the ambiguities in the various possible dates: -

1/ The date a cancellation was sent to a Head Office, this was not always the final destination.

2/ The date in the cds of the cancellation, this is not always the same as the date sent. It can indeed be almost a year out. Volume 15 of the Proof Books consists of cut outs of cancellations, these are often duplicate entries of cancels that are in other Proof Books - however the cds date in volume 15 can often be much earlier in the year than the date in the other Proof Books. The earlier date is certainly the correct one.

3/ The date a cancel was proofed – this is in a column marked "sent" in the Proof Books.

In the literature any of these three sources could have been used for the "date of issue".

### **RARITY & PRICE**

The rarity index ranges from A = abundant to H = very few recorded. H\* has been used for proofed cancels that have only been recorded on loose stamp.

GPO means that the cancel has only been seen in the Proof Books.

Prices for coloured cancels have not been quoted, there is too much variation.

Prices have not been updated from those quoted in the six volume set issued 2011 to 2013 - i.e. they are at least 10 years old.

### POST OFFICE LISTS

The list of numeral allocations comes from a combination of several sources:-

1/ The Official Lists held in various forms in the Post Office Archives and several that are privately held.

2/ Individual changes in allocation listed in the Post Office Circular, which was a set of weekly instructions to Postmasters.

The Official Lists that have been used:-

1844 – contained in Dendy Marshall's book. Thus seen by Brumell.

1845 - 1847 - 1855 - 1856 - 1857 contained in the relevant Post Office Directory.

1874 - 1882 - 1887 - 1892 - currently available in the Post Office Archives, in their file Post 55. The 1882 list is new, it was not seen or mentioned by Brumell.

1899 - Brumell mentions a list that he had not seen that was quoted by Whitworth (Southport 1905) as the "1899" list. Post Office Archives have an 1887 list with manuscript additions up to about 1900. This is certainly Whitworth's "1899" list.

1902 - seen and listed by Brumell, but there is no longer a copy in the Post Office Archives.

1906 - currently available in the Post Office Archives, in Post 55. This was the last list used by Brumell.

1924, 1929 and 1949 - these have recently become available in the Post Office Archives, in Post 55, called Post Office Form 1013. They were not available to Mackay.

1954, 1959 - listed by George Pearson in his 1959 publication. The lists are not in the Post Office Archives.

1962 - an original list seen and quoted by Mackay. Given by him in 1990 to the Post Office Archives, but no longer available. A privately held copy has been downloaded from the GBPS website.

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Post Office Archives: Many thanks for all their help in the past, although under the current regime research is becoming increasingly difficult. This follows a general tendency amongst archivists to make preservation the all-pervading priority and making access secondary.

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Winton Bournemouth 916 & 060A

### 10 ALRESFORD

Head Post Office 1844 to 1918. Salaried Sub Office 1918 to Present.

Alresford was allocated number 10 from 1844 to 1906 and 010 in the 1929 to 1962 lists

Number 10 was later allocated to Alfreton (Derbys) 1926 to 1962

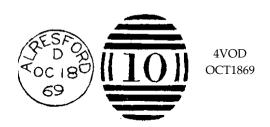




**1844** Used from 28 MAY1844 to 5 OCT1864 Price C £5

**3TH.HOS** Used from 6 FEB1865 to 23 JUN1869 Price F £25

### HAMPSHIRE 10-11



4VOD Used from 27 APR1870 to 4 AUG1876 Codes: B D Price C £3



**3VODA (Alresford in cds)** Used from 26 MAY1879 to 29 NOV1888 Codes: A B Price E £12 **3VODB (Alresford Hants in cds) Time in code** Used from 1 NOV1889 to 6DEC1894

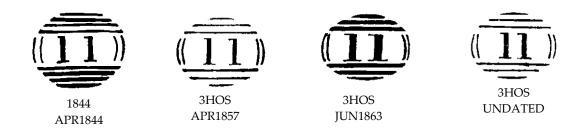
Codes: A B C Price F £8

3VODB (Alresford Hants in cds) Time in full Used from 26 JUL1895 to 10 OCT1903

Times: 945AM 1210PM 1230PM 3PM 7PM 845PM 9PM 10PM Price A £3

### 11 ALTON

Head Post Office 1844 to 1968. Salaried Sub Office 1968 to present. Alton was allocated number 11 from 1844 to 1962.



**1844** Used from 14 SEP1844 to 7 APR1860 Price D £6 **3HOS** Used from 6 OCT1857 to 29 JUN1868 Price A £3



### HAMPSHIRE 11-21

4VODA (Straight Alton) Used from 21 DEC1869 to 22 JUL1874

Codes: A B Price D £6

**4VODB (Curved Alton Hants)** Used from 16 MAR1874 to 11 SEP1880

Codes: A B Price B £3

Squared Circles in use: JAN1881 to JUN1895

### 21 ANDOVER

Head Post office 1844 onwards.

Andover was allocated number 21 from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS AUG1860

**1844** Used from 28 MAY1844 to 7 APR1860 Price C £5

**1844 in blue** Used from JUL1849 to NOV1851 **1844 in green** Used from JUL1849 to NOV1851

**3HOS** Used from 6 SEP1860 to 4 APR1863 Price F £15

By 1862 it was worn to single side arcs.



3TH.HOS FEB1864



3TH.HOS JUN1865



4VOS MAR1872

**3TH.HOS** Used from 2 JUN1864 to 14 DEC1870 Price G £40 **4VOS** Used from 26 DEC1872 to 17 OCT1873 Price H £40





4VODA JUN1865





4VODA FEB1869





4VODA **IUN1869** 





4VODA JAN1870

### HAMPSHIRE 21-22

**4VODA (Straight Andover)** Used from 20 MAR1866 to 7 MAY1877 Codes: B C D Price C £3



4VODB JUN1871



4VODB OCT1877



After SEP1899 the 4VODB can have three bars at the base .

4VODB (Curved Andover) Time in code Used from 15 SEP1871 to 18 JAN1895

Codes: A B C D E G H I Price A £3

4VODB (Curved Andover) Time in full Used from 19 SEP1895 to 16 JAN1900

Times: 845AM 930AM 130PM 3PM 630PM 8PM 830PM 930 Price D £5

### 22 ANDOVER ROAD

Head Post Office 1844 to between 1854 and 1856 when it moved to Micheldever Station. Andover Road allocated number 22 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 22 was later allocated to Micheldever Station in the lists 1874 to 1906 then Lambourn (Berks) 1959 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 24 Overton 1844 to 1854 and 23 Whitchurch 1844 to 1857.



1844 APR1844



1844 UNDATED

**1844** Used from 5 JUL1844 to 19 OCT1855 Price G £80+ **1844 in blue** Used from 15 JUL1849 to AUG1854

### 22 MICHELDEVER STATION

Was previously Andover Road.

Head Post Office 1854/6 to 1923, Sub Office of Micheldever Village 1923 to 1936, Sub Office of Winchester 1936 to 1941/46, closed 1941/46.

Number 22 was later allocated to Lambourn (Berks) 1959 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 24 Overton 1854 to 1887 and 23 & 099 Whitchurch 1857 to 1885.

### HAMPSHIRE 22-23



1844 Undated



**1844** Used from 21 JUN1856 to 2 SEP1858 Price G £60 Seen in green **3HOS** Used from 12 OCT1863 to 13 APR1870 Price F £50



3VOS FEB1876



3CD FEB1859

**3VOS** Used from 30 OCT1877 to 22 JUN1887 Price H £150

**3CD** Used from 15 MAR1859 to 18 JUN1872 Codes: A C D G Price A £10



4VOD SEP1872



3VOD MAR1878

**4VOD** Used from 2 OCT1872 to 29 APR1878 Code: C Price C £10

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 17 OCT1878 to 10 AUG1898 Codes: A B C Price B £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 21 SEP1898 to 10 OCT1906

Times: 1215PM 530PM 930PM 1015PM 1030PM 910M Price A £8 on cover, £4 on ppc

### 23 WHITCHURCH

Under Andover Road 1844 to 1854/6, Micheldever Station 1854/6 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1896, Railway Sub Office 1896 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 onwards.

