

£1 Cahir Castle Brown and Grey



15 Dec 1982 – CCP1 G1 Block 1A1A



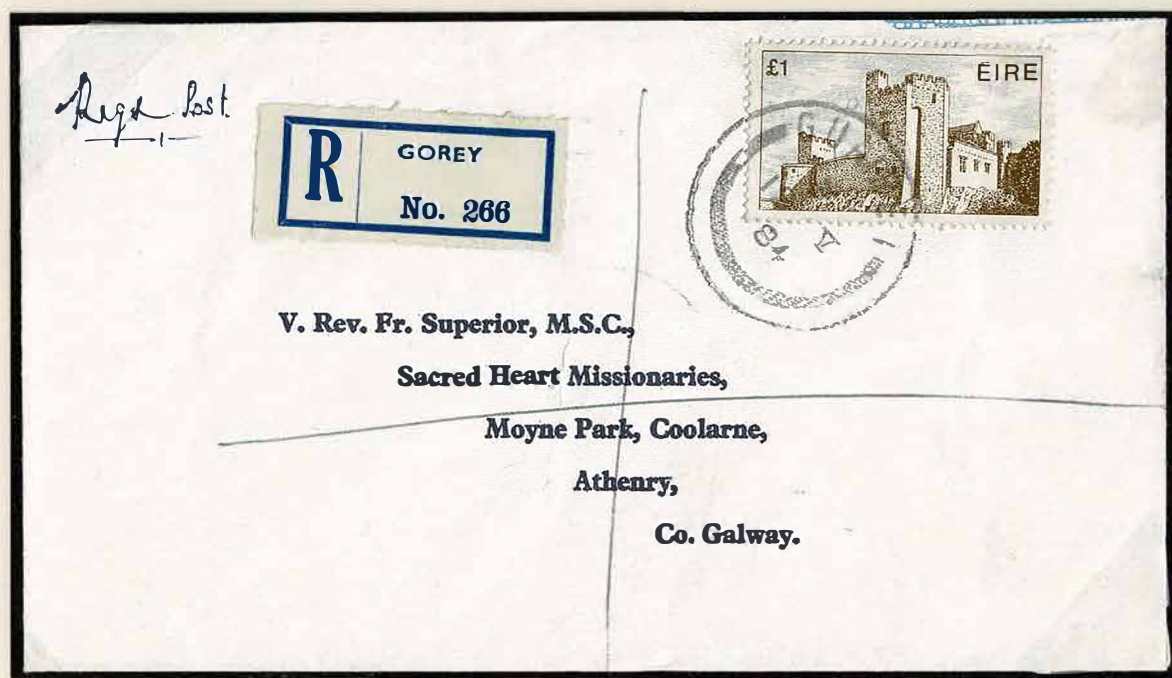
15 Dec 1982 – CCP1 G1 Block 1B1B



Sept 1984 – CCP3 G3 Block 1A1A



Sept 1984 – CCP3 G3 Block 1B1B



12 May 1984 – Registered letter from Gorey, Co Wexford to Co. Galway

£1p. Inland letter rate from 1 April 1982 to 24 February 1985: 26p
+ registration rate, same period: 70p, totalling 96p, 4p overpaid.

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Clay Coated Paper Type 2 was only used for one printing in the series: £1 sheets (CCP2 G3 1A1A and CCP2 G3 1B1B)

Oct 1983 – CCP2 G3 Block 1A1A



Oct 1983 – CCP2 G3 Block 1B1B



1982 Cahir Castle £1 on CCP3, bottom left corner block of 15

Almost complete **dry-print of brown** affecting four stamps in the centre and three stamps on the top row, leaving only a hint of parts of the Castle. As the four stamps affected show a very faint "ghosting" of the brown print, it must be assumed that some drops of an ink-repelling fell on the cylinder during rotation. The right-hand side of the block is unknown. **This block is unique.**

£1 Cahir Castle Brown and Grey - Forgery

The printing of the £1 Cahir Castle brown and grey stamp was short lived and was withdrawn without advance notice, on 14 November 1984. The forgeries of the £1 stamps were not used for postal services but were used as stamps in telephone account and television licence savings schemes in the stamp saving books.

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If you have a savings stamps book containing £1 or 50p postage or savings stamps, please bring it to any Post Office before 1st December. It will cease to have any value after that date.

The Post Office will give you an acknowledgment and send your saving stamps book for inspection. The full value of your stamps will be refunded to you directly by post within two weeks, provided the stamps are valid.

