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It incorporates the following:

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

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

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

Status of the Offices

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

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

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

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

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

Railway Sub Offices (R.S.O.)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

LETTER BOXES.

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

THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE CANCELLATIONS:

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



1844

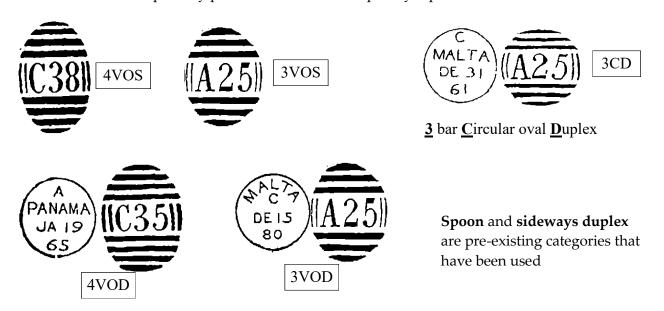
3HOS is a 3 Bar Horizontal Oval Single obliterator

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



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

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



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

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

ILLUSTRATIONS

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

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

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

DATE OF ISSUE

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

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

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

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

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

RARITY & PRICE

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

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

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

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

POST OFFICE LISTS

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

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

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

The Official Lists that have been used:-

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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34 ATTLEBURGH

Head Post Office 1844 to 1920, Salaried Sub Office 1920 to present. Attleburgh was allocated number 34 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS FEB1860

1844 Used from 9 MAY1844 to 15 JAN1873 Price G £60+ Seen in green **3HOS** Used from 11 OCT1860 to 11 JUN1867 Price G £60





4VOS Used from 16 JUL1868 to 29 JAN1876 Price F £30

3VOS Used from 29 JUN1876 to 3 MAY1904 Price F £30 19th C. £15 20th C.

NORFOLK 34-39





3VODA (Attleborough in cds) Used from 25 JUL1880 to 14 JUL1883 Code: C Price G £40 **3VODB (Attleborough Norfolk in cds)** Time in code

Used from 29 JUN1880 to 23 SEP1893 Codes: C D E Price F £8

3VODB (Attleborough Norfolk in cds) Time in asterisk code

Used from 26 OCT1894 to 17 APR1899 Codes: BE*P KI*P Price C £6

 $\textbf{3VODB (Attleborough Norfolk in cds) Time in full} \quad \textbf{Used from 18 JUL1899 to 20 MAY1905}$

Times: 1130AM 125PM 15PM 530PM 10PM 1030PM 11PM Price A £3

39 AYLSHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Norwich 1855 to 1876, Head Post Office 1876 to 1903, Railway Sub Office 1903 to 1905, Independent Sub Office /Post Town 1905 to 1923, Sub Office of Norwich 1923 to present.

Alysham was allocated number 39 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.





4VOS NOV1869

1844 Used from 13 JUN1844 to 6 DEC1859 Price C £5 **4VOS** GPO



3VOSA SEP1876



3VOSB JAN1881

3VOSA (39 with dot) Used from 30 SEP1876 to 27 MAY1877 Price H £60+ **3VOSB (39 no dot)** GPO



NORFOLK 39-115

4VOD Used from 29 JUN1877 to 7 JUN1881 Codes: A B Price F £30

Squared Circles in use: JUL1892 to OCT1905

43 DOCKING

Under Rougham 1844 to 1861, Sub Office of Kings Lynn 1861 to Present.

Docking was allocated number 43 in the lists from 1887 to 1906.

Nomber 43 was first allocated to Stoney Middleton (Derby) in the 1844 to 1857 lists, then Turnham Green (Middx) 1874 to 1882 and finally Docking (Norf).

3VOS Used from 12 OCT1894 to 23 SEP1907 Price E £30 19th C. £15 20th C.







SENT TO TURNHAM GREEN MIDDLESEX IN FEB1874

115 STOKE FERRY

Under Brandon 1844 to 1884, Independent Sub Office /Post Town 1884 to 1925, Sub Office of Kings Lynn 1925 to Present..

Stoke Ferry was allocated number 115 in the lists from 1844 to 1906.

Number 115 was later allocated to Batley (Yorks) in the 1927 to 1962 lists.





3HOS MAY1859

1844 Used from 5 JUL1844 to 26 SEP1857 Price F £40

Occurs with a Stoke Ferry cud. and a Brandon transit cds.

1844 Used in blue on 2 APR1849

3HOS Used from 15 AUG1883 to 20 AUG1908 Price G £50

Late examples are used only with a Hilborough cds which is 7 miles east of Stoke Ferry. From DEC1906 onwards has single side arcs.



3VOS Used on 17 NOV1900 Price H £80+

245 DEREHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1852, Sub Office of Norwich 1852 to 1855, Sub Office of Thetford 1855 to 1864, Head Post Office 1864 to 1968, Salaried Sub Office 1968 to present.

A 3CD issued in Jun1860 has East Dereham in the cds. All other duplexes have Dereham.

Dereham was allocated number 245 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 246 Briningham 1844 to 1849, 247 & 911 Elmham 1844 to 1851 & 1873 to >1906, 248 Guist 1844 to 1854 and 371 Holt 1878 to 1884.



1844 APR1844



1844 JAN1850

1844 Used from 4 JAN1845 to 20 JUL1847 Price G £50

The illustrated 3HOS, proofed in JAN1850, could be regarded as an 1844 type, as it has a serif on the horizontal bar on the figure 4. It has not been recorded in use.



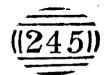
3HOS OC-T1852



3HOS AUG1854



3HOS JAN1857



3HOS MAR1858



3HOS JAN1860

3HOS Used from 13 DEC1853 to 18 JUL1861 Price G £50



3VOSA DEC1873

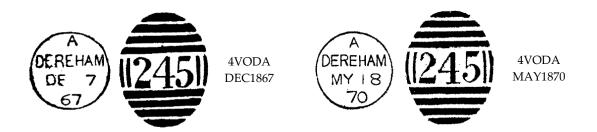


3VOSA (Serif on 4) No dated copied recorded Price H* £80+ (Price if found on dated cover) **3VOSB (No serif on 4)** Used from 24 FEB1927 to 1 SEP1971 Price F £15 Used to cancel incorrect charge marks price £10.

