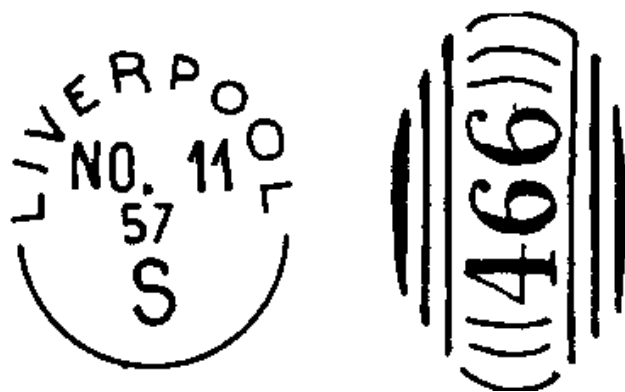


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It incorporates the following:

- 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.



3HOS



3TH.HOS

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

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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.



4VOS



3VOS



3CD

3 bar Circular oval Duplex



4VOD



3VOD

Spoon and sideways duplex are pre-existing categories that have been used

4 bar Vertical Oval Duplex    3 bar Vertical Oval Duplex

**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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An interesting collection of information on the history of stamp issues and an index of people, places and items associated with British Postal history. Contains a good annotated bibliography.

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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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### 5 ACCRINGTON

Head Post Office 1844 to 1846, Sub Office of Preston 1846 to 1855, Head Post Office 1855 to 1968, Salaried Sub Office 1968 to present.

Accrington was allocated number 5 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- H52 Church 1844 to 2008 and 952 Hollytroysds 1844 to 1854.*



1844  
APR1844



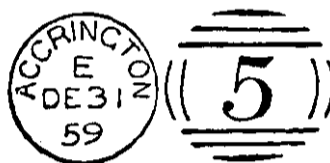
3HOS  
NOV1853

**1844** Used from **26 AUG1844** to 6 SEP1853 Price F £15

**3HOS** Used from 17 DEC1853 to 20 NOV1858 Price G £20



3VOS  
APR1875



3CD  
MAR1859

**3VOS** Used from **29 JUN1877** to 18 SEP1885 Price H £50

**3CD** Used from 20 NOV1860 to 2 MAY1883 Codes: A B C D E Price C £3



LANCASHIRE 5-32



4VOD  
JAN1869

3VOD  
JAN1879

**4VOD GPO** (the original 26 JUL1879 record was a 3VOD)

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 26 JUL1879 to 4 DEC1895

Codes: B C D E F G H J K L O N P R T W Price A £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 5 MAY1896 to 12 SEP1905

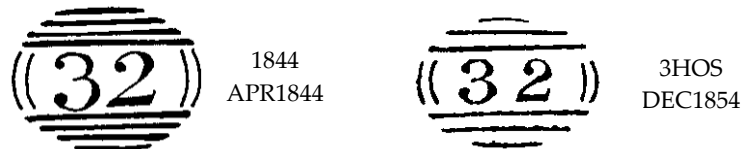
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245PM 445PM 515PM 530PM 545PM 715PM 815PM 915PM 930PM 10PM Price A £3

**3VOD3 (3 cut in basal bars)** Used from 8 FEB1902 to 4 SEP1905 Times: 915AM 930AM  
1015AM 1115AM 1130AM 115PM 130PM 135PM 230PM 715PM 745PM 815PM 930PM  
**1215PM** Price A £3

**32 ASHTON UNDER LYNE**

Head Post Office 1844 to 1969, Salaried Sub Office 1969 to present.

Ashton under Lyne was allocated number 32 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

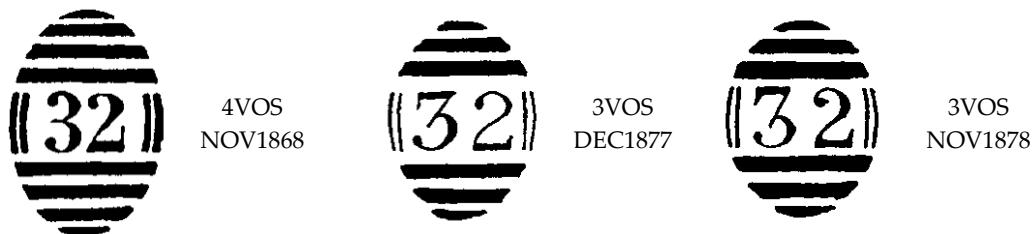


1844  
APR1844

3HOS  
DEC1854

**1844** Used from 20 MAY1844 to 28 JAN1854 Price C £5

**3HOS** Used from 4 JAN1855 to 17 JAN1857 Price G £15



4VOS  
NOV1868

3VOS  
DEC1877

3VOS  
NOV1878

**4VOS** Used from 27 APR1871 to 30 NOV1872 Price G £35

**3VOS** Used from 25 MAR1890 to 12 JAN1898 Price H £50



SDWYS  
DEC1856

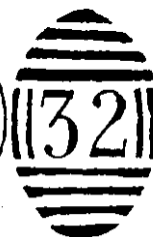
3CD  
FEB1860

## LANCASHIRE 32-86

**SDWYS II** Used from 10 MAY1857 to 17 FEB1860 Codes: A B C Cinv Csdwys Price D £15  
**3CD** Used from 12 APR1860 to 1 JUL1868 Codes: A B C D E Price C £3



4VODA  
OCT1868



4VODB  
MAY1876

**4VODA (Round top three)** Used from 16 DEC1868 to 6 SEP1880

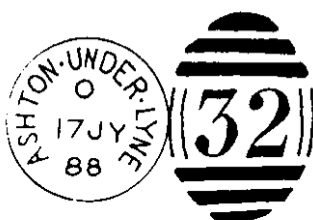
Codes: B C G H J K M Price B £3

**4VODB (Flat top three) Time in code** Used from 18 JUN1877 to 19 SEP1893

Codes: B C D E G H K L M N O R S U V W Price A £3

**4VODB (Flat top three) Time in full** Used from 10 MAY1895 to 23 JUL1896

Times: 1PM 145PM 410PM 730PM 845PM 930PM 10PM Price F £5



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VOD** Used from 12 JAN1888 to 11 JUL1908

Codes: A B D E F H K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: DEC1893 to JUN1908

### 36 Audenshaw

Audenshaw was allocated number 36 in the lists from 1947 to 1962.

### 81 Barrow in Furness

Barrow in Furness was allocated number B71 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 81 from 1929 to 1962

### 86 BLACKBURN

Head Post Office 1844 to ? Branch Office to Company Franchise Post Office in 2006. Blackburn was allocated number 86 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 207 Clitheroe 1847 to 1866, C26 Darwen 1844 to 1869, J17 Great Harwood 1885 to present and 734 Whalley 1844 to present*

LANCASHIRE 86



1844  
APR1844

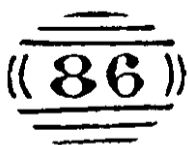


3HOSX  
MAR1855

**1844 (reads 98)** Used from 7 MAY1844 to 23 MAR1853 Price A £15 If this cancellation is oriented with the larger loop of the eight at the base. It reads 98 instead of 86

**1844 (reads 98) in violet** Used on 15 MAR1848

**3HOSX (reads 98)** Used from 13 MAY1856 to 24 APR1857 Price G £30



3HOS  
DEC1854



3HOS OC-  
T1857



3HOS  
NOV1858



3HOS  
APR1860

**3HOS (reads 86)** Used from 17 AUG1855 to 24 AUG1860 Price F £15



4VOS  
NOV1868



3VOS  
JUL1874

**4VOS** Used from 15 MAY1875 to 10 DEC1885 Price H £50

**3VOS** Used from 14 APR1885 to 3 JUL1897 Price H £40



3VOSX NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

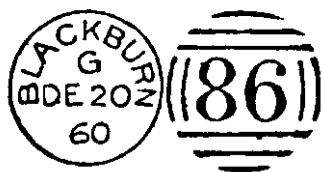
**3VOSX (reads 98)** Used on 12 SEP1899 Price H £50+



3CDA  
NOV1857

**3CDA (Straight Blackburn)** Used from 3 FEB1858 to 2 DEC1859 Codes: C E Price D £10

LANCASHIRE 86



3CDB  
MAR1860



3CDB  
MAR1861



3CDB  
MAR1869

**3CDB (Curved Blackburn)** Used from 5 APR1860 to 19 SEP1871

Codes: B Cinv D E F I O 5 Price B £3



4VODA  
NOV1865



4VODB  
NOV1871



4VODB  
FEB1872

**4VODA (cnds 4.5mm from obliterator)** Used from 24 MAY1866 to 3 SEP1880

Codes: B Binv C D E O X 6 Price D £10

**4VODB (cnds almost touches obliterator) Time in code** Used from 27 DEC1871 to 2 OCT1887

Codes: C D F H J K L M N Price A £3

**4VODB (cnds almost touches obliterator) Time in full** Used from 10 AUG1897 to 1 JUL1906

Times: 845AM 915AM 1030AM 11AM 1230PM 115PM 215PM 3PM 530PM 615PM 730PM  
745PM 830PM 9PM 930PM 1030PM Price A £3



3VOD  
NOV1880

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 22 MAR1881 to 5 SEP1896 Price A £3

Four proofed in NOV1884 with 1 to 4 as handstamp identification numbers, later 5 & 6 were added. These numbers occur cut in the basal bars shortly after time in full came into use.

**Single codes** / B C E F G I J K L Lswdys

1/ D J Ksdwys M N R 21

2/ F O Q R S X Y 27

3/ A H I J L P R T U V 10 14 27 28 29

4/ E R U X 18

5/ 8 9 22 24 27

6/ 28

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 15 JAN1895 to 22 NOV1897

Times: 115PM 530PM 6PM 630PM 745PM **930PM** Price D £4

## LANCASHIRE 86-92

**When time in full came into operation the handstamp identification number was placed in a cut in the basal bars:-**

**3VOD1 (1 cut in basal bars)** Used from 12 MAR1902 to 27 MAR1905

Times: 1AM 915AM 1015AM 11AM 12PM 1230PM 115PM 145PM 215PM 3PM 330PM  
515PM 615PM 730PM 745PM 830PM 9PM 1030PM 12 Price A £3

**3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars)** Used from 25 JUN1902 to 23 DEC1906

Times: 945AM 10AM 1145AM 121PM 115PM 3PM 330PM 4PM 445PM 55PM 515PM 530PM  
615PM 645PM 730PM 745PM 830PM 845PM 9PM 930PM 1030PM none(xmas) Price A £3

**3VOD3 (3 cut in basal bars)** Used from 27 NOV1897 to 25 MAY1901

Times: 845AM 1230PM 145PM 215PM 3PM 4PM 615PM 745PM 830PM Price D £5

**3VOD4 (4 cut in basal bars)** Used from 21 SEP1899 to 16 AUG1905

Times: 1045AM 1230PM 3PM 615PM 730PM 745PM 830PM 9PM 1030PM Price D £5

**3VOD5 (5 cut in basal bars)** Used from 23 JUN1898 to 12 DEC1899

Times: 1145AM 3PM 445PM 730PM 745PM Price E £8

**3VOD6 (6 cut in basal bars)** Used from 23 JUN1898 to 21 SEP1900

Times: 730PM 745PM Price F £10

86A Darwen

Darwen was allocated number C26 in the lists from 1874 to 1924, 237 in 1924 and 86A from 1929 to 1962

**92 BOLTON**

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Bolton was allocated number 92 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 054 Farnworth 1861 to 1886 and J76 Horwich 1844 to 1908*



1844  
APR1844



1844  
JAN1850



3HOS OC-  
T1849



3HOS  
FEB1854



3HOS  
APR1857

**1844** Used from 17 SEP1844 to 16 APR1856 Price A £3

**3HOS** Used from 15 MAR1854 to 2 JAN1871 Price F £6

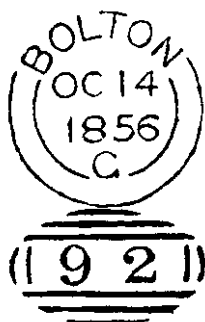
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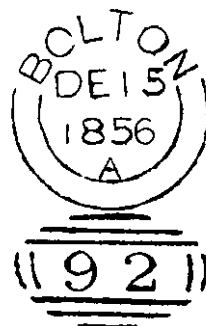
3VOS OC-  
T1875

LANCASHIRE 92

**3VOS** Used from 27 DEC1881 to 15 NOV1955 Price H £40+ pre 1900, £20 post 1900.

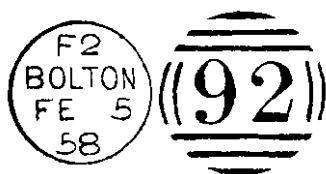


SDWYS  
OCT1856



SDWYS  
DEC1856

**SDWYS II** Used from 15 OCT1856 to 19 JAN1858 Codes: A B C D E 6 9 none Price C £10



3CD  
JAN1858



3CD  
DEC1862

**3CD** Used from 10 MAR1858 to 31 MAR1868 Price A £3

Eleven proofed from JAN1858 to DEC1862. Numbers 1 to 5 are handstamp identification numbers, single codes were also used.

Single codes:- D F H I K Ksdwys J Psdwys

Handstamp identification numbers:-

1/ H1 K1 P1

2/ F2 K2

3/ I3 K3 N3 U3 Vsdwys3 X3 Y3

4/ C4 H4 R4 W4 X4 Usdwys4 Vsdwys4

5/ A5 F5 H5 L5



4VODA  
MAR1865

**4VODA (Straight Bolton & Date two lines)** Used from 26 SEP1865 to 8 MAR1879

B is a handstamp identification letter

Codes: 33B 35B 36B 37B 40B 59B 63B 65B 66B 67B 71B 72B Price C £3

LANCASHIRE 92



4VODB  
AUG1868

**4VODB (Straight Bolton & Date one line)** Used from 5 OCT1864 to 28 AUG1885

First entered in the Proof Books in AUG1868. The new early date is well before this.

The letters are probably handstamp identification letters.

**Single codes:-** 27 29 30 32 33 34 35 44 45 46 49 50 51 53 55 58

A/ 17 27 30 34 49 50 51 52 55 58 59 60 72 none

B/ 48

C/ 38

F/ 8 21 22 38 42 43 46 57

G/ 18 19 30 31 37 41 42 K/ 30 35 43 45 V/ 42 Price A £3



4VODC  
OCT1875

**4VODC (Curved Bolton) Time in code** Used from 15 JUN1877 to 24 NOV1889

Codes: 25 29 34 37 42 47 48 49 57 Price F £12

**4VODC (Curved Bolton) Time in full** Used from 8 JUN1896 to 23 MAR1904

Time: 615AM 11AM Price H £15



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  
APR1878

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 21 AUG1879 to 29 JAN1895

Codes: A B C E G I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V C9 K42 26 27 29 35 43 45 47 49 55 Price A £3

The C9 code has C as a handstamp identification letter – this was proofed in OCT1885. The numerical codes do not look like handstamp numbers.

## LANCASHIRE 92-150

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 4 MAR1896 to 13 JUL1896

Codes: AF\*P B\*P H\*P IC\*P Price G £15

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 8 MAR1895 to 22 DEC1904

Times: 6AM 915AM 10AM 11AM 115AM 130PM 145PM 2PM 25PM 245PM 35PM 430PM  
615PM 630PM 645PM 715PM 8PM 85PM 810PM 830PM 845PM 95PM 915PM 930PM  
none(xmas) Price A £2

**Numbers cut in basal bars:-**

**3VOD3 (3 cut in basal bars)** Used from 31 JAN1898 to 28 AUG1905

Times: 25PM 715PM 730PM 8PM 845PM Price F £10

**3VOD4 (4 cut in basal bars)** Used from 14 NOV1898 to 3 JUN1901

Times: 945AM 1015AM 1030AM 1045AM 430PM 645PM 930PM Price E £8

**3VOD7 (7 cut in basal bars)** Used from 7 AUG1900 to 11 JUL1901

Times: 1030AM 1115AM 130PM 145PM 645PM 715PM 830PM Price D £4

**3VOD8 (8 cut in basal bars)** Used from 10 SEP1901 to 13 MAY1904

Times: 95AM 930AM 130PM 645PM 715PM Price F £10

**4VOD9 (9 cut in basal bars)** Used from 4 JAN1904 to 13 NOV1905

Times: 65AM 645AM 15PM 116PM 25PM 410PM 645PM 715PM 85PM 810PM 95PM 910PM  
Price B £2

**3VOD10 (10 cut in basal bars)** Used from 4 APR1902 to 7 APR1902 Times: 85PM 95PM

Price H £20

Squared Circles in use: JUL1885 to AUG1907

92A Farnworth

Farnworth was allocated number 054 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 92A from 1929 to 1949.

117 Bacup

Bacup was allocated number G07 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 117 from 1928 to 1962.

### 150 BURNLEY

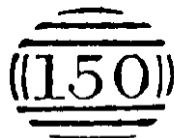
Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Burnley was allocated number 150 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 151 Colne 1844 to 1846, H53 Nelson in Marsden 1844 to 1889 and D41 Padiham 1882 to present.*



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
DEC1858

**1844** Used from 12 JUN1844 to 6 MAY1855 Price C £4

**1844 in green** Used in 1851

**3HOS** Used from 22 SEP1859 to 10 OCT1859 Price H £40



3VOS  
JAN1880



## LANCASHIRE 150-151

3VOS GPO



SDWYS  
AUG1855

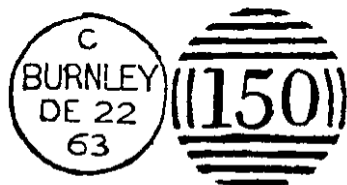


3CD  
APR1858

**SDWYS II** Used from 4 OCT1855 to 18 APR1858 Codes: A B C D E Price D £20

**SDWYS II in blue** Used on 9 JUL1856

**3CD** Used from 22 OCT1858 to 14 JUN1902 Codes: A B C D E F H I J R S T U W Price A £3



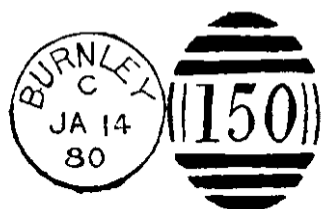
4CD  
APR1863



4VOD  
NOV1871

**4CD** Used from 7 APR1865 to 22 NOV1893 Codes: A B C D E F G H I J K M O Price A £3

**4VOD** Used from 14 FEB1872 to 9 NOV1898 Codes: B C D E F H J K L M N R Z Price B £3



3VOD  
JAN1880

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 26 JUN1880 to 28 JUL1898

Codes: A B C D E G H J K L M P T U V W 1 12 13 14 16 17 18 21 25 26 27 28 29 30 31  
Price A £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 29 SEP1895 to 17 NOV1899

Times: 1045AM 345PM 6PM 7PM 815PM 830PM 930PM Price G £8

**3VOD4 (4 cut in basal bars)** Used from 24 MAY1900 to 26 NOV1901

Times: 315PM 6PM 815PM 845PM 930PM Price F £10

### 150A Padiham

Padiham was allocated number D41 in the lists from 1882 to 1924, 941 from 1928 to 1929 and 150A from 1929 to 1962.

### 151 COLNE

Sub Office of Burnley 1844 to 1846, Head Post Office 1846 to 1966, Independent Sub Office 1966 to present.

Colne was allocated number 151 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

LANCASHIRE 151



1844  
APR1844



3VOS  
JUN1874



3VOS  
FEB1880

**1844** Used from 19 OCT1844 to 6 AUG1860 Price C £5  
**3VOS** Used from 15 SEP1904 to 8 MAY1959 Price H £30



3CD  
MAR1861



4VODA  
MAY1870

**3CD** Used from 30 JUL1861 to 23 OCT1869 Codes: A C D Price F £20  
**4VODA (Straight Colne)** Used from 19 DEC1870 to 6 MAR1878 Codes: A B C D  
Price E £15



4VODB  
NOV1877



3VODA  
FEB1880

**4VODB (Curved Colne Lanc in cds)** Used on 16 AUG1884 Code: B Price H £50+  
**3VODA (Colne Lanc. in cds) Time in code** Used from 7 FEB1880 to 17 JAN1895  
Codes: A B D F G I O P Price D £4  
**3VODA (Colne Lanc. in cds) Time in full** Used from 10 OCT1895 to 17 DEC1898  
Times: 630AM 345PM 6PM 730PM 815PM 830PM 930PM Price F £6



3VODB  
SEP1884

**3VODB (Colne in cds) Time in code** Used from 15 OCT1884 to 14 OCT1892  
Codes: A B C D E H J O Price F £10  
**3VODB (Colne in cds)\* Time in asterisk code** Used from 17 JUL1899 to 24 MAY1909  
Codes: CI\*P HF\*P H\*P I\*P IF\*P Price F £12

## LANCASHIRE 154

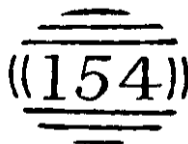
### 154 BURY

Head Post Office 1844 to 1968, Salaried Sub Office 1968 to ? Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1996, closed 2005.