Stamps are no longer being accepted as payment of telephone accounts or television licences. Please use the Post Office Savings Bank deposit book service if you wish to save for these payments.

We are suspending telephone account and television licence savings stamp schemes because forged stamps have been used in savings books.

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Issued stamp.



Forgery stamp 1st printing

Stuck down to part of savings book. All known savings books were destroyed after return to the Post Office

Line perforation 12 x 12, issued stamp 14 x 14 $\frac{3}{4}$



Forgery stamp 2nd printing.

Line perforation 15 x 15, issued stamp 14 x 14 $\frac{3}{4}$

Scan of Newspaper Notice – Nov 1984

'We are suspending telephone account and television licence savings stamp schemes because forged stamps have been used in savings books'



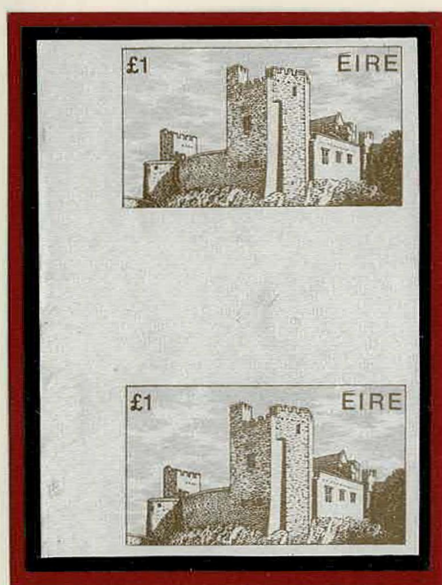
Imperforated left top corner forgery block from one of the two known uncut proof sheets.

£1 Cahir Castle Brown and Grey - **Forgery**

The £1 Cahir Castle brown and grey stamp was eventually replaced by the £1 Killarney Cathedral blue and grey stamp on 27 June 1985. Initial printing of the forgery was line perf. 12 x 12 as compared to the comb perf. 14 x 14 on the genuine stamp. Paper colours do not match. The foot of the '1' of the '£1' is uneven on the forgery whereas it has a neat square appearance on the genuine stamp.



1982 Cahir Castle £1 **Postal Forgery** complete sheet of 20. Colour variations can be observed throughout.



Imperforated 'T' shaped gutter pair
from one of the two known uncut proof sheets.

The issued large size stamps did not have a gutter.



Comb perforation of the original



Mis-aligned line perforation of the forgery

£1 Killarney Cathedral Blue and Grey



27 Jun 1985 – CCP3 G3 Block 1A1A



27 Jun 1985 – CCP3 G3 Block 1B1B



Jan 1988 – CCP1 G4 Block 2A1A



Jan 1988 – CCP1 G4 Block 2B1B

£1 Killarney Cathedral Blue and Grey



Aug 1987 – CCP3 G4 Block 1A1A



Dec 1988 – CCP3 G4 Block 2A1A



Dec 1988 – CCP3 G4 Block 2B1B



11 February 1987 – Registered aerogramme from Killarney to England.

£1 + 1p + 22p = £1.23. Not changed at airletter rate of 40p, but at inland letter rate (incl G. B) from 3 March 1986 to 1 January 1990: 28p + registration rate, same period: 95p, totalling £1.23p

£2 Casino, Marino Dull Olive and Grey



26 July 1988 – CCP3 G4 Block 1A1A



26 July 1988 – CCP3 G4 Corner blocks, IRISH SECURITY STAMP PRINTING LIMITED
imprint block and Plate Block 1B1B.

£2 Casino, Marino Dull Olive and Grey



2 December 1990 – Registered book package parcel cover, within Co. Tipperary

£2 + £1 + 30p + 5P = £3.35. Inland parcel rate for books (incl GB) from 1 January 1990 to 1 April 1991
for 3rd weight step (4kg): £2.35 + registration fee, same period: £1, totalling £3.35p.

