

# FIRST DEFINITIVE ISSUE

## KING GEORGE V

First stamps were placed on sale on 1 September 1913 and was replaced by the London Pictorials of 1926 and 1927

### DESIGN

Head of King George V drawn by MacKenna  
 Printed by Thos. De La Rue & Co. Ltd. of London, England using a recess process  
 Inscribed bilingually

½d Green  
 1 Sept. 1913



1½d  
 Chestnut  
 23 Aug. 1920

1d Rose-red  
 1 Sept. 1913

2d Purple  
 1 Sept. 1913



3d Black &  
 Orange  
 1 Sept. 1913  
 3d Ultramarine  
 4 Oct. 1922

2½d Blue  
 1 Sept. 1913

4d Orange &  
 Sage-green  
 1 Sept. 1913



1/- Orange  
 1 Sept. 1913

6d Black &  
 Violet  
 1 Sept. 1913

1/3 Violet  
 1 Oct. 1920

2/6 Purple &  
 Green  
 1 Sept. 1913



10/- Blue &  
 Olive Green  
 1 Sept. 1913

5/- Purple &  
 Blue  
 1 Sept. 1913

1£ Green &  
 Rose-red  
 July 1916

### DATES OF ISSUE

- ✚ 1£ - July 1916: A value was needed for payment of telegraph and cable tolls
- ✚ 1½d - 23 August 1920: On 10 May 1920, the rate for local letters were increased from 1d to 1½d
- ✚ 1/3 - 1 October 1920: The rate for telegrams was increased from 1/- to 1/3 on 10 May 1920
- ✚ 3d Ultramarine - 4 October 1920: Overseas letter rate increased from 2½d to 3d. The 3d Black and orange stamp was withdrawn and re-issued in blue in order to conform with the Universal Postal Union's colours

### WATERMARK

Single Springbok head

### PERFORATION

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### SHEET LAYOUT

240 Stamps divided into 4 panes of  
 60 stamps of 10 rows by 6 columns