Whitchurch was allocated numbers 23 in the 1844 to 1857 lists, then as number 099 in the 1882 to 1962 lists.

1844 APR1844

Number 23 was later allocated to Senny Bridge (Brec) 1874 to 1906 then Corby (Northants) 1952 to 1962.

**1844** Used from 16 AUG1844 to 8 DEC1858 Price D £20 Seen in blue By 1858 the bars on top and at the base had disappeared.

### HAMPSHIRE 24-52

### 24 OVERTON

Sub Office of Andover Road 1844 to 1854, Sub Office of Micheldever Station 1854 to 1887, Sub Office of Whitchurch 1887 to 1913, Sub Office of Basingstoke 1913 to present. Overton was allocated number 24 in the 1844 to 1906 lists.

Number 24 was later allocated to East Cowes (IOW) 1952 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3VOS JUL1879

**1844** Used from 29 JUN1847 to 7 SEP1858 Price F £40

**1844 in blue** Used from JUL1850 to MAR1851

**3VOS** Used from 25 JAN1887 to 29 JAN1902 Price F £40

### **52 BASINGSTOKE**

Head Post office 1844 onwards.

Basingstoke was allocated number 52 from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS AUG1859



3HOS SEP1863

**1844** Used from 31 MAY1846 to 26 FEB1859 Price D £8

3HOS Used from 26 OCT1859 to 29 MAR1870 Price D £6





4VOD MAR1865





4VOD MAR1870





4VOD APR1870





4VOD APR1870

### HAMPSHIRE 52-85

**4VOD** Used from 2 JAN1866 to 20 DEC1915 Codes: B C D E F none Price A £3 A total of seven were proofed. The four visibly different proofed 4VOD's are now illustrated.



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 13 AUG1883 to 9 OCT1894 Codes: A Ainv B C D E F G none

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 16 OCT1894 to 31 MAR1896

Codes: CL\*P E\*P H\*P I\*P II\*P Price C £6

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 7 SEP1896 to 21 MAY1900 Times: 915AM 4PM 8PM 945PM

Price D £4

### **78 ALDERSHOT**

Sub Office of Farnham 1845 to 1857, Sub Office of Farnborough Station 1857 to 1880, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1880 to 1883, Head Post Office 1883 to present. Aldershot was allocated number 78 from 1874 to 1962 lists.

Number 78 was previously allocated to Henley in Arden (Warwks) 1844 to 1857.



**3VOS** Used from 6 NOV1875 to 22 JUN1884 Price G £50

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 23 JUN1883 to 4 MAY1895 Codes: B C D E F G H I Price A £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 13 DEC1895 to 11 MAR1898

Times: 01AM 130PM 530PM 615PM 815PM 845PM 10PM Price C £3

### **85 BISHOPS WALTHAM**

Head Post Office 1844 to 1857, Sub Office of Fareham 1857, Southampton 1857 to 1873, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1873 to 1931, Sub Office of Southampton 1931 to *p* resent. Bishops Waltham was allocated number 85 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

### HAMPSHIRE 85-96



1844 APR1844



3HOS NOV1854

**1844** Used from 6AUG1844 to 10 APR1868 Price E £12

**1844 in blue** Used from DEC1849 to MAR1850

**3HOS** Used from 14 OCT1856 to 15 JUN1863 Price F £10

Seen used on undated ppc of early 1940's



4VOS DEC1869



3VOS MAY1876

**4VOS** Used from 4 MAR1870 to 1 MAR1875 Price E £15

**3VOS** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £50 (Price if found on dated cover)



4VOD MAY1876



3VOD NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**4VOD Time in code** Used from 26 MAY1876 to 8 JUN1894 Codes: A B C Price C £3 **4VOD Time in full** Used from 21 APR1895 to 18 JUL1897 Times: 4PM 430PM 815PM 815

Price G £10

**3VOD** Used from 19 JUN1896 to 27 APR1905 Times: 1015AM 215PM 415PM 815PM Price B £3 on cover, £2 on ppc

### 96 ALDERSHOT CAMP

Sub Office of Farnborough Station 1855 to 1880, Independent Sub Office 1880 to 1883, Railway Sub Office 1883 to 1902, Renamed Stanhope Lines in 1906.

Aldershot Camp was allocated number 96 in the lists from 1874 to 1902. It was previously 046 in the 1857 list.

Number 96 had previously been allocated to Stickney (Lincs) 1844 to 1857 then later to Bordon (Hants) 1924 to 1962.

### HAMPSHIRE96-200



3VOS FEB1874



3VOS OCT1884



3VOD AUG1883

**3VOS** Used from 25 APR1883 Price H £100

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 7 OCT1883 to 9 OCT1894 Codes: A C Einv F Isdwys Price F £25 In the mid 90's it was recut, the figure 96 was reduced from 5mm to 4mm.

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 31 OCT1894 to 18 MAR1897

Codes: I\*A C\*P CL\*P E\*P EC\*P F\*P H\*P I\*P II\*P ME\*P Price F £25

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 6 MAY1897 to 9 JUN1899

Times: 9AM 6PM 730PM 8PM 9PM 7 8 Price F £25

96 Bordon

Bordon was allocated number 96 from 1924 to 1962

135 Brockenhurst

Brockenhurst was allocated number 135 from 1924 to 1962

### 200 CHRISTCHURCH

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Moved to Dorset in 1974.

Christchurch was allocated number 200 from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS AUG1857



3HOS MAY1861



3HOS APR1866

**1844** Used from 28 AUG1844 to 2 JUL1856 Price D £8

3HOS Used from 21 AUG1857 to 17 OCT1871 Price C £3



4VOS MAR1866



4VOS OCT1871



3VOS JUL1876



3VOS JUL1879



3VOS NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### HAMPSHIRE 200-277

**4VOS** Used from 10 NOV1871 to 31 JAN1874 Price G £30

**3VOS** Used from 23 FEB1877 to 5 SEP1969 Price H £40 cover, £15 later use.

In green on unpaid local envelope dated 5 SEP1969



4VOD MAY1874



4VOD Used from 11 JUL1874 to 18 MAR1890 Codes: A C D Price D £6



3VODA NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3VODB NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODA (Christchurch in the cds)** Used from 1 JUN1883 to 10 MAR1893 Codes: A C D F Price D £6

**3VODB (Christchurch Hants in the cds) Time in code** Used from 2 APR1895 to 7 FEB1896 Codes: D F Price H £12

**3VODB (Christchurch Hants in the cds) Time in full** Used from 20 OCT1896 to 22 DEC1908 Times: 9AM 1045AM 1115AM 1145AM 1215PM 1245PM 3PM 4PM 5PM 815PM 9PM 915PM 10PM 1015PM 1030PM 1045PM Price £3

211 Cosham

Cosham was allocated number 211 from 1924 to 1962

268 Eastleigh

Eastleigh was allocated number 268 from 1924 to 1962

### **277 EMSWORTH**

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Emsworth was allocated number 277 from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3VOS MAY1876

### HAMPSHIRE 277-291

**1844** Used from 1 JUL1846 to 27 JUN1867 Price D £8 **3VOS** Used in 9 NOV1876 to 29 APR1877 Price H £60





4VOD NOV1876

**4VOD** Used from 21 APR1870 to 4 MAR1883 Codes: A B C D Price E£10



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 26 NOV1883 to 20 MAR1901 Codes: A B C D E F G H I J Price B £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 24 JUL1901 to 15 SEP1912

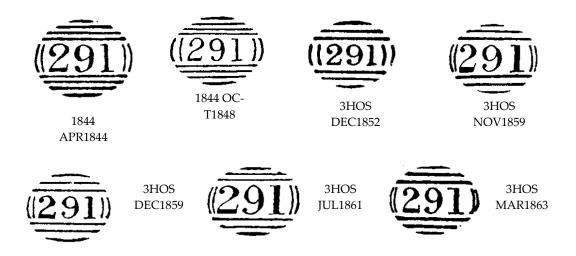
Times: 830AM 10AM 1115AM 130PM 330PM 445PM 530PM 7PM 730PM 830PM 915PM 945PM 10PM Price A £3

### 291 FAREHAM

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Fareham was allocated number 291 from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 85 Bishops Waltham 1857.



