



POST OFFICE

AIR MAIL

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

For
Europe
see
page
6

Countries Outside Europe

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

Air Letters: Air Letter forms, postage 9d., may be sent to all countries. Enclosures are not permitted. You may get the special forms at post offices or use privately-manufactured forms which bear a statement that they have been approved by the Post Office, with the approval number. Unapproved forms will be treated as ordinary air mail letters.

Printed Papers, Samples, Small Packets, Phonopost Packets and newspapers may be sent by air. Not all countries accept Small Packets and Phonopost Packets. (See Post Office Guide.)

You must write the service you intend below the air mail label. Rates on pages 2-5. Minimum for Small Packets, 1s. 6d.

The special rates for newspapers apply only to publications registered as newspapers at the P.O. Write "Newspapers" below the air mail label.

These classes of mail **must not** contain anything in the nature of a current letter. **THEY MUST BE SENT IN "OPEN" COVERS OR BE MADE UP IN SUCH A WAY AS TO ENABLE EASY EXAMINATION WITHOUT THE NEED TO BREAK ANY SEALS.**

Correct Postage Essential: Please make sure that the correct postage is paid; underpaid air mail items may be sent by surface route and suffer delay.

Insured Letters and Boxes may be sent by air mail to many countries (see pages 2-5). Normal insurance fees are payable besides the air postage rate; (the Printed Paper rate applies for Insured Boxes). Minimum charge for Insured Boxes: 2s. 11d. plus the insurance fee.

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

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

The **posting times** in this leaflet apply to the posting boxes in the front of London Chief Office, King Edward Building, King Edward Street, E.C.1. **Note:** For mail to be weighed and rated, the counter at King Edward Building is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday to Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. At Trafalgar Square Branch Office, which is open always, mail can be weighed and rated at any time. Overnight and on Saturday evening and Sunday, the posting times in this leaflet also apply to Trafalgar Square B.O.

Ask at your Head or your Branch Post Office for local posting times. They are generally earlier than London Chief Office times. Glasgow and Manchester have some local posting times for North America.

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

H.M. Forces: Special air mail rates—particulars in leaflet (PL285) obtainable at post offices—apply to correspondence for H.M. Forces. Air parcels may be sent to the Royal Navy, the Royal Air Force and the Army but there are no concessionary postage rates for these items. Generally, civilian postage rates apply, except to H.M. Ships in foreign waters, for which there are different rates. For rates to all types of authorised Forces addresses, see the Post Office Guide or ask at a post office.

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

Times of posting at the boxes in the front of King Edward Building, King Edward Street, E.C.1 and approximate times of transit (see also page 1).