Bury was allocated number 154 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
JUL1852



3HOS  
MAR1863

**1844** Used from 18 JUL1844 to 12 APR1851 Price A £5

**1844 in blue** Used from FEB1846 to NOV1852 This reported NOV1852 date could either be an 1844 type or 3HOS.

**3HOS** Used from 7 APR1853 to 20 DEC1856 Price E £8



3VOS  
FEB1874

**3VOS** Used from 11 AUG1898 to 6 FEB1947 Price H £50 19<sup>th</sup>C. £20 20<sup>th</sup>C.



SDWYS  
JUL1857



SDWYS  
SEP1857



SDWYS  
DEC1860

**SDWYS III** Used from 31 JUL1857 to 15 FEB1865 Codes: A B C Csdwys D O 1 3 Price A £6

All three examples from the Proof Books are now illustrated:



3CD  
JUL1860



4VODA  
AUG1868

**3CD** Used from 25 AUG1860 to 13 AUG1868 Codes: A B C D E F H J 6 none Price A £3

**4VODA (Bury Lancashire in cds)** Used from 10 JAN1870 to 28 APR1887

Codes: A B C D E F G M N O P Q R V Price A £2

LANCASHIRE 154-198



4VODB  
SEP1872

**4VODB (Bury Lanc in cds)** Used from 29 APR1874 to 28 MAY1885

Codes: B C D E F G O P Q R Price A £3



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VOD** Used from 30 AUG1887 to 6 MAR1917

Codes: Ainv C D E F G Ginv Hsdwys J O T U V Y Z none(xmas) Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: DEC1888 to JAN1905

**171 Carnforth**

Carnforth was allocated number E73 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 171 from 1928 to 1962.

**181 Chorlton cum Hardy**

Chorlton cum Hardy was allocated number L04 in the 1906 list, 181 from 1924 to 1951 and 498J from 1951 to 1959.

**198 CHORLEY**

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Chorley was allocated number 198 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
NOV1853

**1844** Used from 11 MAY1844 to 2 AUG1853 Price D £10

**3HOS** Used from 25 SEP1854 to 23 MAR1860 Price E £12



3VOS  
NOV1880



3CD  
AUG1860

**3VOS GPO**

**3CD** Used from 22 FEB1861 to 12 NOV1868 Codes: A C Price E £10

LANCASHIRE 198-207



4VOD  
NOV1868



3VOD  
APR1878

**4VOD** Used from 29 JAN1870 to 4 SEP1883 Codes: C D E 3 4 Price D £8

**3VOD** Used from 19 MAY1879 to 25 APR1899 Codes: A B C D E F M Price E £10

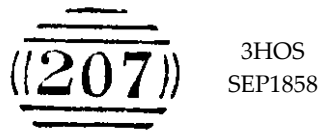
**207 CLITHEROE**

Head Post Office 1844 to 1847, Sub Office of Blackburn 1847 to 1866, Railway Sub Office 1866 to 1869, Head Post Office 1869 to present.

Clitheroe was allocated number 207 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962



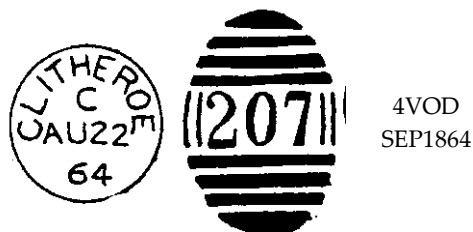
1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
SEP1858

**1844** Used from 9 MAY1844 to 16 MAR1858 Price C £4

**3HOS** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £40 (Price if found on dated cover)



4VOD  
SEP1864



4VOD  
APR1870



4VOD  
JAN1875



4VOD  
OCT1877

**4VOD** Used from 18 APR1865 to 1 MAR1921 Codes: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O Q R  
Tsdwys Price A £3 The four proofed 4VODs are illustrated



3VOD  
MAY1881

## LANCASHIRE 207-308

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 25 NOV1881 to 28 MAY1895

Codes: A B F G H I J L N O Price C £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 3 MAR1897 to 28 OCT1900

Times: 945AM 215PM 4PM 415PM 430PM 445PM 645PM 745PM 815PM 830 9PM

Price C £3

232 Dalton in Furness

Dalton in Furness was allocated number B70 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 232 from 1924 to 1962.

234 Denton

Denton was allocated number F44 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 234 from 1924 to 1962.

237 Darwen

Darwen was allocated number C26 in the lists from 1874 to 1924, 237 in 1924 (probably in error) and 86A from 1929 to 1962

247 Didsbury

Didsbury was allocated number 880 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and 247 from 1924 to 1951.

252 Eccles

Eccles was allocated number C73 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 252 from 1924 to 1962.

259 Droylsden

Droylsden was allocated number C67 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 259 from 1924 to 1962.

294 Failsworth

Failsworth was allocated number 294 in the lists from 1924 to 1962.

302 Formby

Formby was allocated number 302 in the lists from 1924 to 1962.

### 308 GARSTANG

Head Post Office 1844 to 1860, Railway Sub Office 1860 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1919, Sub Office of Preston 1919 to present.

Garstang was allocated number 308 in the lists from 1844 to 1906 and 379 in 1963.

Number 308 was later allocated to Great Harwood Lancs in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

Most postmarks from Garstang were poorly struck, good ones justify a premium.



1844  
APR1844

**1844** Used from 1 JUL1844 to 21 APR1867 Price C £6

**1844 in blue** Used in 1851



4VOD  
OCT1871



3VOD  
DEC1880

## LANCASHIRE 308-436

**4VOD** Used from 7 APR1873 to 26 DEC1904 Codes: A B C Price B £5  
**3VOD** Used from 13 APR1882 to 1 AUG1906 Codes: B C none Price C £5

### 308 Great Harwood

Great Harwood was allocated number J17 in the lists from 1892 to 1906 and 308 from 1924 to 1962.

### 313 Rochdale

A charge mark with the number 313 was sent to Rochdale in Oct.1918. It was probably sent on to a subordinate office

### 327 Grange over Sands

Grange over Sands was allocated number D02 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 327 from 1924 to 1962.

### 335 Gorton

Gorton was allocated number 335 in the lists from 1924 to 1949 and 498L from 1951 to 1962.

### 339 Haslingden

Haslingden was allocated number 500 in the lists from 1844 to 1857, J88 from 1892 to 1906 and 339 from 1924 to 1962.

### 379 Garstang

Garstang was allocated number 308 in the lists from 1844 to 1906 and 379 in 1963.

### 393 Horwich

Horwich was allocated number J76 in the lists from 1892 to 1924 and 393 from 1927 to 1962.

### 397 Huyton

Huyton was allocated number 397 in the lists from 1924 to 1962.

### 432 Longridge

Longridge was allocated number 432 in the 1963 list.

## 436 LANCASTER

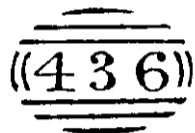
Head Post Office 1844 to present

Lancaster was allocated number 436 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

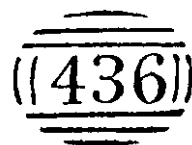
*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- G51 Morecambe 1854 to 1888.*



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
SEP1855



3HOS  
DEC1858

**1844** Used from 10 JUN1844 to 26 JUN1854 Price A £3

**1844 in blue** Used on 18 JUL1849

**3HOS** Used on 25 JUL1856 Price H £40



4VOS  
JUN1871



3VOS  
JUN1879

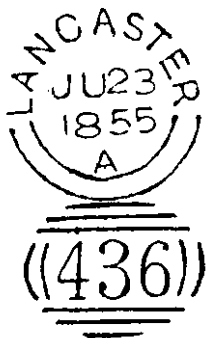


3VOS  
OCT1877

LANCASHIRE 436

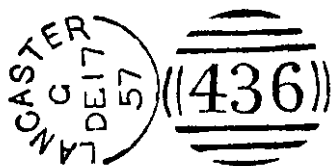
4VOS GPO

3VOS Used from 11 JUN1879 to 6 APR1886 Price H £50+



SDWYSII  
JUN1855

SDWYS II Used from 29 JUN1855 to 22 NOV1857 Codes: B C none Price B £10



SDWYSVIII  
DEC1857



SDWYSVIII  
JAN1869

SDWYS VIII Used from 21 DEC1857 to 8 JUL1870 Codes: A B C Csdwys D none Price A



3CD  
APR1858



4CD  
JUN1863

3CD Used from 7 JAN1859 to 26 JAN1869 Codes: A B C **none** Price A £2

4CD Used from 27 JUL1863 to 9 MAR1866 Codes: A C Price B £2



4VODA  
FEB1869

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 6 JUL1870 to 6 MAR1877 Codes: B C Price G £35



4VODB  
JUN1871



4VODB  
SEP1876



## LANCASHIRE 436-466

**4VODB (Flat top three) Time in code** Used from 26 JUN1871 to 11 JUN1894

Codes: A B C D E F G H J K L M O P Price A £3

**4VODB (Flat top three) Time in asterisk code** Used from 28 SEP1894 to 31 DEC1894

Codes: AE\*P BC\*P GH\*P I\*P Price H £25

**4VODB (Flat top three) Time in full** Used from 30 SEP1898 to 11 DEC1903

Times: 215PM 415PM 615PM 645PM 9PM 20 Price G £8



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 14 NOV1884 to 13 APR1894

Codes: B C D E F G H J K L M N O P S 12 13 14 15 Price A £3

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used on 1 SEP1894 Code: AF\*P Price H £25

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 9 AUG1896 to 31 JAN1898 Times: 745PM 9PM Price G £8

**3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars)** Used on 27 JAN1897 to 28 JAN1897 Time: 8PM 9PM  
Price H £20

### 446 Liverpool North Western Travelling Post Office

See Liverpool

455 Leyland

Leyland was allocated number 455 in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

460 Levenshulme

Levenshulme was allocated number 460 in the lists from 1924 to 1951 and 498K from 1951 to 1959.

### 466 LIVERPOOL

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

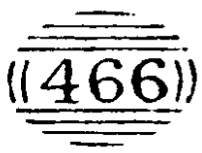
Liverpool was allocated number 466 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844  
APR1844



1844  
APR1846



1844  
FEB1849



1844  
MAR1849



1844 UNDATED  
ENTRY

**1844** Used from 1 MAY1844 to 30 APR1853 Price A £3

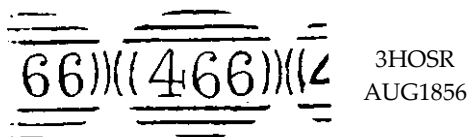
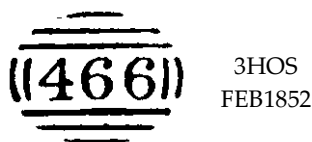
Only the first issue has two serifs on the figure 4

**1844 in blue** Used from 1850 to 1851

**1844 in red** Used from 1848 to 9 NOV1850

**1844/5** Used from 24 JAN1850 to 25 NOV1850 Five bars at the top – an undated entry in the Proof Books Price F £25+

LANCASHIRE 466



**3HOS** Used from 2 MAR1852 to 11 OCT1948 Price A £3

A large number were entered in the Proof Books between MAY1853 and DEC1868.

**3HOSR (Roller)** Used from 6 NOV1858 to 16 MAY1867 Price H £250++

Entered in the Proof Books of Kirkwoods the makers of handstamps for the Scottish Post Office.



3HOSX NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3TH.HOS** Used from 15 MAY1864 to 6 FEB1893 Price G £40+

**3HOSX (Roller no. in a box)** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £100 (on a loose stamp)



3HOSZ NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3HOSZ (Pin cancel)** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £125 on a loose stamp.



4VOSA  
AUG1865



4VOSA  
DEC1873



4VOSB  
JAN1872



4VODR  
DEC1887

**4VOSA (One serif on four)** Used from 23 OCT1866 to 8 AUG1882 Price F £25

Normally found on registered covers.

**4VOSB (Two serifs on four)** Used on 28 FEB1874 to 3 MAR1874 Price H £30

**4VOSR (Rubber)** Used from 1 JUL1890 to 23 DEC1908 Price F £15



3VOS  
MAY1874



4VOSL NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

LANCASHIRE 466

**3VOS** Used from 28 MAR1876 to 5 FEB1945 Price F £20 19<sup>th</sup> C. £12 20<sup>th</sup> C.  
**4VOSL** A new vertical roller cancellation No dated copies recorded Price H\* £50 on a loose stamp



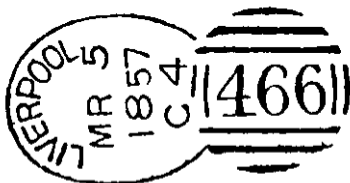
SPOON A  
MAR1854

**SPOON A (Serifs)** Used from 20 MAR1854 to 21 JAN1858  
 Handstamp identification numbers 13 14 15 & 16  
 Codes: A D E F H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U W X Sdwys:- C F I M S W 4 5 6 Price A £8  
 Recorded in blue and green



SPOON B  
JAN1855

**SPOON B (No serifs Liverpool at top of cds)** Used from 27 JAN1855 to 4 DEC1858  
 Handstamp identification numbers 1 2 5 6 7 8 9 14 & 15  
 Codes: A D E F H I J K L M N O P R S T V W Y Z - Sdwys:- E F G M N S W Z 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
 Inv:- C E M R 4 Price A £8 Recorded in blue and green



SPOON C  
JAN1855

**SPOON C (Liverpool at end of the cds)** Used from 5 FEB1855 to 28 MAY1858  
 Handstamp identification numbers 3 & 4  
 Codes: D F K L M N O P R S T X Z 5 8 none Sdwys:- F M N S W 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 Inv:- M R  
 Price A £8 Recorded in green



SPOON D  
JUN1855

**SPOON D (Registered)** Used from 28 JUL1855 to 8 MAR1858 Code: none Price E £75



SDWYS NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**SDWYS (French Machine)** Used from 11 NOV1857 to 12 NOV1857 Codes: F S T

Price H £2,500++

The cds has been seen used as a backstamp.

The machine is on display in the Royal Philatelic Society of London.



3CD  
NOV1857

**3CD** Two part codes: Used from 17 NOV1857 to 5 MAY1865 Price A £2

Handstamp numbers and codes these were the same as had been use in the spoon cancels, each numbered handstamp was recut up to six times:-

1 / HRSTW 68 Sdwys:- F M R S W 3 4 5 6 7 8 Inv:- R 5

2 / ELN O P R S T W X Z 8 Sdwys:- R S W 4 6 7 8 9 Inv:- R 5

3 / J K L N P R S T W Sdwys:- C R S W 3 4 5 6 8 9 Inv:- R

4 / G H I K L O P R S T W Sdwys:- A F G M R S W 4 5 7 8 Inv:- T

5 / F I J K L M P R S T W Z - Sdwys:- P R W 3 4 5 8 9 Inv:- L R

6 / R T 5 6 Sdwys:- M T W 2 7 Inv:- T

7 / K O S T U W Y Sdwys:- F M R S T W 4 6 8 Inv:- T

8 / H J L O P R S T W X none - Sdwys:- C F M R W 4 5 6 Inv:- R T U W

9 / A S T W Sdwys:- G W 4 Inv:- S

13 / C L M O P R S T W none Sdwys:- M T W 3 5 Inv:- R

14 / I M P R S T Z Sdwys:- M T W 5 6 12 Inv:- R T

15 / A S T Z Sdwys:- W 5 6 7 Inv:- T

16 / F H I J K L P S T Sdwys:- R W 2 5 Inv:- K T

Single code: 24DEC1857 to 16JUL1858 A Fsdwys I Price G £8

Z code: 22JAN1880 to 15JAN1883 Z20 Z46 Z71 Price G £10



4CD  
JUL1863

**4CD (NWRP Office)** Used from 3 DEC1863 to 29 JUL1879 Code: I Price G £300

North Western Railway Post Office duplex. H.S.Wilson suggests that this was used at Lime Street Station.



**5VODA (Date in two lines)** Used from 1 APR1866 to 13 OCT1866 Codes: LA LB LC L20 L33  
Price G £50+



**5VODB (Date in one line)** Used from 8 DEC1866 to 25 MAY1871  
Codes: Z is the normal handstamp identification letter: 1 6 9 14 16 17 18 20 22 24 25 27 28 31  
32 33 34 35 37 Price E £30+  
This also occurs with L as the handstamp identification letter: 6 29 33 Price H £30



**4VODA (Code in two lines at the top and base of the cds)**  
Used from 2 DEC1864 to 12 MAR1885  
There are two types of 4VODA:  
1/. As illustrated in the catalogue, with a symmetrical cds. and handstamp identification letters A.B.C.E.K.L and M.  
A / 7 8 12 19 20 21 24 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 38 39 40 41 43 44 52 53 57  
B / 5 12 16 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 33 34 37 43 47 49 50 52 54 59  
C / 16 21 22 24 26 30 31 33 40 41 43 45 46 48 49 50 52 59  
E / 5 7 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 30 34 37 39 41 43 44 45 46 48 49 52 55 69 71 none  
K / 17 24 27 28 33 45 46 47 49 55 57 60  
L / 2 7 10 17 25 28 29 30 31 32 33 36 40 43 46 47 49 56  
M / 9 10 23 24 25 26 31 37 39 41 42 43 44 45 51 53 55 56 64 66  
Price A £3  
2/. With a cds at an angle and handstamp letters to one side of the cds.  
A41 B36 B41 C44 L38 Z33 Z35 Z38 Price A £3

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**4VODB (Code and date are both in one line)** Used from 1 APR1868 to 2 NOV1873

Price A £3

These occur prior to their first entry in the Proof Books. The earliest one actually entered in the Proof Books is annotated "stamping machine recut".

These have a cds at an angle Handstamp Z shows the greatest angularity.

Handstamp identification letters A L & Z

A – 6 13 14 19 28 30 31 33

L – 26 29 31 32 35 none (an example of 29 occurs with A9 below the date on 12 MAR1868)

Z – 5 9 10 11 13 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35

Examples with the cds at a high angle to the obliterator demand a premium of up to £15



**4VODC (Code in one line and the date in two lines)**

Used from 12 MAY1865 to 24 DEC1886 Price A £3

Handstamp identification letters D F G H I J N O & P (do not over lap with 4VODA)

D / 17 20 23 25 26 27 34 36 38 41 44 47 48 50 51 52 58 60

F / 9 30 32 39 41 44 45 47 50 51 52

G / 12 13 31 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 51 52 54 60

H / 6 10 14 25 27 30 34 37 38 40 42 43 44 45 46 47 50 52 59 60

I / 44

J / 12 15 25 27 28 29 30 35 36 40 41 42 44 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 54 59 64 65 67

N / 10 27 31 32 33 34 36 39 42 43 45 47 49 50 51 53 62

O / 29 31 32 33 37 38 41 42 44 45 47 50 51

P / 34 36 38 40 41 47 51



**4VODD (Curved Liverpool) S handstamp** Used from 23 FEB1874 to 5 SEP1874 (all prior to the first Proof Book entry) Codes: 8 15 18 29 32 41

**4VODD (Curved Liverpool) P handstamp** Used on 31 JAN1876 Code: P52

Price G £40



Handstamp identification letter after the code number



Handstamp identification letter before the code number

**4VODEX (Exchange)** Used from 20 APR1871 to 4 FEB84. Price A £6.

Handstamp identification letter after the code number:

No. then A - 3 4 6 7 8 9 10 12 13 14 16 18 19 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 30

No. then B - 12 13 17 18 20 22 23 24 25 30

No. then C - 8 9 11 12 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29

No. then F - 11 12 16 21 22 23

Handstamp identification letter before the code number:

A then No. - 6 9 15 16 17 18 19 20 22 24

B then No. - 4 7 8 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 28

D then No. - 5 10 16 17 18 20 21 22 23 24 25 27

E then No. - 8 11 12 15 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 27

F then No. - 17 18 20 22

Later in 1878 a new handstamp came into use with the handstamp letter G:-

The obliterator is almost circular

Codes: 8 11 12 16 19 20 21 22 23 Price G £8

Exchange Squared Circles in use: DEC1879 to OCT1906

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4VODG  
JAN1873



4VODH  
DEC1877

4VODG (North West Travelling Post Office) GPO  
4VODH (North West Railway Post Office) GPO



3VODX  
MAY1873

**3VODX (cbs at an angle)** Used from 12 DEC1873 to 31 AUG1875

S is a handstamp identification letter. **Codes: S15 S17 S26 S32 S51** Price G £50+  
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.



3VODB  
OCT1879

**3VODB (Curved Liverpool)** Used from 22 OCT1879 to 6 NOV1884

Codes: W – 38 **66** X – 40 45 65 72 Y – 13 35 71 Price E £15  
W.X.Y. are handstamp identification letters



3VODC NOT  
ENTERED IN THE  
PROOF BOOKS

**3VODC (Straight Liverpool)** Used on 8 NOV1883 Code: M63 Price H £30+



BOOTLE



4VODF  
APR1874



4VODF  
APR1874



4VODF  
APR1874

**4VODF (Bootle Liverpool in the cds)** Used from 23 NOV1874 to 16 JUN1883

Handstamp identification letters A B & C

Codes: A2 A7 A8 A9 B2 B3 B5 B6 B8 B9 C9

Price D £15



3VODD  
OCT1883



3VODD  
OCT1883



3VODD  
OCT1883

**3VODD (Bootle cum Linacre)** Used from 5 NOV1883 to 31 DEC1887

A B & C are handstamp identification letters A - 4 7 8 10 B - 6 7 9 10 C - 8 10

Price F £40

Bootle cum Linacre was the name of Bootle from 1883 to 1891

Squared Circles in use: DEC1885 to AUG1891



3VODE NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODE (Bootle) Time in code** Used from 1 AUG1877 to 27 JAN1902

B & C are handstamp identification letters. Codes: B - 11 12 C - 10 11 X - 17

Price F £25

**3VODE (Bootle) Time in full** Used from 23 FEB1906 to 31 JAN1912 Times: 845PM 9PM

Price F £15

Bootle Squared Circles in use: JUL1880 to JUL1893

Liverpool Squared Circles in use: FEB1880 to JAN1918

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EASTERN DISTRICT



4VOSE  
JUL1864



4VODEA  
JUN1864

**4VOSE** Used on 28 SEP1870 Price H £30  
**4VODEA (Straight Liverpool)** Used from 15 JUL1864 to 28 OCT1880  
 Codes: 1 2 2inv 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 20 21 22 23 Price A £4.  
 Fourteen proofed between JUN1864 and MAR1870. Many later subtypes, that were not proofed. The E.D. varies in size, position and number of full stops.