£5 Busáras Maroon and Grey



15 Dec 1982 – CCP1 G1 (same as G3)
Block 1A1A



15 Dec 1982 – CCP1 G1 (same as G3)
Block 1B1B



Aug 1987 – CCP3 G4 Block 2A1A



Aug 1987 – CCP3 G4 Block 2B1B

£5 CCP3 P2 Plate 2A1A & 2B1B are the third rarest of the series

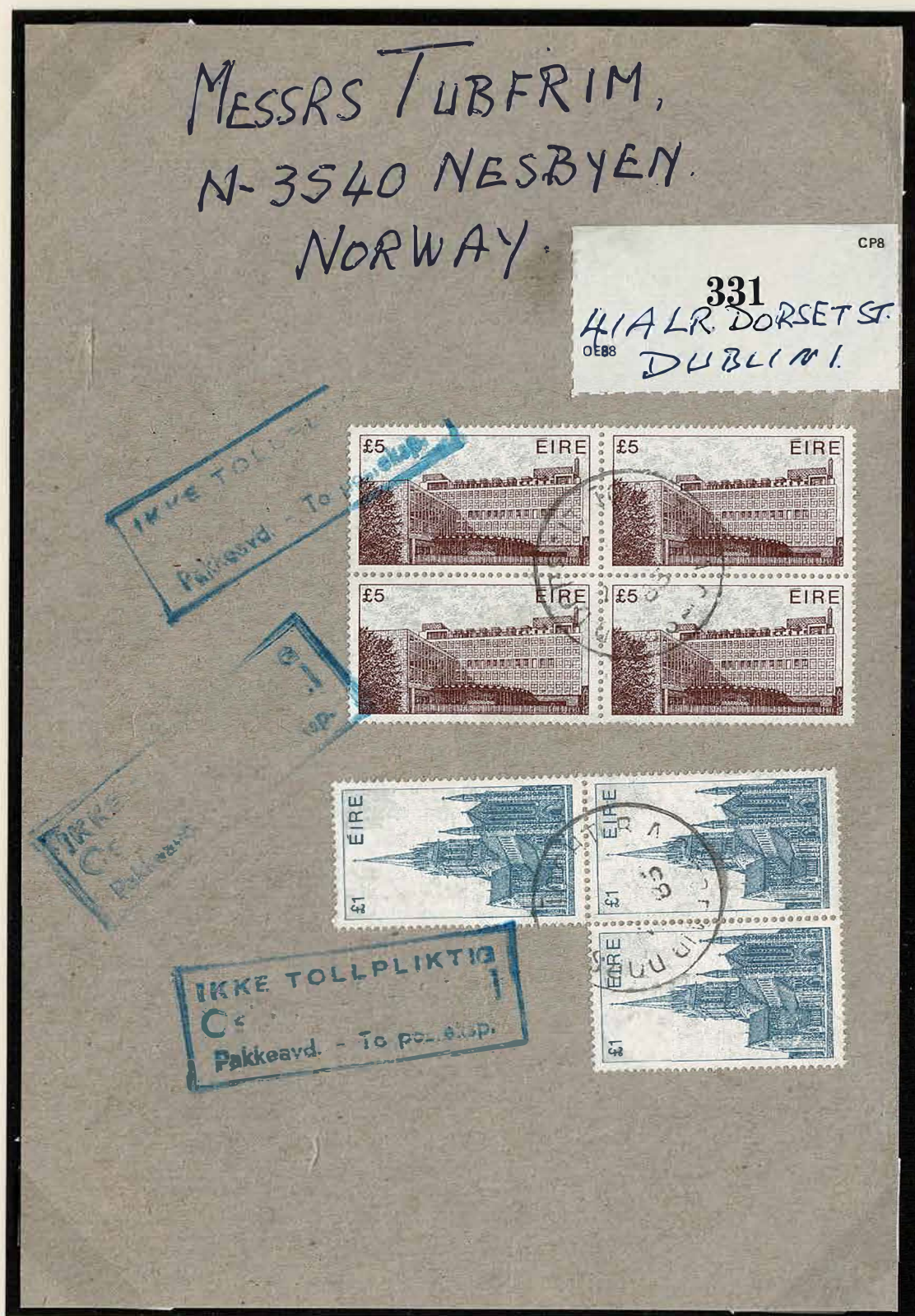


Jan 1988 – CCP3 G4 Block 2A1A



Jan 1988 – CCP3 G4 Block 2B1B

£5 Busáras Maroon and Grey



1985 – Parcel cover from Dublin to Norway

£5 x 4 + £1 x 3 = £23. Foreign parcel rate to Europe from 25 February 1985 to 2 March 1986 for 6th weight step (20kg to 25kg): £23.00

Booklet 1

From 1983 to 1990 AN POST issued six booklets of the Architecture series for vending machines that were also available at post office counters. The booklets, produced in the Swedish style, contain one pane each with partially perforated stamps.