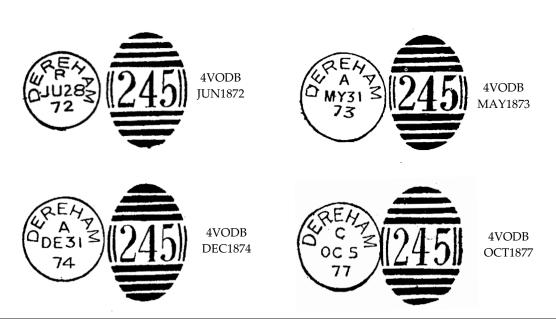


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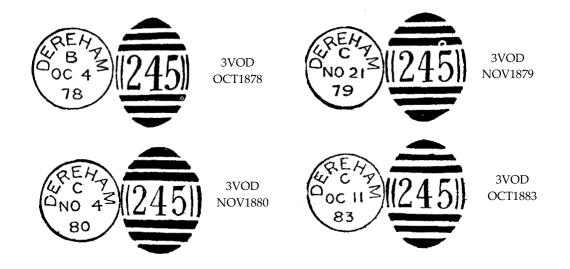
3CD Used from 13 NOV1860 to 30 DEC1868 Codes: A none Price D £8



4VODA (Straight Dereham) Used from 22 OCT1868 to 9 SEP1875 Codes: A B C F Price G £40



4VODB (Curved Dereham) Used from 11 JUL1874 to 2 APR1878 Codes: B C D F G Price C £4



3VOD Used from 30 JAN1879 to 15 AUG1889 Codes: C D F G I J K L Price E £15 Squared Circles in use: JUL1881 to DEC1919

NORFOLK 246-254

246 BRININGHAM

Sub Office of Dereham 1844 to 1849, Sub Office of Thetford 1849 to 1873, Sub Office of Dereham 1873 to 1886, Independent Sub Office 1886 to 1887, Sub Office of Melton Constable 1887 to 1890, Independent Sub Office 1890 to 1903, Railway Sub Office 1903 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1911, Sub Office of Melton Constable 1911 to 1973, closed 1973.

Briningham was allocated number 246 in the lists from 1844 to 1857. Number 246 was later allocated to Mountain Ash (Glam) in the 1882 to 1962 lists.

1844 Used from 8 JAN1845 to 21 MAY1853 Price H £100+

Occurs with a Briningham cud.



1844 APR1844

247 ELMHAM

Sub Office of Dereham 1844 to 1851, Sub Office of Thetford 1851 to 1873, Sub Office of Dereham 1873 to 1908, Post Town 1908 to 1942, Sub Office of Dereham 1942 to present.

Elmham was allocated number 247 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and 911 from 1882 to 1906. Number 247 was later allocated to Fernand Po (West Africa) in the 1882 to 1887 lists then

Didsbury (Lancs) in 1924 to 1951 and finally Kilgetty (Pem)1952 to 1959 lists.

1844 Used from 28 SEP1846 to 30 NOV1856 Price G £80+ Early examples have the Elmham horseshoe mark later ones with an Elmham cud. and Thetford transit cds.

1844 in blue Used from 21FEB1850 to 16 JUN1851



1844 APR1844

248 GUIST

Sub Office of Dereham 1844 to 1854, Sub Office of Thetford 1855 to 1873, Sub Office of Dereham 1873 to 1908, Post Town 1908 to 1942, Sub Office of Dereham 1942 to present.

Guist was allocated number 248 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

248 was later allocated to Felstead (Essex) in the 1882 to 1906 lists and then Didcot (Berks) in the 1949 to 1962 lists.

1844 Used from 21 JAN1846 to 20 DEC1858 Price G £80+

Occurs with a Guist cud. and Thetford transit cds



1844 APR1844

254 DISS

Head Post Office 1844 to 1868, Salaried Sub Office 1868 to present. Diss was allocated number 254 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS SEP1857

1844 Used from 31 AUG1844 to 21 OCT1866 Price E £15

1844 in blue Used on 8 SEP1851

3HOS Used from 14 MAY1861 to 29 MAR1863 Price H £40

NORFOLK 254-259





4VOS AUG1865

3TH.HOS GPO

4VOS Used from 14 SEP1865 to 11 DEC1877 Price G £40



4VODA JUN1868



4VODB NOV1871

4VODA (Straight Diss) Used from 18 FEB1869 to 22 JAN1879 Codes: A B C E Price E £15 **4VODB (Curved Diss)** Used from 27 JAN1872 to 27 OCT1874 Codes: A C Price E £15



3VOD Time in code Used from 9 FEB1882 to 23 DEC1894 Codes: B C Price E £8

3VOD Time in full Used from 26 FEB1897 to 24 DEC1906

Times: 1015AM 515PM 730PM 9PM 91PM Price D £4

Squared Circles in use: JUL1886 to JUL1905

259 NEW WALSINGHAM

Sub Office of Fakenham 1844 to 1873, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1873 to 1876, Railway Sub Office 1876 to 1890, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1890 to present.

Walsingham to 1851.

Little Walsingham 1851 to 1858.

New Walsingham 1858 to 1890.

Walsingham 1890 onwards. See also Walsingham number 289.

New Walsingham was allocated number 259 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number 259 was first allocated to Walmer (Kent) in the 1844 to 1857 lists then later to

Droylesden (Lancs) In the 1924 to 1962 lists..

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 572 Wighton 1876 to 1905.

NORFOLK 259-260



3VOS Used on 20 NOV1876 Price H £100



3VODA (New Walsingham in cds) Used from 13 SEP1880 to 28 JAN1889

Codes: A C Price G £50

3VODB (Walsingham Norfolk in cds) Used from 16 AUG1890 to 13 FEB1901

Codes: A B C Price C £8

260 DOWNHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1919, Salaried Sub Office 1919 to 1930, Head Post Office as Downham Market 1930 to present.

Downham was allocated number 260 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 Used from 25 JUL1844 to 26 DEC1850 Price F £20 **3HOS** Used from 19 MAR1856 to 31 MAY1866 Price F £20



4VOS SENT BETWEEN JUN1866 & DEC1868



3VOS DEC1872



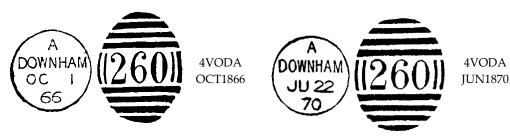
3VOS NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

4VOS GPO An undated cutout occurs stuck in the Proof Books

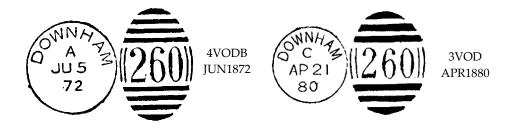
3VOS (Flat base of two) Used from 1 JUL1882 to 21 NOV1885 Price G £40

3VOS (Curved base of two) No dated copies recorded Price H* £50+ (Price if found on dated cover) This appears to have started life as a 4VOS and rapidly became a 3VOS through wear and recutting.

NORFOLK 260-288



4VODA (Straight Downham) Used from 3 MAR1870 to 8 APR1872 Code: B Price F £20



4VODB (Curved Downham) Used from 24 AUG1872 to 14 APR1880 Codes: A B C Price C £4

3VOD Used from 17 JUL1880 to 5 JAN1898 Codes: A B C Price F £30 Squared Circles in use: JUN1881 to MAY1908

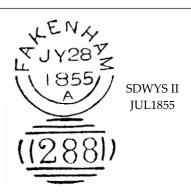
288 FAKENHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1969, Salaried Sub Office 1969 to? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1995.

Fakenham was allocated number 288 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices (that used barred numerals);- 289 Walsingham 1844 to 1858 and 572 Wighton 1873 to 1876.