**1844** Used from 1 JUN1844 to 21 OCT1851 Price E £10 **1844 in blue** Used from 16 OCT1849 MAY1850

**3HOS** Used from 5 MAR1858 to 18 MAR1898 Price D £6

### HAMPSHIRE 291-304



3CD Used from 23 NOV1862 to 24 AUG1883 Codes: A B C D E Price A £3



**4VODA (Straight Fareham in the cds)** Used from 10 APR1869 to 20 AUG1872

Codes: C E Price E £12

4VODB (Curved Fareham in the cds) Used from 3 JUN1873 to 4 APR1886

Codes: B C D E F Price B £3

4VODBS (Curved Fareham in the cds & single side arcs) Time in code Used from

29 NOV1887 to 7 SEP1890 Code C E Price G £8

4VODBS (Curved Fareham in the cds & single side arcs) Time in full Used from

1 NOV1895 to 8 JAN1897 Times: 8AM 215PM 415PM 645PM 815PM 10PM Price F £4



**3VOD (with double side arcs) Time in code** Used from 2 SEP1891 to 14 APR1900

Codes: DEFHP Price F£10

**3VOD (with single side arcs) Time in code** Used on 10 JUL1890 Code: E Price H£15

3VOD (with single side arcs) Time in full Used from 3 JAN1896 to 4 MAR1899

Times: 8AM 1045AM 1145AM 415PM 615PM 645PM 10PM Price B £3

297 Fordingbridge

Fordingbridge was allocated number 304 from 1844 to 1906 lists, then 297 from 1924 to 1962.

### 304 FORDINGBRIDGE

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855. Sub Office of Salisbury 1855 to 1935. Post Town 1935 to *p*resent . Number 304 was later allocated to Fleet (Hants) 1924 to 1962.

Fordingbridge was allocated number 304 from 1844 to 1906 lists, then 297 from 1924 to 1962. *Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 914 Cranborne 1844 to 1852.* 

### HAMPSHIRE 304-320



1844 APR1844



**1844** Used from 15 AUG1844 to 20 NOV1857 Price F £12 **3HOS** Used from 4 DEC1862 to 1 DEC1870 Price G £20



4VOS JUL1868



3VOS APR1878



**4VOS** Used from 21 JUL1870 to 7 NOV1873 Price F £20 **3VOS** Used from 15 APR1879 to 26 JUL1896 Price H £50



3VOD NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 2 APR1890 to 9 JAN1903 Codes: A B Binv C Price D £6 **3VOD Time in full** Used from 3 OCT1903 to 23 DEC1910

Times: 1115AM 245PM 615PM 730PM Price B £3

304 Fleet

Fleet was allocated number 304 from 1924 to 1962.

313 Farnborough

Farnborough was allocated number 313 from 1934 to 1962.

### 320 GOSPORT

Head Post Office 1844 onwards.

Gosport was allocated number 320 from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS SEP1854



3HOS NOV1859



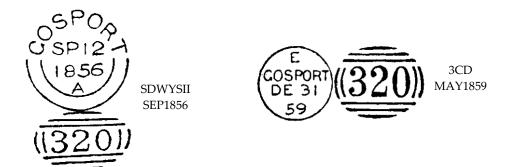
3HOS DEC1859

**1844** Used from 21 AUG1844 to 17 OCT1850 Price F £15 **3HOS** Used from 7 NOV1854 to 27 FEB1873 Price A £3

By 1865 the double side arcs merge to one arc.



**3VOS** Used from 2 FEB1874 to 6 JUL1906 Price F £30 19thC / £15 20thC



SDWYS II Used from 10 OCT1856 to 24 FEB1858 Codes: B C none Price E £30
3CD Used from 8 OCT1862 to 24 APR1871 Codes: D E F Price D £4
Three very similar 3CD's were proofed between MAY1859 & SEP1870





**4VOD Time in code** Used from 2 JAN1872 to 21DEC1893

Codes: B C E F G H J K L none Price A £3

The figure 0 can have a central break which gives it the appearance of an 8

**4VOD Time in full** Used from 9 DEC1895 to 4 FEB1897

Times: 130PM 2PM 6PM 730PM 9PM 930PM 1015PM Price E £4

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 24 DEC1880 to 7 MAY1895

Codes: CDEFGHKLM Price D£4

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 30 JAN1896 to 14 MAR1898 Times: 730AM 945AM 130PM 6PM 730PM 9PM Price F £6

### HAMPSHIRE 339-344

### 339 HARTFORDBRIDGE

Head Post office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office Winchfield 1855 onwards.

Renamed Hartley Witney in 1891.

Hartfordbridge was allocated number 339 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 339 was later allocated to Aberporth (Card) 1882 to 1906, then Haslingden (Lancs) 1924 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



1844 DEC1849



3HOS JUN1858

**1844** Used from 3 JUL1844 to 12 SEP1857 Price E £40 **3HOS** Used from 24 DEC1855 to 3 OCT1857 Price H £60

### 344 HAVANT

Head Post Office 1844 to 1940, Salaried Sub Office 1940 to? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1994.

Havant was allocated number 344 from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



1844 APR1844



3HOS NOV1859



3HOS DEC1860



3HOS JUN1862

**1844** Used from 15 JUL1844 to 16 AUG1854 Price E £12 **3HOS** Used from 11 APR1860 to 12 OCT1868 Price F £12



SDWYSII JAN1855



4VODA DEC1868

**SDWYS II** Used from 25 FEB1855 to 3 JAN1860 Codes: A D none Price G £80 **4VODA (Straight Havant)** Used from 21 DEC1868 to 9 JUL1874 Codes: B C D Price E £12

### HAMPSHIRE 344-380



4VODB JUL1874



3VOD NOV1878

4VODB (Curved Havant) Used from 13 JAN1876 to 12 JUL1896

Codes: B C D Dinv E G Price E £12

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 18 DEC1878 to 10 APR1897

Codes: ABCDEFGHIJK Price A£3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 3 JAN1898 to 24 SEP1906

Times: 9AM 945AM 11AM 1145AM 1245PM 1PM 2PM 245PM 345PM 445PM 515PM 530PM

715PM 730PM 8PM 845PM 915PM 1145PM Price £3

347 Hartley Wintney

Hartley Wintney was allocated number 347 from 1924 to 1962.

### 380 HORNDEAN

Head Post Office 1844 to 1884, Railway Sub Office 1884 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1915, Sub Office of Cosham 1915 to 1932, Sub Office of Portsmouth 1932 to 1990, Sub Office of Waterlooville 1990 to present.

Horndean allocated number 380 in the lists from 1844 to 1906.

Number 380 was later allocated to Hoylake (Ches) 1924 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS UNDATED ENTRY



3HOS NOV1860

1844 Used from 5 AUG1845 to 15 JUN1854 Price E £12
3HOS Used from 2 OCT1859 to 15 MAY1873 Price F £12
First dated entry in the Proof Books sent on 14NOV1860



3VOS OCT1880



4VOD MAY1873

**3VOS** Used on 22 APR1905 Price H £50

4VOD Used from 17 JUN1873 to 2 AUG1880 Codes: A B Price F £15

Squared Circles in use: MAY1881 to JAN1905

### HAMPSHIRE 462-485

### **462 LIPHOOK**

Head Post office 1844 to 1871, Sub Office of Petersfield 1871 to 1873, Independent Sub Office 1873 to 1897, Railway Sub Office 1897 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present.

