ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT MAIL

USED IN EUROPE INCLUDING ITALY (INCLUDES BARI, SICILY, NAPLES, VENEZIA GIULIA & TRIESTE), FRANCE AND GERMANY

Note: Not all Entities are Shown in this Display. Some were only in existence for a couple of weeks.

Time Frames in Which Mail was Controlled

- Italy (Primarily in Sicily) 9/7/43 6/20/46
- Naples (Italy) Only in December 1943
- AMG Bari (Italy) Only in January 1944
- France 10/9/44 5/12/45
- Germany 3/19/45 10/31/46
- Austria 6/28/45 3/21/46
- Venezia-Giulia 9/2/1945 9/15/1947
- Trieste A special case 9/15/1947 10/25/1954

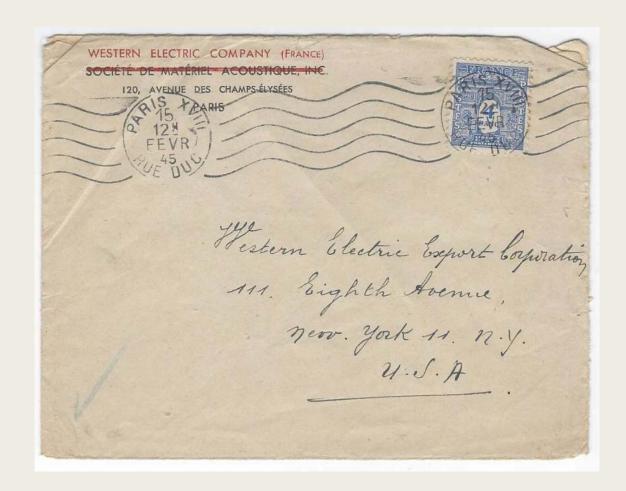
Italy (Sicily) – From Trapani to Partinico, Sicily (About 20 miles)

30 - Centesimi - October 23, 1943



France – 1st Printing – 4 Francs

Note the color for the entire stamp and denomination are the same. This indicates the First Printing. For the second printing, the denomination was printed in black ink. Posted on February 12, 1945.



France – 1st & 2nd Printing

Note BLACK indicia showing value of the Stamp

Rate was 4 Francs until
February 1, 1945, when it was increased to 12 Francs.
Item should have been paid at 12 Francs. Clerk did not catch error.



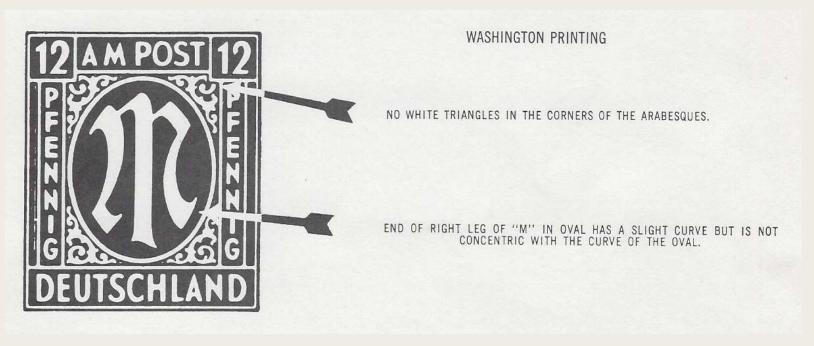
France 1st & 2nd Printing

Paris to New York City - Sent February 12, 1945
Rated 10 Francs including two first printing 4 Francs and one second printing 2 Francs
Rate increase occurred on February 1, 1945