The first Post Office vending machine booklet for the series was released on 15 August 1983. The cover features a drawing of the Four Courts, Dublin also by Michael Craig.



Booklet wrapper
band for 10 booklets



Booklet 1 – Numbered in boxed text 1 to 40 on left side of centre fold.

Booklet 1 contains 22p x 4 and 4p x 4 stamps, with a chevroned blank, totalling £1. Booklet 1, with stamps printed on CCP1 paper, had serial numbers 1 to 40, corresponding to their position in the printer's sheet; numbers were printed on the reverse of the cover, not on the pages themselves.



As in all booklets, the outer margins of the panes are imperforate. All perforations are as for sheet issues.

Booklet 1

Pages 1, 11, 21 and 31 have one, two, three or four round dots respectively in maroon colour dots. There are no such dots on the stamp panes of the other booklets. The dots are printed in the same maroon colour of the 4p stamp.



Booklet 1 – Numbers 11, 21 & 31 with 2, 3 and 4 maroon dots respectively.

Booklet 1 – Numbers 2 to 40, excl. 1, 11, 21 & 31 with no maroon dots.



22 July 1985 – Letter from Co. Kerry to Sal Island, Cape Verde

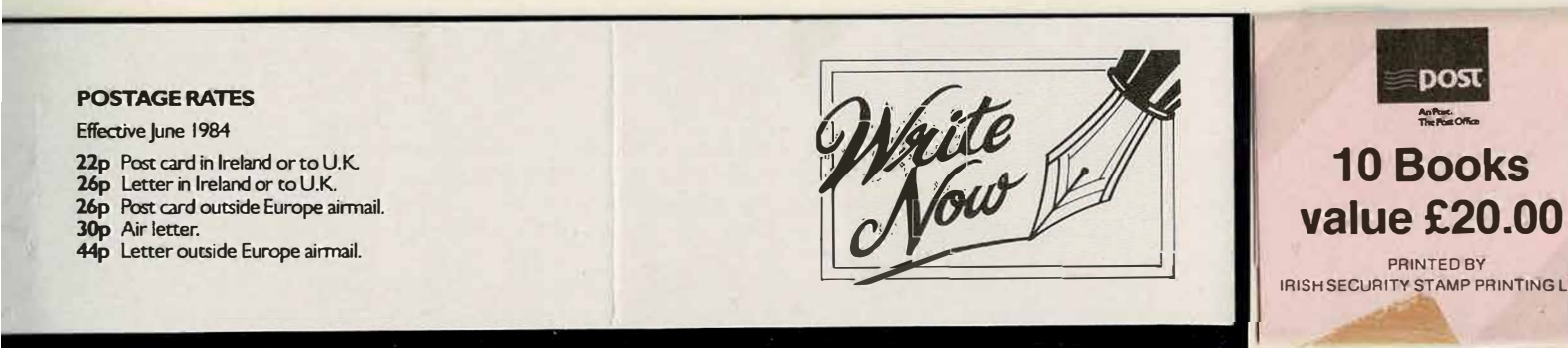
22p x 2 + 4p x 2 (from Booklet 1) = 52p. Foreign printed papers rate for 3rd weight step (30g) from 24 Feb 1985 to 2 Mar 1986

Booklet 2

Booklet 2 was a discount booklet, containing 26p x 4, 22p x 5 and 4p x 3 stamps, totalling £2.26p, but only charged at £2. Printed on CCP3 paper, each stamp shows the words “**Booklet Stamp**” in green colour printed on the reverse over the gum. The green text disappeared when the gum was moistened during usage. Booklets were sold unfolded in packs of ten in a printed pink wrapper.



Booklet 2 – External cover side, advertising the ‘Bonus: one free (26p) stamp’.