1844 Used from 11 JUN1844 to 25 NOV1918 Price E £15 Seen in blue **SDWYS II** Used from 2 NOV1855 to 14 NOV1858 Codes: A none Price F £80



3CD Used from 25 FEB1859 to 8 DEC1866 Codes: A none Price F £30

NORFOLK 288-289



4VOD MAY1867





4VOD NOV1870



4VOD AUG1872



4VOD SEP1874

4VOD Time in code Used from 28 JUN1867 to 16 APR1894

Codes: A B C D Price B £3

4VOD Time in full Used from 15 NOV1895 to 30 DEC1895

Times: 5AM 545PM 745PM Price E £4



3VOD NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VOD Used from 26 OCT1888 to 15 MAY1890 Codes: B C D Price G £40

Squared Circles in use: MAR1891 to NOV1906

289 WALSINGHAM

Sub Office of Fakenham 1844 to 1858, renamed New Walsingham in 1858.

Little Walsingham 1851 to 1858.

New Walsingham 1858 to 1890.

Walsingham RSO 1890 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 2007, Sub Office of Fakenham 2007 to present.

See also 259 New Walsingham.

Walsingham was allocated number 289 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and 988 from 1959 to 1962. 289 was later allocated to Coalbrookdale (Salop) in the 1882 to 1906 lists, East Cowes (IOW) 1924 to 1952 and Marden (Kent) in the 1963 list.

1844 Used from 6 JUN1846 to 9 DEC1852 Price G £80+

Occurs with a Walsingham cud. and a Fakenham transit cds. Seen in blue.

1844 APR1844

336 HARLESTON

Head Post Office 1844 to 1920, Salaried Sub Office 1920 to present. Harleston was allocated number 336 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



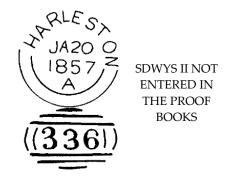




1844 Used from 28 OCT1844 to 25 JUL1862 Price C £5

3HOS Used from 21 APR1864 to 15 MAR1865 Price G £12 Very similar to the 1844 type





4VOS Used from 3 SEP1874 to 25 APR1878 Price G £50 SDWYS II Used on 20 JAN1857 Code: A Price H £300+



4VODA (Round top three) Used from 6 OCT1868 to 7 OCT1874 Code: B Price C £3





4VODB (Flat top three) Used from 13 NOV1875 to 2 SEP1882 Codes: B none Price E £12

NORFOLK 336-372



3VOD Used from 26 MAR1884 to 14 JUL1885 Codes: A B C Price F £30 Squared Circles in use: SEP1885 to AUG1904

371 HOLT

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Thetford 1855 to 1878, Sub Office of Dereham 1878 to 1884, Railway Sub Office 1884 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present. Holt was allocated number 371 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 372 Blakeney 1844 to 1855 and 373 Cley 1844 to 1855.



1844 APR1844



3HOS JUN1857

1844 Used from 27 MAY1844 to 7 AUG1857 Price F £30 Seen in blue **3HOS** Used from 2 JUN1858 to 12 AUG1870 Price G £30



4VOS DEC1870



3VOS DEC1879



3VOSX OCT1875

APR1844

4VOS Used from 7 FEB1873 to 25 NOV1874 Price G £60

3VOS Used on 27 MAY1880 to 6 JUL1895 Price H £60+

3VOSX (Error of number 391) Used from 14 OCT1876 to 5 FEB1879 Price G £80+

Squared Circles in use: JUN1881 to DEC1904

372 BLAKENEY

Sub Office of Holt 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Thetford 1855 to 1873, Sub Office of Dereham 1873 to 1886, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1886 to 1889, Sub Office of Dereham 1889 to 1894, Sub Office of Holt RSO 1894 to 1900, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1900 to 1903, Railway Sub Office 1903 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1939, Sub Office of Holt to present.

Only used numerals from 1844 to 1852 despite being in all the lists from 1844 to 1906

Blakeney was allocated number 372 in the lists from 1844 to 1906.

Number 372 was later allocated to Holmfirth (Yorks) in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

1844 Used from 2 SEP1849 to 26 MAR1852 Price H £100+

Brumell reports seeing a single obliterator number 372 used at Eccleshall Staffs.

NORFOLK 373-473

373 CLEY

Sub Office of Holt 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Thetford 1855 to 1873, Sub Office of Dereham 1873 to 1886, Independent Sub Office 1886 to 1889, Salaried Sub Office Dereham 1889 to 1894, Sub Office of Holt RSO 1894 to 1900, Independent Sub Office 1900 to 1903, Railway Sub Office 1903 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1939, Sub Office of Holt 1939 to 2005, closed 2005. Only used numerals from 1844 to 1855 despite being in all the lists up to 1906.

Cley was allocated number 373 in the lists from 1844 to 1906. Number 373 was allocated to Harrow (Middx) in the 1927 to 1962 lists.

1844 Used from 6 MAR1855 to 7 NOV1856 Price H £100+



1844 APR1844

473 LONG STRATTON

Head Post Office 1844 to 1900, Railway Sub Office 1900 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1921, Sub Office of Norwich 1921 to present.

Long Stratton was allocated number 473 in the lists from 1844 to 1906.

Number 473 was later allocated to Long Sutton (Lincs) in the 1933 to 1962 lists.





1844 Used from 4 JAN1845 to 30 OCT1867 Price F £30 **4VOS** GPO



4VODA FEB1868



4VODB JAN1872

4VODA (Round top three) Used from 5 NOV1868 to 9 OCT1871 Code: A Price H £60+ **4VODB** (Flat top three) Used from 25 SEP1872 to 10 APR1882 Code: A Price D £15 Squared Circles in use: OCT1886 to OCT1918

488 LYNN

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Name changed to Kings Lynn in 1885, which was after the issue of the last duplex.

Lynn was allocated number 488 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 489 Burnham 1845 to present, 43 Docking 1861 to present, 793 Sandringham 1877 to 1890 and G63 Snettisham 1844 to present.



1844 Used from 23 NOV1844 to 20 JAN1857 Price C £3

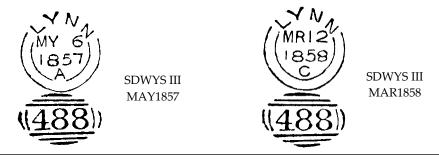
1844 in blue Used in 1852

3HOS Used from 21 FEB1857 to 20 JAN1874 Price F £12

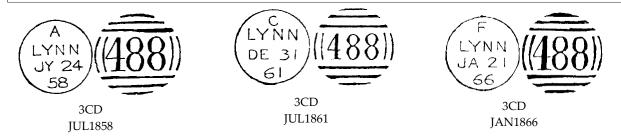


3VOSA (No serif 4) Used from 3 OCT1874 to 27 FEB1893 Price G £40

3VOSB (Serif on 4) Used from 20 MAR1888 Price H £50



SDWYS III Used from 14 JUN1857 to 25 JUL1858 Codes: B Cinv D Price F £60



3CD Used from 14 AUG1858 to 26 MAY1880 Codes: A B C D E F G H L 1 4 5 7 Price A £2 Eight were proofed between JUL1858 and MAY1867

NORFOLK 488-489



4VODA (Straight Lynn) Used from 17 MAR1869 to 7 JUN1875 Codes: A B C D 4 59 Price C £2



4VODB OCT1875



4VODB FEB1877

4VODB (Curved Lynn) Used from 4 NOV1875 to 14 AUG1885

Codes: A B C G H Hsdwys I K L N U

In the mid 1880's 2 & 5 were handstamp identification numbers; 2H 2P 2R 2U 2V 2X 2Z

5U Price A £2



3VOD Used from 31 DEC1881 to 20 FEB1884 Codes: B H I N U V Price F £30

Squared Circles in use: SEP1885 to AUG1906

489 BURNHAM

Sub Office of Lynn 1844 to present.