Liphook allocated number 462 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- Haslemere 1855 to 1871.



1844 APR1844



**1844** Used from 24 JUL1844 to 19 MAR1863 Price G £30 **3TH.HOS** Used from 23 APR1864 to 24 JAN1875 Price F £30



3VOS JAN1877



4VOD JAN1877

3VOS GPO

**4VOD Time in code** Used on 3 MAY1880 Code: A Price H £15

**4VOD Time in full** Used from 29 AUG1895 to 10 DEC1904

Times: 1030AM 1230PM 330PM 6PM 630PM 810PM 830PM 1230 810 Price A £3

### 485 LYMINGTON

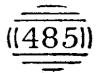
Head Post Office 1844 to 1968, Salaried Sub Office 1968 to? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1993.

Lymington allocated number 485 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office* (that used barred numerals):- 016 Brockenhurst 1855 to 1880, 487 Lyndhurst 1865 to 1873, 748 Stoney Cross 1844 to 1860 and 486 Yarmouth 1844 to 1855.



1844 APR1844



3HOS JUN1853



3HOS JAN1858



3HOS MAY1856



3HOS JAN1858



3HOS JUL1861

**1844** Used from 11 OCT1844 to 7 JAN1853 Price F £15 **3HOS** Used from 6 DEC1853 to 20 SEP1862 Price D £8 **3HOS** Used in blue 13 JUL1856

### HAMPSHIRE 485-487









3VOS GPO

**3CD** Used from 8 DEC1862 to 12 OCT1869 Codes: B C D none Price D £8



4VOD Used from 8 NOV1869 to 21 FEB1887 Codes: A B C D Price B £3
3VOD Used from 14 OCT1874 to 14 MAR1901 Codes: A B C D E F Price A £3
Squared Circles in use: MAR1881 to OCT1902

### **487 LYNDHURST**

Head Post office 1844 to 1865, Sub Office of Lymington 1865 to 1873, Independent Sub Office 1873 to 1893, Railway Sub Office 1893 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present.

Lyndhurst allocated number 487 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962. Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 748 Stoney Cross 1844 to 1860.



1844 APR1844



3VOS AUG1876

**1844** 27 OCT1848 to 14 JUL1874 Price F £15

**3VOS** Used from 13 JUN1877 to 15 JUL1886 Price H £50 £12 on undated ppcs



### HAMPSHIRE 487-613

**4VOD/S** The late Mike Bowtell had a very clear 4VOD or 4VOS obliterator on a single stamp **3VOD Time in code** Used from 26 AUG1889 to 15 OCT1897

Codes: A B C D Price D £6

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 29 OCT1897 to 4 MAR1905 Times: 2AM 10AM 10PM 2PM 215PM 8PM 10PM Price A £3

### **543 LISS**

Sub Office of Petersfield 1845 to 1881.

Renamed West Liss in 1881.

Liss allocated number 543 in the 1882 to 1906 lists. This was after it had stopped being Liss and after finishing using numeral cancels

Number 543 was initially allocated to Carlton on Trent (Notts) in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later to Nelson (Lancs) 1928 to 1962.

**4VOD** Used from 24 MAR1876 to 14 DEC1880 Code: C Price G £80+



AUG1875

556 New Milton

New Milton was allocated number 556 from 1934 to 1962.

### 590 ODIHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Winchfield 1855 to 1919, Sub Office of Basingstoke 1919 to 1995, Sub Office of Hook 1995 to present.

Odiham allocated number 590 in the 1844 to 1857 lists.

Number 590 was later allocated to Billingshurst, Sussex in the 1882 to 1962 lists.



1844 APR1844

**1844** Used from 14 DEC1846 to 21 JUL1858 Price E £25

**1844 in blue** Used in 1853

### **613 PETERSFIELD**

Head Post office 1844 onwards.

Petersfield allocated number 613 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Two postage due surcharge marks were sent to Petersfield on 13th Jul 1915 with the number B01.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 543 Liss 1845 to 1881.



1844 APR1844



3HOS APR1860

**1844** Used from 22OCT1844 to 21 DEC1859 Price A £5 **3HOS** Used from 30 JUN1861 to 28 SEP1862 Price G £15

### HAMPSHIRE 613-625







3CD DEC1868

3VOS GPO

4CD Used from 18APR1863 to 22DEC1878 Codes: A B C Price C £3



**4VOD** Used from 12APR1870 to 13DEC1879 Codes: A B C Price C £3 4VOD with a flat topped three listed in the original catalogue does not exist.



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 20JUL1880 to 26JUN1890 Codes: A BC D E F Price C £3 **3VOD Time in full** Used from 6JUL1895 to 6FEB1908 Times: 1215PM 315PM 815PM

1015PM Price E £6

Squared Circles in use: AUG1881 to JUL1910

### 625 PORTSMOUTH

Head Post office 1844 onwards..

Portsmouth allocated number 625 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962. Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- A91 Southsea 1857 onwards



1844 APR1844



3HOS JUL1850



3HOS JUN1863



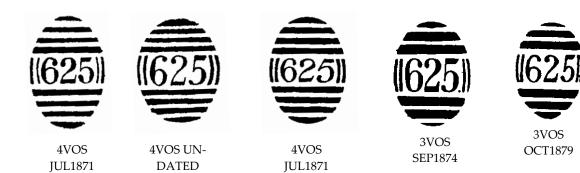
3HOS JUL1863

**1844** Used from 4 MAY1844 to 30 JUN1851 Price C £5

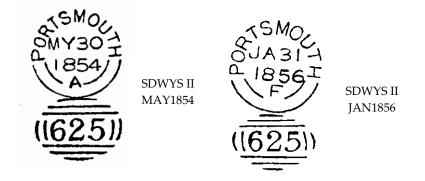
**3HOS** Used from 2 MAY1852 to 6 FEB1874 Price C £4

The 1844's and 3HOS's can be very similar

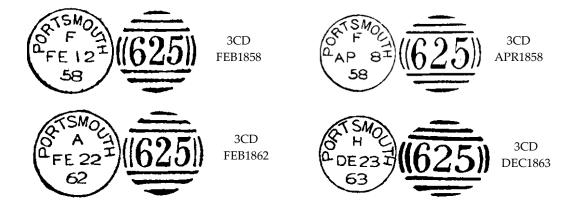
Seen in blue



**4VOS** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover) **3VOS** Used from 17 JUL1882 to APR1926 Price G £30 19th C / £15 20th C



**SDWYS II** Used from 10 JUN1854 to 1 FEB1858 Codes: B C E F none Price A £6 Three proofed, the third in JAN1857 is the same as MAY1854.



**3CD** Used from 4 MAY1858 to 11 NOV1866 Codes: C D E F G H Price A £3 Fourteen proofed (two duplicate) between FEB1858 and OCT1864.

**4VOD** Used from 8 JUN1866 to 2 MAR1889 Price A £3

The first ten entries that were proofed between OCT1865 and OCT1868 were all very similar to one another, they all had single letter codes.

Codes seen: CFGHN



From JUL1871 onwards handstamp identification numbers were used, the second in 1875 had the code before the handstamp identification number. All these are now illustrated.

The first series with the handstamp identification number 1 before the collection code letter. Codes seen: CEGJKMNO



4VOD JUL1871



4VOD MAY1873



4VOD JUN1876

The second series with the collection code letter before the handstamp identification number 1.