4VODEB NOT  
ENTERED IN THE  
PROOF BOOKS



4VODEC  
SEP1878

**4VODEB (Straight Liverpool with Maltese Crosses)** Used from 20 APR1864 to 6 JAN1880  
 Codes: 2 6 7 8 11 12 13 21 22 23 24 Price C £8  
 Four were proofed between APR1864 and FEB1873.  
**4VODEC (Curved Liverpool)** Used from 17 OCT1878 to 27 DEC1883 Codes: 4 5 6 7 8 11 13 20 Price F £8



3VODE NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODE** Used from 19 OCT1874 to 24 JAN1879 X is a handstamp identification letter  
 Codes: X1 X5 X6 X11 X20 X22 Price F £15  
 Squared Circles in use: JUL1880 to FEB1887

NORTHERN DISTRICT



4VOSN  
JUL1864



4VODN  
JUL1864

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4VOSN GPO

4VODN Used from 31 MAR1865 to 19 FEB1887 Codes: 1 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 14 15 17 18 19 20 21  
none Price A £3 The N.D. varies in size and position



4VODNX NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3VODN NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

4VODNX (Reversed Ns) Used on 21 AUG1872 Code: 17 Price H £150++

3VODN Used from 20 OCT1874 to 14 JAN1880 Codes: 1 8 17 19 20 Price F £15  
Squared Circles in use: DEC1880 to APR1909

SOUTHERN DISTRICT



4VOSS JUL1864



4VODS JUL1864

4VOSS GPO

4VODS Used from 19 NOV1864 to 4 JUL1887 Codes: 0 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 17 18 19  
20 21 26 Price A £3 The SD varies in size, position and number of full stops



3VODS NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VODS Used from 8 APR1874 to 24 JUL1879 Codes: 1 4 5 8 10 17 20 Price C £6  
Squared Circles in use: AUG1880 to OCT1906

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WESTERN DISTRICT



4VOSW  
OCT1865



4VODA  
OCT1865

**4VOSW (466A)** Used from 25 MAY1872 to 5 JAN1881 Price G £150+

**4VOSW (466A) in blue** Used on 9 DEC1880

**4VODWA (Straight Liverpool)** Used from 22 NOV1865 to 23 APR1884 Price A £4

Double letter handstamp identification letters

Codes:

BB / 1 2 3 4 5 5inv 6 7

DA / 2 4 5 7

DD / 2 3 4 5 6 7

DO / 7

EE / 2 3 4 5 6 7 7inv

EO / 2

FsdwysE / 4

FF / 2 3 4 5 6 7

F / 6

FX / 3 6

NI / 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

OD / 4 5 7

OO / 5 6

WI / 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

XY / 7

YX / 4 9

ZY / 4 5 .



4VODWB  
APR1878

**4VODWB (Curved Liverpool)** Used from 3 AUG1878 to 27 AUG1881

Codes: EE / 2 3 5 7    FX / 3 5 5inv 6 7 9    Price F £12

466A Walton

Walton was allocated number 466A in the lists from 1924 to 1962.

466B Bootle

Under Liverpool. An Office at Bootle 1844 to 1883 and 1891 to >1906.  
Used duplexes with the number 466 in the 19<sup>th</sup> C.

Bootle was allocated number 466B in the lists from 1925 to 1962.

466C Wavertree

Wavertree was allocated number 466C in the lists from 1925 to 1962.

466D Aigburth

Aigburth was allocated number 466D in the 1927 list.

466D Rock Ferry

Rock Ferry was allocated number 466D in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466E Western District Office

Western District Office was allocated number 466E in the lists from 1927 to 1962.

466F Lark Lane

Lark Lane was allocated number 466F in the lists from 1927 to 1962.

466G Seaforth

Seaforth was allocated number 466G in the lists from 1928 to 1962.

466H Birkenhead

Birkenhead was allocated number 466H in the lists from 1929 to 1962

466J Wallasey

Wallasey was allocated number 466J in the lists from 1929 to 1962

466K Southern District Office

Southern District Office was allocated number 466K in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466L Eastern District Office

Eastern District Office was allocated number 466L in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466M Northern District Office

Northern District Office was allocated number 466M in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466N Garston

Garston was allocated number 466N in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466P Mossley Hill

Mossley Hill was allocated number 466P in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466Q Old Swan

Old Swan was allocated number 466Q in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466R West Derby

West Derby was allocated number 466R in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466S Blundellsands

Blundellsands was allocated number 466S in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466T Waterloo

Waterloo was allocated number 466T in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

466U Speke

Speke was allocated number 466U in the lists from 1959 to 1962.

466V Maghull

Maghull was allocated number 466V in the 1962 list.

466X Woolton

Woolton was allocated number 466X in the 1962 list.

**498 MANCHESTER**

Head Post Office 1844 to Present.

Manchester was allocated number 498 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- F56 Alderley Edge 1871 to 1955, 12 Altrincham 1855 to 1866, C50 Ashton on Mersey 1845 to 1866, G07 Bacup 1844 to 1892, J95 Bradford 1855 to 1896 then a Town Receiving House of Manchester, C72 Cheetham Hill 1844 to 1960, 198 Chorley 1856 to 1871, J87 Cloughfold 1871 to 1926, F44 Denton 1844 to present, 880 Didsbury 1845 to present, C67 Droylsden 1855 to present C73 Eccles 1844 to 1895, 054 Farnworth 1844 to 1861, 499 Glossop 1845 to 1897, 500 & J88 Haslingden 1844 to 1926, K04 Helmshore 1855 to 1926, C63 & C65 Heywood 1844 to 1893, F43 Hyde 1844 to 1889, 958 Leigh 1844 to 1892, J90 Luddenden 1857 to 1898, J91 Luddendenfoot 1857 to 1898, C74 Middleton 1845 to present, C45 Mossley 1863 to 1961, J92 Mytholmroyd 1857 to 1901, C75 Newchurch 1848 to 1926, 748 Newton Heath 1844 to 1895, F45 Patricroft 1855 to 1895 & 1900 to 1905, C76 Prestwich 1855 to present, C77 Radcliffe 1844 to present, F11 Ramsbottom 1855 to 1960, 501 Rawtenstall 1844 to 1935, 313 Sowerby Bridge 1856 to 1859, K05 Stacksteads 1853 to 1900, 502 Stalybridge 1844 to 1860, C49 Stretford 1844 to 1866 & 1871 to present, J89 Summerseat 1859 to 1928, K41 Swinton 1844 to present, D34 Waterfoot 1851 to 1926, H44 Whitefield 1858 to present and C78 Wilmslow 1844 to 1955.*



1844A  
APR1844



1844A  
NOV1844



1844B  
JAN1846\*



1844C  
MAR1848\*



1844D  
MAY1851\*

\*Dates when first entered in the Proof Books, all three occur earlier.

**1844A (Two serifs)** Used from 1 MAY1844 to 27 APR1847 Price A £3

**1844B (One serif)** Used from 14 JAN1845 to 31 JUL1853 Price A £3

**1844C (No serifs)** Used from 6 FEB1846 to 6 JAN1851 Price A £3

**1844D (Single side arcs)** Used from 29 JAN1847 to 11 SEP1851 Price B £3

Worn 1844s that became  
3HOSs used before APR1848:



1844A  
USED APR-  
NOV1845



1844A USED  
MAR1847 to  
MAR1848



First true 3HOS entered in the Proof Books in  
APR1848 No serifs on the figure 4

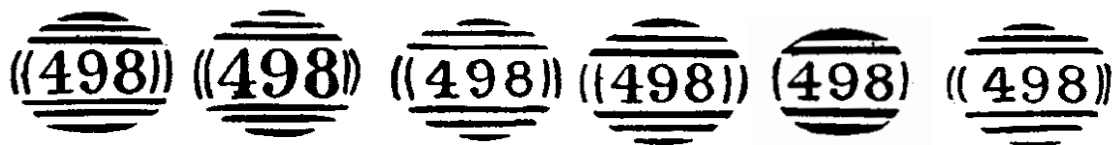
**3HOS** Used from 9 MAY1848 to 24 NOV1876 Price A £3

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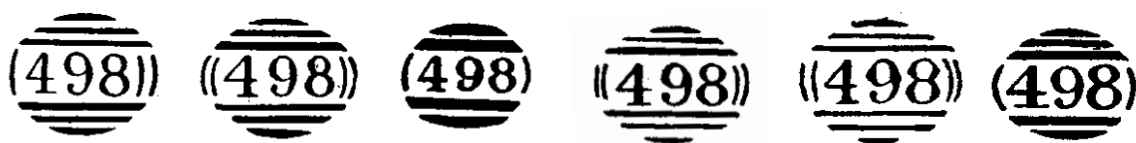


3HOS  
APR1848

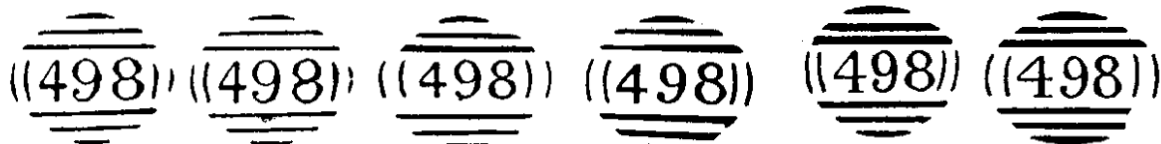
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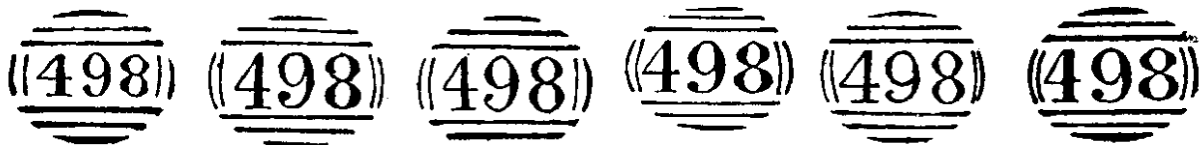
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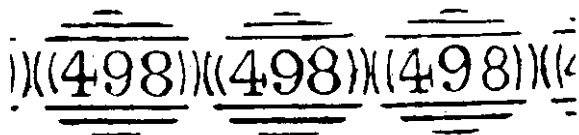
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1866



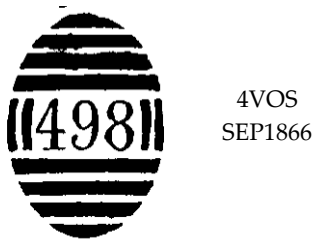
3HOSR AUG1856 Entered in the Proof Books of Kirkwoods the makers of handstamps to the Scottish Post Office.



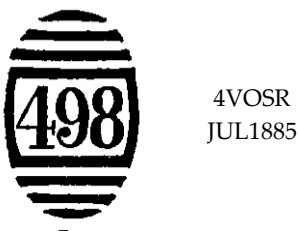
A figure from Calvert it does not have the appearance of a Kirkwoods cancellation.

**3HOSR (Roller thin bars)** Used from 14 MAR1865 to 23 AUG1865 Price G £250++  
3HOSRA and 3HOSRB in the original catalogue are the same cancellation

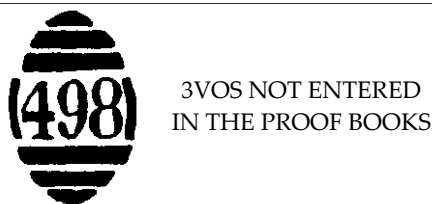
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**3TH.HOS** Used from 22 JUL1865 to 29 JUL1878 Price F £20  
**4VOS** Used from 8 OCT1866 to 1 NOV1875 Price A £6



**4VOSR (Rubber)** Used from 21 JUL1880 to 15 JAN1894 Price B £8+  
 Usually found on registered covers, the price varies with the stamps and the destination.  
**4VOSR (Rubber) in blue** Used from 23 JUN1887 to 25 JUL1887  
**4VOSR (Rubber) in red** Used on 13 MAY1893



**3VOS** Used from 5 FEB1876 to 1 DEC1980 Price B £10 pre 1900 and £6 post 1900.  
 The JUL1874 issue is typical of what was in use in the 1880s, most later ones are similar to the illustration on the right.  
 The handstamp is currently in the National Postal Museum. (Post 144)



**SPOON A (Serifs)** Used from 23 FEB1854 to 2 JUN1854  
 Codes: A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P R S T Price B £15





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**SPOON B (No serifs narrow letters)** Used from 25 FEB1857 to 19 APR1861  
Codes: Cinv Dinv F H J L Linv M Minv N O R S T U V W X Y Z Price A £15



SPOON C  
MAR1857

**SPOON C (No serifs wider letters, gap between bar and date stamp)**

Used from 22 AUG1857 to 10 APR1861  
Codes: F G H I J L M N O P R S T U V W X Y Price B £15



SPOON D NOT ENTERED IN  
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**SPOON D (Looks like 3CD)** Used from 27 MAY1857 to 22 FEB1865 Price A £15

Handstamp identification numbers 1 2 3 4 5

Codes: 1/ G H I J K M N O P R S T U W X Z

2/ D E H I J K L M N O P R S T U V W X Z

3/ J K L N O P R S T U V W X Z

4/ F H I J K L M N O P R S T U V W X Y Z none

5/ C Cinv Csdwys D F I J L M N O P R S T U V W X Y Yinv Z 2sdwys 6



SPOON E  
APR1857

**SPOON E (Broken ring oval cds)** Used from 12 JUN1857 to 22 APR1861 Price A £15

Handstamp identification numbers 1 2 3

Codes: 1/ I M N O P R S T U W X Z

2/ G H I J M N O P S T U W X Y

3/ D L M N O P R S T U W X Y Z



SDWYS II  
JUN1854

**SDWYS II** Used from 6 JUN1854 to 17 MAY1858

Codes: A B C Csdwys E F G H I J K L M Minv N O P Pinv R S T U Winv Price A £4

**SDWYS II in blue** Used on 11 JUL1856



SDWYSX NOT ENTERED IN  
THE PROOF BOOKS

**SDWYSX (French Machine)** Used from 14 NOV1857 to 18 NOV1857 Codes: I M O P R S

Price H £1,500++

This was used on the "French Machine" an example is currently on display in the Museum of the Royal Philatelic Society in London. It was also used in Liverpool.



3CDA NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3CDA (Rideout - broken ring round cds)** Used from 5 MAR1858 to 23 MAR1858

Code : P S U Price H £250

Calvert suggests that this might have been used on the "Beard Machine" which is known to have been on trial in Manchester in 1858. The London Rideout machine was patented by Beard on behalf of his father in law Charles Rideout. These could well have been the same machine.



1844  
APR1844

**3CDB (Curved Manchester)** Used from 1 DEC1857 to 30 AUG1866 Price A £3

The handstamp identification number can move from one side of the twin aperture to the other, it is always vertical.

Codes: 2 / N U Uinv V W X Y Z Zsdwys 2sdwys

3 / D I J T V W X Y Z 2sdwys

4 / I O R S T V W X Y Z 2sdwys

6 / F H I N P R S T U V W X Y Z

7 / G I J L N P T U W X Y

8 / J O T U W Wsdwys X Y Z Zsdwys 2sdwys

9 / J L N P T V W X Y Yinv Z 2sdwys

11 / Z

12 / Z



3CDC  
APR1861

**3CDC Straight Manchester** Used from 20 MAY1861 to 14 SEP1893 Price A £3

The handstamp identification number or letter is at the top of the cds

Codes: 1 / G L O Rinv S X Y Yinv Z 2sdwys

2 / H K N P S T V W X Y Z 2sdwys

3 / V W Y Z 2sdwys

4 / Pinv S T V W X Y Z 2sdwys

5 / H J M P U W X Y Z 2sdwys

6 / G Pinv O R S Sinv U W X Z 2sdwys

7 / C G I J L M S U X Y Yinv Z 2sdwys 4sdwys

8 / H I J K M N S U V Y Z 2sdwys

9 / I M P X Y Yinv Z 2sdwys

C / 2inv 27 28 29 30 31 32 34 41 51 54

D / 5 19 28 30 32 33 36 37 40 52

E / U 10 12 15 16 23 28 29 30 32 33

F / 30 45

G / 11 15 16 30 31 32

J / 31 51

K / 21 32 33 42

None 2sdwys

A 3CDC dated 8JUL1885 code C54 has been reported, this is a true circular duplex. 3VODA can have a similar date stamp but the obliterator is always oval.

**4VOD Four types:**

A = Straight Manchester

A(1) Date in two lines above and below Manchester

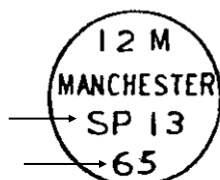
A(2) Date in two lines below Manchester

A(3) Date in one line

B Curved Manchester



**4VODA(1)**  
Date in two  
lines above and  
below Manchester



**4VODA(2)**  
Date in two  
lines below  
Manchester



**4VODA(3)**  
Date in one line  
above or below  
Manchester



**4VODB**  
Curved  
Manchester

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4VODA(1)  
JAN1865  
Date in two lines  
above and below  
Manchester

**4VODA(1)** Used from 12 OCT1865 to 27 APR1895 Price A £3

Codes: A / 9 11 12 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 47 51

B / 15 19 23 29 31 32 33 35 36 38 41 43 45 46 52 63

C / 11 14 27 28 29 30 31 33 34 35 37 39 40 41 43 49 50 51 52

D / 5 19 21 23 28 31 33 37 40 41 43 after DEC1871 see 4VODA(1)D below:

E / 10 21 22 32 33 41 47 50 52 54

F / 2inv 5 9 16 19 21 22 23 25 28 30 31 32 33 34 35 37 38 39 40 41 43 46 47 49 55

G / 4 5 9 31 36 37 39 50 51

H / 13 14 17 22 23 24 25 27 30 31 33 35 36 38 41 47 51 53

I / 33 53

J / 43 45 51 52

K / 0 1 5 13 19 23 24 29 31 32 33 35 36 37 39 40 41 42 45 49 51

L / 12 20 23 27 28 30 34 35 37 39 40 41 42 43 46 48

M / 12 25 28 34 37 38 39 41 43 44 45 47 52 53

N / 2inv 5inv 11 12 13 23 26 28 30 31 32 33 34 36 37 40 54

O / 12 23 31 32 33 35 54

S / 2 11 22 25 33 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 43

T / 1 2 4 25 34 41 45 49 51 53

V / 21 27 29 30 40 41 45 47 48 53

W / delete it is a type A3

X / 26 41 43

Y / 41 43

Z / 11 22 27 39 40

Double letter codes from OCT1875:-

AY / 29 38 51

IK / 30 50

XX / 1 11 14 18 19

YY(late mail) / 1 4inv 23 30 44 48

ZZ / 41

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4VODA(1)D  
DEC1871

**4VODA(1)D (No serif on the 4)** Used from 12 FEB1872 to 23 JUL1890

Handstamp codes D and N Codes:

D / 22 24 25 40 43 45 47 48 49 51

N / 2inv 51 53 54

Price E £8

The D handstamp had serifs on the 4 before DEC1871 and without serifs afterwards.

The pre DEC1871 version is rare and I believe that many of the codes recorded under 4VODA1 handstamp letter D are in fact post DEC71 examples.



**4VODA(2)**  
SEP1865  
Date in two  
lines below  
Manchester

**4VODA(2) Date in two lines Time in code** Used from 12 DEC1865 to 9 AUG1896

Handstamp codes L M & N

Codes:

L / 12 21 23 28 30 31 35 38 46 48 53

M / 2 11 25 29 30 31 32 34 38 39 40 46 51 53 54

N / 2inv 12 13 18 19 23 24 30 31 33 38 41 43 45 49 51 53 Price A £3

**4VODA(2) Date in two lines Time in full** Used from 11 MAR1896 to 13 JUL1896

Handstamp codes A or B not AB

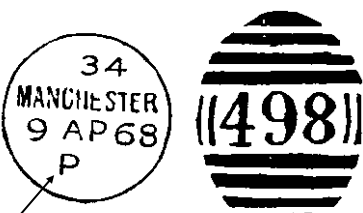
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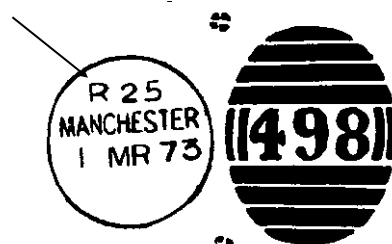
**4VODA(3)**  
AUG1864  
Date in one line  
above or below  
Manchester



HANDSTAMP  
AB



HANDSTAMP  
P



HANDSTAMP  
R

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**4VODA(3)** Used from 10 SEP1864 to 24 FEB1881

There are two separate groups within this category.