| Letters L Boxes H Parcels P | Letters per 4-oz. or part thereof | | Post-cards | Printed papers, Samplers, small packets per 4-oz. (newspapers/rairs in brackets) | | Phono- post per 4-oz. or part thereof | Air Parcels per 4-lb. or part thereof | To | Not applicable to Air Parcels | | | | | | | Days | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----|------------|--|-----|--|--|----|---|---|----------|----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|------|
| | s. | d. | | d. | d. | | | | d. | s. | d. | Sun. | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | | Thurs. | Fri. | Sat. |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 6 | 0 | DAHOMY | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 3-5 | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 7 | 0 | | DOMINICA | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | | 6.0 am | 2-3 |
| L.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 7 | 0 | DOMINICAN REP. | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 2-3 | | |
| | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 5 | 0 | | DUBAI | 3.30 am | 7.30 am | 6.0 am | 11.30 am | 6.0 am | 7.30 am | | 6.0 am | 1 |
| P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 8 | 6 | ECUADOR | 3.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 1-2 | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 8 | 7 | | 0 | EGYPT | See Uni- ted Arab Republic | | | | | | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 6 | 0 | | EL SALVADOR | 3.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | | 7.30 am | 2-5 |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 6 | 0 | | EQUATORIAL GUINEA | 3.30 am | 7.30 am | 11.0 am | 9.0 am | 7.30 am | 11.0 am | | 12.15 pm | 2-3 |
| | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 6 | 0 | | ETHIOPIA | 3.30 am | 7.30 am | 11.0 am | 9.0 am | 7.30 am | 11.0 am | | 4.30 pm | 1-2 |
| L.B.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8* | 8 | 6 | FALKLAND ISLANDS inc. Dependencies | (By sea from Montevideo) | | | | | | | Variable 2 | | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 9 | 10 | 8 | (5) | 9 | 12 | 0 | FIJI | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 7.30 am | 6.0 am | 7.30 am | 6.0 am | | | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 9 | 6 | 6 | FRENCH GUIANA | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 4-6 3-9 | | |
| | 1 | 9 | 10 | 8 | (5) | | 13 | 0 | FRENCH POLYNESIA | As for Fiji | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 7 | 6 | 0 | FRENCH TERRITORY OF THE AFARS & ISSAS (formerly French Somali Coast) | 3.30 am | | 1.15 pm | 1.15 pm | 4.30 pm | 10.0 am | | 1-2 | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 6 | 0 | FRENCH WEST INDIES | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | | 2-4 | |
| P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 5 | 6 | GABON | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 2-5 | | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 5 | 0 | GAMBIA | 6.0 pm | 9.0 am | 6.0 pm | 7.30 am | 7.0 pm | | 1-2 | | | |
| L.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 9 | 13 | 0 | GHANA | 6.0 pm | 7.0 pm | 7.30 am | 4.30 pm | 7.0 pm | 7.0 pm | 7.0 pm | 1-2 | | |
| | 1 | 9 | 10 | 8 | (5) | | 13 | 0 | GILBERT & ELLICE IS. | As for Fiji | | | | | | | | | |
| P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 5 | 0 | GREENLAND | As for Denmark (see page 6) | | | | | | | 1-3 | | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 7 | 7 | 0 | GRENADA | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | | 6.0 am | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 7 | 6 | GUATEMALA | 3.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 2-4 | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 5 | 0 | GUINEA | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 6.0 pm | | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 7 | 0 | GUYANA† | 3.30 am | | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | | 1-2 | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 7 | 0 | HAITI | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 2-3 | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 7 | 0 | HONDURAS (Rep. of) | 3.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 8 | 8 | 6 | HONG KONG | 3.30 am | 12.15 pm | 7.30 am | 12.15 pm | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | | 11.30 am | 1-2 |
| L.B.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 7 | 0 | INDIA | 12.30 pm | 12.15 pm | 7.30 am | 9.0 am | 2.0 pm | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 1-2 | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 9 | 6 | INDONESIA | 3.30 am | 12.15 pm | 12.15 pm | 12.15 pm | 6.0 am | 12.15 pm | 12.15 pm | | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 9 | 6 | IRAN Persia | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | | | |
| | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 7 | 4 | 6 | IRAQ | 12.30 pm | 6.0 am | 7.30 am | 12.15 pm | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | | 6.0 am | |
| | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 7 | 5 | 0 | ISRAEL | 12.30 pm | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 11.0 am | 7.30 am | | 11.0 am | |
| | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 7 | 4 | 6 | IVORY COAST | 6.0 pm | 7.0 pm | | 7.30 am | 7.0 pm | 2.0 pm | | 12.15 pm | |
| L.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 6 | 6 | JAMAICA | 3.30 am | 9.0 am | 9.0 am | 9.0 am | 9.0 am | 9.0 am | 9.0 am | 1-2 | | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 9 | 10 | 8 | (5) | | 9 | 9 | 6 | JAPAN | 3.30 am | 10.0 am | 6.0 am | 7.30 am | 6.0 am | 10.0 am | | 7.30 am | |
| L.P | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 7 | 4 | 0 | JORDAN | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 7.30 am | 9.0 am | 7.30 am | 12.15 pm | | 7.30 am | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 6 | 0 | KENYA | 12.30 pm | 4.30 pm | 11.30 am | 6.0 pm | 4.30 pm | 11.30 am | 4.30 pm | 1-2 | | |
| P | 1 | 9 | 10 | 8 | (5) | | 10 | 0 | KOREA, North | As for China, Peking | | | | | | | | | |
| L.B.P | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | 7 | 5 | 0 | KOREA, South | 3.30 am | 10.0 am | 6.0 am | 7.30 am | 6.0 am | 10.0 am | 7.30 am | 2-3 | | |
| P | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | 7 | 5 | 0 | KUWAIT | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 7.30 am | 6.0 am | | 1 | |
| P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 8 | 0 | LAOS | | 7.30 am | | 12.15 pm | | 7.30 am | 7.30 am | 2 | | |
| | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 7 | 4 | 0 | LEBANON | 3.30 am | 12.15 pm | 7.30 am | 9.0 am | 7.30 am | 12.15 pm | | 7.30 am | |
| P | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | 8 | 7 | 6 | LESOTHO | 12.30 pm | 4.30 pm | 11.30 am | 4.30 pm | 4.30 pm | 11.30 am | 4.30 pm | 1-2 | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 5 | 6 | LIBERIA | 6.0 pm | 7.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 4.30 pm | 7.0 pm | 7.30 am | 12.15 pm | | | |
| | 1 | 6 | 9 | 7 | (4) | | 4 | 0 | LIBYAN ARAB REPUB. | 6.0 pm | 7.0 pm | 6.0 pm | 4.30 pm | 7.0 pm | 7.30 am | 12.15 pm | | | |
| | 1 | 0 | 6 | 6 | (3) | | 4 | 0 | † Benghazi and Cyrenaica Tripoli and remainder | 3.30 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | 6.0 am | | | |