Codes seen: EFJKNOT



NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS



**DEC1877** 

The first series with the handstamp identification number 2 before the collection code letter. Codes seen: H J L M N



4VOD JUL1871



4VOD JUN1873



4VOD JUN1876

The second, with the collection code letter before the handstamp identification number 2

Codes seen: JKLMN

4VOD DEC1877



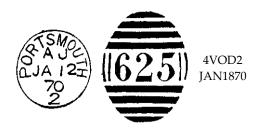
The handstamp identification number 3 before the collection code

Code seen: N



4VOD APR1872





**4VOD1 (1 at base of cds)** Used from 29 JUN1879 to 26 APR1871 Codes: J C1 G1 H1

**4VOD2 (2 at base of cds)** Used from 21 APR1870 to 3 JUL1871 Code: G2 H2 J2 Price G £15



4VODL APR1872



4VODL JUL1876

**4VODL (Landport Portsmouth in the cds)** Used from 3 DEC1872 to 27 APR1881

Codes: CDEFG none Price A £6

Landport Squared Circles in use: MAY1881 to MAY1883





**4VODP (Portsea Portsmouth in the cds)** Used from 23 OCT1873 to 4 JUL1898 Codes: B C D E F G none Price A £6





3VODX MAY1873

### 3VODX (cds at angle) GPO

Similar 3VODXs were issued to 21 towns on 10 MAY1873. Of the 21, three are common Birmingham, Manchester and Cheltenham, 11 are very rare, and 7 have never been seen. They might have been for use in a new style of handstamp or cancelling machine. What ever the nature of the experiment it appears to have been a failure.

In the Proof Books the cds and obliterator were separately entered, with the cds often at an angle and some distance from the obliterator. They were the first 3VOD cancels to be issued.



3VOD DEC1885



3VOD NOV1887



3VOD NOV1887

**3VOD** Three were proofed in DEC1885 and NOV1887. In use they had the handstamp identification numbers 1 2 & 3. Others that came into use after 1887 were as usual not proofed. When time in full was introduced, these numbers were placed in a cut in the basal bars.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 10 APR1886 to 6 JAN1899

Codes single: W

Handstamp number 1: 1D 1E 1G 1J 1K 1L 1M 1N 1R 1S 1T 1V 1W 1X

Handstamp number 2: 2B 2C 2D 2E 2F 2H 2J 2K 2L 2M 2N 2P 2 2T 2U 2V 2W

Handstamp number 3:3M 3N 3S 3W 3X Price A £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 15 JUN1896 to 5 FEB1909

Times: 645AM 7AM 930AM 945AM 1145AM 1PM 115PM 145PM 230PM 245PM 315PM 415PM 530PM 545PM 645PM 815PM 830PM 845PM 945PM 10PM 1015PM 1145PM 11PM 111PM 1115PM Price A £3



3VODHPO MAR1883



3VODHPO MAR1883

### 3VODHPO (HPO in cds) Used from 19 JUN1883 to 9 JUL1885

Price F £30 Codes: 1A 1C 1D 1F

Two were proofed each with a handstamp identification number 1 & 2.



**3VODHSt.** (High St B.O.Portsmouth in the cds) Time in code Used from 2 DEC1885 to 8 NOV1892 Codes: CDEFHJ Price D£8

**3VODHSt.** (High St B.O.Portsmouth in the cds) Time in full Used from 2 NOV1901 to

14 NOV1906 Time: 10PM Price H £15



1844

**3VODP** (Portsea Portsmouth in the cds in cds) Time in code

Used from 21 FEB1888 to 15 JUL1892 Codes: A C D E F Price F £10

3VODP (Portsea Portsmouth in the cds in cds) Time in full

Used from 1 DEC1898 to 9 FEB1908 Times: 130 PM 430PM 8PM 9PM 10PM Price A £3 Portsea Squared Circles in use: MAY1881 to APR1904

### HAMPSHIRE 625-644

When time in full was introduced there was no room in the cds for the handstamp identification number in the conventional position so it was placed in a cut in the basal bars or at the base of the cds. These were not entered in the Proof Books:

Numbers at the base of the cds

**3VOD1A (1 at base of cds)** Used from 27 JUL1898 to 6 JAN1899

Times: 645AM 10AM 115PM 230PM 1015PM Price E £6

**3VOD2A (2 at base of cds)** Used from 24 OCT1896 to 15 JAN1909

Times: 930AM 1145AM 115PM 230PM 530PM 645PM 7PM 815PM 10PM 1015PM Price A £3 Early 2's are narrower than later ones

Numbers in a cut in the basal bars

**3VOD1S (3mm 1 cut in bars)** Used from 17 APR1896 to 5 JUL1900

Times: 12PM 115PM 230PM 245PM 415PM 545PM 715PM 830PM 945PM 1015PM 11PM

Price E £5

**3VOD1L (4mm 1 cut in bars)** Used from 29 MAY1903 to 24 DEC1904

Times: 645AM 930AM 1145AM 115PM 230PM 530PM 645PM 10PM 11PM Price A £3

**3VOD2 (2 cut in bars)** Used from 30 JUN1895 to 1 OCT1901

Times: 1030AM 115PM 230PM 245PM 530PM 645PM 945PM 1015PM 12PM Price B £3 Early 2's are narrower than later ones

**3VOD3 (3 cut in bars)** Used from 15 JUL1895 to 7 MAR1901

Times: 645AM 1145AM 115PM 230PM 4PM 530PM 615PM 945PM 1015PM 11PM Price D £3

Early 3's are narrower (2.5mm) than later ones (3.0mm)

Portsmouth Squared Circles in use: FEB1881 to DEC1899

625A Southsea

Southsea was allocated number 625A in the 1924 list

### 644 RINGWOOD

Head Post office 1844 onwards..

Ringwood allocated number 644 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOSX NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**1844** Used from 11 JUN1844 to 3 FEB1878 Price F £15

**3HOSX (Error of number 120)** Used from 23 APR1849 to 11 MAR1868 Price A £100

Can have either 4 or 3 bars at top and / or base.



4VOS JUL1868



3VOS SEP1875

### HAMPSHIRE 644-653

**4VOS** Used from 11 MAR1868 to 11 FEB1874 Price F £20 **3VOS** Used from 22 APR1876 to 8 JUL1878 Price G £30



**4VOD** Used from 3 MAR1869 to 3 DEC1875 Code: C Price E £15 Squared Circles in use: JAN1881 to JUN1909

### 653 ROMSEY

Head Post office 1844 onwards..

Romsey allocated number 653 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



APR1863

**1844** Used from 22 JUL1844 to 8 SEP1854 Price F £15 **3HOS** Used from 20 JUL1857 to 11 OCT1865 Price F £12

MAR1862



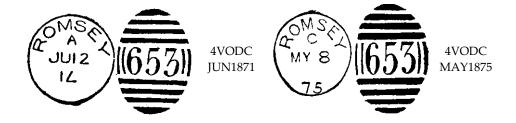
3VOS GPO

**4VODA (Round top three)** Used from 7 DEC1865 to 8 AUG1879 Codes: A B C D Price D £8 **4VODA (Round top three in blue)** Used on 12 DEC1881

### HAMPSHIRE 653-723



**4VODB** (Flat top three & straight Romsey) Used from 25 OCT1886 to 7 FEB1887 Code: A D Price H £30



**4VODC (Flat top three & curved Romsey)** Used on 29 JUL1895 Code: H Price H £30



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 24 OCT1887 to 15 AUG1895 Codes: C D F G H I Price D £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 3 APR1899 to 18 MAR1903

Times: 1115AM 215PM 615PM 645PM 915PM 930PM 945PM Price C £3

### **723 SOUTHAMPTON**

Head Post office 1844 onwards.

Southampton allocated number 723 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 85 Bishops Waltham 1857 to 1873, B88 Sandown 1844 to 1865, B89 Shanklin 1844 to 1865, J74 Totton 1844 to present and 486 Yarmouth 1856 to 1865.