Renamed Burnham Market in 1889.

Burnham was allocated number 489 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and G64 from 1887 to 1906.

Number 489 was later allocated to Hildenborough (Kent) in the 1882 to 1906 lists and then Lymm (Ches) in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

1844 Used from 7 JAN1845 to 1 JUN1856 Price G £80+



1844 APR1844

NORFOLK 490-575

490 HOLKHAM

Sub Office of Wells 1844 to 1977, closed 1977.

Holkham was allocated number 490 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 490 was later allocated to Ham Street (Kent) in the 1882 to 1906 lists and then Mablethorpe (Lincs) in the 1950 to 1959 lists.



1844 Used from 2 FEB1845 to 24 DEC1853 Price G £100

Occurs always with a Holkham straight line mark and a Wells transit cds.

1844 APR1844

514 Melton Constable

Melton Constable was allocated number 514 in the lists from 1949 to 1962

572 WIGHTON

Sub Office of Brandon 1870 to 1873, Sub Office of Fakenham 1873 to 1876, Sub Office of New Walsingham 1876 to 1877, Railway Sub Office 1877 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1938, Sub Office of Wells 1938 to 2004, Closed 2004.

Wighton was allocated number 572 in the lists from 1882 to 1906. Number 572 was previously allocated to Andoversford (Glos) in the 1844 to 1857 lists then later to Northwood (Middx) in the 1928 to 1962 lists.



3VOS OCT1875

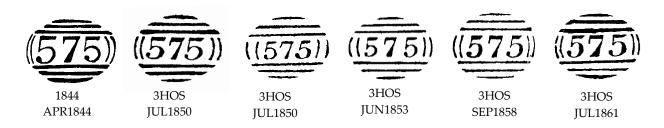
3VOS Used from 22 JAN1891 to 14 JUN1892 Price G £80+

575 NORWICH

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Norwich was allocated number 575 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 576 Acle 1844 to present, 39 Aylsham 1855 to 1876, 577 Cromer 1844 to 1876, 578 Loddon 1844 to present, 579 North Walsham 1844 to 1876, 580 Reepham 1844 to 1883, 581 Scottow 1844 to present, and 582 Worstead 1844 to 1949. Vivien Sussex has published *The Norwich Post 1568 to 1980*, EAPHSC 1980, which contains details on the barred numeral postmarks.



1844 Used from 11 JUN1844 to JUN1851 Price A £3

1844 in green Used in 1849

1844 in blue Used from 1848 to 3 JUL1849

3HOS Used from 19 JUL1850 to FEB1861 Price A £3



4VOS MAR1866



4VOS MAR1866



4VOS JUL1869

4VOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £50 (Price if found on dated cover)



3VOSA DEC1872



3VOSA DEC1878



3VOSB AUG1874

3VOSA (575 no dot) Used from 27 NOV1882 to 3 OCT1881 Price H £50 **3VOSB (575. with dot)** GPO



SDWYS II JAN1855



SDWYS II JAN1857



SDWYS II FEB1857

SDWYS II Used from 18 JAN1855 to 18 MAR1858 Codes: A B C Cinv D E Price A £8 **SDWYS II in blue** Used on 4 OCT1856



3CD MAR1858



3CD OCT1861



3CD OCT1861

3CD Used from 12 APR1858 to 20 MAR1871 1-6 were handstamp identification numbers Single codes (prior to 10OCT1861):- A B C D E F EZ

1 / B C E F

3 / A E F

5 / B E F

2 / CEF

4 / A B E F

6 / E

Price A £2 Eighteen 3CDs were proofed

A good article on the Norwich 3CD is Peter Day's article in the EAPHS Circle Sept 2000 p51-53



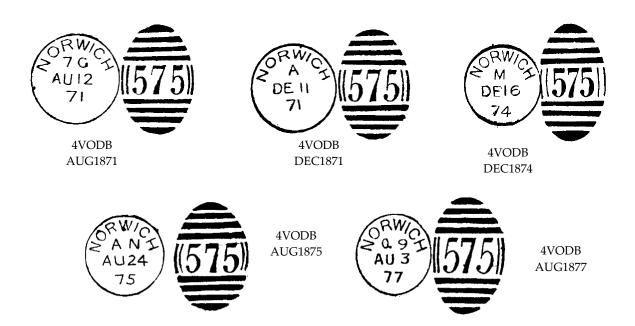
4VODA (Straight Norwich) Used from 29 DEC1865 to 13 JAN1875 Six proofed (1 duplicate) between DEC1865 & FEB1871 The first is a single code, all the rest have two part codes. Numbers I to 7 are handstamp identification numbers. Single code:- B

1 / E F 5 / B E. 2 / E 6 / B C E F J

3 / B C E F M 7 / J

4 / E F

Price A £3



4VODB (Curved Norwich) Used from DEC1871 to 25 APR1895

Eighteen were proofed - eight have single codes, ten have double codes. One part of the two part code is a handstamp identification number/letter, but which one is which has proved impossible to determine. When time in full came into use they were placed in the basal bars there is a sequence 1 to 20 and B to K.

The problem is that the handstamp identifier can be either numerical or alphabetical and lie either on the left hand side or the right hand side of the cds. As frequently is the case the Proof Books are of little help as the handstamp identification each number/letter was put in place after the cancellation was proofed. Norwich squared circles pose similar problems.

4VODB Continued:

Codes: HJKLMO

AO BO CB CP CW DX FG GO JA LO

A3 B3 C6 C8 D1 D3 D4 D8 E1 E3 E7 F3 F4 G8 G9 H4 H8 J1 J3 L4 J7 J8 K1 K3 K4 K9 L1 L2 L3

L7 L8 M2 M3 M7 M8 N2 O9 P9

3 5 10 17 20 30 41

3P 4Kinv 4L 4N 4O 5E 5F 5K 5L 5O 5Y 6N 7N 7P 8G 8P 9K 9N 14B

Price A £3



4VODC (12mm high figs) Used from 15 NOV1876 to 22 OCT1879

Codes: LO C8 D3 L8 N2 10 20 27 2N 5K Price F £20



3VODX (cds at angle) Used from 20 NOV1873 to 21 NOV1873 Code: K 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.







3VODA (Normal type) Used from 11 MAR1879 to JUL1897

The code problem is the same as 4VODB The problem is that the handstamp identifier can be either numerical or alphabetical and lie either on the left hand side or the right hand side of the cds. As frequently is the case the Proof Books are of little help as the handstamp identification each number/letter was put in place after the cancellation was proofed.