Identifying Printings for Stamps used in Germany

Washington Printing



Identifying Printings for Stamps used in Germany

London Printing

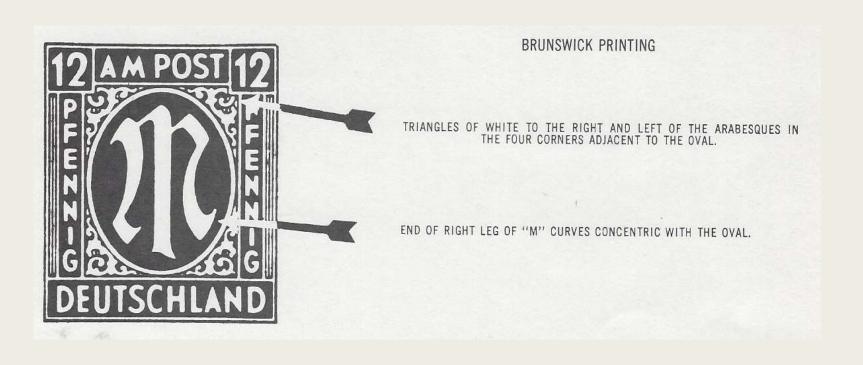
LONDON PRINTING

THIS PRINTING IS THE EASIEST TO DETECT. THE PERFORATIONS ARE MUCH SMALLER AND FINER THAN ON THE OTHER TWO PRINTINGS. THE LONDON PRINTING WAS PRODUCED BY PHOTOGRAVURE AND HAS A DIFFERENT APPEARANCE THAN THE OTHER TWO PRINTINGS, WHICH WERE OFFSET LITHOGRAPHED.



Identifying Printings for Stamps used in Germany

■ Brunswick (Germany) Printing

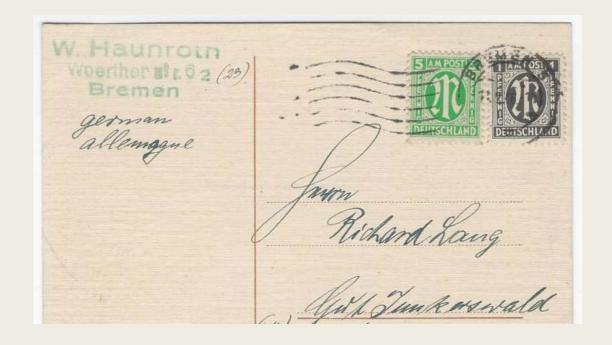


German Postal Rates - Part 1

- From the beginning of the period to February 28, 1945
 - Printed Matter (20-50 grams) 4 pfennigs
 - Printed Matter (50-100 grams) 8 pfennigs
 - Post/Postal Cards 5 pfennigs (Intracity), 6 pfennigs (Intercity)
 - One Page Letters 8 pfennigs (Intracity), 12 pfennigs (Intercity)
 - Post/Postal Cards 15 pfennigs (Foreign rate)
 - Foreign letters 25 pfennigs
 - Registration Fee 30 pfennigs
 - Other rates and services varied but services were limited

German Postal Rates - Part 2

- From March 1, 1945 to the end of the Period
 - Post/Postal Cards 10 pfennigs (Intracity), 12 pfennigs (Intercity)
 - Letters (depending upon weight 16 pfennigs (Intracity), 24 pfennigs (Intercity)
 - Registration Fee 60 pfennigs
 - Foreign Destinations 75 pfennigs
 - Other rates and services varied but services were not as limited as earlier



GERMANY INTERCITY POST/POSTAL CARD PRE-RATE INCREASE (6 PF.)

Both Stamps Brunswick Printing

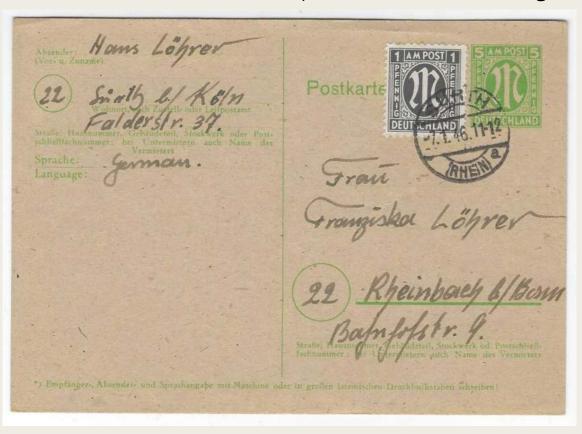
Germany Intercity Post/Postal Card Pre-Rate Increase (6 Pf.)