Handstamps B, E and H have the cds in perfect alignment with the obliterator, whereas handstamps AB, AC, P, R and W have the characteristic misalignment of the cds and occasional presence of screw marks that are typical of a stamping machine.

Calvert suggests that these were used in the Pearson Hill Parallel Motion Machines.

These "machines" were simple hand operated mechanical aids to cancelling.

The Post Office called them machines, there are frequent annotations "for stamping machines" in the Proof Books adjacent to various Manchester obliterators.

In many cases the cds and the obliterator were obviously entered separately.

The cds in perfect alignment with the obliterator:-

Codes

B / 8 9 10 12 14 17 20 23 25 26 28 29 30 31 32 33 38 40 43

E / 9 17 30 31 32 35 38 39 40 41 42 45 47 49 50 52

H / 5 19 22 23 27 30 31 32 33 35 39 40 10

Price A £2

Misalignment of the cds and occasional presence of screw marks that are typical of a stamping machine:-

Codes

AB / 11 31 32

AC / 35

R / 3 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 29 30 31 32 33 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 47 48

P / 15 21 23 25 26 28 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 46

W 13 15 17 18 20 21 22 23 25 26 27 28 29 31 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 52 53

Code AB Price G £30+ Code AC Price H £30+ Codes R & P & W Price A £5



4VODB NOT ENTERED IN  
THE PROOF BOOKS

**4VODB Manchester in a curved line cds at an angle to the obliterator**

Used from 16 FEB1877 to 20 NOV1894 Codes: CD 5inv 28 31 35 42 43 44 45 46 47 48  
50 51 Price A £3

**4VODA with numbers cut in basal bars:**

**4VOD2** Used from 24 DEC1894 TO 12 MAR1895 Codes: KC\*A F\*P LC\*P Price G £12

**4VOD3** Used from 26 AUG1895 to 1 DEC1895 Codes: A\*P HF\*P Price G £12

**4VOD4** Used on 19 MAR1895 Code: GD\*P Price H £20

**4VOD23** Used from 3 NOV1896 to 20 OCT1898 Times: 145PM 7PM Price G £12

**4VOD23X (23 at base of cds with a blank cut in basal bars)** 28APR1899 Price H £45+

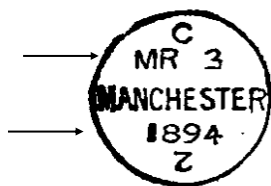
**4VOD25** Used from 22 JAN1896 to 22 JUN1896 Time: 7PM 930PM Price H £20

**4VOD27** Used from 7 NOV1895 to 5 AUG1896 Times: 6PM 815PM 830PM Price G £12

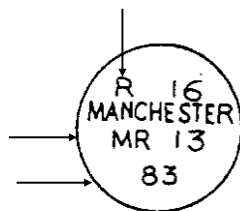
**4VOD29** Used from 12 NOV1895 to 5 MAR1896 Time: 415PM 9PM Price H £20

**4VOD30** Used on 21 OCT1896 Price H £20

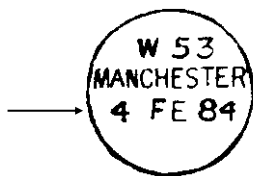
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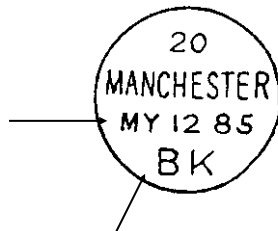
**3VODA(1)**  
Date in two lines  
above and below  
Manchester



**3VODA(2)**  
Date in two lines  
below  
Manchester  
R machine



**3VODA(3)**  
Date in one line  
above or below  
Manchester  
P R W machines



**3VODB**  
Date in one line,  
large (23mm to 26mm  
cds) with the  
handstamp  
identification letters  
B to BO at the base of  
cds



**3VODC**  
Curved Manchester, date in two lines

**3VODCL**  
Curved Manchester, date in one line, 26mm cds

**3VOD** Four main types: this is a revised listing of these cancellations.

A = Straight Manchester

**A(1)** Date in two lines above and below Manchester

**A(2)** Date in two lines below Manchester, handstamp identification letter R

**A(3)** Date in one line – machine cancellation with cds at an angle and the handstamp codes P R & W as in the 4VODA3 equivalent

**B** Date in one line, large (23mm to 26mm cds) with the handstamp identification letters B to BO at the base of cds

**C** Curved Manchester several types



3VODA(1) NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODA(1)** Used from 22 JAN1884 to 8 JUL1895 Price D £4

Codes:

C / 0 2inv 34 51 54

I / 53

J / 51 53

V / 2 2inv 46 47

X / 33

AK / 46

IK / 35

XX / 33 51 53

ZZ / 45inv 46



3VODA(2) NOT  
ENTERED IN THE  
PROOF BOOKS

**3VODA(2)** Used from 17 NOV1881 to 18 MAR1885 Handstamp identification letter R  
Codes: 3 16 19 21 22 23 24 25 26 29 30 31 32 33 34 39 41 44 45 46 47 49 50 51 53 Price B £3



3VODA(3) NOT  
ENTERED IN THE  
PROOF BOOKS

**3VODA(3)** Used from 6 AUG1876 to 3 MAY1884 The cds is at an angle – a machine cancel. The same handstamp identification letters as 4VODA(3) which also has the cds at an angle. Handstamp identification letters P & W

Codes:

P – 44

R – 31 34 39 44

W – 16 18 19 31 32 33 45 48 53 Price A £5 Both P and R are rare

**3VODA** with numbers cut in basal bars or at the base of the cds:

**5 in basal bars** Used on 24 NOV1894 Code: C\*P Price H £25

**7 in basal bars** Used from 11 JUN1895 to 2 OCT1895 Codes: BC\*P CF\*P Price H £25

**9 in basal bars** Used on 28 AUG1895 Code: BC\*P Price H £25

**10 in basal bars** Used from 23 MAR1895 to 22 MAY1895 Code: BC\*A Price H £25

**23 in basal bars** Used on 28 FEB1899 Time: 7PM Price H £20

**23 at base of the cds** Used from 24 DEC1900 to 2 JAN1901 Times: 7PM 815PM Price H £15

**23 at base of the cds and a blank cut in the basal bars**

Used from 28 APR1899 to 28 SEP1899 Times: 115PM 7PM 815PM 930PM Price G £30

**25 in basal bars** Used from 7 OCT1904 to 24 OCT1904 Times: 545PM 930PM Price H £15

**25 at base of cds** Used from 7 FEB1901 to 22 OCT1904 Times: 130pm 730pm Price H £15

**26 in basal bars** Used from 4 FEB1895 to 30 DEC1896

Times: 1215PM 6PM 630PM Price F £8

**32 in basal bars** No dated copies known Price H\* £20 (Price if found on dated cover)

**34 in basal bars** Used from 13 JAN1896 to 20 FEB1896 Time: 6PM Price H £15

**35 in basal bars** Used from 19 NOV1896 to 6 JAN1909

Times: 1115AM 230PM 730PM 745PM 9PM Price G £12

**37 in basal bars** Used from 10 APR1895 to 6 FEB1897

Times: 215PM 415PM 6PM 630PM 715PM Price G £12

**41 in basal bars** Used from 25 AUG1896 to 30 OCT1896

Times: 1045AM 11AM 1245PM 315PM 6PM Price F £8



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**3VODB** Date in one line, large (23mm to 26mm cds) with the handstamp identification letters B to BO at the base of the cds Used from 18 JUN1885 to 6 NOV1896 Price A £3

Handstamp letters and codes:

B – 2inv 4 21 31 51 53 U18 and time in full 330PM

BE – 2inv 21 23 29 30 32 38 45inv 47 48 51 52 53

BF – 18 31 46 47 48 49 51 53

BG – 2inv 29 31 48 49 50 51 59

BH – 2inv 46 47 51 53

BJ – 1 2inv 7 17 21 34 53

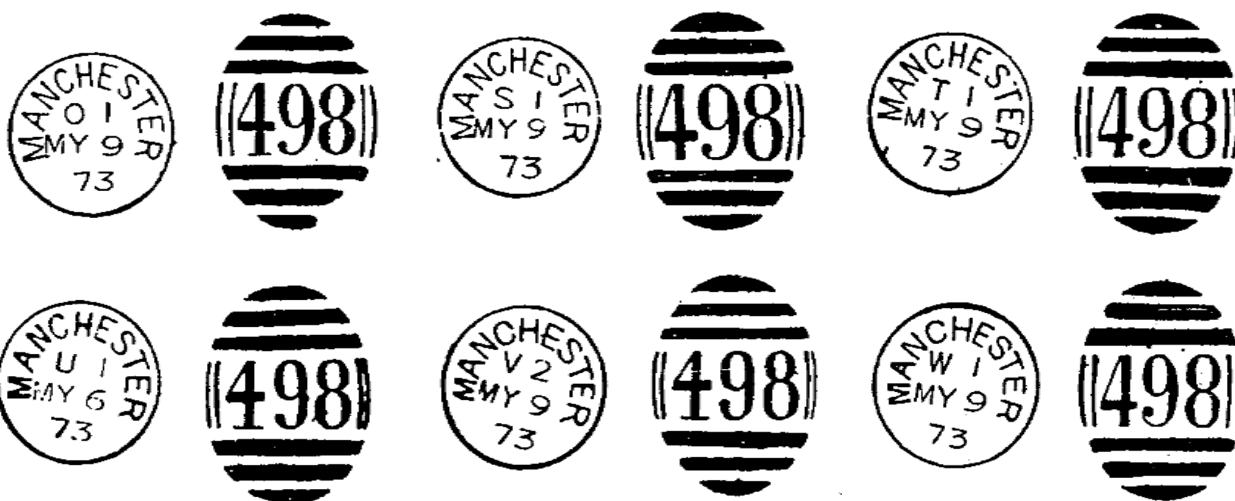
BK – 46 47 48 50 51 52 53 54

BO – 2inv none

Handstamp BE occurs with single side arcs in the 1890's

**3VODB 7 at the base of the cds time in asterisk code** Used from 11 JUN1895 to 12 DEC1895

Code: BC\*P DF\*P Price G £ 15



**3VODCX** The first 3VODs were sent on 10 MAY1873 and are all illustrated. These were all issued together with similar cancels 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. All the Manchester 3VODs recorded between MAY1873 and JUN1878 are 3VODXs pattern. Handstamp identification letters O S T U V & W were the only ones used until 4 JUN1878 when the first conventional 3VOD was sent.

Calvert suggests that the 3VODXs were for use in the new Pivot machines brought into use in Manchester in 1873. Although they may well have been associated with the Pivot machine in Manchester, their rarity in the other offices does not fit with being part of the widespread adoption of the Pivot machine.

They were recut frequently – the T handstamp issued on 10MAY1873 has no serif on the figure four, within less than a year it had been recut to have a pronounced serif. The dies were cut by de Lacey.

### 3VODCX & 3VODC Curved Manchester Date in two lines

Used from 10 DEC1873 to 5 FEB1901 Price A £3 (3VODX A £5)

After JUN1878 many other duplexes were issued with other handstamp identification letters. Some of these later cancellations also show the cds at an angle so they have all been placed together:



The first conventional 3VODC issued on 4 JUN1878

Handstamp letters are placed before the collection number:-

A / 6 32 52 53

B / 51

C / 50 52 53 54

D / 21 26 29 34 37 43 51 53

E / 2inv 9 10

I / 14 48

J / 21 23 26 29 30 31 42 45 46 48

L / 17 34 51 53

M / 12 26 53

O / 2inv 11 12 19 20 21 25 27 28 29 31 32 33 35 36 38 39 40 41 43 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 55

P / 21 30 31 51 53

Q / 28 48

R / 21 29 30 35 46 48 49 51 53

S / 9 13 14 17 19 21 25 35 39 40 41 42 44 46 47 48 50 51 53 55

T / 15 17 21 22 25 29 32 37 39 41 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 51 52 53

U / 9 13 21 29 31 33 37 39 41 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 52 (Uinv 49)

V / 2inv 9 19 22 26 27 41 43 46 47 48 49 51 53

W / 4 5 8 11 12 14 15 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39

40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 51 53

X / 49

Handstamp letters are placed after the collection number:-

B / 54

D / 21

L / 39

M / 27 39 45 46 52

P / 31 46 47 49 50 51 52 53

X / 46 49 51

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Double handstamp letters were placed before the collection number:-

AA / 21 22 25 26 27 30 31 34 35 38 42 46 48 49 53 55

AB / 17 22 29 39 46 49 51 52 53

AC / 33 47 50 53

AD / 16 18 19 21 22 23 24 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 43 46 47 48 50 52 53 54

AN / 39 46 51 53

AO / 17 21 26 31 39 46 47 48 49 51

AT / 24 29 31 45 46 48 49 53

AY / 31 50

DX / 45inv

EX / 53

TM / none

VR / 33 46 51

Others with missing letters:-

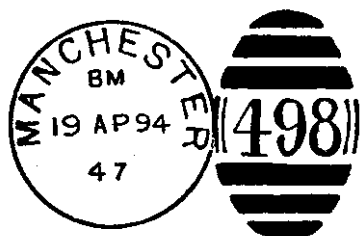
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3VODCC NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODCC A Circle outlined in the bars.** Not entered in the Proof Books

Used from 4 MAR1894 to 8 OCT1894 Handstamp letter W Codes 46 49 Price H £60+



3VODCL NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODCL Type X has curved Manchester date in a straight line and a very large cds.**

The handstamp identification letters and time codes can be either at the top or at the base of the cds.

**3VODCL Time in code** Used from 22 OCT1889 to 21 SEP1895 BM and BL are handstamp identification letters. Codes:-

BM / 30 31 39 46 47 48 49

BL / 2inv 47 49 51 53

Price E £8

**3VODCL Time in asterisk code** Numbers 5 or 6 replace BM and BL

Used from 1 MAR1895 to 13 SEP1895

Codes BC\*P C\*P GD\*P IB\*P IF\*P HF\*P MC\*P Price F £12

3VODC  
NOV18853VODC  
DEC1885**3VODC Occurs with numbers or letters at the base of the cds**

**AK at the base of the cds** Used from 10 JUL1893 to 11 JUN1894 Codes: H W5 48 52  
Price G £12

**D at the base of the cds** Used on 9 APR1895 Time: 830PM Price H £15

**U at the base of the cds** Used from 28 SEP1895 to 21 NOV1895 Time: 1015AM Price H £15

**YY at the base of the cds** Used from 3 MAR1886 to 27 MAR1894  
Codes: 13 21 22 23 26 28 29 41inv 46 48 52 Price E £8

**3VODC Occurs with numbers at the base of the cds or cut in the basal bars:-**

**1 at the base of the cds Time in asterisk code** 26 NOV1894 to 17 MAR1895  
Codes: GD\*P HF\*P Price H £25

**1 at the base of the cds Time in full** Used on 21 NOV1895 Time: 1015AM Price H £15

**3 at the base of the cds** Used from 27 MAY1895 to 12 JUN1895 Code: KC\*A CD\*P HF\*P  
Price H £25

**4 at the base of the cds** Used from 9 DEC1894 to 21 JUL1895 Codes: CD\*P F\*P HF\*P  
Price H £25

**5 at the base of the cds** Used on 2 JAN1895 Code: GD\*P Price H £25

**6 at the base of the cds** Used from 1 MAR1895 to 6 SEP1895 Codes: BC\*P C\*P G\*P HF\*P  
MC\*P Price H £25

**7 at the base of the cds Time in asterisk code** Used from 6 FEB1895 to 10 APR1895  
Codes: L\*A BC\*P C\*P H\*P MC\*P Price F £12

**7 at the base of the cds Time in full** Used on 1 MAY1895 Time: 730PM Price H £15

**8 at the base of the cds** 19 DEC1894 to 12 DEC1895 Codes: A\*P BC\*P F\*P HF\*P MD\*P  
Price H £25

**9 at the base of the cds Time in asterisk code** Used on 14 NOV1895  
Code: HF\*P Price H £25

**9 at the base of the cds Time in full** Used from 24 AUG1897 to 4 OCT1897  
Times: 1PM 230PM Price H £12

**47 at the base of the cds** Used from 17 AUG1904 to 15 NOV1904 Time: 10PM Price G £12

**1 in basal bars** Used on 30 MAY1895 Time: 830PM Price H £15

**9 in basal bars** Used from 28 AUG1895 to 2 OCT1895 Code: BC\*P Price H £15

**31 in basal bars** Seen on a loose stamp

**32 in basal bars** Used on 21 JAN1896 to 16 MAR1896 Times: 9PM 930PM Price H £15

**33 in basal bars** Seen on a loose stamp

**34 in basal bars** Used from 13 JAN1896 to 20 FEB1896 Time: 6PM Price H £15

**35 in basal bars** Used from 20 DEC1895 to 29 NOV1907  
Times 815PM 830PM 845PM 9PM 930PM Price G £12

**36 in basal bars** Used from 7 JAN1896 to 3 JUN1897  
Times: 7PM 730PM 815PM Price G £12

Squared Circles in use: MAR1880 to APR1894

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## DISTRICTS

The district cancellations occur with and without the handstamp identification letter A.



**3VODE Time in code** Used from 4 JUL1886 to 19 JAN1894

Codes: 1 2 4 5 6 7 A1 A3 A6 A7 Price D £6

**3VODE Time in full** Used from 5 AUG1898 to 1 FEB1909

Times: 830AM 7PM 8PM 10PM Price F £8



**3VODN Time in code** Used from 18 JUN1887 to 20 NOV1894

Codes: 3 4 6 7 8 and A2 A3 A5 A7 A8 Price E £8

**3VODN Time in full** Used from 4 DEC1895 to 3 MAR1898

Times: 915AM 10AM 6PM 730PM 8PM 10PM Price G £8

**3VODN2 Figure 2 cut in basal bars** Used from 20 OCT1896 to 7 DEC1897

Times: 415PM 8PM 1045PM Price G £12



**3VODNW Time in code** Used from 22 APR1886 to 6 APR1898

Codes: 3 6 7 8 and A1 A2 A3 A6 A8 B4 B5 B7 B8 Price C £3

**3VODNW Time in full** Used from 18 APR1895 to 3 AUG1897

Times: 915AM 10AM 1215PM 230PM 545PM 645PM 715PM 845PM Price F £5

**3VODNW2 Figure 2 cut in basal bars** Used from 18 JUN1898 to 2 JAN1899

Times: 515PM 915PM 10PM Price G £12



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**3VODS Time in code** Used from 16 OCT1885 to 14 MAR1896

Codes: 2 3 4 5 6 8 and A1 A3 A4 A5 A7A A8 Price C £5

**3VODS Time in full** Used from 24 SEP1895 to 14 JAN1902

Times: 115PM 230PM 345PM 645PM 745PM 8PM 9PM Price F £6



**3VODSDO Time in code** Used from 14 JUL1885 to 12 OCT1895

Codes: 1 2 3 5 6 7 8 and A1 A2 A3 A4 A5 A6 A7 A8 Price B £4

**3VODSDO Time in full** Used from 30 SEP1895 to 12 JAN06

Times: 530PM 7PM 715PM 8PM 945PM Price G £6

**3VODSDO1 Figure 1 cut in basal bars** Used from 11 SEP1895 to 30 DEC1907

Times: 345PM 530PM 730PM 8PM 945PM Price C £4



**3VODSE Time in code** Used from 30 MAR1886 to 10 JAN1896

Codes: 2 3 4 5 6 7 7inv 8 and A A1 A3 A4 A6 A7 Price C £3

**3VODSE Time in full** Used from 3 DEC1897 to 23 DEC1907

Times: 130PM 10PM Price H £8



**3VODSW Time in code** Used from 24 DEC1885 to 3 DEC1895

Codes: C D H 1 3 4 5 7 and A1 A2 A4 A5 A6 A7 Price C £5

**3VODSW Time in full** Used on 12 OCT1897 Time: 3PM



**3VODW** Used from 24 OCT1885 to 27 OCT1894

Codes 2 4 5 6 7 8 and A1 A7inv A8 Price D £5

## LANCASHIRE 500

### 498A Openshaw

Openshaw was allocated number 498A in the 1931 to 1962 lists.

### 498B Southern District Office

Southern District Office was allocated number 498B in the 1934 to 1962 lists.

### 498C South Western District Office

South Western District Office was allocated number 498C in the 1936 to 1962 lists.

### 498D Newton Street, Manchester

Newton Street was allocated number 498D in the 1929 to 1962 lists.

### 498E Manchester Central District Office

Central District Office was allocated number 498E in the 1951 to 1959 lists.

### 498F Salford

Salford was allocated number 498F in the 1951 to 1959 lists.

### 498G Manchester Northern District Office

Northern District Office was allocated number 498G in the 1951 to 1959 lists.

### 498H Manchester Eastern District Office

Eastern District Office was allocated number 498H in the 1951 to 1959 lists.

### 498J Chorlton cum Hardy

Chorlton cum Hardy was allocated number L04 in the 1906 list, 181 from 1924 to 1951 and 498J from 1951 to 1959.

### 498K Levenshulme

Levenshulme was allocated number 460 in the lists from 1924 to 1951 and 498K from 1951 to 1959.

### 498L Gorton

Gorton was allocated number 335 in the lists from 1924 to 1949 and 498L from 1951 to 1962.

### 500 HASLINGDEN

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1926, Sub Office of Rossendale 1926 to ?  
Salaried Sub Office to Branch Office in 1961.

Haslingden was allocated number 500 in the 1844 to 1857 lists and J88 from  
1892 to 1906.