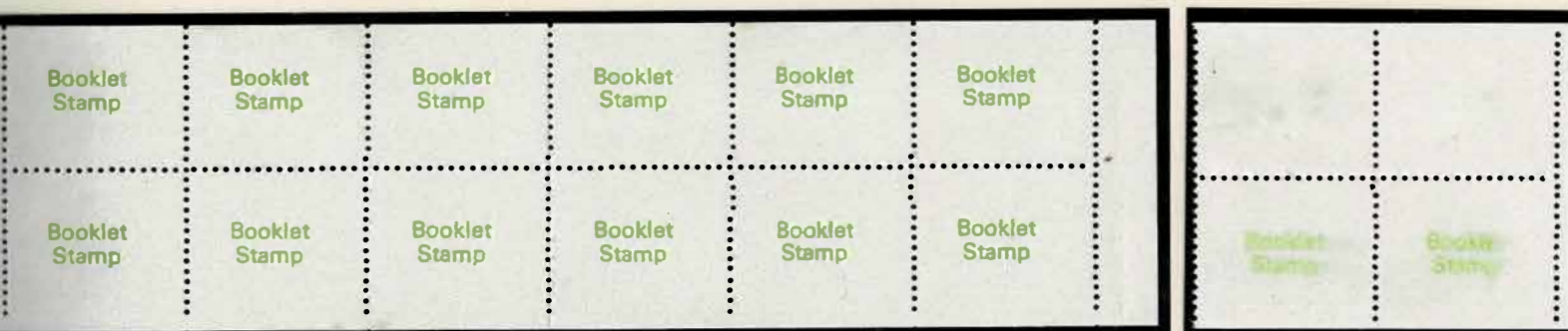


Booklet 2 – Internal side cover, with stamp pane removed. The rates current in June 1984 are noted.

Booklet wrapper band for 10 booklets



Booklet 2 – Pane containing 26p x 4, 22p x 5 and 4p x 3 stamps, with unperforated binding and outer margins.



Booklet 2 – Pane reverse with **Booklet Stamp** printed over the gum.

Moistened part pane, showing the disappearing **Booklet Stamp** text

Booklet 3

Booklet 3 contains 26p x 2, 22p x 2 and 2p x 2 stamps, printed on CPP3 paper, totalling £1.



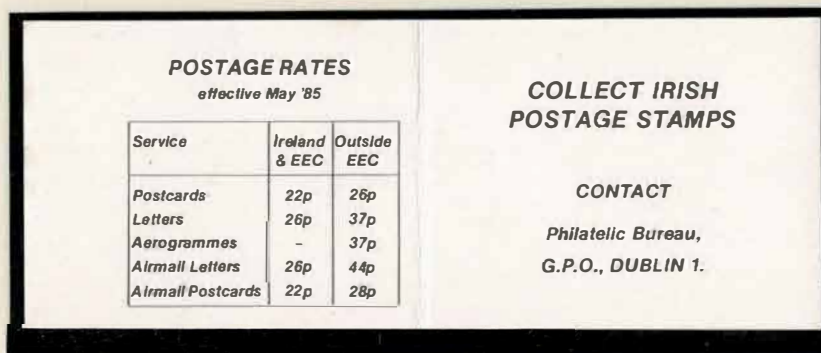
Booklet 3 – External cover side,
with the 'Custom House. Dublin' image printed in dark green.



Unrecorded variety Booklet 3 'Custom House. Dublin' image printed in
light green, with no shade variance in the black *EXPRESS MAIL* logo.



Booklet 3 – External cover with stamp pane folded out, containing 26p x 2, 22p x 2 and 2p x 2 stamps.



Booklet 3 – Internal side cover, with stamp pane removed. The rates current in May 1985.

Booklet 4

The master sheet contained three columns of ten panes each, split in two groups of five. As the perforation started behind the left binding margin of column one and ran through column two and three, all panes of column one, are found unperforated on the left-hand side, whereas columns two and three have all panes perforated on the left. Booklet 4 contains 26p x 4, 22p x 4 and 2p x 4 stamps, printed on CPP3 paper, totalling £2.

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Booklet 4 – External cover side, wrapper band for 10 booklets and internal side cover, with stamp pane removed.

The rates current in May 1985 are noted.



Booklet 4 – Pane Type 4a with perforation thorough left margin.



Booklet 4 – Pane Type 4b with imperforate left margin.

Booklet 5

Booklet 5 contains 28p x 4, 24p x 3, 4p x 3 and 2p x 2 stamps, printed on CPP3 paper, totalling £2.

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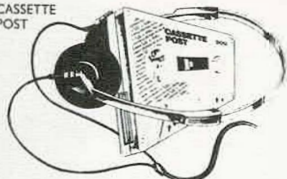


Booklet 5 – External cover side, internal side cover, with rates current in March 1986 and pane with right margin perforated.

Booklet 6

Booklet 6 contains 28p x 5, 24p x 2, 4p x 1 and 2p x 4 stamps, printed on CPP3 paper, totalling £2.

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Booklet 6 – External cover side, internal side cover, with rates current in September 1988 and pane with right margin perforated.