Posted July 30, 1945 – Overpaid by 2 Pf.



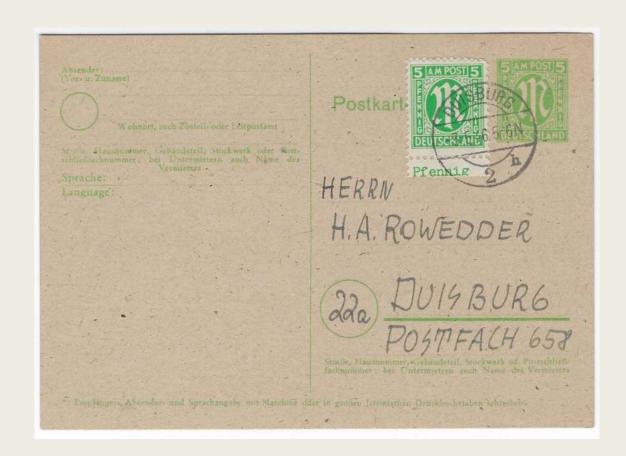
Germany Intercity Post/Postal Card Pre-Rate Increase (6 Pf.)

Postal Card 5 Pf. with 1 Pf. stamp added - Brunswick Printing



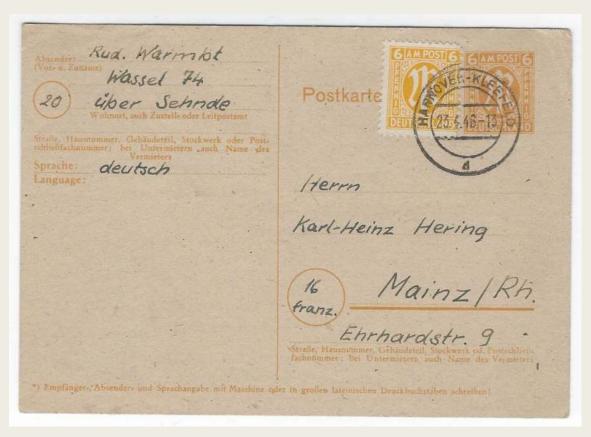
Germany Intracity Post/Postal Card Post-Rate Increase (10 Pf.)

Postal Card used in British Zone with 5 Pf. Stamp printed in Washington



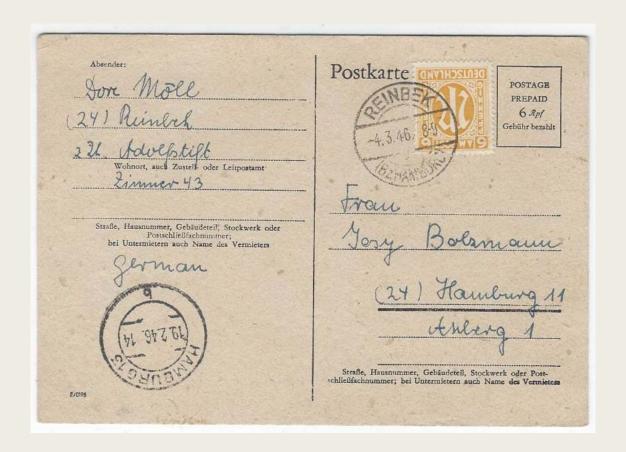
Germany Intercity Post/Postal Card Post-Rate Increase (12 Pf.)

Postal Card 6 Pf. with 6 Pf. stamp printed in London



Germany Intercity Post/Postal Card Post-Rate Increase (12 Pf.)