Number 500 was later allocated to Keymer (Sussex) 1882 to 1906 and Mayfield  
(Sussex) in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

**1844** Used from 19 OCT1844 to 28 SEP1850 Price H £100++



1844  
APR1844

### 507 Mossley

Mossley was allocated number C45 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 507 in 1924 to 1962.

### 508 Morecambe

Morecambe was allocated number G51 in the 1882 to 1924 lists and 508 in 1925 to 1962.

### 510 Middleton

Middleton was allocated number C74 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 510 from 1924 to 1962.

### 543 Nelson

Nelson was allocated number H53 in the 1887 to 1924 lists and 543 from 1928 to 1962.

### 578 Patricroft

Patricroft was allocated number F45 in the 1874 to 1906 lists, 623 1924 to 1928 and 578 from  
1928 to 1951.

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### 501 RAWTENSTALL

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1935, designated as "Rossendale" a Head Post Office 1935 to 1966, Independent Sub Office 1966 to present. Became Rawtenstall in 1992.  
Rawtenstall was allocated number 501 in the 1844 to 1906 lists and 642 from 1924 to 1935.  
Number 501 was later allocated to Morrision (Glam) in the 1924 to 1962 lists.



**1844** Used from 2 AUG1844 to AUG1858 Price G £80+  
**1844 in blue** Used from 2 AUG1844 to 1847



**4VOD** Used from 22 NOV1866 to 12 AUG1878 Codes: A B C 8sdwys none Price F £30



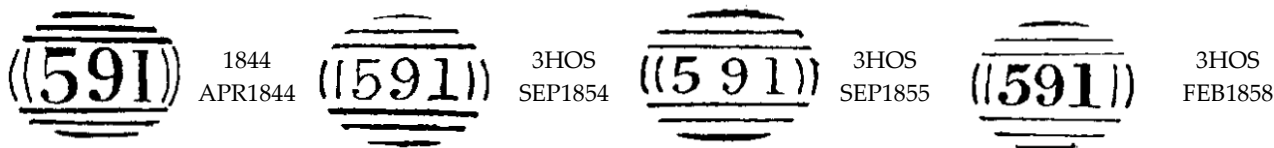
**3VOD** Used from 8 OCT1874 to 27 SEP1889 Codes: A B C E Price F £30  
Squared Circles in use: NOV1889 to DEC1906

### 591 OLDHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Oldham was allocated number 591 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- G57 Hollinwood 1878 to 1902, K07 Shaw 1844 to 1902.*



**1844** Used from 2 MAY1844 to 8 OCT1850 Price F £10  
**3HOS** Used from 7 JAN1856 to 6 NOV1868 Price E £8



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4VOS  
APR1872



3VOS  
SEP1875



3VOS OC-  
T1875

4VOS GPO  
3VOS Used from 12 APR1880 to 14 FEB1894 Price H £40



3CD  
NOV1858

3CD Used from 12 MAR1859 to 10 DEC1884 Codes: A B C D E F G K N Price A £3



4VODA  
APR1866

4VODA (Straight Oldham) Used from 27 JUN1868 to 19 MAY1884  
Codes: A C D F G K L M N O Price C £3  
1 is the handstamp identification number



4VODB  
APR1872



4VODB  
SEP1875

4VODB (Curved Oldham) Used from 21 NOV1873 to 28 JUN1895  
Codes: C E G H J M N O P S T 10 24 29 58 59 532 Price B £3  
5 is an handstamp identification number, this is in sequence with the later 3VOD's  
A 4VODB was used on 31 AUG1885 with single side arcs



3VOD  
FEB1882

## LANCASHIRE 591-593

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 14 SEP1882 to 28 OCT1895

**Codes:** A K L M O S 1 1A 129 213 216 220 21 228 229 231 27 28 **316 319** 322 329 330 331 37 421  
422 427 431 49 Price A £3

Single codes in the 1880's and 1,2,3,4, used as handstamp identification numbers in the 1890's.

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 15 NOV1894 to **17 JAN1895** **Codes:** FK\*P **HF\*P** IF\*P  
Price H £25

**When time in full came into operation the handstamp identification number was placed in a cut in the basal bars:**

**3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars)** Used on 8 JUN1896 Time: 130PM Price H £20

**3VOD3 (3 cut in basal bars)** Used from 23 DEC1897 to 10 AUG1898 Times: 830PM 930PM  
**400PM** Price G £12

**3VOD4 (4 cut in basal bars)** Used on 30 OCT1896 Time: 1PM Price H £20

**4VOD5 (5 cut in basal bars)** Used on 16 JAN1896 Time: 930PM Price H £20

### 593 ORMSKIRK

Head Post Office 1844 to 1963, Salaried Sub Office 1963 to present.

Ormskirk was allocated number 593 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 594 Southport 1844 to 1847*



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
MAY1861

**1844** Used from 8 MAY1844 to 13 DEC1858 Price E £8

**3HOS** Used on 20 APR?1862 Price H £15



4VOS  
MAR1872



3VOS  
MAY1877

**4VOS** Used on 21 JUN74 Price H £50

**3VOS** Used from 7 MAR1879 to 11 JUN1907 Price H £40



4VODA  
JAN1865

**4VODA (Round top three)** Used from 14 SEP1869 to 14 FEB1871 Code: D Price G £30

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4VODB  
MAR1872

**4VODB (Flat topped three) Time in code** Used from 6 DEC1875 to 21 FEB1894

Codes: A B C D E F I K Price F £8

**4VODB (Flat topped three) Time in full** Used from 29 AUG1895 to 9 OCT1896

Times: 845AM 4PM 8PM Price F £6



3VOD  
SEP1879

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 28 JAN1880 to 27 MAR1895 Codes: D C F G H I J K L  
Price E £5

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 16 MAR97 to 1 SEP1904 Times: 2PM 730PM 8PM

Price D £3

**594 SOUTHPORT**

Sub Office of Ormskirk 1844 to 1847, Head Post Office 1847 to 1969, Salaried Sub Office 1969 to present.

Southport was allocated number 594 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
AUG1859

**1844** Used from 24 JUN1844 to 2 DEC1858 Price G £30

**3HOS** Used from 25 OCT1859 to 27 APR1861 Price E £10



3TH.HOS NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3TH.HOS** Used from 17 OCT1865 to 2 APR1879 Price H £40

LANCASHIRE 594



3VOS  
OCT1874



3VOS  
MAY1881



3VOS  
JUL1884



3VOS  
OCT1885

**3VOS** Used from 1879 to 22 SEP1905 The OCT1874 issue has been recorded used on 24 MAR1883 with no dot Price H £40 19<sup>th</sup> C. £20 20<sup>th</sup> C.



3CD  
FEB1861



3CD  
JAN1869

**3CD** Used from 3 AUG1862 to 9 MAR1874 Codes: A B D E H Price D £8



4VOD  
FEB1865



4VOD  
DEC1870



4VOD  
JAN1872



4VOD  
AUG1875

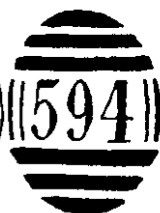


4VOD  
SEP1876

**4VOD** Used from 25 MAR1865 to 8 DEC1893

**Codes:** A B C D E F G H Hsdwys J K L O P Q R S W Z 1 2 3 4 6 7 8 10 12 Price A £3

A total of seven were entered in the Proof Books, the first three are identical to the SEP1869 issue illustrated. All face different types have been illustrated.



3VOD  
OCT1880

## LANCASHIRE 594-626

**3VOD** Two proofed in 1884 with a double aperture cds - when in use only one number or letter was used i.e. to the left or right. From 1895 a two part code was used.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 9 MAY1881 to 29 DEC1898

Codes: B E R T V Y 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 H F I C Price A £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 26 DEC1895 to 31 DEC1915

Times: 11AM 1215PM 5PM 630PM 645PM 815PM 830PM 915PM Price D £3

Squared Circles in use: DEC1885 to APR1907

605 Pendlebury

Pendlebury was allocated number 605 in the 1924 to 1934 lists.

605 Rossendale

Rossendale was allocated number 605 in the 1935 to 1962 lists.

623 Patricroft

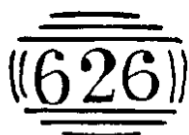
Patricroft was allocated number F45 in the 1874 to 1906 lists, 623 1924 to 1928 and 578 from 1928 to 1951.

### 626 PRESCOT

Head Post Office 1844 to 1918, Salaried Sub Office 1918 to present.

Prescot was allocated number 626 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- B92 Rainhill 1844 to 1894.*



1844  
APR1844



4VOS  
JUN1869

**1844** Used from 22 JUN1844 to 11 SEP1863 Price D £8

**4/3VOS** Used on 3 SEP1908 to 28 OCT1921 Price H £30

Becomes a 3VOS through wear and recutting



4VOD  
MAR1865



3VOD  
FEB1879

**4VOD** Used from 21 OCT1865 to 20 DEC1875 Codes: B D 7 Price E £15

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 18 JUL1879 to 26 FEB1896 Codes: A C D E F Price D £4

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 21 JAN1897 to 27 NOV1905

Times: 915AM 945AM 1030AM 1215PM 130PM 230PM 530PM 845PM 9PM 915PM 930PM 945PM **415** Price A £3

## LANCASHIRE 628

### 628 PRESTON

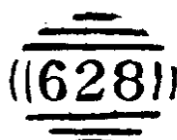
Head Post Office 1844 to ? Branch Office in 2002, Franchised Post Office in 2003.

Preston was allocated number 628 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 5 Accrington 1846 to 1855, 953 Blackpool 1844 to 1877, 629 Fleetwood 1844 to 1889 and G88 Lytham 1844 to 1887.*



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
NOV1853

**1844** Used from 5 MAY1844 to 28 JUN1853 Price A £3

**1844 in blue** Used in JUL1847

**1844 in green** Used in 1844

**3HOS** Used from 5 APR1853 to 12 AUG1858 Price E £6

This occurs prior to its first entry in the Proof Books

**3HOS in green** Used on a registered cover dated 19 AUG1856



4VOS  
DEC1868



3VOS  
OCT1887

**4VOS** No dated copies known Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover)

**3VOS** Used from 22 FEB1894 to 13 SEP1899 Price G £35 19<sup>th</sup> C. £15 20<sup>th</sup> C.



SDWYSII  
FEB1855



SDWYSVIII  
OCT1857

**SDWYS II** Used from 1 MAR1855 to 12 DEC1857

Codes: B C D E F G Price A £10

Five proofed between FEB1855 and SEP1857

**SDWYS VIII** Used from 6 JAN1858 to 27 JUL1867

Codes: Ainv B C Cinv D E F L Linv R S T U X 4inv 5 6 Sideways:- B L S T U 2 3 4 5 6

Price A £6

Six proofed, between OCT1857 and JUL1866, one duplicate.

LANCASHIRE 628



3CD  
JUL1858

**3CD** Used from 2 AUG1858 to 7 SEP1870 Price A £2 Codes: C D E F H I J K M N O P 5  
D2 Einv2 I2 K2 L2 M2 N2 O2 S2 2 22 32 52  
Thirteen proofed between JUL1858 and APR1870 From OCT1860 a two part code was used  
with 2 as a handstamp identification number.



4VODA1  
DEC1864

**4VODA1 (Straight Preston & Date in one line)** Used from 16 NOV1866 to 12 MAY1881  
O and C are handstamp identification letters Codes: C D G H L M N O R S U 6 Price A £2  
Six were proofed between NOV1864 and APR1870.



4VODA2  
AUG1867

**4VODA2 (Straight Preston & Date in two lines)** Used from 2 AUG1869 to 11 APR1881  
No handstamp identification letter Codes: 5 6 0 Price F £6  
Two were proofed Aug1867 and Oct1869.



4VODB  
DEC1872

**4VODB (Curved Preston)** Used from 2 JUN1873 to 23 SEP1884  
Codes: C G H J K O P Q Qsdwys R S T U V W Y Z Price A £2



3VODX  
MAY1873

## LANCASHIRE 628

**3VODX (cds at angle)** Used on 11 SEP1874 Code: L Price H £100+  
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  
JUL1878

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 16 OCT1878 to 22 APR1894 Codes: C O R S T U V W 4 5 6 7  
70 76 A/1 2 3 5 6 7 8 13 T/3 4 5 6 7 W/5 7 9 10 12 13 15 21 24 25 26 27 28 29 31 32 34  
X/3 6 7 8 Price A £3

A T W X were used as handstamp identification letters

Nine proofed between JUL1878 and JUN1887 of which five had two part codes.

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 22 FEB1895 to 23 JUN1895 Codes: FF\*P IF\*P KF\*P  
Price G £15

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 7 FEB1896 to 18 JUN1897 Times: 615PM 630PM Price F £4

**When asterisk code and time in full came into operation, the handstamp identification number was placed in a cut in the basal bars:**

**3VOD1 (1 at base cds) Time in asterisk code** Used from 1 MAY1894 to 14 DEC1894

Codes: G\*P KI\*A FF\*P H\*P Price G £15

**3VOD1 (1 in basal bars) Time in full** Used from 15 DEC1896 to 28 APR1899

Times: 715PM 730PM 830PM 915PM Price G £12

**3VOD4 (4 at base cds) Time in asterisk code** Used from 24 AUG1894 to 29 NOV1895

Codes: GF\*P IF\*P K\*P Price G £15

**3VOD4 (4 at base cds) Time in full** Used from 16 APR1896 to 22 DEC1906

Times: 1045AM 1145AM 1PM 630PM 730PM 830PM 915PM 10PM PM 945 Price C £3

**3VOD5 (5 in basal bars) Time in asterisk code** Used from 5 FEB1896 to 11 MAR1896

Code: IF\*P Price H £25

**3VOD5t (5 in basal bars) Time in full** Used from 22 JUN1900 to 18 JAN1901

Time: 630PM 915PM Price G £12

**3VOD6 (6 in basal bars)** Used from 13 MAR1895 to 15 DEC1899

Times: 12PM 330PM 445PM 6PM 615PM 630PM 730PM 830PM 915PM 1030PM Price C £3

**3VOD7 (7 in basal bars)** Used from 30 AUG1895 to 7 OCT1898

Times: 915AM 1045AM 130PM 330PM 630PM 7PM 730PM 830PM 915PM 1030PM  
Price D £3

**3VOD8 (8 in basal bars)** Used on 7 MAY1897 Time: 7PM Price H £15

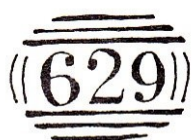
Squared Circles in use: AUG1885 to FEB1906



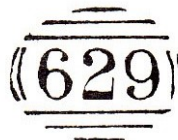
LANCASHIRE 629

**629 FLEETWOOD**

Sub Office of Preston 1844 to 1889. Railway Sub Office 1889 to 1903. Head Post Office 1903 to present. Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1994.  
Fleetwood was allocated number 629 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
JUL1857

**1844** Used from 10 SEP1844 to 12 JAN1857 Price G £30

Occurs with a Fleetwood cud. and a Preston cds.

**1844 in blue** Used from 27 MAR1845 to 15NOV1856

**3HOS** Used from 13 FEB1858 to 24 MAR1862 Price H £35



4VOS  
SEP1868

**4VOS GPO**



4VOD  
JUL1864



4VOD  
JUL1874

**4VOD** Used from 7 DEC1864 to 30 NOV1908

Codes: Ainv A B Bsdwys C D F G H I K Ksdwys Price A £3



3VOD  
MAR1879

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 22 SEP1879 to 11 JUN1896

Codes: A C D E H I J K Ksdwys DI Price D £4

Late use of code 11 OCT1906 to 6 SEP1907

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 5 OCT1897 to 2 JUN1901

Times: 630AM 85AM 145PM 330PM 445PM 630PM 7PM 712PM 715PM 8PM Price C £3

## LANCASHIRE 648

640 Ramsbottom

Ramsbottom was allocated number F11 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 640 from 1924 to 1962..

642 Rawtenstall

Rawtenstall was allocated number 501 in the 1844 to 1906 lists and 642 from 1924 to 1935

### 648 ROCHDALE

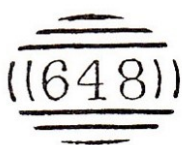
Head Post Office 1844 to ? Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1995.

Rochdale was allocated number 648 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

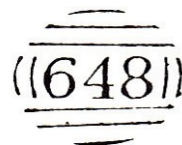
*Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 649 Littleborough 1844 to 1856 and 332 Todmorden (Yorks) 1844 to 1852.*



1844  
APR1844



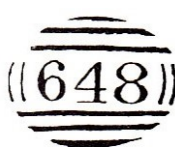
3HOS OC-  
T1852



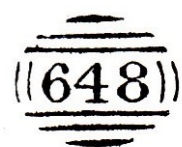
3HOS  
AUG1856



3HOS  
JAN1860



3HOS  
MAR1861



3HOS  
UNDATED

**1844** Used from 3 AUG1844 to 15 OCT1852 Price C £3

**1844 in blue** Used in APR1846

**3HOS** Used from 3 JUL1853 to 10 OCT1883 Price D £4



4VOS  
JAN1868



3VOS  
MAY1874



3VOS  
DEC1886

**4VOS** Used from 7 JUL1890 to 4 MAR1897 Price G £40

**3VOS** Used from 8 APR1912 to 5 DEC1952 Price G £20



SDWYSII  
AUG1856



3CD  
MAR1859

LANCASHIRE 648

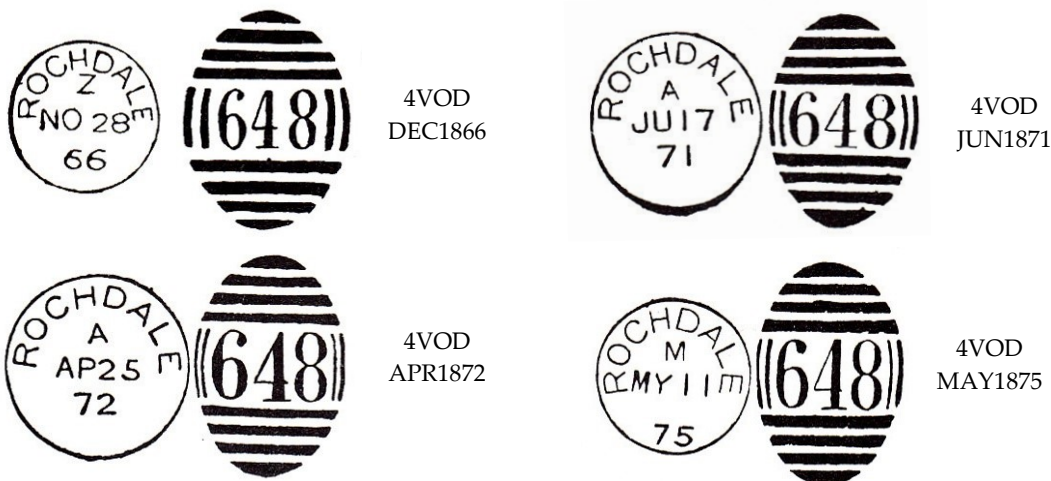
**SDWYS II** Used from 6OCT1856 to 27AUG1856 Codes: A B C D E F G H Price C £10

**3CD Time in code** 24MAR1859 to 15NOV1892

Codes: A B C D E F G Ginv H J K M N V W 2 3 4 5 10 Price A £3

**3CD Time in full** Used from 10NOV1903 to 19MAY1905

Times: 145AM 145PM 645PM 730PM 845PM Price F £8



**4VOD** Used from 22 JAN1867 to 24 OCT1904 Codes: B C E F G H J K L M N O T 1 2 4 5 10 13 Price A £3

Eight proofed between DEC1866 & MAY1875 The first five are identical to the "DEC1866" issue illustrated above.



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 7 NOV1884 to 18 JAN1898

Codes: F H L M O P S T W X Y 6 8 11 16 C J C M C N C V C Y C Z I J 8 Y Price A £3

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 6 SEP1894 to 24 APR1899

Codes: A\*P AC\*P AI\*P BF\*P CI\*P E\*P GF\*P H\*P Price F £12

**3VOD?** Used on 26 MAR1900 11 (code or time?)

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 11 DEC1902 to 28 DEC1917

Times: 1030AM 115PM 845PM Price G £10

**When time in full came into operation the handstamp identification number was placed in a cut in the basal bars:**

**3VOD1S (Small 2.5mm 1 cut in basal bars)** Used from 23 MAR1898 to 2 MAY1899

Times: 115PM 2PM 6PM 730PM 915PM Price G £10

**3VODIL (Large 4.0mm 1 cut in basal bars)** Used from 7 OCT1902 to 4 OCT1909

Times: 115invPM 345PM 645PM 730PM 830PM 845PM 915PM Price E £8

**3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars)** Used from 11 JUN1895 to 1 MAY1897

Times: 345PM 730PM 8PM Price F £10

Squared Circles in use: MAR1888 to JUL1905

LANCASHIRE 649-679

**649 LITTLEBOROUGH**

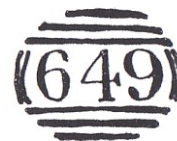
Sub Office of Rochdale 1844 to 1857, Sub Office of Manchester 1857 to 1902, Independent Sub Office 1902, Sub Office of Manchester 1857 to 1902, Head Office 1933 to present.

Littleborough was allocated number 649 in the 1844 to 1857 lists, G13 in the 1924 list and 013 from 1928 to 1962.