3VODA (Normal type) Codes:

AZ BO CO CW DD DO DW DX DY EW EX EY FN FW FY GY HK HN HW HX KW ZH B16 C9 D3 E2 E6 F8 H3

10 20 30 50 80 90

1H 1V 1X 2E 2X 2Y 3E 3H 3M 3P 3W 4H 4K 4M 4T 4X 4Y 5C 5H 5M 5P 5W 5X 5Y 6M 6W 6X 6Y 7G 7H 7K 7O 7P 7T 7W 7X 7Y 8K 8M 8Minv 8P 8Y 9G 9H 9M 9P 9T 9W 9X 9Y 10X 13B 16B

Price A £3



3VODB (12mm high figs) Used from 28 OCT1880 to 13 OCT1887 Codes: FH 2Minv 3E 3O 3P 3Q 5W 10K 10M 34 Price F £30 Probably a recut of 4VODC

Numbers cut in basal bars:-

3VOD1S (Small 1, 2 & 3mm high, cut in basal bars. Initially 3mm then later 2mm)

Used from 19 OCT1897 to 25 MAY1904 In red DEC1903 for use at Christmas Times: 1215AM 1245PM 215PM 4PM 645PM 745PM 8PM 845PM Price A £3

3VOD1L (Large 1, 4mm high, cut in basal bars) Used from 5 JUL1904 to 7 JUN1906

Times: 1215AM 1215PM 1245PM 215PM 4PM 530PM 645PM 745PM 845PM Price A £2 Used in red for Christmas use in 1903 and 1904

3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars. Initially 3mm high then later 2mm)

Used from 7 JUL1899 to 7 JUN1906

Times: 1215AM 945AM 1245PM 4PM 530PM 645PM 7PM 745PM 845PM 745 Price A £2

3VOD3S (Small 3 cut in basal bars. Initially 2.5mm then later 2.75mm)

Used from 26 JUN1895 to 1 FEB1904 Times: 915AM 1245PM 215PM 415PM 645PM 7PM 745PM 845PM Early S's are narrower than later ones. Price D £4

3VOD3L (Large 3, 4mm high, cut in basal bars) Used from 29 FEB1904 to 23 DEC1904 Times: 945AM 125PM 1245PM 215PM 4PM 545PM 645PM 715PM 845PM Price D £4

4VOD4 (4 cut in basal bars) Used from 10 NOV1897 to 15 DEC1900

Times: 1215AM 4PM 745PM 845PM Price G £12

3VOD4 (4 cut in basal bars) Used from DEC1900 to 3 SEP1907

Times: 1215AM 945AM 1215PM 1245PM 215PM 4PM 645PM 745PM 845PM Price A £2

3VOD5 (5 cut in basal bars) Used from 5 JUN1896 to 16 MAY1906

Times: 1215AM 945AM 1215PM 1245PM 2PM 215PM 4PM 530PM 645PM 745PM 8PM

845PM 930PM Price A £2

3VOD6 (6 cut in basal bars) Used from 13 MAY1896 to 22 JUN1907

Times: 945AM 1215PM 1245PM 4PM 530PM 645PM 7PM 745PM 845PM Price B £2 Two sizes of the figure 6:- 2mm high (5 NOV1895 to 15 JUN1900) and 3.5mm high (27 MAR1903 to 22 JUN1907)

3VOD7 (7 cut in basal bars) Used from 29 JAN1896 to 30MAR1905

Times: 1215AM 945AM 1215PM 215PM 4PM 530PM 645PM 745PM 7inv45PM 845PM 915PM Price A £2

3VOD8 (8 cut in basal bars 2mm wide figure 8) Used from 17 OCT1895 to 1 NOV1901 Times: 1245PM 215PM 230PM 6PM615PM 645PM 7PM Price G £10

3VOD8 (8 cut in basal bars 3mm wide figure 8) Used from 12 DEC1903 to 23 DEC1903 Times: 1215AM 745PM Price H £15

3VOD9 (9 cut in basal bars) Used from 20 APR1896 to 27 JAN1905

Times: 1215AM 1215PM 1245PM 215PM 4PM 530PM 645PM 745PM 845PM Price D £4

3VOD10S (Small 10 2.5mm high 10 cut in basal bars) Used from 16 MAR1898 to 28 JUN1904 Times: 945AM 645PM 715PM 845PM 9PM Price E £6

3VOD10L (Large 10 4mm high cut in basal bars) Used from 16 SEP1904 to 7 AUG1907 Times: 945AM 1215PM 1245PM 215PM 4PM 530PM 645PM 745PM 845PM Price A £2

3VOD11 (11 cut in basal bars) Used from 18 APR1897 to 11 JAN1906

Times: 915AM 945AM 1215PM 4PM 615PM 645PM 745PM 845PM Price C \pounds 3 From 11 APR1897 to 28 SEP1903 the 11 is 2mm high, from 24 FEB1904 to 11 JAN1906 examples have 3.5mm high figures.

4VOD14 (14 cut in basal bars) Used from 25 JUN1897 to 14 JUL1906

Times: 1215AM 1AM 945AM 1045AM 1115AM 1130AM 1215PM 1245PM 115PM 4PM 645PM 7PM 745PM 830PM 845PM Price B £2

4VOD20 (20 cut in basal bars) Used from 15 NOV1899 to 19 JUL1906

Times: 930AM 945AM 1130AM 1215PM 1230PM 1PM 4PM 645PM 745PM 830PM 845PM

Price C £2

Letters cut in basal bars:-

3VODB (B cut in basal bars) Used from 24 JAN1896 to 1 APR1902

Time: 230PM Price G £15

3VODC (C cut in basal bars) Used from 16 NOV1896 to 19 JUL1899

Times: 430PM 545PM 7PM 830PM 930PM Price F £12

3VODDS (2mm D cut in basal bars) Used from 30 APR1896 to 23 OCT1899

Times: 2PM 415PM 7PM Price E £10

3VODDL (3mm D cut in basal bars) Used from 6 FEB1904 to 5 SEP1907

Times: 4PM 415PM 430PM 445PM 515PM 545PM 7PM 830PM 930PM Price A £2

3VODE (E cut in basal bars) Used from 24 JAN1896 to 20 AUG1898

Times: 230PM 6PM 7PM 830PM 930PM Price G £15

3VODF (F cut in basal bars) Used from 28 JUL1897 to 15 AUG1901

Times: 2PM 7PM 830PM 930PM Price E £10

3VODG (G cut in basal bars) Used from 29 APR1898 to 4 JAN1906

Times: 1215AM 945AM 230PM 4PM 530PM 7PM 745PM 830PM 845PM 930PM 845

Price C £2

NORFOLK 575-577

3VODHS (1.5 to 2mm H cut in basal bars) Used from 26 OCT1896 to 18 MAY1904

Times: 930AM 10AM 1130AM 1145AM 1230PM 1245PM 1PM 130PM 2PM 415PM 7PM 830PM 930PM Price A £2

1.5mm high H from 20OCT1896 to 10MAY1898 and 2.0mm high H from 7APR1900 to 2APR1904

3VODHL (4mm H cut in basal bars) Used from 19 JUL1904 to 15 FEB1905

Times: 915AM 1045AM 11AM 1130AM 1145AM 7PM 830PM 915PM 12PM Price D £3

3VODK (K cut in basal bars) Used from 1 MAR1897 to 28 APR1905

Times: 130PM 230PM 4PM 530PM 545PM 630PM 645PM 730PM 830PM 910PM 930PM

Price A £2

Squared Circles in use: JUL1885 to OCT1908

576 ACLE

Sub Office of Norwich 1844 to Present.