Posted 4 days after rate increase – Note Postal Card indicia – Stamp added is London printing



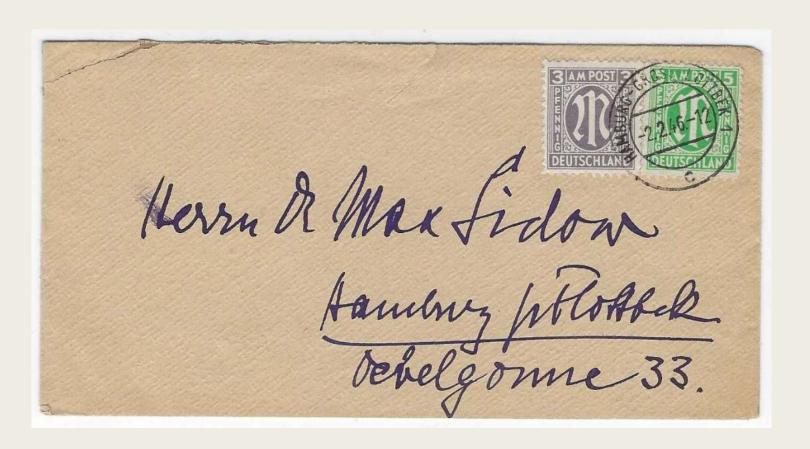


Germany Foreign Post/Postal Card Pre-Rate Increase (15 Pf.)

 □ POW Mail – Postal Card indicia show 5 pf. – London printing added value (12 Pf.) and overpaid by 2 Pf.

Intracity Domestic Mail – 8 Pfennigs – Pre-March 1, 1946

Used within Hamburg, All values Brunswick Printing



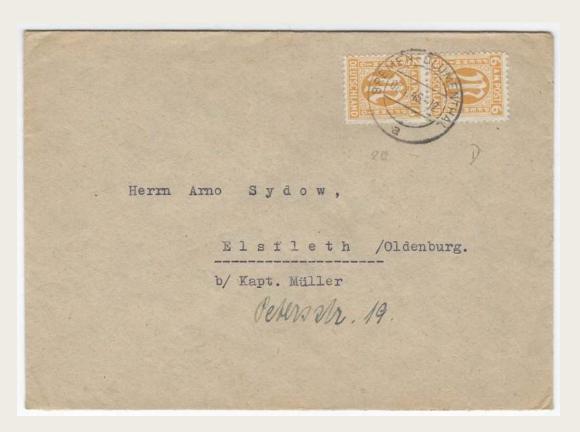
Germany Intercity Domestic Mail Pre-Rate Increase (12 Pf.)

Used in Lubeck – Posted February 11, 1946 – 8 Pf. US Printing, 4 Pf. British Printing



Germany Intercity Domestic Mail Pre-Rate Increase (12 Pf.)

Used in Bremen - Brunswick Printing



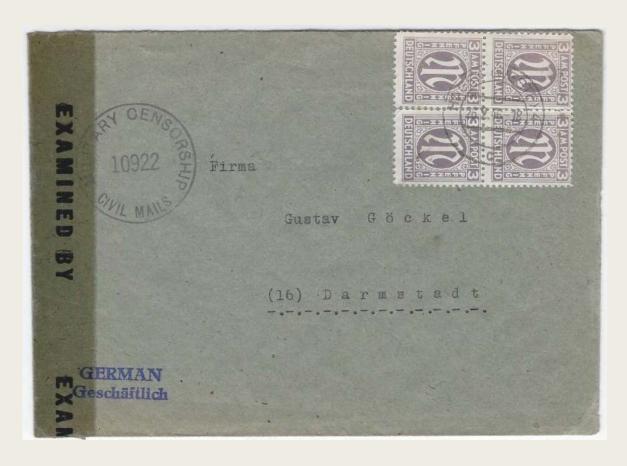


Germany Intercity
Domestic Mail
Pre-Rate Increase (12 Pf.)

From Monheim to Berlin 12 Pf.
– London Printing

Germany Intercity Domestic Mail Pre-Rate Increase (12 Pf.) - Censored

Posted February 26, 1946 – All values are printed in Brunswick



Germany Intercity Domestic Mail Pre-Rate Increase (42 Pf.) – Registered Mail

Rate 12 Pf. Postage + 30 Pf.