3HOS MAY1849



3HOS JAN1850



3HOS JUL1852



3HOS APR1854



3HOS JUN1858



3HOS JUL1861



**1844** Used from 4 JUN1844 to 12 MAY1849 Price A £5

A late example has been reported used on 23 AUG1852.

**1844 in blue** Used in FEB1847

**3HOS** Used from 1 JUN1849 to 15 NOV1868 Price B £3

**3HOS in blue** Used from 1851 to 4 SEP1854

Most 3HOS's are too worn to allocate them to the various issues that are illustrated, or indeed to distinguish between 1844's and 3HOS's.



4VOSA MAY1867



4VOSA DEC1868



4VOSA MAR1872

**4VOSA (Round top three)** Used from 14 JAN1869 to 19 FEB1874 Price H £50



4VOSB FEB1872



3VOS SEP1872



3VOS FEB1875

**4VOSB (Flat top three)** Used from 23 JUL1872 to 25 DEC1879 Price H £40

**3VOSA (Round top three)** Used on 8 OCT1877 Price H £50

**3VOSB (Flat top three)** Used from 3 MAR1879 to 6 JAN1964 Price B £6

Withdrawn in 1965 after complaints from philatelists that its use "destroyed the value of the postage stamps for philatelic purposes" in the words of the Post Office.

A 3VOS was used as a newspaper precancel on the "Hampshire Express"







SDWYS II Used from 3JUL1854 to 13MAR1859

Codes: CDEFGH Price A £6

**3CD** Used from 17APR1858 to 14NOV1871

Codes: C Dinv E F H J K L M Minv N O 8 Price A £3



In MAR1866 the first authority was given for sending a "machine" to Southampton. This might have been in reference to the machine above. This recut was proofed in DEC1869.

**5VOD** Used from 15 JUL1866 to 8 NOV1870 Codes: C D H I J K L M N Price A £35 The cds is at an angle to the obliterator from MAR1868. Prior to that they are in line.



**4VODA (cds at an angle)** Used from 25 FEB1875 to 16 JAN1877

Codes: XG XH XJ XK XL XM XN XO XP X is a handstamp identification letter

Price D£15



**4VODB** (Round top three) Time in code Used from 12 NOV1871 to 14 JUN1892

Codes: CDFIJKLMNNsdwysOPRSW Price A£3

**4VODB (Round top three) Time in asterisk code** Used from 23 DEC1894 to 11 AUG1895

Codes: K\*P L\*P Price H £15

4VODB (Round top three) Time in full Used from 10 NOV1896 to 4 OCT1899

Times: 230PM 245PM 615PM 11PM Price F £8



## HAMPSHIRE 723-732

**4VODC (Flat top three)** Used from 20MAY1873 to 15SEP1878 Codes: NOPX Price D £6







4VODD JUL1875 3VODA MAY1879 3VODB OCT1880

# 4VODD (Southampton Docks in cds) GPO

**3VODA (Southampton in cds)** Used from 3 MAY1880 to 11 SEP1893 Codes: C L M P R S Price B £3

**3VODB (Southampton HPO in cds) Time in code** Used from 26 SEP1881 to 29 JUN1886 Codes: C D F G J M N P Price B £8

**3VODB (Southampton HPO in cds) Time in asterisk code** Used from 22 DEC1894 to 31 DEC1894 Code: L\*P Price H £25

**3VODB (Southampton HPO in cds) Time in full** Used from 24 DEC1896 to 24 DEC1903 Times: 10PM 11PM PM Price F £8



**3VODC (Oxford St BO Southampton in cds)** Used from 23 JUL1894 to 15 AUG1900

Codes: GI Price H £80+

Southampton Squared Circles in use: MAY1881 to MAR1894

### 732 STOCKBRIDGE

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Winchester 1855 to 1880, Independent Sub Office 1880 to 1896,. Railway Sub Office 1896 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to present. Stockbridge allocated number 732 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and 739 from 1924 to 1962. Number 732 later allocated to South Stockton 1882 to 1906 and then Swanley Junction, Kent 1924 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS MAY1856



3HOS NOV1857

**1844** Used from 17 MAY1844 to 15 MAR1853 Price F £50 **3HOS** Used from 11 NOV1856 to 9 APR1858 Price G £50+

#### HAMPSHIRE 748-888

739 Stockbridge

Stockbridge allocated number 732 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and 739 from 1924 to 1962

747 South Farnborough

South Farnborough was allocated number 747 from 1929 to 1959

## 748 STONEY CROSS

Sub Office of Lyndhurst 1844 to 1860. closed in 1860.

Stoney Cross allocated number 748 in the lists from 1844 to 1857..

Number 748 was later allocated to Newton Heath (Lancs) 1882 to 1902. Sandgate (Kent) 1924. Stirchley, Birmingham 1934 to 1938 and Shildon (Durham) 1950 to 1959.

1844 GPO

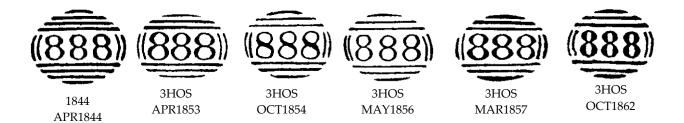
No illustration as the 1844 type were not entered in the Proof Books

#### 888 WINCHESTER

Head Post office 1844 onwards...

Winchester allocated number 888 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 732 Stockbridge 1855 to 1880.



**1844** Used from 15 JUN1844 to 4 MAY1853 Price D £6

3HOS Used from 7 MAY1854 to 6 OCT1856 Price F £8

One proofed 3HOS dated MAY1854 is not illustrated, it is the same as APR1853 issue.



#### HAMPSHIRE 888-963

#### 3VOS GPO

**SDWYS II** Used from 22 SEP1856 to 18 JUL1862 Codes: A B C Cinv E F H Price A £8 There are seven Proof Book entries not six, what I thought was a duplicate was not. **SDWYS II in green** Used in 1856



3CD Used from 20 MAY1858 to 21 JUN1869 Codes: B C D E I Price A £3



**4VOD** Used from 22 SEP1866 to 3 JAN1883 Codes: B C D E F G 1 4 5 6 Price A £3 Six 4VOD's were proofed between AUG1866 and MAY1870.



**3VOD Time in code** Codes: 5 JAN1884 to 17 NOV1893 A B C D E F H J K Price A £3 **3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 2 MAY1894 to 1 JUL1895

Codes: HK\*A B\*P BF\*P BI\*P EF\*P EI\*P FB\*P FE\*P FF\*P G\*P HE\*P HF\*P HI\*P IC\*P ID\*P IF\*P IK\*P K\*P Price D £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 5 NOV1904 to 15 NOV1909

Times: 1015AM 115PM 645PM 845PM Price E £4 Squared Circles in use: APR1881 to OCT1897

### 916 Winton Bournemouth

Winton was allocated number 916 in 1924 and 060A from 1929 to 1962

## 963 WINCHFIELD

Head Post Office 1844 to 1916, Salaried Sub Office 1916 to 1919, Sub Office of Basingstoke 1919 to 1922, closed 1922.

Sub Offices that used barred numerals:-: 339 Hartfordbridge and 590 Odiham 1855 to present Winchfield allocated number 963 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

#### HAMPSHIRE 963





**1844** Used from 9 SEP1851 to 9 MAY1875 Price F £20 **3VOS** Used from 18 DEC1915 Price H £50



3CD MAR1859





4VODA FEB1868

**3CD** Used from 14 JUL1859 to 9 OCT1871

Codes: A B C Csdwys D Price C £3 Four proofed MAR1859 to Apr1868.