§ Insurance (except to Ryukyu Islands).
† Times of posting changed since previous issue.

* Except Falkland Islands Dependencies.

‡ Formerly British Guiana

Europe

Letter Mail: For Europe there is no special charge for air conveyance and no special need for air mail marking. Letters, letter packets and postcards are sent by air whenever this will give earlier delivery.

Other Classes of Mail: There is no air mail service to Europe for other classes of mail. If you want the quickest possible delivery for Printed Papers, Phonopost Packets, Samples and Small Packets you should pay the letter rate or, where appropriate, the postcard rate. Literature for the Blind is sent by air free of postage up to 2 lb.

Newspapers registered at the P.O. Rates: First ounce 6d.; each additional ounce 4d. (Gibraltar or Malta: First ounce 5d.; each additional ounce 2d.)

Letter Mail Rates: First oz. 9d.; each additional oz. 5d.; Postcards 5d. **But to Gibraltar or Malta:** First oz. 5d.; each additional oz. 2d.; Postcards 5d.

The items will be sent by air whenever this will give earlier delivery. The covers or wrappers should be marked "Newspaper All-Up Service". Air mail labels need not be used.

Post as early as possible in the day. At London Chief Office, King Edward Street, E.C.1, and Trafalgar Square Branch Office, W.C.2, the latest time of posting (Monday to Friday) for the night despatch to the nearer European countries is 9.30 p.m.

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

H.M. Forces: See the front page.

Air Parcel Rates:

| To | Each | | To | Each | | To | Each | |
|----------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| | First lb. | additional lb. | | First lb. | additional lb. | | First lb. | additional lb. |
| | s. d. | s. d. | | s. d. | s. d. | | s. d. | s. d. |
| §ALBANIA | 10 0 | 4 0 | GIBRALTAR | 8 0 | 3 6 | POLAND | 10 0 | 3 0 |
| AUSTRIA | 9 0 | 3 0 | GREECE | 10 0 | 5 0 | PORTUGAL | 9 0 | 4 0 |
| BELGIUM | 8 0 | 2 0 | HOLLAND | (See Netherlands) | | ROMANIA | 10 0 | 4 6 |
| §BULGARIA | 9 0 | 5 0 | HUNGARY | 9 0 | 4 0 | SPAIN (inc. Balearic Islands) | 10 0 | 4 0 |
| CORSICA | 9 0 | 3 0 | ICELAND | 10 0 | 4 0 | SWEDEN | 10 0 | 3 0 |
| CZECHOSLOVAKIA | 8 0 | 3 6 | ITALY | 9 0 | 3 6 | SWITZERLAND | 8 0 | 2 6 |
| DENMARK | 8 0 | 2 6 | LUXEMBOURG | 8 0 | 2 0 | TURKEY | 12 0 | 6 0 |
| FINLAND | 9 0 | 5 0 | MALTA | 9 0 | 4 6 | U.S.S.R. (Europe) | 18 0 | 7 0 |
| FRANCE | 9 0 | 3 0 | NETHERLANDS | 8 0 | 2 0 | YUGOSLAVIA | 9 0 | 4 6 |
| GERMANY | 8 0 | 3 0 | NORWAY | 9 0 | 4 0 | | | |

§ These countries do not accept Insured parcels.

† The Insurance Service does not apply to Gift Parcels.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards sent by air mail are payable at the rates of postage shown for Printed Papers, provided that: 1) they are unsealed; 2) they contain not more than five words of conventional greeting (in addition to any printed message).

If these conditions are not met, the letter rate must be paid.

NOTE: There is no air mail service to Europe for Printed Papers. (See above)

THE CHRISTMAS GREETINGS AIR LETTER

WILL BE ON SALE AT
ALL POST OFFICES
UNTIL
24th DECEMBER, 1970
PRICE 10d.

P635D. D.588376 1884 11/70 Cr.P.C.