Registration – Brunswick Printing



Germany Intracity Domestic Mail Post-Rate Increase (16 Pf.)

Posted April 27, 1946 - All values Brunswick Printing





Germany Intercity Domestic Mail Mixed Values PostRate Increase

1946 Numerical Issue added to AMG Issue - Washington Printing

Germany Intercity Domestic Mail Pre-Rate Increase - Registered (42 Pf.)- Overpaid 2 Pf.

Bad Segeberg to Hamburg – Rate 12 Pf. Postage + 30 Pf. Registration – 6 & 12 Pf. Stamps London Printing, 8 Pf. Stamp Washington Printing



Germany Intercity Domestic Mail Post-Rate Increase (24 Pf.)

Leer to Osnabruck - All values are London Printing



Germany Intracity Registered Domestic Mail Post-Rate Increase (76 Pf.)

16 Pf. Postage + 60 Pf. Registration – 30 & 40 Pf. Brunswick printing & 6 Pf. London printing



Germany Intercity Registered Domestic Mail Post-Rate Increase (84 Pf.)

Bergneustadt to Hamburg – 24 Pf. Postage + 60 Pf. Regisration – Brunswick Printings



Germany Foreign Mail Post-Rate Increase (75 Pf.)

To Indianapolis – Censored Mail posted June 11, 1946 – All values Washington Printing



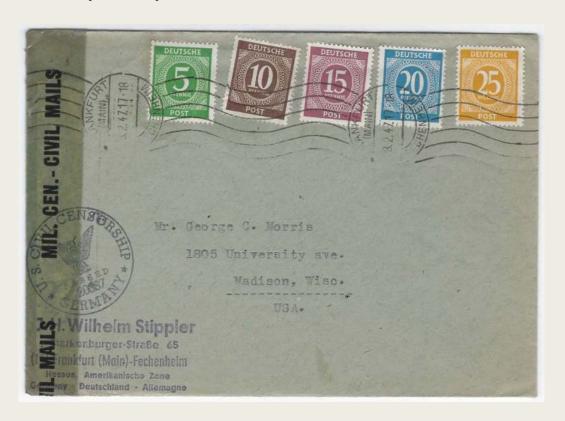
Germany Foreign Mail Post-Rate Increase (75 Pf.)

 To Logansport, IN – Censored Mail – All values, Brunswick Printing – Forwarded to Ann Arbor for additional 3 cents (not needed)



Although still considered AMG mail, 1946 Numeral Issue paid correct rate (75 Pf.) to Foreign Destination

Censored by military censor – All values are from Numeral Issue



Germany - French Zone - Post Card

Posted in the French Zone from Trossingen to Berlin April 28, 1948 20 Pfennigs – Note fancy cancel from business This card is promoting business from the Arnold Hohner business



Germany – Soviet Zone

Posted in Sebnitz on January 1, 1946 to Berlin at rate of 8 pfennigs.

Note that pair is not perforated





Germany – Soviet Zone

Sent from Soviet Zone (unidentifiable) on (date unreadable) to Berlin.

Note rate of 12 pfennigs, so cover was mailed after rate increase. Stamps are perforated.

Germany – Soviet Zone Wrapper for some papers or documents



Posted in Dresden January 1, 1946

Registered Mail – 42 Pfennigs

Note all stamps are perforated

AMG Currency





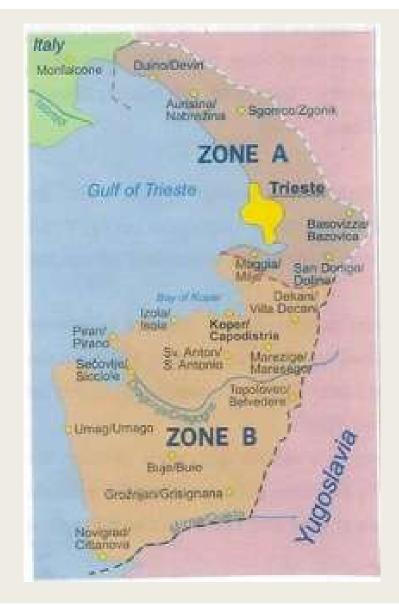
50 Pfennigs (Funfzig Pfennig)

One Mark (Eine Mark)

Trieste Area, showing Zones A & B

Zone A occupied by Allied Military Forces & Zone B occupied by Yugoslavian Forces

The entire area was eventually returned entirely to Italy as of 1954.