Number 649 was later allocated to Snodland Kent in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

**1844 Used from 8 JUL1850 to 20 JAN1859** Price H £100++

Squared Circles in use: APR1889 to MAR1906



**652 Radcliffe**

Radcliffe was allocated number C77 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 652 from 1924 to 1962.

**657 Royton**

Royton was allocated number K82 in the 1902 to 1906 lists and 657 from 1924 to 1962.

**679 ST.HELENS**

Head Post Office 1844 to 1967, Independent Sub Office 1967 to present.

St Helens was allocated number 679 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
NOV1859

**1844 Used from 28 JUN1844 to 5 NOV1858** Price A £5

**3HOS** Used on 6 MAY1869 Price H £40



3VOS  
JUL1875



3VOS  
DEC1881

**3VOS GPO**



3CD  
NOV1859



3CD  
APR1867



3CD  
SEP1869



**3CD** Used from 10 JUL1860 to 13 DEC1872 Codes: A B C D E F Price C £3

The three proofed examples are all illustrated.

LANCASHIRE 679



**4VODA (St Helens in cds) Time in code** Used from 11 MAR1870 to 14 MAR1895

Codes: A B E F J N T U Z Price D £4

Three were proofed The SEP1869 entry is the same as the MAR1867 example

**4VODA (St Helens in cds) Time in full** Used from 22 FEB1896 to 22 FEB1898

Times: 8PM 930PM Price G £6



**4VODB (St Helens Lanc. in cds)** Used from 2 JAN1875 to 10 MAR1883

Codes: A B C D E F H L M N O Price A £3



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 20 AUG1879 to 23 JUL1894

Codes: C D J L P R S T U W X Y Price B £2

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 17 JUL1895 to 26 NOV1904

Times: 1230PM 1PM 115PM 430PM 515PM 6PM 745PM 8PM 930PM 1045PM Price C £3

**3VOD3S (Small 2.0mm high 3 cut in basal bars)** Used from 31 MAY1901 to 29 SEP1903

Times: 3PM 5PM 515PM 8PM 930PM Price E £8

**3VOD3L (Large 4.0mm high 3 cut in basal bars)** Used from 24 DEC1903 to 30 APR1905

Times: 845AM 930AM 1045AM 11AM 1PM 115PM 145PM 3PM 4PM 515PM 745PM 8PM 930PM Price B £2



## LANCASHIRE 734-748

703 Shaw

Shaw was allocated number K07 in the 1892 to 1906 lists and 703 from 1924 to 1962.

### 734 WHALLEY

Sub Office of Blackburn 1844 to present.

Whalley was allocated number 734 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.

Number 734 was previously allocated to Disley (Ches) in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later to Southwold, Suffolk in the 1924 to 1962 lists.



3VOS OC-  
T1876



3VOD  
DEC1883

**3VOS** Used from 7 APR1879 to 27 MAR1883 Price H £50

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 18 APR1885 to 26 NOV1898 Codes: C O none Price F £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 3 DEC1899 to 21 AUG1909

Times: 10AM 145PM 4PM 415PM 445PM 30PM 730 none Price A £3

### 748 NEWTON HEATH

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1895, Town Receiving House of Manchester 1895 to present.

Newton Heath was allocated number 748 in the 1882 to 1902 lists.

Number 748 was previously allocated to Stoney Cross (Hants) in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later to Sandgate, Kent 1924, Stirchley (Warwks) 1934 to 1938 and then Shildon, Durham in the 1950 to 1962 lists.



4VOD  
FEB1877

**4VOD** Used from 19 OCT1878 to 19 JAN1886 Codes: A B C Price G £40



3VOD  
JAN1879



3VOD  
JUL1887

## LANCASHIRE 748-824

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 26 JAN1879 to 17 OCT1892 Codes: A B C D E Price F £20  
**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 2 APR1895 to 27 NOV1896 Codes: EF\*P HH\*P  
 Price H £25 Has single side arcs

758 Stretford

Stretford was allocated number C49 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 758 from 1924 to 1962.

766 Atherton

Atherton was allocated number 766 in the 1924 to 1962 lists

767 Swinton

Swinton was allocated number K41 in the 1902 to 1906 lists and 767 from 1924 to 1962.

811 Tyldesley

Tyldesley was allocated number 811 in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

### 824 ULVERSTONE

Head Post Office 1844 to 1968, Salaried Sub Office 1968 to present.

Ulverston by 1870.

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

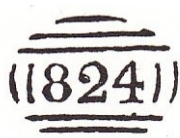
Ulverstone was allocated number 824 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Number 824 was also used in error in a 3VOD in Wrexham, Denbighshire

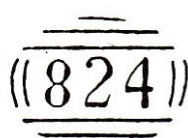
*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- K79 Lake Side 1892 to 1961/3, K64 Lindal 1879 to present, and 642 Ravenglass 1845 to 1850.*



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
AUG1853



3HOS  
NOV1855



3HOS OC-  
T1857



3HOS UNDATED

**1844** Used from 3 MAY1844 to 23 MAR1853 Price A £5

**1844 in blue** Used in NOV1847 to 1850

**3HOS** Used from 25 JAN1854 to 1 AUG1870 Price A £5



3VOS  
JAN1875

**3VOS** No dated copies known Price H\* £60+ 19<sup>th</sup> C. £12 20<sup>th</sup> C. Philatelic use in 1960's



3CD  
APR1858



3CD  
NOV1861

## LANCASHIRE 824-847

**3CD** Used from 14 JUN1858 to 9 DEC1871 Codes: A B Bin v C O Price A £2



4VOD  
APR1870



4VOD  
DEC1871



4VOD  
OCT1874

**4VOD Time in code** Used from 20 JUL1870 to 6 SEP1893 Price A £3

Single letter codes B C D E F G H

The OCT1874 proof entry used E as a handstamp identification letter seen from 11 AUG1883 to 15 AUG1893 Codes seen with E as a prefix: A B C D E F G H I J

**4VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 22 JUN1894 to 12 AUG1899

Codes: E\*A EA\*A A\*P CF\*P CH\*P D\*P EI\*P EK\*P FC\*P FG\*P GH\*P HF\*P MK\*P  
Price D £8

**4VOD Time in full** Used from 6 OCT1902 to 16 APR1905 Times: 10AM 1245PM 1PM 2PM 230PM 330PM 345PM 5PM 645PM 7PM 745PM 8PM 830PM 9PM PM(xmas) Price C £2



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS



WREXHAM ERROR OF  
NUMBER

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 6 FEB1894 to 5 JUN1894 Codes: C G H I Price H £10

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 16 OCT1894 to 11 FEB1896

Codes: ED\*A I\*A AH\*P CH\*P EK\*P F\*P FH\*P HC\*P HF\*P HI\*P MK\*P Price E £10

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 20 JUL1896 to 22 DEC1896

Times: 630PM 730PM 8PM 830PM Price G £10

### 836 Walkden

Walkden was allocated number 836 in the 1929 to 1962 lists.

### 837 Waterfoot

Waterfoot was allocated number D34 in the 1882 to 1906 lists and 837 from 1924 to 1959.

### 847 WARRINGTON

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Moved from Lancs to Cheshire in 1974.

Warrington was allocated number 847 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- K08 Lymm 1844 to 1956.*



LANCASHIRE 847



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
JUL1853

**1844** Used from 24 JUL1844 to 29 JUN1853 Price C £5 seen in blue  
**3HOS** Used from 23 AUG1853 to 1 JUN1854 Price H £25



4VOS  
NOV1868

**4VOS** Used on 9 AUG1882 Price H £35

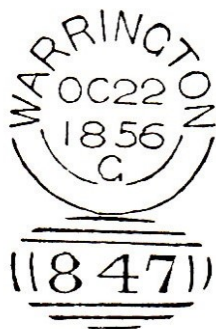


SPOON  
JAN1855



SPOON  
JAN1857

**SPOON** Used from 10 FEB1855 to 22 JUN1857 Codes: B C D E F G H I J L Linv none  
 Price E £60 Seen in green



SDWYSII  
OCT1856



SDWYSII  
MAR1857



SDWYSIII  
JUL1857

**SDWYS II** Used from 25 OCT1856 to 9 FEB1858 Codes: C E F none Price D £20  
**SDWYS III** Used from 29 MAR1858 to 16 JUL1860 Codes: E F Price F £60



3CD  
APR1858

**3CD** Used from 7 MAY1858 to 29 DEC1871 Codes: C D E F G H I Price A £3  
 Twenty six were proofed between APR1858 & JUL1870 (4 are duplicates)

LANCASHIRE 847



4VOD  
AUG1871



VOD  
JUN1872

**4VOD** Used from 25 NOV1871 to 16 MAY1890 Codes: C D E F H J K L M N O P W  
Price A £3



3VOD  
JAN1881

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 14 JUL1881 to 5 APR1911 Single codes N P W X  
1 to 5 & 7 to 9 as handstamp identification numbers:- 1/ H N O U V W X 2/ D H P U X  
3/ W X 4/ F K N P W X Y 5/ F H V X 7/ V 8/ Einv F G H Hsdwys I T U W X

9/ H I N O U Wsdwys X Price A £3

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 27 AUG1894 to 19 JUN1895

Codes: IF\*A K\*A LB\*A EF\*P G\*P GF\*P HC\*P IF\*P Price F £12

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 24APR1896 to 11DEC1906 Times: 11AM 1115AM 230PM  
245PM 315PM 330PM 345PM 430PM 515PM 545PM 6PM 615PM 630PM 7PM 815PM 9PM

**When time in asterisk code or in full came into operation the handstamp identification number was placed in a cut in the basal bars:**

**3VOD1 (1 cut in basal bars)** Used from 23 DEC1899 to 10 JAN1907 Times: 1145AM 1230PM  
15PM 115PM 230PM 245PM 315PM 5PM 815PM 915PM 930PM 10PM 1030PM Price A £3

**3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars)** Used from 23 MAY1901 to 5 AUG1902

Times: 445PM 10PM Price G £12

**3VOD3 (3 cut in basal bars) Time in asterisk code** Used from 27 SEP1894 to 29 JUN1897

Codes: KB\*A CF\*P IF\*P Price G £15

**3VOD3 (3 cut in basal bars) Time in full** Used from 5 OCT1898 to 9 SEP1910

Times: 11AM 1115AM 230PM 445PM 515PM 6PM 815PM 9PM 915PM 930PM 1045PM  
1115PM Price C £3

**3VOD5 (5 cut in basal bars)** Used from 19 MAR1897 to 24 DEC1909

Times: 1AM 230PM 330PM 345PM 915PM 930PM 1030PM none(xmas) Price D £3

**3VOD6S (small 6 2.5mm high cut in basal bars)** Used from 5 NOV1895 to 15 FEB1899

Times: 1115AM 345PM 9PM 930PM 10PM 1030PM Price E £6

**3VOD6L (large 6 3.5mm high cut in basal bars)** Used from 2 MAR1902 to 21 MAR1910

Times: 1015AM 11AM 1115AM 1130AM 1145AM 230PM 430PM 545PM 6PM 815PM  
915PM 930PM 1030PM 1115PM Price B £3

**3VOD7 (7 cut in basal bars)** Used from 8 JAN1899 to 7 NOV1907

Times: 1115AM 145PM 230PM 745PM 915PM 930PM 1030PM Price D £3

Squared Circles in use: MAY1891 to DEC1909

## LANCASHIRE 878

866 Whitefield

Whitefield was allocated number H44 in the 1887 to 1906 lists and 866 from 1924 to 1959.

### 878 WIGAN

Head Post Office 1844 to present

Wigan was allocated number 878 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844  
APR1844



3HOS  
JUN1856

**1844** Used from 24 JUN1844 to 26 JUN1856 Price A £5

**3HOS** Used from 10 FEB1857 to 3 APR1857 Price H £25



4VOS  
APR1868



3VOS  
APR1881

### 4VOS GPO

**3VOS** Used on 22 SEP1890 Price H £40



SDWYSIII  
JUL1857



3CD  
JAN1861

**SDWYS III** Used from 6 JUL1857 to 8 JAN1858 Codes: B C Einv 1 2 6 none Price D £15

**3CD** Used from 24 FEB1858 to 8 AUG1868 Codes: B C D E F G H 2 4sdwys 5sdwys  
Price A £3



4VODA  
AUG1866

**4VODA (Straight Wigan) Time in code** Used from 1 OCT1866 to 24 MAR1890

Codes: B D E F G M N 1 2 3 5 Price C £3

**4VODA (Straight Wigan) Time in asterisk code** Used from 20 JUL1894 to 14 MAY1896

Codes: HF\*A L\*A BF\*P D\*P FI\*P HI\*P II\*P K\*P Price D £8

LANCASHIRE 878-880



4VODB  
APR1871



4VODB  
DEC1872



4VODB  
MAR1877

**4VODB (Curved Wigan) Time in code** Used from 24 AUG1871 to 12 JUN1893

Codes: B C F H J K L M N O P S U X Z 3 4 6 Price A £3

**4VODB (Curved Wigan) Time in asterisk code** Used on 20 OCT1899 Code: EI\*P Price H



3VOD  
NOV1878

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 12 MAR1879 to 5 JAN1899 Price A £3 Seven proofed between NOV1878 & SEP1887 T, W & X were used as handstamp identification letters.

Single codes:- B C D K L N R S T Tinv U V W 2 3 4 8

Two part codes T1 W2 W3 W5 W7 W8 W9 W10 W11 W12 W14 X9 X11

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 3 JUN1894 to 14 JUN1899 Codes: IK\*A K\*A L\*A AI\*P B\*P CI\*P D\*P E\*P EH\*P F\*P FI\*P HC\*P II\*P IK\*P K\*P KD\*P KF\*P KI\*P MG\*P Price A £6

Single side arcs 24 JUL1895 to 2 JUN1899

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 7 JUN1899 to 25 JUN1905 Times: 245PM 4PM 5PM 55PM 545PM 645PM 815PM 9PM 945PM 1045PM Price C £3 Single side arcs in 1903

**3VOD1 (1 cut into basal bars)** Used from 9 DEC1895 to 13 MAR1904

Times: 11AM 545PM 815PM 945PM 1 5 7 Price B £3

**3VOD2 (2 cut into basal bars)** Used from 29 AUG1897 to 24 APR1899

Times: 545AM 845AM 645PM 815PM 945PM Price F £8

Squared Circles in use: DEC1897 to SEP1905

**880 DIDSbury**

Under Manchester 1845 to present. Rural Post Office to Town Sub Office in 1936.

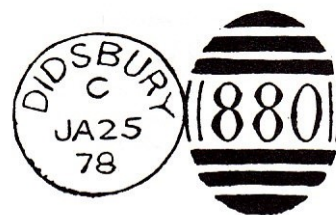
Didsbury was allocated number 880 in the lists from 1882 to 1906 and 247 from 1924 to 1951.

Number 880 was previously allocated to Allonby (Cumb) in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later to Wigston (Leics) 1924 and then Willington, Durham in the 1929 to 1959 lists.

**3VOD** Used from 11 JUN1884 to 1 FEB1897

Codes: A B C D E F none Price D £20

Squared Circles in use: JUN1889 to DEC190?



3VOD  
JAN1878

## LANCASHIRE 916-917

891 Widnes

Widnes was allocated number G05 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 891 from 1924 to 1962.

896 Whaley Bridge

Whaley Bridge was allocated number 896 in the 1929 to 1962 lists.

### 916 FURNESS ABBEY

Sub Office of Barrow in Furness 1872 to c.1941, a Town Sub Office from 1909, closed c.1941, reopened 1949 to 1951.

Furness Abbey was allocated number 916 in the 1882 to 1902 lists and K62 from 1902 to 1906.

Number 916 was later allocated to Winton (Hants) 1924 and then Portslade, Sussex in the 1951 to 1962 lists.

**3VOS GPO**



3VOS  
MAR1878

### 917 ASKAM

Sub Office of Dalton in Furness RSO 1867 to 1876, Sub Office of Carnforth 1876 to 1893, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1893 to 1897, Railway Sub Office 1897 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present

Became Askam in Furness in 1930.

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

Askam was allocated number 917 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.

Number 917 was previously allocated to Wickwar (Glos) in the 1844 to 1857 lists and later to Pershore (Worcs) in the 1928 to 1962 lists.



3VOS  
MAR1878



3VOD  
JUN1877

**3VOS** Used from 27 OCT1880 to 31 DEC1885 Price H £80

**3VOD** Used from 10 FEB1890 to 6 JAN1908 Codes: A B Binv C Price C £12 cover £3 on ppc

931 Urmston

Urmston was allocated number 931 in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

940 Prestwich

Prestwich was allocated number C76 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 940 from 1929 to 1962.

941 Padiham

Padiham was allocated number D41 in the lists from 1882 to 1924, 941 from 1928 to 1929 and 150A from 1929 to 1962.



LANCASHIRE 952-953

**952 HOLLYTROYDS**

Sub Office of Accrington 1844 to 1854, transferred to Church in 1854. Hollytroyds was allocated number 952 in the 1847 to 1857 lists.

Number 952 was later allocated to Greenhithe, Kent in the 1882 to 1962 lists.

**1844** Used from 9 MAR1848 to 6 DEC1850 Price H £100++



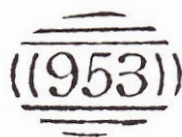
1844  
SEP1845 to MAR1846

**953 BLACKPOOL**

Sub Office of Preston 1844 to 1877, Head Office 1877 to ? Branch Office to Company Franchised Post Office in 2007.



1844  
MAR1846



3HOS  
NOV1850

1844 **Used from** 24 JUN1846 **to** 7 SEP1848 Price G £40

Occurs with a Blackpool cud. and Preston cds

**3HOS** Used from 23 DEC1852 to 25 MAR1862 Price D £8



3VOS  
JUL1877



3VOS  
OCT1879



3VOS  
NOV1884

**3VOS** Used on 10 AUG1962 Price H\* £15



3CD  
MAY1862



4CD  
OCT1863

**3CD** Used from 8 JUN1863 to **27 AUG1874** Codes: A B C D Price D £10

**4CD** Used from 27 APR1864 to 13 MAY1871 Codes: B C D Price D £10



4VOD  
JAN1872



4VOD  
AUG1876



4VOD  
JUL1877

## LANCASHIRE 953-958

**4VOD Time in code** Used from 29 MAY1872 to 22 JUN1893

Codes: A B C D E F H J K L Price A £3

**4VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 29 AUG1894 to 2 AUG1897

Codes: G\*A CI\*P FC\*P FF\*P FG\*P GI\*P ID\*P II\*P Price F £12

**4VOD Time in full** Used from 23 JAN1899 to 31 OCT1900

Times: 11AM 115PM 5PM 630PM 715PM 745PM 915PM 945PM Price F £5



3VOD  
JUL1878

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 12 OCT1889 to 25 OCT1893

Codes: A B C E F H J K L M Price D £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 28 AUG1895 to 23 AUG1909

Times: 530AM 645AM 715AM 930AM 10AM 11AM 145PM 430PM 545PM 630PM 715PM  
745PM 915PM 930PM none(xmas) Price A £3

**3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars)** Used from 24 APR1895 to 28 AUG1901

Times: 10AM 1230PM 415PM 745PM 915PM 945PM Price D £5

### South Shore Blackpool

Sub Office of Preston 1844 to 1877, Sub Office of Blackpool to present. Town Sub Office to Branch Office in 1922. Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1993.

**3VODSS (South Shore Blackpool) Time in code**

Used from 2AUG1888 to 19MAY1898 Codes: A B C D E  
Price E £15

**3VODSS (South Shore Blackpool) Time in full**

Used from 12MAY1898 to 18AUG1909  
Times: 10AM 12PM 1230PM 1245PM 630PM 715PM 730PM 745PM Price A £3



3VODSS NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

953A St Anns on Sea

St Anns was allocated number 974 in the 1924 list and 953A from 1929 to 1959.

954 Westhoughton

Westhoughton was allocated number 954 in the 1952 to 1959 lists.

### 958 LEIGH

Number 958 was in use at Leigh and Fence Houses Durham at the same time.

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1892, Head Post Office 1892 to 1968, Salaried Sub Office 1968 to present.

Leigh was allocated number 958 in all the lists from 1849 to 1962.

## LANCASHIRE 958

Initially sent in error to Fence Houses, an 1844 type was entered in the Proof Books in SEP1846 with the comment "Number 958 was lost—this stamp cannot be traced" it was being used in Fence Houses (Durham) two months later.

An 1844 type was correctly sent to Leigh (Lancs) in JAN1848.

**1844 (correctly used at Leigh) Used from 4 MAY1849 to 7 OCT1853**

Price H £100++



1844  
JAN1848



4VODA  
MAY1864

**4VODA (Leigh Lanc. in cds) Used from 25 MAY1864 to 10 NOV1870** Codes: A B C

Price F £30



4VODB  
APR1874



4VODB  
MAY1877

**4VODB (Leigh Lancashire in cds) Used from 4 JUN1871 to 1 MAY1886** Codes: A C D F R

Price E £20



3VOD  
JUL1886

**3VOD** Used from 14 FEB1884 to 12 JUL1889 Codes: A B F Price H £45+

Squared Circles in use: SEP1889 to SEP1906

### 965 Heywood

Heywood was allocated number C65 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 965 from 1928 to 1962

### 969 Newton le Willows

Newton le Willows was allocated number C69 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 969 from 1928 to 1962.

### 974 Hadfield

Hadfield was allocated number 974 in the 1959 list.