Acle was allocated number 576 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 576 was later allocated to Rolvenden (Kent) in the 1882 to 1906 lists then Northenden (Ches) 1946 to 1947 and then Wythenshawe (Ches) 1947 to 1962.



1844 APR1844

1844 12 AUG1844 to 9 NOV1858 Price G £80+

Occurs with an Acle cud. and a Norwich transit cds.

577 CROMER

Sub Office of Norwich 1844 to 1876, Head Post Office 1876 to 1969, Salaried Sub Office 1969 to present.

Cromer was allocated number 577 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.





3VOS SEP1876

1844 Used from 6 JAN1845 to 1 OCT1859 Price F £30

3VOS Used from 21 SEP1876 Price H £60



4VOD OCT1876

4VOD Used from 29 JUL1879 to 9 AUG1881 Codes: A B C Price G £40

NORFOLK 577-579





3VOD MAY1884

3VOD Used from 18 AUG1882 to 15 OCT1885 Codes: A B C D Price F £30

Squared Circles in use: JUL1886 to DEC1906

578 LODDON

Sub Office of Norwich 1844 to present.

Loddon was allocated number 578 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 578 was later allocated to Apledore (Kent) 1882 to 1906, Patricroft (Lancs) 1928 to 1951, Pontnewydd Monm) 1951 to 1959 and then Cwmbran (Monm) in 1962



1844 APR1844

1844 8 MAY1844 to 1 OCT1856 Price H £100+

Occurs with a Loddon cud. and a Norwich transit cds. Seen in blue.



1844 DEC1849

579 NORTH WALSHAM

Sub Office of Norwich 1844 to 1876, Head Post Office 1876 to 1923, Sub Office of Norwich 1923 to 1930, Post Town 1930 to present.

North Walsham was allocated number 579 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS MAR1858



3HOS MAR1860

1844 Used from 10 MAY1844 to 18 JAN1858 Price F £20 **3HOS** Used from 13 JUN1858 to 5 AUG1860 Price G £25





3VOS SEP1876

NORFOLK 579-580

3VOS Used from 19OCT1873 to 9 DEC1875 Price H £40



4VOD Used on 12 NOV1877 Code: C Price H £60+





3VOD SEP1887

3VOD Time in code Used from 12 NOV1884 to 16 AUG1893

Codes: B C D E F G H Price D £4

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used from 4 JAN1895 to 25 AUG1900

Codes: BC*P C*P F*P FC*P FD*P HD*P M*P MC*P MF*P Price C £6

3VOD Time in full Used from 12 APR1901 to 21 SEP1906

Times: 1215AM 6AM 8AM 8MinvAinv 845AM 9AM 945AM 10AM 125PM 1215PM 1230PM 1245PM 1PM 2PM 215PM 230PM 245PM 6PM 715PM 8PM 815PM 1215 18PM! Price A £2

Squared Circles in use: NOV1880 to NOV1906

580 REEPHAM

Sub Office of Norwich 1844 to 1883, Railway Sub Office 1883 to 1886, Sub Office of Norwich 1886 to present.

Reepham was allocated number 580 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 580 was later allocated to Lamberhurst (Kent) in the 1882 to 1906 lists and then Pentre Rhondda (Glam) 1929 to 1962.

1844 Used from 22 JAN1845 to 21 DEC1852 Price H £100+ Seen in blue



1844 APR1844



A 3HOS was used in error in Wednesbury Staffs

NORFOLK 581-694

581 SCOTTOW

Sub Office of Norwich 1844 to present.

Scottow was allocated number 581 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 581 was later allocated to Burnham (Som) in the 1882 to 1962 lists.

1844 Used on 3 FEB1845 Price H £100++



1844 APR1844

582 WORSTEAD

Sub Office of Norwich 1844 to 1949, Sub Office of North Walsham 1949 to present.

Worstead was allocated number 582 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 582 was later allocated to Naguabo (Porto Rico) 1882 to 1887,

Purfleet (Essex) 1926 to 1954 and Dawley (Salop) 1967.

1844 Used on 5 OCT1856 Price H £100++



1844 APR1844

657 ROUGHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1861, Sub Office of Brandon 1861 to 1878, Sub Office of Swaffham 1878 to 1920, Sub Office of Kings Lynn 1920 to present.

Rougham was allocated number 657 in the lists from 1844 to 1902.

Number 657 was later allocated to Royton (Lancs) from 1924 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3VOS AUG1873

1844 Used from 9 JAN1845 to 27 OCT1871 Price G £80+

3VOS Used from 11 JUN1875 to 5 APR1882 Price F £60 (One cover cancelled with a 657 3VOS from Houghton to Swaffham without a Rougham cds)

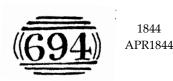
694 SCOLE

Head Post Office 1844 to 1896, Railway Sub Office 1896 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1923, Sub Office of Diss 1923 to 2008, closed between 1977 to 1979 and then finally closed in 2008.

Scole was allocated number 694 in the lists from 1844 to 1924.

Number 694 was later allocated to St Mary's Isles of Scilly 1929 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 100 Botesdale (Suff) 1851 to 1884.



NORFOLK 694-762

1844 Used from 4 JAN1845 to 6 MAY1858 Price E £15





4VOS GPO

3CD Used from 14 JUN1859 to 10 JAN1872 Codes: B C Price G £40





3VOD AUG1884

4VOD Used from 10 NOV1873 to 14 MAR1882 Codes: A B C Price E £15
3VOD Time in code Used from 14 OCT1884 to 18 MAR1896 Codes: B C Price E £5
3VOD Time in full Used from 28 OCT1897 to 17 AUG1905

Times: 845PM 9PM 915PM Price B £2

762 SWAFFHAM

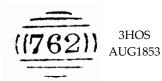
Head Post Office 1844 to 1919, Salaried Sub Office 1919 to 1992, Modified Scale Post Office 1992, closed 1993.

