

Commemorative Stamp Issue – “180th Anniversary of Hong Kong Postal Service”



Mint Stamps

A set of commemorative stamps on “180th Anniversary of Hong Kong Postal Service”, with associated philatelic products, will be released for sale on **25 August 2021 (Wednesday)**.

Since the establishment of the first post office in 1841, Hongkong Post has been committed to providing efficient and reliable postal services to the public, earning much recognition across the community. 2021 marks a significant moment of Hong Kong’s postal service on its 180th anniversary. To commemorate this special occasion, a set of six stamps is released to showcase the development of postal service and its evolution in the postal landscape for over a century, the efforts to provide customers with diversified services, and the endeavour to forge ahead into a new era of smart postal services.

Sales Arrangements

Official First Day Covers will be put on sale at **\$2 each at all post offices** from **11 August 2021**. Display of the commemorative stamps and associated philatelic products will be put up from 11 August 2021 at General Post Office, Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Tsuen Wan Post Office, Sha Tin Central Post Office and Tuen Mun Central Post Office. Advance orders for servicing self-provided covers will be accepted at 38 philatelic offices from **11 to 17 August 2021**.

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below:

Products	Unit Selling Price (HKD)	Sales Period (available while stocks last)	Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer on the First Day of Issue and the following day
(A) Products Available at all Post Offices			
First Day Cover	2	11 August to 24 November 2021	No restriction

Products	Unit Selling Price (HKD)	Sales Period (available while stocks last)	Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer on the First Day of Issue and the following day
(A) Products Available at all Post Offices			
Mint Stamps (a set of six denominations)	21.6	25 August to 24 November 2021	2 sheets of each denomination (viz. 50 pieces of each denomination)
Souvenir Sheet (containing a set of mint stamps in six denominations)	21.6		5 sheets
Presentation Pack (containing a set of mint stamps in six denominations)	40		2 packs
(B) Products Available at 38 Philatelic Offices only			
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of mint stamps in six denominations (date-stamped with special postmark)	26.1	25 August to 24 November 2021	2 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a Souvenir Sheet (date-stamped with special postmark)	26.1		2 covers

- Remarks:
- (1) The above philatelic products **are included** in the “2021 Advance Order Service (July to December)”.
 - (2) For overseas and Mainland customers, please ensure that there is sufficient balance in your account to settle the payment of your advance order. Otherwise, your order will be processed only when stock is still available after all orders with payments settled have been fulfilled.
 - (3) The above philatelic products are limited in supply and will be available for sale for three months while stock lasts.
 - (4) All images are for reference only.
 - (5) Stamp products should be kept in cool and dry places and avoid placing them under direct sunlight or in hot environment.
 - (6) The above philatelic products (except First Day Cover) will be put on sale at "ShopThruPost" (shopthrupost.hongkongpost.hk) starting from 8:00 a.m. on 25 August 2021 (Wednesday).

Date-stamping Arrangements

A hand-back date-stamping service with options of the office steel date-stamp or the special postmark will be provided on **25 August 2021** at all post offices for official First Day Cover/privately-made covers bearing the first day of issue indication and a local address. All philatelic offices will also provide choices of “Philatelic Bureau” pictorial postmark and the philatelic office pictorial postmark. The GPO-1 date-stamp impression will only be available at the General Post Office.

Special Arrangements under the Epidemic

For the stamp issue to be launched while the pandemic prevails, Hongkong Post will implement a special sales arrangement to achieve social distancing and prevent crowds. The arrangements for this issue include:

- 1) Pre-ordering of stamp products on the *ShopThruPost* website (shopthrupost.hongkongpost.hk) until 8am of 25 August 2021 or submission of the Advance Order Service Application Form by 24 August 2021;
- 2) Collection points to be set up at all post offices on 25 August 2021 for submission of official First Day Cover/privately-made covers requesting hand-back date-stamping service.

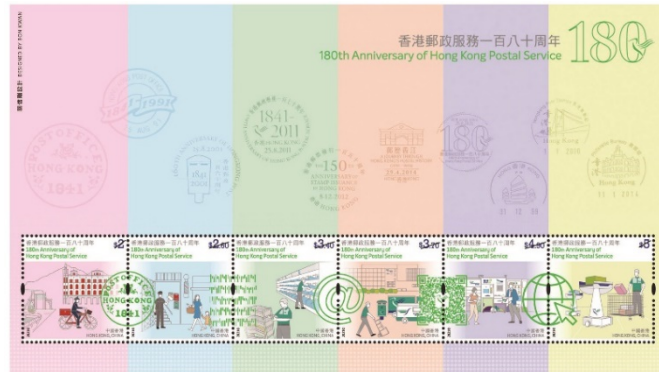
The above arrangements are subject to change in view of the development of the pandemic. For enquiry on the latest updates on the arrangements, please visit the Hongkong Post Stamps website at stamps.hongkongpost.hk, or call the Philatelic Bureau hotline at 2785 5711.

Stamp Data

Design:	Bon KWAN
Printer:	Cartor Security Printing, France
Process:	Lithography
Stamp Size:	35 mm × 35 mm
Stamp Layout:	Stamp Sheet - Pane of 25 stamps
Souvenir Sheet Size:	218 mm × 122 mm
Perforation:	13.75 (one elliptical perforation on each vertical)
Paper:	Paper with security fibres
Date of Issue:	25 August 2021



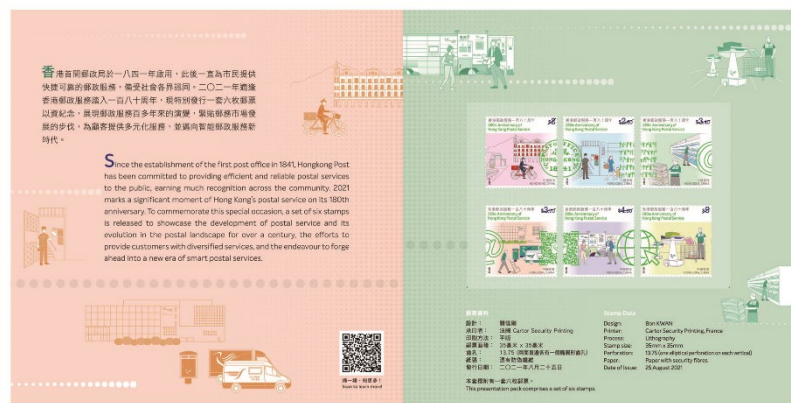
Special Postmark



Souvenir Sheet



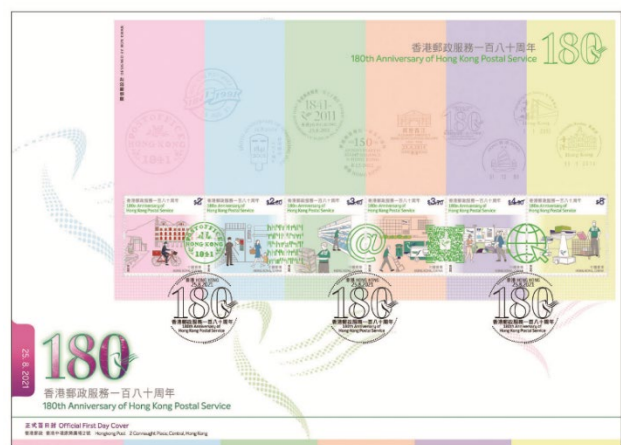
Presentation Pack (Cover)



Presentation Pack (Inside)



Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of mint stamps in six denominations (date-stamped with special postmark)



Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a Souvenir Sheet (date-stamped with special postmark)

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