### 974 St Anns on Sea

St Anns was allocated number 974 in the 1924 list and 953A from 1929 to 1959.



## LANCASHIRE 054

995 Cadishead

Cadishead was allocated number 995 in the 1959 to 1962 lists.

013 Littleborough

Littleborough was allocated number 649 in the 1844 to 1857 lists, G13 in the 1924 list and 013 from 1928 to 1962.

033 Irlam

Irlam was allocated number 033 in the 1959 to 1962 lists.

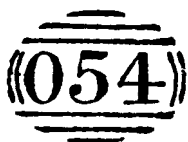
052 Kikby

Kirkby was allocated number 052 in the 1962 list.

### 054 FARNWORTH

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1861, Sub Office of Bolton 1861 to 1886, Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1959, Sub Office of Bolton 1959 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1996.

Farnworth was allocated number 054 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 92A from 1929 to 1949. Number 054 was later allocated to Great Wakering Essex in the 1962 list.



3HOS OC-  
T1856

3HOS GPO



4VOD  
APR1866

**4VOD Time in code** Used from 30 MAY1879 to 14 JUN1894

Codes: A B C E F G H Price D £12

**4VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 24 DEC1894 to 30 SEP1896

Codes: K\*A A\*P HE\*\*P I\*P Price F £12



3VOD  
FEB1882

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 19 OCT1882 to 6 MAR1898 and one record on 5 MAR1911

Codes: A C D G H Price E £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 9 JAN1907 to 6 JUN1907 Times: 515AM 122PM 125PM

215PM 315PM 330PM 715PM 8PM 815PM 830PM Price C £4

## LANCASHIRE 075-B70

064 Broughton in Furness

Broughton in Furness was allocated number C99 in the 1887 to 1906 lists and 064 in 1962.

065 Coniston

Coniston was allocated number K33 in the 1902 to 1906 lists and 065 in the 1962 list.

### 075 NEWTON IN CARTMEL

Sub Office of Milnthorpe 1844 to 1856, Sub Office of Kendal 1856 to 1857, Head Post Office 1857 to 1867, Sub Office of Grange RSO 1867 to 1869, Sub Office of Carnforth 1869 to 1886, Sub Office of Grange over Sands RSO 1886 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1973, closed 1973.

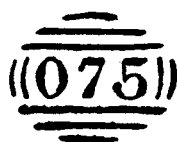
Moved from Lancs to Cumbria in 1974.

075 3HOS issued in 1857 when Newton in Cartmel became a Head Office.

Newton in Cartmel was not allocated number 075 in any list, the allocation was too late for the 1857 list and the number was void in the 1874 list.

Number 075 was later allocated to Rhydyfelin (Card) in 1882 to 1906 and St Johns (I.O.M.) in the 1963 lists.

**3HOS** Used from 14DEC1857 to 18MAR1867 Price B £6



3HOS  
OCT1857



3HOS  
AUG1863



3HOS  
SEP1863

### B70 DALTON IN FURNESS

Sub Office of Ulverstone 1845 to 1863, Railway Sub Office 1863 to 1879, Sub Office of Carnforth 1879 to 1884, Railway Sub Office 1884 to 1895, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1895 to 1897, Railway Sub Office 1897 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

B70 3HOS was issued in 1863 when Dalton in Furness became a Railway Sub Office.

Dalton in Furness was allocated number B70 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 232 from 1924 to 1962.



3HOS  
JAN1863



4VOD  
JUN1866

**3HOS** Used from 27MAY1863 to 23OCT1875 Price G £60

**4VOD Time in code** Used from 6OCT1866 to 3FEB1896 Codes: A B C Cinv D E 2 4  
Price B £8

**4VOD Time in full** Used from 16NOV1897 TO 22JUN1906 Times: 9AM 945AM 105AM  
1215PM 2PM 210PM 215PM 545PM 6PM 645PM 730PM 7inv30PM 745PM 8PM 830PM  
845PM 9PM Price A £8 on cover, £3 on ppc.

## LANCASHIRE B71-B92

### B71 BARROW IN FURNESS

Sub Office of Ulverstone 1844 to 1863, Railway Sub Office 1863 1869, Head Post Office 1869 to present.

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

B71 3HOS issued in 1863 when Barrow in Furness became a RSO.

Barrow in Furness was allocated number B71 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 81 from 1929 to 1962

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 916 & K62 Furness Abbey 1872 to 1949/51.*



3HOS  
JAN1863



3VOS  
MAY1877



3VOS  
JUL1882

**3HOS** Used from 29 APR1863 to 21 OCT1864 Price G £50

**3VOS** Used from 22 APR1892 Price H £60+



4VOD  
OCT1864



4VOD  
FEB1868

**4VOD** Used from 23 FEB1867 to 14 FEB1895 Codes: A B C D F H 2 4 6 7sdwys Price A £4

**4VOD2 (5mm high fig 2 cut in basal bars)** Used from 8 DEC1896 to 28 SEP1898

Time: **710PM** 830PM Price G £30



3VOD  
MAY1878

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 29 JUN1878 to 26 NOV1894

Codes: B D Einv F L 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 11 Price B £4

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 3 SEP1895 to 1 NOV1904

Times: 630AM 730AM 1115AM 430PM 545PM 730PM 745PM 8PM 830PM **15** Price C £4

Squared Circles in use: AUG1881 to AUG1898

### B92 RAINHILL

Sub Office of Prescot 1844 to 1894, Independent Sub Office 1894 to 1918, Sub Office of Liverpool 1918 to c.1970, Sub Office of Prescot c.1970 to present.

Rainhill was allocated number B92 in the 1874 to 1924 lists.

LANCASHIRE B92-C26



3HOS  
JUL1863



3VOS  
SEP1872

**3HOS** Used from 20 APR1864 to 22 JUL1871 Price G £60

**3VOS** Used from 11 JUN1878 to 7 OCT1878 Price H £60



3VOD  
APR1884

**3VOD** Used from 16 OCT1891 to 11 SEP1903 Code: B Price G £60

**C26 DARWEN**

Sub Office of Blackburn 1844 to 1869, Head Post Office 1869 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1995.

Darwen was allocated number C26 in the lists from 1874 to 1924, 237 in 1924 and 86A from 1929 to 1962.



3VOS OC-  
T1878

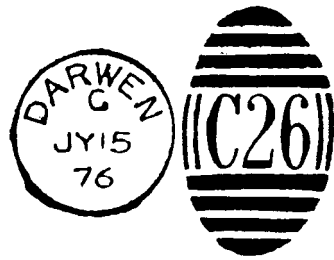
**3VOS** Used from 30 MAY1894 to 24 AUG1897 Price H £60



4VODA  
SEP1864

**4VODA (Straight Darwen)** Used from 29 MAR1865 to 17 JAN1888 Codes: B C Cinv D E I O  
Price D £12

LANCASHIRE C26-C45



4VODB  
JUL1876

**4VODB (Curved Darwen)** Used from 30 NOV1876 to 11 APR1914

Codes: A B Bsdwys C D E Esdwys F G H I J Jsdwys K L - Price B £6 on cover, £3 on ppc.



3VOD  
JAN1884

**3VOD** Used on 6 APR1907 Code: G L Price H £40  
Squared Circles in use: SEP1881 to DEC1908

**C45 MOSSLEY**

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1854. Sub Office of Ashton under Lyne 1854 to 1863. Sub Office of Manchester 1863 to 1961. Sub Office of Ashton under Lyne 1961 to Present, a Town Sub Office from 1962.

Mossley was allocated number C45 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 507 in 1924 to 1962.

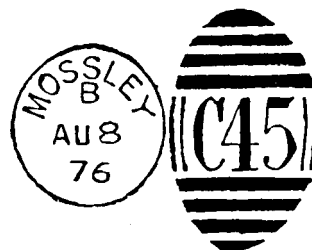


3TH.HOS  
AUG1865

3TH.HOS GPO



4VODA  
APR1865



4VODB  
AUG1876

**4VODA (Straight Mossley)** Used from 7 OCT1867 to 3 AUG1874 Codes: A B Price G £40

**4VODB (Curved Mossley)** Used from 31 DEC1878 to 10 NOV1903 Codes: A B C D

Price D £12

Squared Circles in use: OCT1899 to JUL1910

## LANCASHIRE C49-C65

### C49 STRETFORD

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1865, Railway Sub Office 1865 to 1871, Sub Office of Manchester 1871 to present.

Stretford was allocated number C49 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 758 from 1924 to 1962.



4VOD  
JUL1865



4VOD  
JAN1875

**4VOD** Used from 22 MAY1869 to 30 OCT1886 Codes: A B C D E F Price C £8



3VOD  
SEP1887

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 1 DEC1890 to 4 AUG1916 Codes: A B C D F Price E £12

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 30 AUG1897 to 9 MAY1906

Times: 830AM 845AM 1015AM 1145AM 2PM 515PM 530PM 615PM 815PM 830PM 915PM  
1145PM Price A £6

Squared Circles in use: APR1892 to JUL1906

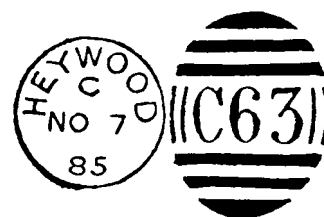
### C63 HEYWOOD

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1893, Head Post Office 1893 to 1962, Salaried Sub Office 1962 to present.

Number C63 was allocated to Tampico in the 1874 to 1902 lists, but the Tampico office closed in 1874.

**3VOD** Used from 24DEC1885 to 24DEC1909

Codes: B C D F G H I J K L N none(xmas) Price C £20



3VOD  
NOV1885

This is not really an error of number. In 1885 when this C63 3VOD cancellation was sent to Heywood, number C63 was vacant, Tampico which previously used C63 was closed in 1874.

### C65 HEYWOOD

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1893, Head Post Office 1893 to 1962, Salaried Sub Office 1962 to present.

Heywood was allocated number C65 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 965 from 1928 to 1962.

The C65 and C63 usage at Heywood do not overlap:

C65 JUL1871 to SEP1884 C63 NOV1885 (3VOD sent) - Used SEP1895 to DEC1909

LANCASHIRE C65-C67

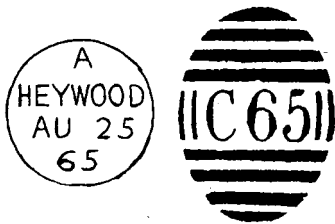


4VOS ISSUED TO  
CARTHAGENA  
JUN1866 IN ERROR  
INSTEAD OF  
NUMBER C56



4VOS ISSUED TO  
HEYWOOD  
JAN1870

4VOS GPO



4VODA  
AUG1865



4VODB  
JUL1873

**4VODA (Straight Heywood)** Used from 28JUL1871 to 18 DEC1871 Codes: A C Price H £60

**4VODB (Curved Heywood)** Used from 10 NOV1873 to 10 SEP1884 Codes: A C D E

Price E £15

Squared Circles in use: MAY1890 to JAN1908

**C67 DROYLSDEN**

Sub Office of Manchester 1850 to ? Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1996.

Droylsden was allocated number C67 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 259 from 1924 to 1962.



4VOS  
SEP1865



4VOD  
OCT1865

4VOS GPO

**4VOD** Used from 3 MAY1870 to 21 MAY1884 Codes: A B Bin v C Price F £40



3VOD  
NOV1884

**3VOD** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover)

Squared Circles in use: JUL1889 to SEP1907

## LANCASHIRE C69

### C69 NEWTON LE WILLOWS

Sub Office of Liverpool 1844 to 1865, Head Post Office 1865 to 1919, Salaried Sub Office 1919 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1994.

Newton le Willows was allocated number C69 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 969 from 1928 to 1962.



4VOS  
SEP1865

4VOS GPO



4VODA  
DEC1865



4VODA  
MAY1871



4VODA/B  
DEC1877



**4VODA (Newton le Willows in cds) Time in code** Used from 13 JUL1866 to 4 DEC1892

Codes: A B C D F G H I Price C £8

**4VODA (Newton le Willows in cds) Time in asterisk code**

Used from 20 OCT1894 to 30 JAN1896 Codes: K\*A H\*P Price G £15

The 4VODA DEC1877 entry occurs with Lanc at the base of the cds.

**4VODB (Newton le Willows Lanc. in cds )** Used from 28 JAN1898 to 18 SEP1901

Times: 1030AM 3PM 8PM 9PM Price E £12



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VOD** Used from 29 JUL1899 to 7 SEP1906

Times: 5AM 9AM 1030AM 1PM 315PM 5PM 6PM 8PM 9PM Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: MAR1893 to MAY1919



## LANCASHIRE C72-C73

### C72 CHEETHAM HILL

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1960, Sub Office of Salford 1960 to 1970, Sub Office of Manchester 1970 to present.

Cheetham Hill was allocated number C72 in the 1874 to 1902 lists.

Number C72 was later allocated to London to Dover Day Sorting Carriage in the 1906 list.



4VOD  
APR1866

**4VOD** Used from 4 SEP1867 to 6 JAN1869 Code: C Price G £50

### C73 ECCLES

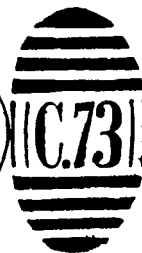
Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1895. Head Post Office 1895 to 1901. Sub Office of Manchester 1901 to Present. Salaried Sub Office from 1919.

Eccles was allocated number C73 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 252 from 1924 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- F45 Patricroft 1895 to 1900.*



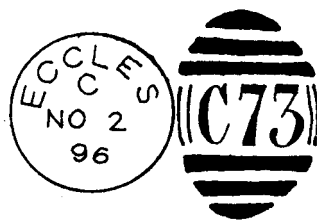
4VODA  
APR1866



4VODB  
DEC1874

**4VODA (Straight Eccles)** Used from 13 SEP1872 to 28 AUG1874 Codes: A C Price G £40

**4VODB (Curved Eccles)** Used from 10 AUG1875 to 6 AUG1880 Codes: A B C Price D £15



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 5 JUL1893 to 25 JUL1897 Codes: A B C F G H L  
Price F £15

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 10 JAN1898 to 1 NOV1899

**Times:** 6AM 19AM 7PM 8PM 830PM 930PM 14 Price F £15

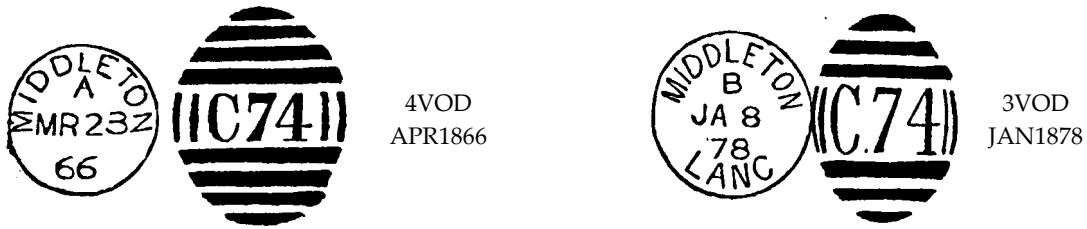
Squared Circles in use: APR1881 to AUG1915

## LANCASHIRE C74-C76

### C74 MIDDLETON

Sub Office of Manchester 1845 to present.

Middleton was allocated number C74 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 510 from 1924 to 1962.



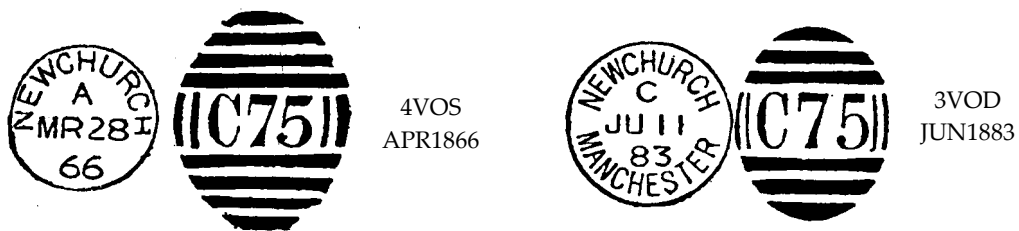
**4VOD** Used from 19 SEP1868 to 13 MAY1876 Codes: A B C Price E £25

**3VOD** Used from 26 APR1878 to 20 OCT1887 Codes: A C D Price F £30

### C75 NEWCHURCH

Sub Office of Rochdale 1844 to 1848, Sub Office of Manchester 1848 to 1998, closed 1998.

Newchurch was allocated number C75 in the 1874 to 1902 lists.



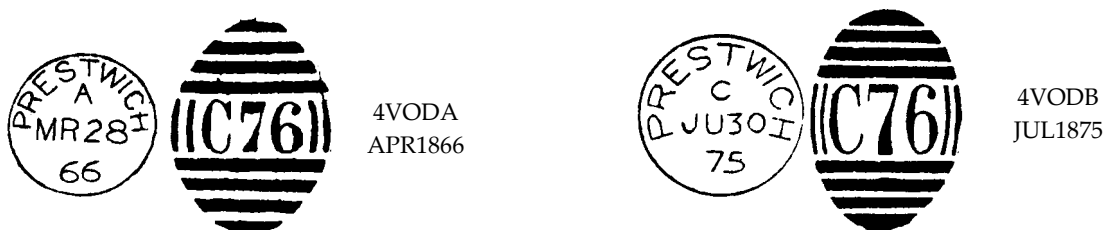
**4VOD** Used from 13 OCT1866 to 2 MAY1877 Code: B Price G £50

**3VOD** Used from 26 MAY1890 to 12 AUG1903 Codes: A B C 7 Price F £40

### C76 PRESTWICH

Sub Office of Manchester 1855 to present.

Prestwich was allocated number C76 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 940 from 1929 to 1962.



**4VODA (6.5mm high figs)** Used from 15 JUL1867 to 24 DEC1880 Code: B

Price H £30

**4VODB (8 to 9.5mm high figs) Time in code** Used from 2 AUG1875 to 30 MAR1892

Codes: A B C D Dsdwys E F Price C £8 (one late date 10 MAR1905)

**4VODB (8 to 9.5mm high figs) Time in asterisk code** Used from 17 MAR1895 to 30 DEC1904

Codes: BE\*A IC\*A ID\*A KA\*A BE\*P BF\*P E\*P EA\*P EG\*P F\*P HC\*P HG\*P IF\*P

Price A £6

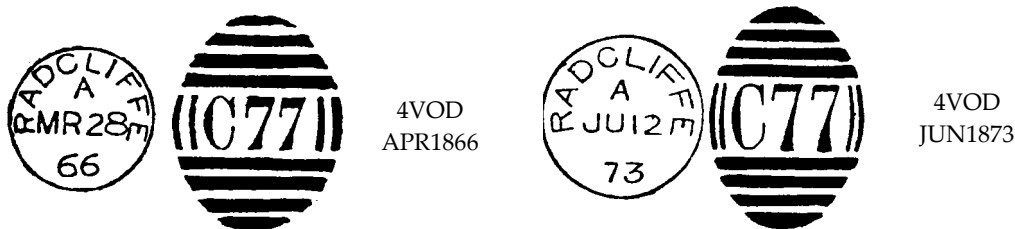
## LANCASHIRE C76-C99



**3VOD** Used from 14 OCT1887 to 24 DEC1908 Codes: B C E  
Price G £35 on cover, £15 on ppc

### C77 RADCLIFFE

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1994.  
Radcliffe was allocated number C77 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 652 from 1924 to 1962.



**4VOD** Used from 25 MAY1866 to 29 MAR1879 Codes: A B C Price D £20



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 18 OCT1878 to 11 FEB1898 Codes: A B C D E F  
Price D £12

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 28 OCT1898 to 29 JAN1904

**Times:** 1030AM 430PM 8PM 845PM 19 Price D £8

Squared Circles in use: MAY1890 to APR1894

### C99 BROUGHTON IN FURNESS

Sub Office of Ulverstone 1844 to 1867, Railway Sub Office 1867 to 1879. Sub Office of  
Carnforth 1879 to 1893, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1893 to 1897, Railway Sub Office  
1897 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present.

C99 4VOS issued in 1867 when Broughton in Furness became a RSO.

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

Broughton in Furness was allocated number C99 in the 1887 to 1906 lists and 064 in 1962.

LANCASHIRE C99-D02



4VOS  
MAY1867



3VOD  
JUN1887

**4VOS** Used from 15 NOV1867 to 22 JUL1886 Price C £15 Becomes a 3VOS through wear and recutting. Then a fresh recut 4VOS was in use by 1883.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 4 NOV1889 to 7 JAN1895 Codes: A B Price G £15

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 30 JAN1897 to 5 DEC1906 Times: 530PM 615PM 630PM 715PM Price A £8 on cover, £4 on ppc

**D02 GRANGE OVER SANDS**

Sub Office of Milnthorpe 1848 to 1856. Sub Office of Kendal 1856 to 1857. Sub Office of Newton in Cartmel 1857 to 1867. Railway Sub Office 1867 -(D02 issued in 1867)- 1869. Sub Office of Carnforth 1869 to 1885. Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1885 to 1886. Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1905. Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

Grange over Sands was allocated number D02 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 327 from 1924 to 1962.