Swaffham was allocated number 762 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 935 Castle Acre 1878 to 1920, 940 Litcham 1844 to 1920



1844 APR1844





3HOS MAY1865

1844 Used from 7 MAY1844 to 13 JAN1851 Price F £25 **3HOS** Used from 15 DEC1854 to 22 MAY1878 Price F £25





3CD OCT1860

NORFOLK 762-790

3VOS Used from 23 MAR1873 to 10 DEC1913 (1973 philatelic) Price H £50 pre 1900 / £20 post 1900

3CD Used from 10 AUG1861 to 17 MAR1867 Codes; B Binv none Price F £25



4VOD Used from 28 JUN1867 to 5 DEC1876 Code: B Price A £3



3VOD Time in code Used from 23 DEC1878 to 31 MAY1889 Code B C G Price E £6 **3VOD Time in full** Used from 14 FEB1896 to 12 FEB1907 Times: 230PM 445PM 830PM

9PM Price D £3

Squared Circles in use: APR1881 to DEC1906

790 THETFORD

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

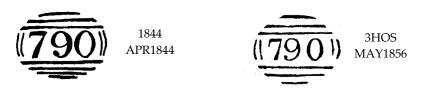
Thetford was allocated number 790 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 246 Briningham 1849 to 1873, 245 Dereham 1855 to 1864,

791 East Harling 1888 to 1920, 247 Elmham 1851 to 1873, 248 Guist 1855 to 1873,

791 Harling 1844 to present, 371 Holt 1855 to 1878, 792 Larlingford 1844 to present,

793 Shipdham 1844 to 1884 and 794 Watton 1844 to 1881 & 1896 to present.



1844 Used from 20SEP1844 to 17FEB1865 Price D £8 **3HOS** GPO

NORFOLK 790-791



4VOS Used from 6 SEP1909 to 21 OCT1917 Price H £25 £8 on undated postcards



SDWYS II Used from 10 APR1857 to 15 MAY1859 Code: B Price G £80 **3CD** Used from 5 FEB1859 to 6 MAR1869 Codes: B C Price B £3



4VOD Used from 19 MAR1869 to 18 DEC1878 Code: C Price C £3



3VOD Used from 3 MAR1879 to 4 NOV1895 Codes: A C F H Price E £15 Squared Circles in use: AUG1881 to FEB1910

791 HARLING

Sub Office of Thetford 1844 to 1920. Sub Office of Attleborough 1920 to 1925. Sub Office of Norwich 1925 to present.

Renamed East Harling in May 1888.

Harling was allocated number 791 in the lists from 1844 to 1887 and East Harling in the 1892 list. Number 791 later allocated to Tintagel (Corn) 1933 to 1959 lists.

NORFOLK 791-793





3VOS AUG1873





3VOS APR1883

1844 Used from 3 JAN1845 to 20 APR1872 Price E £15

1844 in blue Used in OCT1852

3VOS Used from 9 JUN1874 to 9 NOV1882 Price F £20



3VODA APR1883



3VODB NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

3VODA (Harling in cds) Used from 8 NOV1884 to 12 NOV1884 Code: C Price H £60+ **3VODB (East Harling in cds)** Used from 23 DEC1889 to 30APR1908 Codes: B C Price A £3

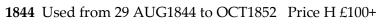
792 LARLINGFORD

Sub Office of Thetford 1844 to present.

Renamed Larling in 1894.

Larlingford was allocated number 792 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 792 was later allocated to New Tredegar (Monm) 1882 to 1906 and Tidworth (Wilts) 1924 to 1962.



Occurs with a straight line mark and a Norwich or Thetford transit cds.

1844 in blue Used from 11 JUN1852 to OCT 1852



1844 APR1844

793 SHIPDHAM

Sub Office of Thetford 1844 to 1884, Sub Office of Watton 1884 to 1896, Sub Office of Thetford 1896 to present.

Shipdham was allocated number 793 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 793 was later allocated to Sandringham (Norf) 1882 to 1906 and later Tilbury (Essex) 1924 to 1954.

1844 Used from 29 OCT1844 to 3 AUG1858 Price E £30



1844 APR1844

NORFOLK 793-863

793 SANDRINGHAM

Sub Office of Lynn 1877 to 1890, Independent Sub Office 1890 to 1899, Railway Sub Office 1899 to 1905, Independent Sub Office 1905 to 1983, closed 1983. From 1968 to 1983 was only open when the Queen was in residence.

Sandringham was allocated number 793 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number 793 was allocated to Shipdham in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and later Tilbury (Essex) 1924 to 1954.

3VOS Used from 26 DEC1879 to 31 DEC1902 Price F £60+



3VOS MAR1877

794 WATTON

Sub Office of Thetford 1844 to 1881, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1881 to 1896, Sub Office of Thetford 1896 to present.

Watton was allocated number 794 in the lists from 1844 to 1959.

Number 794 was later allocated to Kidwelly (Carm) in the 1963 list.



1844 APR1844



4VOS DEC1870

1844 Used from 9 JAN1845 to 19 MAR1866 Price F £30 Occurs with a Watton cud. and a Thetford transit cds **1844 in blue** Used from 23 NOV1849 to OCT1851 **4VOS** Used from 2 JAN1871 to 24 DEC1875 Price H £60





3VOD SEP1882

3VOS Used from 31 OCT1876 to 26 MAY1882 Price G £50 **3VOD** Used from 8 SEP1883 to 29 JUL1908 Codes: A B C 8inv Price A £10 cover, £3ppc Commonly has the year missing

863 WELLS

Head Post Office 1844 to 1894, Railway Sub Office 1894 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present. Wells on Sea from 1955.

Wells was allocated number 863 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- 490 Holkham 1844 to 1977.

NORFOLK 863-911



1844 APR1844



3VOS NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

1844 Used from 21 MAY1844 to 20 JUL1875 Price F £30

3VOS No dated copies recorded Price H* £60 (Price if found on dated cover)



3CD Used from 10 JUL 1867 to 6 SEP1880 Codes: B none Price G £50

Squared Circles in use: MAR1881 to DEC1907

899 HUNSTANTON

The first office called Hunstanton was a Sub Office of Lynn 1845 to 1880, Sub Office of Hunstanton St. Edmunds 1880 to 1884.

Renamed Old Hunstanton in 1884.

The Office originally called Hunstanton St Edmunds became Hunstanton: Sub Office of Lynn 1864 to 1873, Independent Sub Office /Post Town 1873 to 1884, Railway Sub Office 1884 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present.

Hunstanton was allocated number 899 in the lists from 1882 to 1962.

3VOS Used from 27 AUG1879 to 29 MAY1899 Price F £60+

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3VOS MAR1878

911 ELMHAM

Sub Office of Dereham 1844 to 1851, Sub Office of Thetford 1851 to 1873, Sub Office of Dereham 1873 to 1908, Post Town 1908 to 1942, Sub Office of Dereham 1942 to present.

Elmham was allocated number 247 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and 911 from 1882 to 1906.





