



POSTAGE STAMPS of the CANAL ZONE

ISSUED UNDER UNITED STATES ADMINISTRATION



OVERPRINTS OF 1904

On stamps of Panama



Map



Map



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The first issue of Canal Zone postage stamps was prepared by overprinting stamps of Panama with "Canal Zone", using a hand-stamp. These same stamps had previously been overprinted, "PANAMA" on stamps of Colombia, so that each stamp actually shows two overprintings.

On stamps of the United States



Benjamin Franklin



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



Martha Washington



Daniel Webster

The stamps of the second series are overprinted on United States stamps of the regular issue of 1902-1903 with the exception of the Washington 2-cent shield of 1903. They were placed on sale July 18, 1904 and removed from sale December 11, 1904.



Map

OVERPRINTS OF 1904-06



Map

Pursuant to the Taft Agreement the Canal Zone again commenced using Panama overprints on December 12, 1904.





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Type Face Varieties





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POSTAGE DUE STAMPS

1914



Prior to 1914 there were no postage due stamps in either the Panama or Canal Zone's postal systems. Postmasters or postal clerks merely ascertained the amount due, affixed ordinary stamps when the mail was claimed and paid for, cancelled the stamps and delivered the letter. This first issue was overprinted on United States postage dues of the 1910-1912 issue.

1915

Stamps of Panama overprinted



Columbus Statue



San Geronimo Castle Gate



Pedro J. Sosa

Although Panama had no postage due stamps to this date, the use of United States Postage Due stamps overprinted "CANAL ZONE" was the cause of an exchange of letters between Canal Zone and Panama authorities. Panama claimed a contravention of the Taft Agreement. This new series of postage due stamps was the result.

With additional surcharge in red



Columbus Statue



San Geronimo Castle Gate



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OVERPRINTS OF 1915



Map of Panama Canal

Blue
Overprint



Balboa and Pacific Ocean



Gatun Locks

In 1914, by Presidential decree, Panama issued a set of stamps marking the opening of the Panama National Exposition which was to take place in 1915. The Canal cooperated by having these stamps overprinted for use in the Canal Zone. Prepared by the American Bank Note Company, they are noted for their historical engravings and beauty of color and design.



Culebra Cut

OVERPRINTS OF 1915-20

Overprint in Black, Reading Up



Vasco Nunez de Balboa



Francisco Hernandez de Cordoba



Justo Arosemena

OVERPRINTS OF 1917

Blue Overprint



S. S. "Panama" in Culebra Cut



S. S. "Panama" in Culebra Cut



S.S. "Cristobal" in Gatun Locks

About a year later the need arose for higher denomination stamps in the Zone and the Director of Posts requested Panama stamps in the denominations of 12c, 15c, and 24c. Official Panama Canal pictures were furnished Panama as subjects for the stamps. The stamps went on sale in all Canal Zone post offices January 1917.



American Philatelic Society

Expert Committee Report

Members of the American Philatelic Expertizing Service have examined the item submitted and it is their opinion that it is:

Canal Zone, Scott No. 48, unused, original gum, previously hinged, genuine, thin spot.



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OVERPRINTS OF 1920

Black Overprint



Drydock at Balboa

Fifty-cent and dollar denomination stamps were requested of the Panama Government on November 29, 1919, and again official photographs were furnished which were relayed to the American Bank Note Company. They were received, overprinted, and put on sale by the Canal Zone on September 4, 1920.



Ship in Pedro Miguel Locks

OVERPRINTS OF 1921



Jose Vallarino



Bolivar's Tribute



The "Land Gate"



Municipal Bldg. in 1821 & 1921



Statue of Balboa



Tomas Herrera



Jose de Fabrega

Like all her Latin American neighbors, Panama, in 1921, celebrated the centenary of her independence from Spain by issuing a set of postal stamps. Here, again, the Canal Zone postal service joined in the celebration by overprinting these stamps for use in the CANAL ZONE. The overprinting was by the American Bank Note Company.

OVERPRINTS OF 1924

Black Overprint



Jose Vallarino

There is a variation in the overprint on this stamp differing from the last one-cent stamp shown in the last series. This stamp was overprinted locally, at the Panama Canal Press, Mount Hope, Canal Zone.

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Members of the American Philatelic Expertizing Service have examined the item submitted and it is their opinion that it is:

Canal Zone, Scott No. 60b, selvage tab missing, unused, tropical original gum, genuine.



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Canal Zone, Scott No. 67, unused, original gum, previously hinged, genuine, toned.



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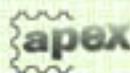
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OVERPRINTS OF 1924-25



Nathan Hale



Benjamin Franklin



Warren G. Harding



George Washington

Letters "A" with Flat Tops



Theodore Roosevelt



James Monroe



Grover Cleveland



American Indian



Statue of Liberty



Bison



Arlington Amphitheater



Lincoln Memorial

A recommendation to Congress was made by President Warren G. Harding in September 1922, that the Taft Convention be abrogated. The date set was June 1, 1924, and President Calvin Coolidge subsequently issued an executive order proclaiming its effect as of that date. Once more, stamps of the United States were called into service and overprinted. The flat plate perforation 11 stamps of the 1922 regular issue series were used as shown above. Overprinting was in red or black with letters "A" in Canal Zone bearing flat tops.

OVERPRINTS OF 1925-26

Letters "A" with Sharp Pointed Tops



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



Theodore Roosevelt



James Monroe



Grover Cleveland



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OVERPRINTS OF 1925-26



American Indian



Woodrow Wilson



Statue of Liberty



Golden Gate



Bison



Arlington Amphitheater



Lincoln Memorial

LIBERTY

1926



Liberty Bell

A two cent stamp featuring the Liberty Bell and issued for the 150th anniversary of American Independence celebrated at the Sesquicentennial Exposition at Philadelphia, 1926.

OVERPRINTS OF 1927

Rotary Press Printing—Perforation 10



George Washington



Abraham Lincoln



James Monroe



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of the

CANAL ZONE POSTAGE

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CANAL ZONE POSTAGE
AIR MAIL
FIRST ISSUE
10
5

CANAL ZONE POSTAGE
AIR MAIL
15

CANAL ZONE POSTAGE
AIR MAIL
STAGE
25

CANAL ZONE POSTAGE
AIR MAIL
30

CANAL ZONE POSTAGE
AIR MAIL
FIRST ISSUE
10

CORREO AEREO *per* 8
VIA AIR MAIL

VIA AIR MAIL

79
3

REGISTERED
No. 726

Second Notice. No reply **AUG 17 1939**
to First Notice in For **AUG 14 1939**
FIRST NOTICE

Mr. E. O. Goldbeck
New York to Marseilles to
Amsterdam - Hong Kong to
San Francisco to
San Diego, California
San Antonio, Texas, U. S. A.

Hold 8/12/39
Not Registered
Indefinite 3107
W. G. G. G.

ROUND-THE-WORLD-BY-AIRMAIL

RETURN TO SENDER



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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

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