Trieste to Trieste (Philatelic?)

Posted September 1, 1947 note all 4 stamps are error – the first has inverted overprint and the next three are all doubled overprints



AMG/VG - Special Delivery

4 Lire postage + 10 Lire for Special Delivery – Note censor tape Mailed October to Firenze (Florence) on October 16, 1946



Posted in Trieste - Controlled by Yugoslavia

Mailed June 15, 1945, and sent within the area known as Zone B Note the overprints indicating semipostal stamps



Trieste – Early Cover – Stamps Released after October 1, 1947 15 Lire

Posted in Trieste and send Intracity



Trieste to Rome - Postal Card

8 Lire posted on November 13, 1947



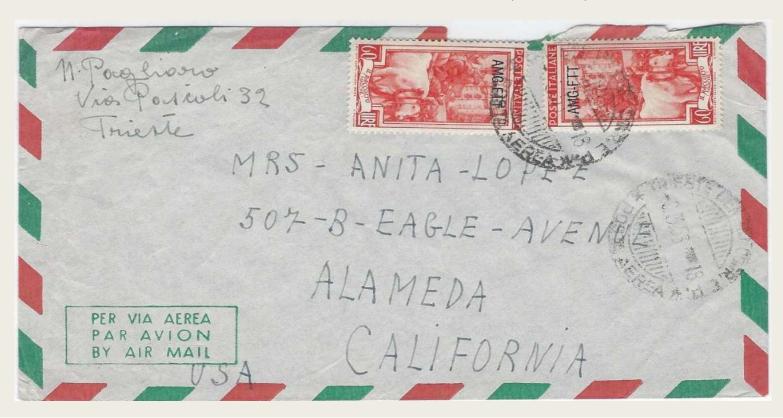
Overprint AMG-FTT signifies Allied Military Government-Free Territory of Trieste

Foreign Destination – Rate 115 Lira – Trieste used overprinted Italian Stamps Sent June 4, 1951



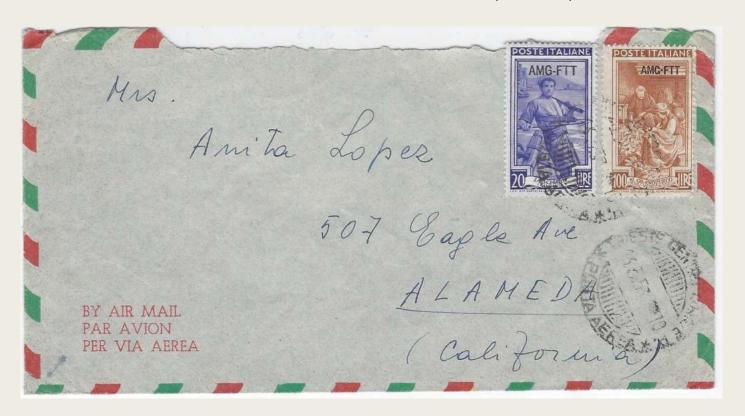
Trieste – Foreign Destination – Date sent unclear but in March 1953 – Stamps from Workers Series

Trieste to California – Rate 120 Lire (Air Mail)



Trieste – Foreign Destination – Date sent believed to be May 6, 1953

Trieste to California – Rate: 120 Lire (Air Mail)



The End – Thanks for Viewing

Much of the information contained herein was obtained from information and publications from Joseph V. Bush, Inc. who was the motivator for my interest in AMG stamps and covers.

I am open to any questions about this program and will try my best to answer them.