3VOD MAR1886

3VOS Used from 6 MAY1880 to 16 NOV1883 Price H £60

3VOD Time in code Used from 12 MAY1888 to 9 FEB1902 Codes: B Binv E Price D £8
3VOD Time in full Used from 10 SEP1902 to 10 SEP1910 Times: 930AM 1PM 715PM 930PM Price A £3

925 WYMONDHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1995. Wymondham was allocated number 925 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS JUN1857



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1844 Used from 24 JAN1845 to 15 JUN1857 Price D £10 3HOS Used from 25 OCT1857 to 3 JUN1859 Price H £25



4VOS MAY1866



3VOS MAR1873

3CD



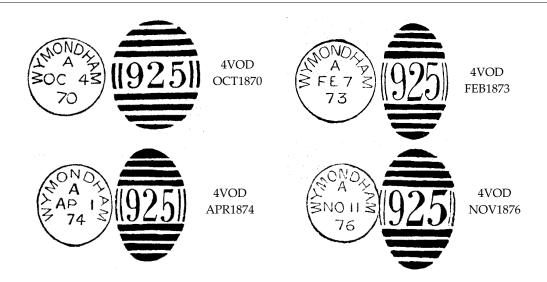
3VOS NOT IN PROOF **BOOKS**

4VOS Used on 10 OCT1867 Price H £60

3VOS Used from 14 JUL1874 & 4 OCT1961 to 1973 (philatelic use, see illustration on the right, still in the Post Office in 1996) Price H £40 19th C. £15 20th C.



3CD Used from 2 JUL1861 to 4 OCT1869 Code: C Price F £30



4VOD Used from 29 OCT1870 to 5 DEC1878 Code: C Price E £12

NORFOLK 925-927



3VOD Time in code Used from 12 APR1879 to 29 JUN1896 Codes: C E F H Price D £4

3VOD Time in asterisk code Used on 29 JUL1895 Code: FC*P Price H £25

3VOD Time in full Used from 22 APR1897 to 20 NOV1903 Times: 1045AM 545PM 930PM 10PM 1030PM Price A £2

927 YARMOUTH

Head Post Office 1844 to? Branch Office to Company Franchised Post Office in 2008.

Yarmouth was allocated number 927 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962 first as Yarmouth 1844 to 1882 and then Great Yarmouth 1887 to 1962.

First cancellation with Great Yarmouth in cds issued JUN1883.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- G55 Gorleston 1844 to present.



1844 APR1844



3HOS AUG1857

1844 Used from 6 MAY1844 to 4 JUL1856 Price C £4

1844 In green Used on 12 JUL1855

3HOS Used on 19 JUL1875 Price H£15



3VOS MAY1873



3VOS OCT1875

3VOS Used from 1 FEB1877 to 28 AUG1891 Price G £50



SDWYS II Used from 19 DEC1856 to 9 OCT1859 A B Binv C Price C £12 **SDWYS II in blue** Used from 19 DEC1856 to 21 JAN 1857



3CD JUN1858



3CD FEB1862

3CD Used from 16 AUG1858 to 20 AUG1869 Codes: A B C D E Price A £3



4VOD AUG1868



4VOD FEB1871

4VOD Used from 19 SEP 1868 to 20 MAR 1880 Codes: A B C D E F G H Price A £3





3VODB JUN1883

3VODA (Yarmouth Norfolk) Used from 13 AUG1880 to 27 DEC1882 Codes: E F G I J Price F £20

3VODB (Great Yarmouth) Time in code Used from 4 AUG1883 to 29 APR1895 Codes: A B C F G H I J K L M N Price A £2

3VODB (Great Yarmouth) Time in full Used from 27 NOV1895 to 5 NOV1898

Times: 445AM 6AM 945AM 10AM 1015AM 1130AM 1230PM 115PM 330PM 715PM 730PM

8PM Price B £2

3VOD2 (2 cut in basal bars) Used from 29 OCT1896 to 3 JAN1898 Times: 115PM 5PM 730PM 8PM 1230PM Price F £12

NORFOLK 933-935

933 HILBOROUGH

Sub Office of Brandon 1844 to 1878, Railway Sub Office 1878 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1920, Sub Office of Brandon 1920 to 1938, Sub Office of Thetford 1938 to 2001, closed 2001.

933 3VOD was issued in 1878 when Hilborough became a RSO.

Hilborough was allocated number 933 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number 933 was previously allocated to Green Hammerton

(Yorks) 1844 to 1857 and later to Wilmslow (Ches) 1924 to 1962.

3VOD No dated copies recorded Price H* £100 (Price if found on dated cover)

Mail from Hilborough was cancelled at Stoke Ferry



3VOD JUN1878

934 MUNDFORD

Sub Office of Brandon 1844 to 1878, Railway Sub Office 1878 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1920, Sub Office of Brandon 1920 to 1938, Sub Office of Thetford 1938 to present.

934 3VOD was issued in 1878 when Mundford became a RSO.

Mundford was allocated number 934 in the lists from 1882 to 1924.

Number 934 was previously allocated to Helmsley (Yorks) 1844 to 1857 and later to Pontardulais (Glam) 1935 to 1959.

3VOD Used from 4 APR1879 to 13 OCT1916 Codes: A B Price A £10 on cover, £3 on ppc



3VOD JUN1878

935 CASTLE ACRE

Swaffham.

Sub Office of Swaffham 1844 to 1861, Sub Office of Brandon 1861 to 1878, Sub Office of Swaffham 1878 to 1920, Sub Office of Kings Lynn 1920 to present.

935 3VOS was issued in 1878 when Castle Acre became a Sub Office of

Castle Acre was allocated number 935 in the lists from 1882 to 1906. Number 935 was previously allocated to Kirby Moorside (Yorks) 1844 to 1857 and later to Ivor (Bucks) 1924 to 1962

3VOS Used from 6 JAN1879 to 9 OCT1885 Price H £100++

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3VOS JUN1878

NORFOLK 940-G64

940 LITCHAM

Sub Office of Swaffham 1844 to 1920, Sub Office of Kings Lynn 1920 to present.

Litcham was allocated number 940 in the lists from 1882 to 1906.

Number 940 was previously allocated to Alne (Yorks) 1845 to 1857 and later to Prestwich (Ches) 1929 to 1962

3VOS Used on 15 JAN1879 Price H£100++



988 New Walsingham

New Walsingham was allocated number 289 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and 988 from 1959 to 1962.

999 Sheringham

Sheringham was allocated number K99 in the lists from 1906 to 1924 and 999 from 1928 to 1962.

G55 GORLESTON

Sub Office of Yarmouth 1844 to present, Town Sub Office from 1889. Gorleston was allocated number G55 in the lists from 1882 to 1902.

3VOS Used on 19 AUG1885 Price H£100++



3VOS OC-T1882

G63 SNETTISHAM

Sub Office of Lynn 1844 to present

Snettisham was allocated number G63 in the lists from 1887 to 1906.

3VOS Used from 10 AUG1891 to 28 AUG1912 Price F £60 on cover, £30 on ppc



FEB1883

G64 BURNHAM MARKET

Sub Office of Lynn 1844 to present.

Renamed Burnham Market in 1889

Burnham was allocated number 489 in the lists from 1844 to 1857 and G64 from 1887 to 1906.

3VOS Used from 4 JUN1896 to 25 SEP1905 Price D £30 19th C. £15 20th C.



3VOS FEB1883

NORFOLK K99

K99 SHERINGHAM

No numeral cancellation recorded.

Sheringham was allocated number K99 in the lists from 1906 to 1924 and 999 from 1928 to 1962.