**4VODA (Round top three)** Used from 2 NOV1868 to 27 JAN1876

Codes: B C D O 10 Price B £3



**4VODB (Flat top three) Time in code** Used from 6 JUL1876 to 21 SEP1894

Codes: A B C D Price B £3
Seen in grey blue on 12 DEC1882

**4VODB** (Flat top three) Time in full Used from 27 JUL1898 to 6 JUN1901





The so called Alderney (965) error of number

**3VOD** This can have a very long serif on the figure three, this combined with a weak vertical upstroke gives the impression of a figure five. Hence the so called Alderney (965) error of number. See the illustration above.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 13 OCT1883 to 15 MAR1893 Codes: A B C D Price B £3 **3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 3 DEC1894 to 28 JAN1896

Codes: IF\*P K\*P Price G £15

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 6 APR1896 to 20 APR1909 Times: 845AM 310PM 4PM 830PM 930PM Price A £3

## HAMPSHIRE 016-023

970 Hayling Island

Hayling Island was allocated number 970 in the 1959 lists

010 Alresford

Alresford was allocated number 10 from 1844 to 1906 and 010 in the 1929 to 1962 lists 011 Waterlooville

Waterlooville was allocated number 011 in the 1959 to 1962 lists

#### 016 BROCKENHURST

Sub Office of Lyndhurst 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Lymington 1855 to 1880, Independent Sub Office 1880 to 1892, Railway Sub Office 1892 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to Present.

Brockenhurst allocated number 016 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number 016 was later allocated to Brownhills, Walsall (Staffs) 1959 to 1962.





**3VOD NOT ENTERED** IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VOS Used from 2 AUG1888 to 20 JAN1891 Price H £80+

**3VOD** Used from 22 DEC1895 to 25 JUN1906 Codes: A B C Price A £6 cover, £3 ppc

018 Rowlands Castle

Rowlands Castle was allocated number 018 in the 1957 to 1962 lists

#### 023 FARNBOROUGH STATION

Head Post Office 1853 to present.

Renamed Farnborough in 1884.

Farnborough Station allocated number 023 in the lists from 1855 to 1882. Farnborough in the lists from 1887 to 1924. Later was allocated number 313 in the 1934 to 1962 lists.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 78 Aldershot 1857 to 1880, 96 & 046 Aldershot Camp 1855 to 1880, 40 Bagshot 1853 to 1876, 105 Bracknell 1853 to 1857 and 904 Wokingham 1857.



NOV1853



SEP1857



3VOS SEP1872



3VOS MAR1875



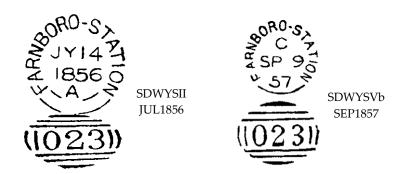
AUG1877

**3HOS** Used from 31 DEC1853 to 22 APR1866 Price G £60

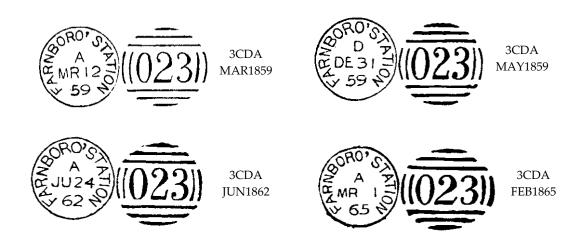
Seen in blue on 4 MAR1856

**3VOS** Used on 23 FEB1876 Price H £100

## HAMPSHIRE 023



**SDWYS II** Used from 12 SEP1856 to 12 FEB1857 Codes: O none Price  $G \pounds 100+$  **SDWYS Vb** Used from 16 OCT1857 to 21 MAR1859 Codes: A C Csdwys Price F £100



**3CDA (Apostrophe)** Used from 29 JUN1859 to 19 MAR1879 Codes: A B C D E Price A £10



**3CDB (Apostrophe + hyphen)** Used from 14 JUN1862 to 22 DEC1866 Codes: A B C E 5 Price F £40



**4VODA (Apostrophe + hyphen)** Used from 12 JAN1865 to 28 MAY1870 Codes: A B C D E F 2 5 Price C £10

## HAMPSHIRE 023-046





4VODB AUG1871

**4VODB (Dot or hyphen)** Used from 29 AUG1870 to 24 JAN1881 Codes: A B D E Price B £10



4VODC JAN1871



3VODA SEP1873

**4VODC (Nothing between Farnboro & Station)** Used from 8 FEB1871 to 29 NOV1871

Codes: A B D E Price G £60

**3VODA (Farnborough Station)** Used from 26 SEP1873 to 8 DEC1880 Codes: A B D E F

Price C £10



3VODB Mar1884



3VODC NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODB (Farnborough)** Used on 22 APR1884 Code: C Price H £20

3VODC (Farnborough Hants) Time in code Used from 7 OCT1884 to 7 APR1896

Codes: A B C D E F G Price A £4

**3VODC (Farnborough Hants) Time in full** Used from 20 NOV1896 to 16 AUG1902 Times: 1015AM 130PM3PM 315PM 330PM 415PM 7PM 945PM 10PM Price D £4

Squared Circles in use: JUN1881 to MAR1884

## 046 ALDERSHOT CAMP

Sub Office of Farnborough Station 1855 to 1880, Independent Sub Office 1880 to 1883, Railway Sub Office 1883 to 1902.

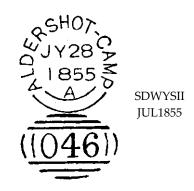
Renamed "Stanhope Lines" in 1906.

Aldershot Camp allocated number 046 in the 1857 list and 96 in the 1874 to 1902 lists.

Number 046 was later allocated to Greaseborough (Yorks) 1882 list. Trawsfyndd (Mer) 1887 to 1906 lists. South Benfleet (Essex) 1962 list.

## HAMPSHIRE 046-099





**3HOS** Used from 17 JUL1855 to 11 OCT1855 Price H £40 **SDWYS II** Used from 25 SEP1855 to 8 JAN1859 Codes: A B none Price C £80+



**SDWYS III** Used from 6 JUN1857 to 18 MAY1858 Codes: A B C none Price F £100 **3CD** Used from 25 MAY1858 to 28 APR1859 Codes: A B C Price E £30

## 060 Bournemouth

Bournemouth was allocated number 060 in the 1928 to 1962 lists 060A Winton Bournemouth

Winton was allocated number 916 in 1924 and 060A from 1929 to 1962 060B Westbourne Bournemouth

Westbourne Bournemouth was allocated number 060B in the 1929 to 1962 lists 060C Boscombe

Boscombe was allocated number 060C in the 1929 to 1959 lists

## 099 WHITCHURCH

Sub Office of Micheldever Station 1857 to 1885, Independent Sub Office 1885 to 1896, Railway Sub Office 1896 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to present.

Whitchurch was allocated number 099 in the lists from 1882 to 1962 and earlier number 23 in the 1844 to 1857 lists

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 24 Overton 1887 to present.

## HAMPSHIRE 099-A91





3VOS JUL1879

3VOD NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VOS** Used from 4 JUN1879 to 5 JUN1882 Price H£100

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 25 APR1892 to 22 NOV1902 Codes: A B C D E none Price E £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 9 OCT1903 to 20 MAY1910

Times: 1045AM 115PM 230PM 645PM 845PM Price A £6 cover, £3 ppc.

#### A06 Andover

A charge mark with the number A06 was sent to Andover in June 1916 it may have gone to a subordinate office

## **A90 EAST LISS**

Independent Sub Office 1881 to 1925.

Replaced by Liss in 1925.

East Liss allocated A90 in the lists 1882 to 1906.

A 3HOS numbered A90 was previously allocated to a sorter on the Mediterranean Mailboats, this use stopped in 1870.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 4 AUG1889 to 4 FEB1901

Codes: A C Price G £15

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 26 APR1902 to 31 DEC1907

Times: 1015AM 1045AM 315PM 345PM 7PM 815PM 845PM

Price A £3



3VOD OCT1881

#### A91 SOUTHSEA

Under Portsmouth 1844 to 1932, Town Receiving House of Portsmouth 1857 to 1932, Post Town 1932 onwards.