4VOS  
MAY1867



4VODA  
MAR1868

**4VOS** Used from 5 DEC1867 to 2 FEB1881 Price H £60+

**4VODA (Straight Grange in cds)** Used from 27 APR1868 to 21 OCT1871 Code: C Price E £15



4VODB  
MAR1872



4VODB  
AUG1872

**4VODB (Curved Grange in cds)** Used from 19 APR1872 to 12 MAY1875 Codes: B C Price G £40

LANCASHIRE D02-D41



4VODC  
JUL1873



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**4VODC (Grange over Sands in cds)** Used from 24 DEC1873 to 12 JAN1892 Codes: A B C D

Price A £4

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 30 AUG1889 to 5 DEC1893 Codes: A B C D Price E £6

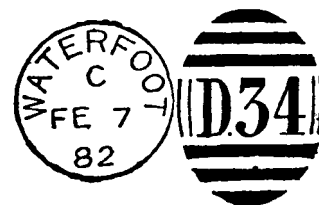
**3VOD Time in full** Used from 11 MAY1895 to 11 FEB1901

Times: 930AM 1PM 5PM 530PM 830PM 9PM Price C £3

**D34 WATERFOOT**

Sub Office of Manchester 1851 to ? Salaried Sub Office to Branch Office in 1960.

Waterfoot was allocated number D34 in the 1882 to 1906 lists and 837 from 1924 to 1959.



**3VOD** Used from 7 MAR1882 to 31 MAR1890 Codes: B C

Price E £25

Squared Circles in use: APR1890 to OCT1905

3VOD  
FEB1882

**D41 PADIHAM**

Sub Office of Burnley 1844 to present. Rural Post Office to Branch Office by 1931.

Padiham was allocated number D41 in the lists from 1882 to 1924, 941 from 1928 to 1929 and 150A from 1929 to 1962.



3VOS  
JUL1880



3VOD  
NOV1882

**3VOS** Used from 21 MAY1881 to 12 OCT1881 Price G £40

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 1 JUL1885 to 21 MAR1899 Codes: A B CD E F Price F £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 27 MAY1884 to 8 JUN1908

Times: 615AM 915AM 1015AMA 2PM 415PM 5PM 7PM 715PM 745PM 8PM 810PM 815PM  
Price A £3

## LANCASHIRE E73

### E73 CARNFORTH

Sub Office of Lancaster 1844 to 1869, Head Post Office 1869 present.

E73 4VOS & 4VOD were issued in 1869 when Carnforth became a Head Office.

Carnforth was allocated number E73 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 171 from 1928 to 1962.

*Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- K54 Arnside 1881 to 1897, 917 Askam 1876 to 1893, G52 Beckermeth 1869 to 1893, K50 Boot 1876 to 1893, G58 Bootle 1869 to 1893, C99 Broughton in Furness 1879 to 1893, 153 Burton 1873 to present, G24 Carke in Cartmel 1869 to 1885, G23 Cleator 1869 to 1893, G27 Cleator Moor 1869 to 1893, B70 Dalton in Furness 1879 to 1884, G25 Egremont 1869 to 1893, G53 Frizington 1870 to 1893, D02 Grange over Sands 1869 to 1885, D01 Holborn Hill 1869 to 1876, F09 Holmrook 1869 to 1893, H55 Ingleton 1877 to 1886, 091 Kirkby Lonsdale 1871 to 1884, D01 Millom 1876 to 1893, G59 Ravenglass 1869 to 1893, K55 Silverdale 1877 to 1898 and G26 St Bees 1869 to 1885.*



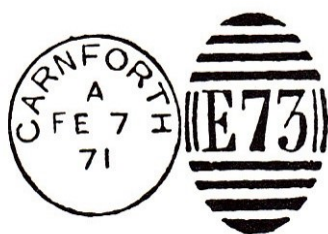
4VOS  
AUG1869



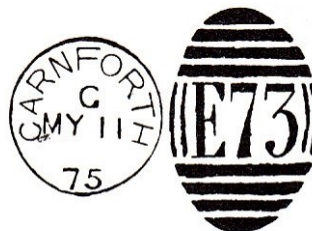
4VODA  
AUG1869

4VOS GPO

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 7 FEB1870 to 19 AUG1876 Codes: B C Price D £12



4VODB  
FEB1871



4VODB  
MAY1875

4VODB (Flat topped three) Used from 16 MAR1872 to 14 MAR1893

Codes: C D E F H I J M N Price A £4



3VOD  
DEC1879



3VOD  
MAY1883

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 6 JAN1880 to 3 DEC1897

Codes: A C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q none Price A £3

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 3 SEP1897 to 13 SEP1907

Times: 9AM 10AM 121PM 1215PM 1PM 130PM 2PM 215PM 2inv15PM 345PM 545PM 6PM 645PM 745PM 815PM 930PM 930M 945PM 1015PM 1130PM none Price A £3



## LANCASHIRE F11-F45

### F11 RAMSBOTTOM

Sub Office of Bury 1844 to 1855. Sub Office of Manchester 1855 to 1960. Sub Office of Bury 1960 to present.

Ramsbottom was allocated number F11 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 640 from 1924 to 1962.



4VOD  
NOV1870



4VOD  
FEB1873

**4VOD** Used from 27 FEB1871 to 25 FEB1891 Codes: A B C Price E £25  
Squared Circles in use: OCT1893 to MAY1911

### F44 DENTON

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to present, Branch Office to Franchise Post office in 1996, Franchised Post Office to Company Franchised Post Office in 2006.

Denton was allocated number F44 in the lists from 1874 to 1906 and 234 from 1924 to 1962.



4VODA  
AUG1871



4VODB  
MAR1876

**4VODA (Denton in cds)** Used from 13 DEC1872 to 9 MAY1873 Codes: A C Price H £60  
**4VODB (Denton Lanc in cds)** Used from 7 DEC1877 to 6 MAR1900 Codes: A B C D E F L  
Price E £25

### F45 PATRICROFT

Sub Office of Manchester 1855 to 1895, Sub Office of Eccles 1895 to 1900, Sub Office of Manchester 1900 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1919, Sub Office of Eccles 1919 to 2008, closed 2008.

Patricroft was allocated number F45 in the 1874 to 1906 lists, 623 in 1924 and 578 from 1929 to 1951.



4VOD  
AUG1871



3VOD  
OCT1886

## LANCASHIRE F45-G07

**4VOD** Used from 18 SEP1872 to 20 FEB1885 Code A B C Price G £60

**3VOD** Used from 14 MAR1908 to 27 AUG1921 Times: 111AM 615AM 2PM 7PM 8PM 9PM  
Price F £20 on cover, £10 on ppc.

Squared Circles in use: MAR1890 to FEB1908

### G05 WIDNES

Sub Office of Warrington 1853 to 1873, Head Post Office 1873 to 1967, Salaried Sub Office 1967 to ? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1994, Franchised Post Office in 1998.

G05 4VOD issued when Widnes became a Head Office in 1873.

Moved from Lancashire to Cheshire in 1974.

Widnes was allocated number G05 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and 891 from 1924 to 1962.



**4VOD** Used from 11 AUG1875 to 17 OCT1898 Codes: A C D E F H I J K Price A £4



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 27 MAR1880 to 30 NOV1896 Codes: A B D E F I J K L  
Price D £4

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 27 FEB1897 to 11 AUG1899 Times: 315PM 5PM 8PM 945PM  
none Price D £4

### G07 BACUP

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1892, Head Post Office 1892 to present.

Bacup was allocated number G07 in the lists from 1874 to 1924 and 117 from 1928 to 1962.





## LANCASHIRE G07-G51

**4VOD Time in code** Used from 5 NOV1873 to 24 APR1884 Codes: A B C D G Price C £6

**4VOD Time in full** Used from 12 FEB1902 to 14 MAY1903

Times: 930AM 1PM 4PM 730PM 830PM Price G £12

**3VOD** Used from 22 MAR1886 to 11 MAR1891 Codes: A B E F Price G £30

Squared Circles in use: FEB1892 to FEB1905

### G13 Littleborough

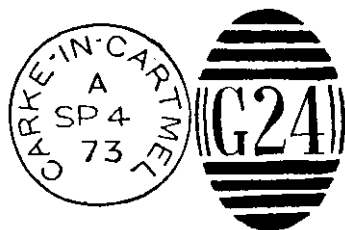
Littleborough was allocated number 649 in the 1844 to 1857 lists, G13 in the 1924 list and 013 from 1928 to 1962.

### G24 CARKE IN CARTMEL

Sub Office of Milnthorpe 1848 to 1856, Sub Office of Kendal 1856 to 1857, Sub Office of Newton in Cartmel 1857 to 1867, Sub Office of Grange RSO 1867 to 1869, Sub Office of Carnforth 1869 to 1885, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1885 to 1886, Railway Sub Office 1886 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1917, Sub Office of Carnforth 1917 to 1953, Sub Office of Grange over Sands 1953 to present.

Carke before 1887 Cark afterwards.

Carke in Cartmel was allocated number G24 in the lists from 1874 to 1906.



4VOD  
SEP1873



3VOD  
OCT1887

**4VOD** Used from 3 NOV1873 to 25 JUL1887 Codes: A B Price C £8

**3VOD** Used from 31 AUG1890 to 10 NOV1905 Code: A Price C £6

### G51 MORECAMBE

Sub Office of Lancaster 1854 to 1888, Railway Sub Office 1888 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to present.

Morecambe was allocated number G51 in the 1882 to 1924 lists and 508 from 1925 to 1962.



3VOS NOT ENTERED  
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3VOD  
SEP1882

## LANCASHIRE G51-H44

**3VOS** Used from 15 AUG1920 to 17 SEP1923 Price H £30

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 5 JUN1884 to 4 DEC1895 Codes: A B D E F G Price C £4

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 5 AUG1896 to 19 JUL1909

Times: 5AM 715AM 8AM 815AM 930AM 945AM 10AM 1115AM 1145AM 2PM 330PM  
430PM 445PM 5PM 530PM 7PM 730PM 7inv30PM 745PM 830PM 915PM 530 Price A £3

### G57 HOLLINWOOD

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1878, Sub Office of Oldham 1878 to 1902, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1902 to 1905, Town Receiving House of Oldham 1905 to 1985, closed 1985. Hollinwood was allocated number G57 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.



3VOD  
OCT1882

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 24 OCT1897 to 3 APR1898

Codes: B C F G Price H £30

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used on 27 JAN1897 Code: FB\*P Price H £25

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 15 OCT1898 to 13 JAN1905

Times: 830AM 10AM 115PM 330PM 6PM 65PM 615PM 815PM 830PM

Price B £12 on cover, £4 on ppc.

### G88 LYTHAM

Sub Office of Preston 1844 to 1887. Railway Sub Office 1887 to 1898. Head Post Office 1898 to - 1918. Salaried Sub Office 1918 to present.

Lytham was allocated number G88 in the lists from 1887 to 1924.



3VOD  
NOV1883



3VOD  
SEP1887

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 26 DEC1885 to 22 MAY1911

Codes: A Ainv B Binv C D E F G H I none(xmas) Price A £6 on cover, £3 on ppc

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 23 DEC1895 to 23 FEB1898 Times: 8PM 10PM Price H £15

### H44 WHITEFIELD

Sub Office of Manchester 1858 to present.

Whitefield was allocated number H44 in the 1887 to 1906 lists and 866 from 1924 to 1959.



3VODA  
APR1885



3VOD B NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

## LANCASHIRE H44-H53

**3VODA (Whitefield in cds)** Used from 29 DEC1886 to 24 JUN1892 Codes: A C Price F £40

**3VODB (Whitefield Lanc in cds) Time in code** Used from 10 MAY1894 to 8 APR1897

Code: A Price G £15

**3VODB (Whitefield Lanc in cds) Time in full** Used from 28 MAR1898 to 30 JUL1909

Times: 815AM 10AM 1045AM 1PM 230PM 3PM 7PM 8PM 830PM 840PM 845PM 215 915

Price A £4

Squared Circles in use: MAY1893 to JUN1893

### H52 CHURCH

Sub Office of Accrington 1844 to 2008, a Town Receiving House from 1895, closed 2008.

Church was allocated number H52 in the lists from 1887 to 1906.



3VODA  
JUL1885



3VODB NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VODA (Church in cds)** Used from 19 SEP1886 to 28 MAY1898 Codes: A C F H I M N R

Price D £10

**3VODB (Church Lanc in cds)** Used from 2 DEC1893 to 3 DEC1894 Code: B K N Price H £50

### H53 NELSON IN MARSDEN

Sub Office of Burnley 1844 to 1889, Head Post Office 1889 to 1966, Independent Sub Office 1966 to present.

Changed from Marsden in 1857 to Nelson in Marsden, then in 1888 to Nelson. Nelson was allocated number H53 in the 1887 to 1924 lists and 543 from 1928 to 1962.

*Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- J18 Brierfield 1889 to present.*



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IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3VODA  
JUL1885

**3VOS** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover)

**3VODA (Nelson in Marsden in cds)** Used on 3 APR1888 Code: C Price H £80+



3VODB NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

## LANCASHIRE H53-J76

**3VODB (Nelson in cds) Time in code** Used from 29 APR1889 to 24 OCT1892

Codes: A E G H P Price G £12

**3VODB (Nelson in cds) Time in asterisk code** Used on 7 JAN1895 to 5 FEB1897

Codes: L\*A GF\*P HH\*M Price H £25

**3VODB (Nelson in cds) Time in full** Used from 17 MAY1896 to 26 JAN1910

Times: 545AM 6AM 9AM 930AM 945AM 10AM 1015AM 11AM 1215PM 1PM 145PM  
315PM 345PM 4PM 45PM 415PM 5PM 545PM 645PM 7PM 730PM 745PM 830PM 845PM  
45PM 910PM 915PM 930PM none(xmas) Price A £3

### J17 GREAT HARWOOD

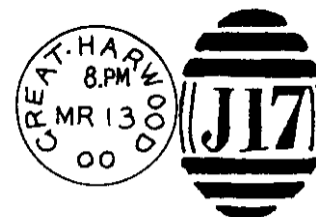
Sub Office of Blackburn 1853 to 1864, Sub Office of Accrington 1864 to 1885, Sub Office of Blackburn 1885 to present.  
Great Harwood was allocated number J17 in the lists from 1892 to 1906 and 308 from 1924 to 1962.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 7 FEB1890 to 4 JUN1897

Codes: A B C Price E £20

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 13 MAR1900 to 13 MAY1910

Times: 10AM 230PM 8PM 230 none Price A £4



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### J18 BRIERFIELD

Sub Office of Burnley 1865 to 1888, Sub Office of Nelson 1888 to present, Town Sub Office by 1993.

Brierfield was allocated number J18 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 1 SEP1888 to 10 OCT1903 Codes: A B C D E Price C £6

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 17 FEB1904 to 27 SEP1909

Times: 915AM 2PM 4PM 6PM 745PM 845PM 915PM Price A £3

### J76 HORWICH

Sub Office of Bolton 1844 to 1908, Head Post Office/Post Town 1908 to 1920, Sub Office of Bolton 1920 to present.

Horwich was allocated number J76 in the lists from 1892 to 1924 and 393 from 1927 to 1962.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 22 SEP1891 to 25 OCT1899

Codes: A B C D E Price D £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 16 AUG1900 to 28 MAR1908

Times: 1215AM 845AM 1015AM 1030AM 121PM 1215PM 215PM  
615PM 645PM 7PM 745PM 845PM 930PM none(xmas) Price A £3



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

## LANCASHIRE J87-J95

### J87 CLOUGHFOLD

Sub Office of Manchester 1871 to 1926. Sub Office of Rossendale 1926 to 1985. Closed 1985.

Cloughfold was allocated number J87 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

**3VOD** Used from 23 JAN1897 to 31DEC1906

Codes: A B C D E **Inv** F Price C £15 on cover / £3 on ppc



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### J88 HASLINGDEN

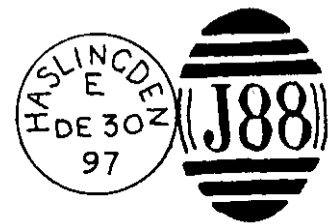
Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to 1926.

Haslingden was allocated number 500 in the 1844 to 1857 lists and J88 from 1892 to 1906.

**3VOD** Used from 15 SEP1891 to 5 MAY1905

Codes: A B C D E F H

Price C £15 on cover / £3 on ppc



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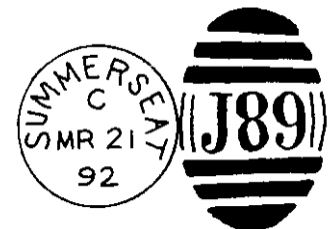
### J89 SUMMERSEAT

Sub Office of Bury 1859, Sub Office of Manchester 1860 to 1928, Sub Office of Bury 1928 to 2008, closed 2008.

Summerseat was allocated number J89 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

**3VOD** Used from 21 MAR1892 to 23 MAR1900 Codes: B C

Price G £80+



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### J95 BRADFORD

Sub Office of Manchester 1855 to 1971, Town Sub Office by 1896, closed 1971.

Bradford was allocated number J95 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

**3VOD** Used from 11 APR1892 to 24 MAR1897 Codes: A D G H

Price G £80+

Squared Circles in use: JUL1890 to JUL1891



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

## LANCASHIRE K04-K12

### K04 HELMSHORE

Sub Office of Manchester 1855 to 1926, Sub Office of Rossendale 1926 to ? By 1958 Sub Office of Haslingden to Present.  
Helmshore was allocated number K04 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

**3VOD** Used from 22 MAY1893 to 2 APR1919 Codes: A B C D  
Price A £12 on cover / £3 on ppc



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### K05 STACKSTEADS

Sub Office of Manchester 1853 to 1900, Town Receiving House of Bacup 1900 to present.  
Stacksteads was allocated number K05 in the lists from 1892 to 1906.

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 16 SEP1892 to 16 AUG1897  
Codes: A B C Price F £40

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 1 JUN1900 to 10 OCT1900  
Times: 945AM 745PM Price H £40



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### K07 SHAW

Sub Office of Oldham 1844 to 1902, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1902 to 1913, Sub Office of Oldham 1913 to present.  
Shaw was allocated number K07 in the 1892 to 1906 lists and 703 from 1924 to 1962.

**3VOD** Used from 2 JUN1892 to 26 NOV1898 Codes: A C D  
Price E £25



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### K12 EARLESTOWN

Sub Office of Warrington 1856 to 1865, Sub Office of Newton le Willows 1865 to present  
A Town Receiving House from 1886.  
Earlestown was allocated number K12 in the 1892 to 1902 lists.

**3VOD** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £100++  
(Price if found on dated cover)



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

## LANCASHIRE K33-K61

### K33 CONISTON

Sub Office of Ambleside 1844 to 1847, Sub Office of Windermere 1847 to 1876, Sub Office of Ambleside 1876 to 1888, Independent Sub Office 1888 to 1893, Railway Sub Office 1893 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to present.

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

Coniston was allocated number K33 in the 1902 to 1906 lists and 065 in the 1962 list

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 7 JUL1887 to 26 MAR1899

Codes: A B C Price E £8

**3VOD Time in full** Used from 9 MAY1902 to 30 AUG1911

Times: 7AM 730AM 2PM 5PM 515PM 6PM 615PM 8PM Price A £3



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### K41 SWINTON

Sub Office of Manchester 1844 to present.

Swinton was allocated number K41 in the 1902 to 1906 lists.

**3VOD** Used from 27 JUN1893 to 4 JUL1906

Codes: A B C D E F **none**

Price A £12 on cover / £4 on ppc



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
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### K55 SILVERDALE

Sub Office of Lancaster 1848 to 1870, Sub Office of Carnforth 1870 to 1898, Railway Sub Office 1898 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1917, Sub Office of Carnforth 1917 to present.

Silverdale was allocated number K55 in the 1902 to 1906 lists.

**3VOD** Used from 27 JAN1896 to 1 MAY1906 Codes: A B

Price A £10 on cover £3 on ppc



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### K61 KIRKBY IN FURNESS

Previously called Sandside.

Sub Office of Carnforth 1884 to 1893, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1893 to present.

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

Kirkby in Furness was allocated number K61 in the 1902 to 1906 lists.

**3VOD** Used from 1 OCT1898 to 12 SEP1907 Codes: A B

Price D £10 on cover £6 on ppc



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS



## LANCASHIRE K62-K82

### K62 FURNESS ABBEY

Sub Office of Barrow in Furness 1872 to c.1941, a Town Sub Office from 1909, closed c.1941, reopened 1949 to 1951.

Furness Abbey was allocated number 916 in the 1882 to 1902 lists and K62 from 1902 to 1906.

**3VOD** Used from 7 APR1898 to 2 OCT1907 Codes: 1 2 3

Price D £10 on cover £6 on ppc



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### K64 LINDAL

Sub Office of Ulverston 1879 to present.

Lindal was allocated number K64 in the 1902 to 1906 lists.

**3VOD** Used from 7 APR1894 to 14 APR1908 Code: A

Price E £25



3VOD NOT ENTERED  
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### K79 LAKE SIDE

Sub Office of Ulverston 1892 to 1961/3, closed 1961/3.

Moved from Lancashire to Cumbria in 1974.

Lake Side was allocated number K79 in the 1902 to 1906 lists.



3VOS NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### K82 ROYTON

Sub Office of Oldham 1844 to present.

Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1994.

Royton was allocated number K82 in the 1902 to 1906 lists and 657 from 1924 to 1962.

**3VOS** Used on 28 DEC1896 Price H £100+



3VOS NOT ENTERED  
IN THE PROOF BOOKS

### L04 Chorlton cum Hardy

Chorlton cum Hardy was allocated number L04 in the 1906 list, 181 from 1924 to 1951 and 498J from 1951 to 1959.