Southsea allocated A91 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.

A 3HOS numbered A91 was previously allocated to a sorter on the Atlantic Mailboats, this use stopped in 1870. Later a similar 3HOS was used on local stamps in the Virgin Islands.



3VOD SEP1881



3VOD JUN1887

#### HAMPSHIRE A91-B60

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 30 OCT1881 to 18 JAN1898 Codes: B C D E F H Price A £3 **3VOD Time in full** Used from 11 NOV1897 to 9 JUL1902

Times: 11AM 130PM 430PM 6PM 8PM 9PM 10PM Price C £3

## **B01** Petersfield

Two postage due surcharge marks were sent to Petersfield on  $13^{th}$  Jul 1915 with the number B01

#### **B60 BOURNEMOUTH**

Sub Office of Poole 1844 to 1863, Railway Sub Office 1863 to 1864, Head Post Office 1864 onwards

Bournemouth was allocated number B60 in the lists from 1872 to 1924, later allocated 060 in the 1928 to 1962 lists.



3HOS FEB1862



4VOS NOV1866

**3HOS** Used from 31 JAN1863 to 23 SEP1869 Price G £40 **4VOS** Used from 20 APR1867 to DEC1895 Price G £40



3VOS DEC1873



2VOS NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VOS & 2VOS** These are the same cancellation Used on 2 AUG1909 Price H£50



4VOD IUL1868



4VOD FEB1872



4VOD NOV1877

**4VOD** Used from 6 OCT1868 to 30 JUL1889 Codes: A B C Cinv D E F G H I J K L N Price A £3

#### HAMPSHIRE B60-C70



3VODA AUG1884



3VODB NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3VODC NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODA (Bournemouth in the cds) Time in code** Used from 9 JUL1886 to 20 AUG1895 Codes; C D E F G H I I K L M N O P O R S Price A £3

**3VODA** (Bournemouth in the cds) Time in asterisk code Used from 11 OCT1894 to 8 AUG1895 Codes: AK\*P KL\*A CG\*P DC\*P DL\*P EE\*P GD\*P H\*P HH\*P IB\*P IG\*P II\*P ML\*P Price F £12

**3VODA** (Bournemouth in the cds) Time in full Used from 30 SEP1895 to 24 DEC1895 Times 5AM 430PM 7PM Price H £20

**3VODB** (Bournemouth SO in the cds) Time in code Used from 8 AUG1890 to 20 AUG1895 Codes: E G H I K M N O P Price A £3

**3VODB (Bournemouth SO in the cds) Time in asterisk code** Used from 7 SEP1894 to 14 NOV1895 Codes: E\*A KL\*A AK\*P EE\*P FB\*P FF\*P H\*P HF\*P IH\*P MC\*P MD\*P MI\*P MO\*P Price D £8

**3VODB** (Bournemouth SO in the cds) Time in full Used from 18 APR1895 to 14 OCT1896 Times: 5AM 1030AM 1215PM 115PM 130PM 515PM 530PM 9PM Price C £3 Used asterisk code and time in full at the same time.

**3VODC Single side arcs** Used from 16 JUN1896 to 9 SEP1896

Times: 1245PM 7PM 830PM 915PM Price G £12

# Numbers cut into basal bars:-

**3VOD1 (1 cut in bars)** Used from 3 NOV1896 to 10 APR1898

Times: 130PM 6PM 830PM Price D £4

**3VOD2 (2 cut in bars)** Used from 30 APR1897 to 10 MAR1898

Times: 830PM 915PM Price G £12

**3VOD3 (3 cut in bars)** Used from 24 OCT1896 to 21 OCT1898

Times: 1030AM 130PM 6PM 915PM Price F £8

**3VOD4 (4 cut in bars)** Used from 18 DEC1896 to 25 MAY1898

Times: 1030AM 1230PM 830PM 915PM Price F £8

**3VOD5 (5 cut in bars)** Used from 24 NOV1896 to 22 JUN1898

Times: 515AM 1030AM 130PM 6PM Price F £8

**3VOD7 (7 cut in bars)** Used from 17 FEB1897 to 21 FEB1897

Times: 6PM 915PM Price H £15

#### C70 COSHAM

Sub Office of Portsmouth 1844 to 1864, Sub Office of Fareham 1864 to 1865, Railway Sub Office 1865 (C70 3TH.HOS issued when Cosham became a RSO in 1865) to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1932, Sub Office of Portsmouth 1932 to present, Town Sub Office by 1955.

Cosham allocated number C70 in the lists 1874 to 1906, later allocated 211 in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

## HAMPSHIRE C70-H34



3TH.HOS OCT1865



**3TH.HOS** Used from 13 NOV1865 to 12 SEP1873 Price E £15 **3VOS** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover)



4VOD NOV1877

**4VOD Time in code** Used from 20 SEP1879 to 18 FEB1894 Codes: A B C Cinv F Price D £6 **4VOD Time in full** Used from 18 JAN1897 to 24 FEB1904 Times: 930AM 145PM 930PM Price E £6



3VODA NOV1881



3VODB NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODA** (Cosham in the cds) Used from 20 JAN1886 to 18 SEP1887 Codes: A B Price G £30 **3VODB** (Cosham Hants in the cds) Time in code Used from 26 MAR1892 to 4 DEC1893 Codes: B D F Price F £10

**3VODB (Cosham Hants in the cds) Time in full** Used from 10 SEP1896 to 11 APR1905 Times: 145PM 930PM 945PM Price E £8

#### **H34 WATERLOOVILLE**

Under Portsmouth 1847 to 1864, Sub Office of Fareham 1864 to 1865, Sub Office of Cosham RSO Office 1865 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1932, Sub Office of Portsmouth 1932 to 1990, Post Town 1990 to? Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1997.

Waterlooville allocated number in the 1887 to 1906 lists, later number 011 in the 1959 to 1962 lists.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 16 FEB1885 to 26 DEC1900 Codes: A B C D Price E £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 19 SEP1901 to 24 DEC1913
Times: 830AM 1200AM 1230PM 115PM 230PM 5PM 530PM 545PM
830PM 845PM Price A £3



3VOD DEC1884

# HAMPSHIRE J69-J75

## **J69 BOSCOMBE**

Under Bournemouth as a Sub Office 1871 to 1892, then a Town Receiving House 1892 to 1901, then a Town Branch Office. Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1993

Moved to Dorset in 1974.

Boscombe allocated number J69 in the 1892 to 1906 lists.

**3VOS** Used on 11 JUL1893 Price H£100++



3VOS NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### J73 EASTLEIGH

Sub Office of Southampton 1873 to 1896, Railway Sub Office 1896 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present. Eastleigh allocated number J73 in the lists from 1892 to 1906, later allocated number 268 in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 5 AUG1891 to 28 FEB1898 Codes: A B Price H £25

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 12 JAN1900 to 3 JAN1905 Times: 1015AM 3PM 345PM 5PM 615PM 7PM 8PM 815PM 9PM 945PM Price A £4



3VOD NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

# J74 TOTTON

Sub Office of Southampton 1844 onwards. Totton allocated number J74 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

**3VOD** Used from 21 DEC1898 to 25 JAN1905 Codes: B C D E O Price B £8 cover, £4 ppc.



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# J75 BLACKWATER

Sub Office of Bagshot 1844 to 1853, Sub Office of Farnborough Station 1853 to 1884, Sub Office of Farnborough 1884 to 1890, Sub Office of Camberley 1890 to 1891, Independent Sub Office 1891 to 1901, Sub Office of Camberley 1901 to present. Blackwater allocated number J75 in the lists from 1892 to 1906

**3VOD** Used from 17 JUN1895 to 14 APR1897 Codes: B D Price H £100+



3VOD NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS