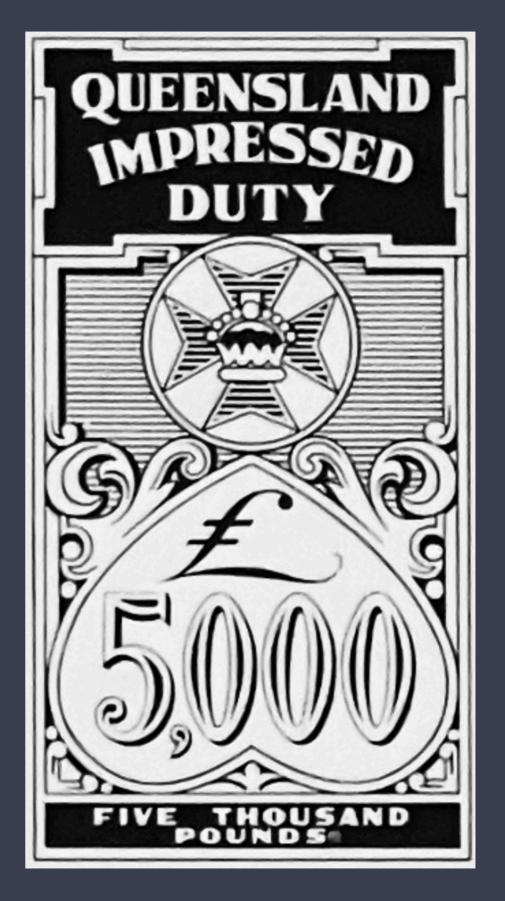
# QUEENSLAND

The 1939 King George VI Impressed Duty Stamps

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#### **PREFACE**

The serious philatelic study of Queensland 1939 King George VI Impressed Stamp Duty fifth series One Penny to Five Thousand Pounds, has for 85 years been severely neglected, by just about every Queensland philatelic student.

This study is the twelfth in a series of studies by this author of Queensland Duty Stamp Adhesives.

Previous Studies in this Series:

'Queensland 1866-1871 Lithographed Stamp Duty Adhesives' 2016.

'Queensland 1871-79 Lithographed Stamp Duty Adhesives' 2019.

'Queensland 1892 Duty Stamps' 2019.

'Queensland 1878 1d Stamp Duty and 1900 1d Duty Stamp' 2019.

'Queensland 1901 King Edward VII Duty Stamp Adhesives' 2020.

'Queensland 1866 Queen Victoria Colourless Impressed Duty Stamps' 2021.

'Queensland 1895 Queen Victoria Impressed Duty Stamps' 2021.

'Queensland 1901 King Edward VII Impressed Duty Stamps' 2022.

'Queensland 1916 King George V Stamp Duty' 2023.

'Queensland 1916 King George V Impressed Stamp Duty' 2023.

'Queensland 1938 King George VI Adhesive Duty Stamps' 2023.

The author was first attracted to this KGVI series of impressed duty stamps as little interest had been shown by early students as they may have thought they are very plain looking and uninteresting but this is not what the author felt. Hopefully with this publication these challenging and very interesting impressed adhesive duty stamps can finally have some light shone on them, as they so richly deserve and they can finally take their rightful place in Queensland's philatelic history.

#### **Preface Cont.**

The series ran for 27 years. It was designed and drawn by: Alfred Burrowes [Lithographic Artist and Designer] who was connected with the art department of the Government Printing Office Brisbane. These Impressed adhesive duties were printed by photozincography. This work encompasses *The many Stamp Amendment Acts to 1965* [see page 145].

<u>All</u> previous works have got this series completely wrong giving incorrect information to the Revenue collector. Clear dates represent 2% of collectors' holdings.

When asking for known collectors of this series to open their collections for study I was very surprised by just how little material is in collectors' hands, possibly due to the fact this series is rather plain compared to earlier issues. Hopefully this work will bring usage and varieties to light.

Issued adhesives were printed on Wiggins Teape paper, hereinafter described as "Watermarked Crown over Q, sideways type IId", also recorded, inverted, additionally two very different security papers were used as watermarked paper became depleted.

All values have surviving proofs. Detailed within this booklet are recorded part sheets [no full proof sheets exist except the £5000] some with printing dates along with printers notations as to colour, acceptance dates etc most having never been seen by the philatelic world until now. Brisbane introduced electro-mechanical machines in 1962 [see page 143] making the £400 & £5000 rare as these were not introduced into this series until 1960. This series was phased in as stock of the KGV impressed stamp duties were depleted.

Shades of the many printings can be found and are a study in themselves, along with several perforating machines, see page 10. Page 134 introduces a previously unrecorded embossed canceller for Brisbane only.

This work is the result of studying several thousand adhesives over many years, so after 85 years, it is time for the author to unlock the secrets that can be found in this fascinating and challenging series of Queensland KGVI Impressed duty stamps.

Dave Elsmore

# GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE LITHOGRAPHIC BRANCH

BRISBANE, February 11 ch 1942

Received in good condition from the Officer in Charge Government Securities, the undermentioned

Internal Letterhead

#### **King George VI**

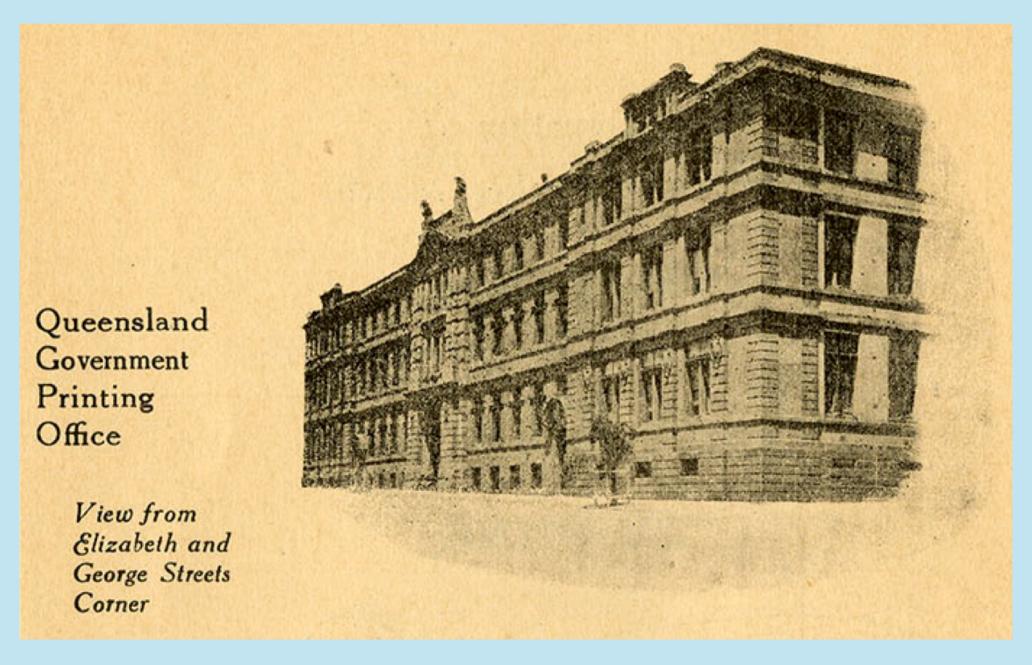


George VI (Albert Frederick Arthur George; 14 December 1895 - 6 February 1952) was King of the United Kingdom and the Dominions of the British Commonwealth from 11 December 1936 until his death in 1952. He was also the last Emperor of India from 1936 until the British Raj was dissolved in August 1947, and the first Head of the Commonwealth following the London Declaration of 1949.

This series of Impressed Duty Stamps continued unchanged under KGVI's daughter Elizabeth [II] when she took the throne in 1952. A few values were added within the QEII reign up to decimalisation in 1966.

#### **Queensland Government Printing Office**





The Queensland Government Printing Office was located between Elizabeth and George Street, south-east of Stephens Lane, between 1862 and 1983, and consisted of a number of buildings. As the first purpose-built government printing office in Queensland, the Government Printing Office played an important role in administration of the colony and then the state of Queensland

#### **Three Government Printers were involved in this Fifth Series**



David Whyte From 1934 Arthur Henry Tucker From 1940

Stanley Gordon Reid From 1958

#### **Photomechanical Printing Process**

#### **Photozincography**

Photozincography applies to the production of the plates made for flat bed letterpress printing.

Once the artist had drawn an oversize stamp design it was photographed, then a high-contrast stamp size negative was made using the 'Wet Plate Collodion' method, this provided a means for producing a photographic negative as the basic element in the preparation of a photo-etched zinc cut, in this series, this work was economical and comparatively straight forward.

The author has identified one size plate of 60 subjects 4 up 10x6 [1d-£1000] and one smaller plate of 18 [3 x 6] for the £5000 transferred to a lithographic press for printing.

#### Kodak Glass Plates

Kodak Process Pan 12" x 10" glass negatives were used for this series. Each subject was 33x72mm.

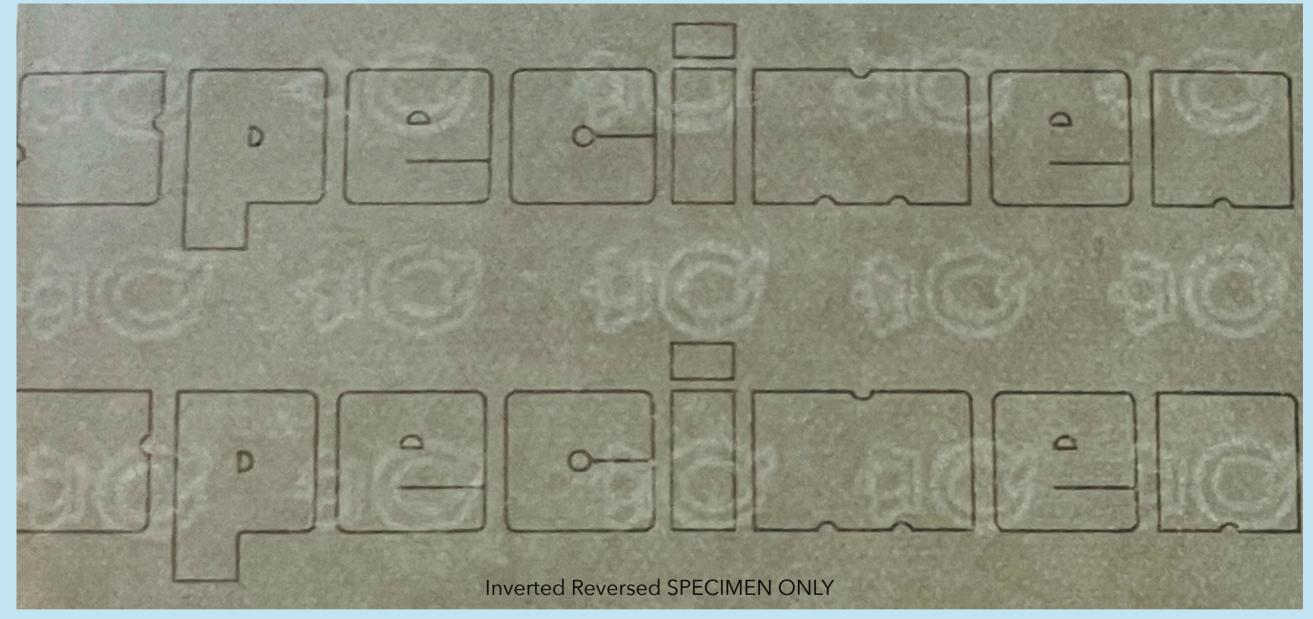
To quote from Kodak Films handbook "Process Pan was Weston 20 or GE 32".

It is a high-contrast film, thus "process" in the name. Developers are D-11 for 5 minutes. For "high" contrast, D-8 [2:1] for 2 minutes. D-11 and D-8 are high-contrast developers



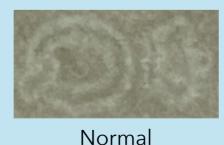
#### **New Watermark for this Fifth Series**

Wiggins Teape SPECIMEN Watermarked Paper - Type IId



All values 1d - £5000 were printed on this watermarked paper

Watermarks were generally two sideways vertically per stamp





Inverted

The above four illustrations are looking from the front of a stamp and each one would be seen in pairs on a stamp

Sometimes wmk alignment shows one watermark per stamp

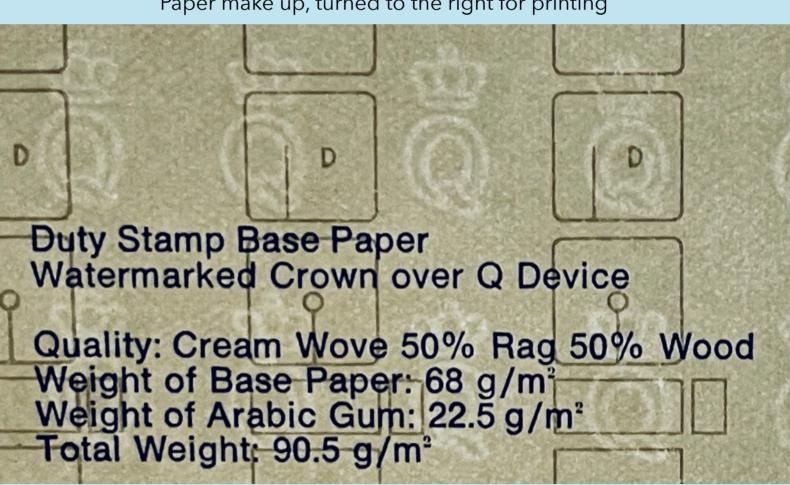
#### **New Watermark for this Fifth Series**

Wiggins Teape SPECIMEN Watermarked Paper - Type IId



This IId watermark varies slightly from watermark IIc where the centre lobe of the crown is thinner so used in the fourth series. In IId it is much wider

Paper make up, turned to the right for printing



Sample sheets are 8" x 8"

#### Several Perforating Machines Used for this Fifth Series - Update Guide

The author has recorded and confirmed the following perforations that range from 10-14½ with the majority of issues 14, there are some rare compounds as listed below:

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11x10:11x12:11¼:11¾x11¼:12½

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14:14x13½:14x14x10½x14:14½

Underscore '\_' indicates two measurements reading clockwise on the one side

The author can find no archival evidence as to how many perforation machines were in use at this time. At least four single line perforators would have been in use as there were four women perforators employed at this time with all four machines reading various perforation measurements within the single line of pins, further allowing for pin replacements which would also alter the perforation gauge

The author admits 90% of the above are taken from his personal collection which is far from complete. Hence this page will be updated as confirmed perforations are sighted

Unconfirmed compound perforations are <u>not</u> listed here

Perforations of the 1940 security paper issue, on back only



4d - 12¼: 12½: 12½x12¼: 12¾

6d - 12¼ : 12½ :12¼x12½

2/6 - 10½x13 : 12½x13 : 12¾x12

25/- - 11½ x12

£9 - 13

£14 - 121/2x12

Perforations of the 1962 security paper issue, on front only



£5000 - 12

#### **Sheet Layout and Proof Sheets Information**

Over the life of this series many same value proof sheets were pulled, survival of a few dated sheets has been recorded within this booklet



Four different papers were used to print the proof sheets. Prior to 5 January 1942 two papers have been identified carrying the makers watermark the first was 'REGULUS BOND' the second 'BALTIC BOND / MADE IN NORWAY'. The second being a general paper supplied to all Government 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 departments of the time with the Labour party quoting in Parliament on 24 March 1926 ".... Despite the slogan 'Wherever you trade, buy Australian made' then noting the Norway contract for paper. The third and fourth papers being plain with no watermarks was locally sourced from the 'Australian Paper Manufacturers Ltd' this same manufacturer supplied both thick and thin sometimes translucent paper which was also used to print proofs on. At times the printer reused paper. From 5 January 1942 the thick paper it was specifically used for 'setters' See page 13



The plate layout for all values 1d - £1000 was 10x6 subjects. The £5000 was printed in sheetlets of 18. 3 x 6 stamps [3x2] separated within the sheet

Plate Layout

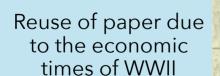
The 1d - £1000 plates were made up of one master group of 60 with no central gutter. Printing was performed via a lithographic press

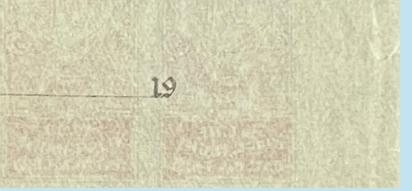
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Thin Translucent Paper

Note: The author can verify all proof values are in private hands. These may have been liberated from the Government Printers between c1980-1987 whereby in 1988 large quantities of proofs were retrieved by court order from a private address, No complete proof sheets are held in archives

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#### **Example of Multi Value Usage on a Business Contract**

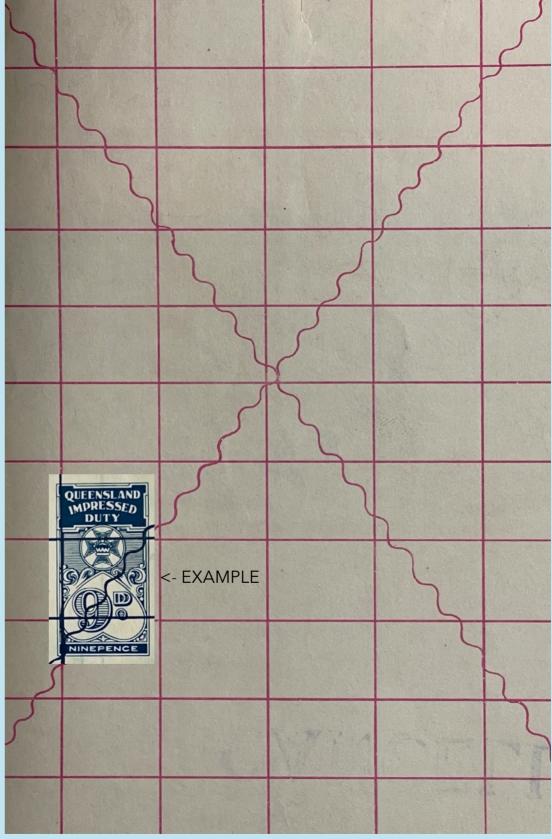


Various Handstamps, see pages 135-141

All values can vary by up to 1mm in length

#### **Security Setters - Defaced**

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Extract from Audit Report on Security Section, Govt. Printing	
Office, as at 22nd September, 1941.	
"SETTERS". Before placing the watermarked stamp paper	
in a machine, imprints of the plate made on white paper are known	
as "setters". As these setters have the appearance of a sheet of	
stamps, but for the water-mark, it is considered that a safer course,	
as set out below, should be adopted: -	
(1) Special paper, with faintly coloured lines which would pass through every stamp, should be prepared, and taken into security stock;	QUEL
(2) All "setters" should be made on this paper;	D
(3) All "setters" should be destroyed by the Audit Inspector at the annual audit, and the balance of the specially prepared paper produced.	
	NIN
Mr. Henderson,	
Please note and carry out the suggestions of the Audit Inspector in regard to Tramway Stamps and Setters.	
Government Printer.	



### 40/- & 12/6 Proof Pulls

15-02-1939 is the earliest recorded date that the 40/- proof was printed. On the same day, 300 sheets of the 40/- was printed, with 200 sheets of the 12/6 printed on the 16-02-1939

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#### 40/- & 12/6 First Issue Date

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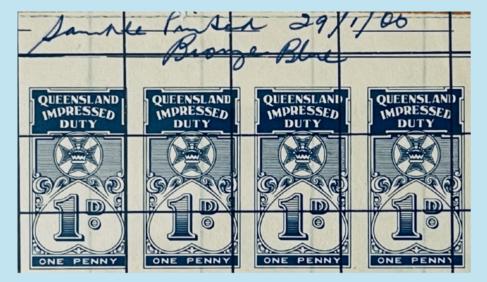
The 300 sheets of the 40/- was received from the printer on 15-02-1939 with 200 sheets of the 12/6 on the 16th. On the 17-02-1939 5 sheets of each were sent to Stamp Duties, making both the 12/6 & 40/- values the <u>earliest recorded start date</u> for this fifth series



Of the 6d, 12/6 & 40/- first proof pulled on 15-2-39 the 6d was not put into service until 27-02-39

# Fifth Series Proof Dates

To reiterate all proof sheets prior to 5 January 1942 were printed on plain unwatermarked paper, after this date all proof sheets were defaced by cross hatching in several colours known as 'SETTER SHEETS'















































# Fifth Series Proof Dates

























# Fifth Series Proof Dates













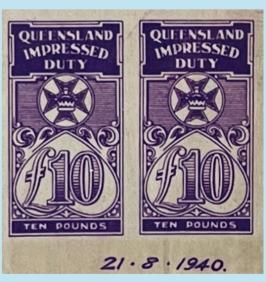










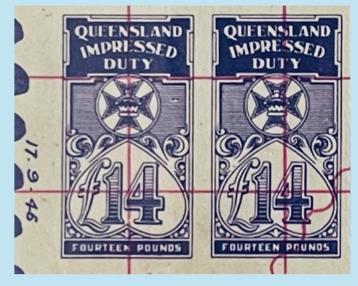


#### **Proof Dates**

























Printing Dates 20

#### **Proof Dates**



























Printing Dates 21

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#### 1d, 2d & 9d Values Added in 1960

59/16509 Stamp Act.

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STAMP DUTIES OFFICE

BRISBANE.

21st December, 1959.

The Under Treasurer,
The Treasury,
BRISBANE

Dear Sir,

#### The Stamp Acts 1894 to 1959

#### Re: Adhesive and Impressed Duty Stamps.

I have to advise that consequent upon the Stamp Acts Amendment Act of 1959 being assented to on 26th November, 1959, a new denomination of adhesive and impressed duty stamps has become necessary.

I have to request that the necessary authority be given to the Government Printer to print ninepenny (9d) Adhesive Duty Stamps, and ninepenny (9d.) Impressed Duty Stamps, accordingly.

As there is a demand from time to time for the use of onepenny (1d.) and twopenny (2d.) Impressed Duty Stamps I recommend that authority be granted also, for the printing of stamps of these denominations.

I would suggest that the Government Printer confer with this Office in due course on the proposed colour for the above duty stamps.

B/c. The Commissioner of Stamp Duties.

2 and 3 have been approved by the Hon. Yours faithfully, the Treasurer. Copy of your letter has been forwarded to the Government Printer with this information.

F.J.D.

W. M. KAY.

for Under Treasurer. 29.12.59.

Commissioner of Stamo Duties.

/c. The Government Printer.

For your information and eng necessary action.

for Under Treasurer. 29.12.59.

#### The Seventy Values Issued In This King George VI Impressed Stamp Duty Series

Designed and drawn by: Alfred Burrowes [Lithographic Artist and Designer] who was connected with the art department of the Government Printing Office Brisbane





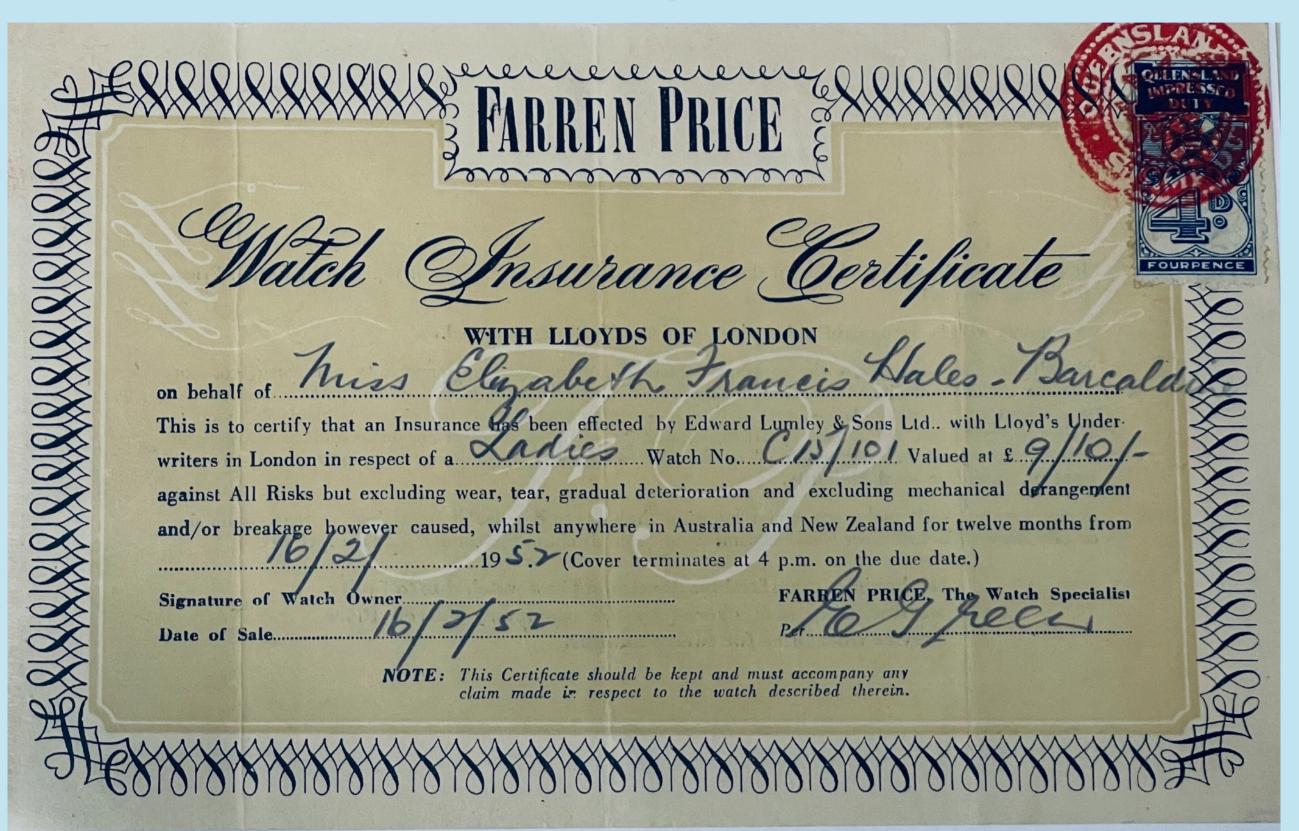




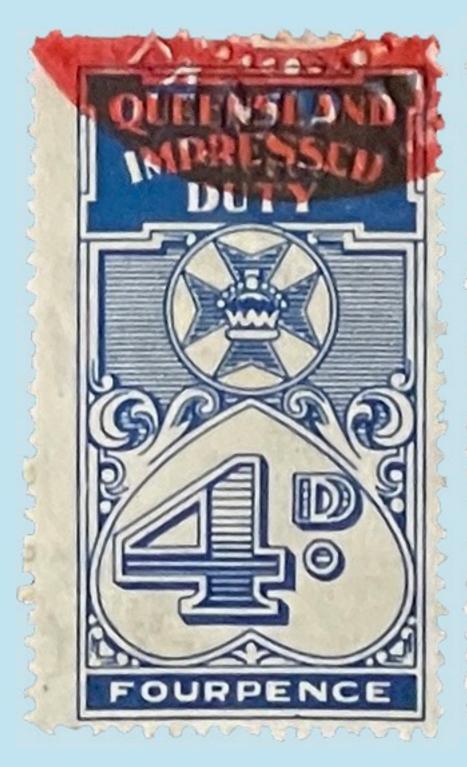
#### **4d Proof**



#### 4d Usage



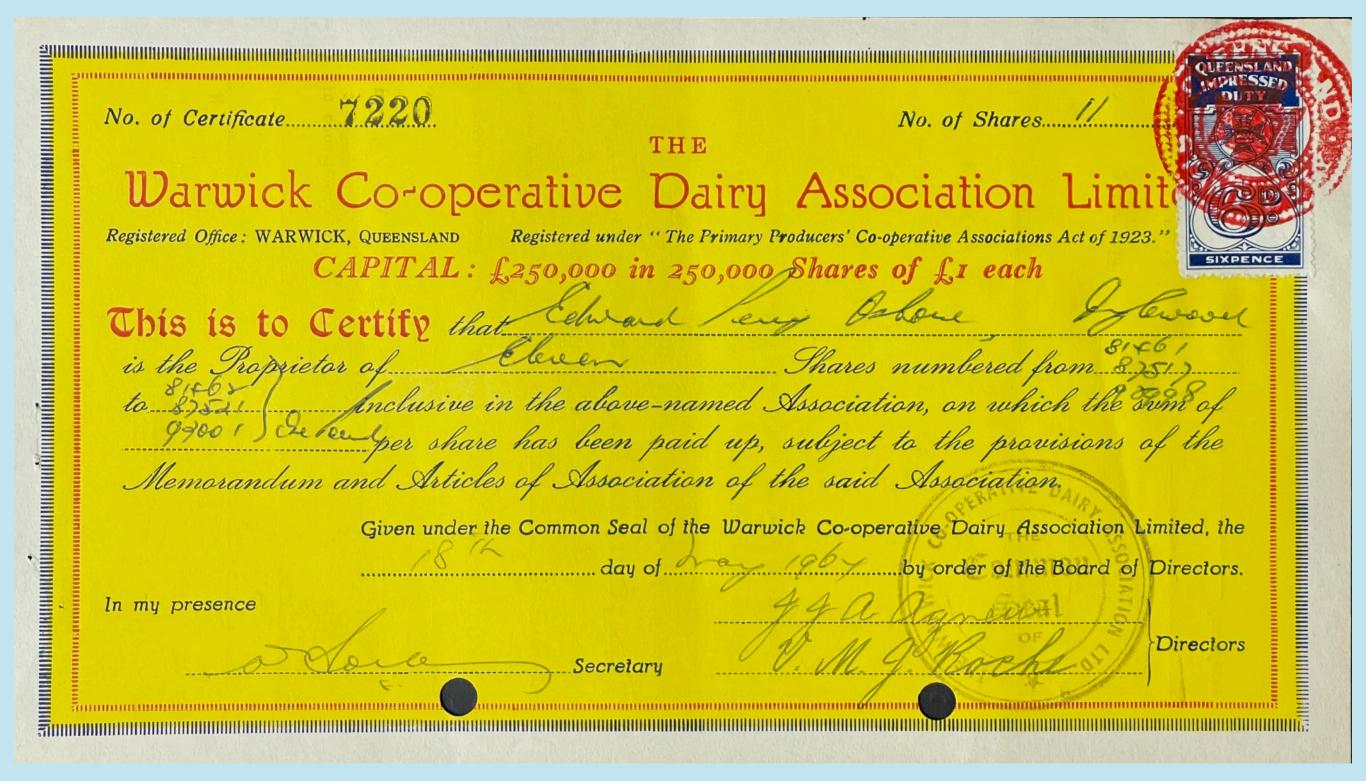
4d:6d:8d







#### **6d Usage**



Share Certificate 28

9d:1/-:1/3d



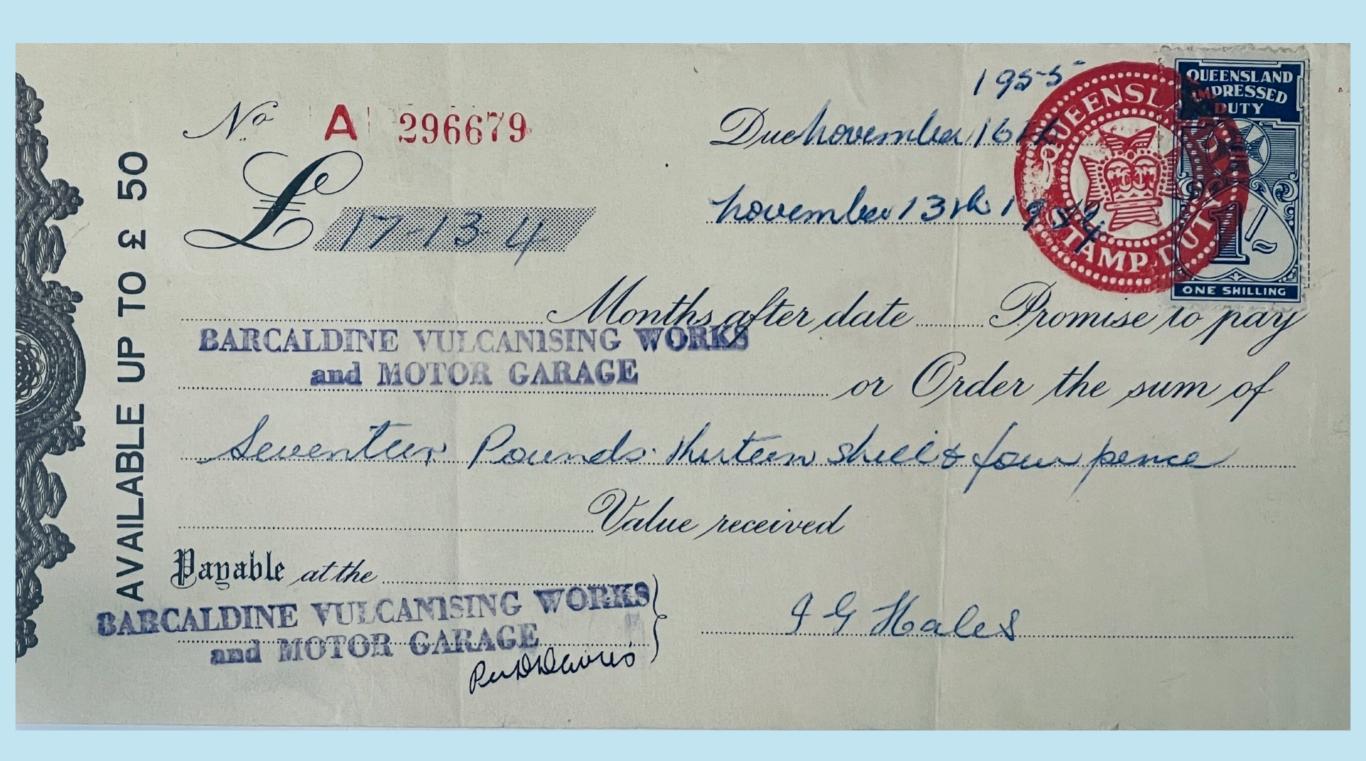




Fifth Series



#### 1/- Usage



#### 2 x 1/4d Proof dates have been identified

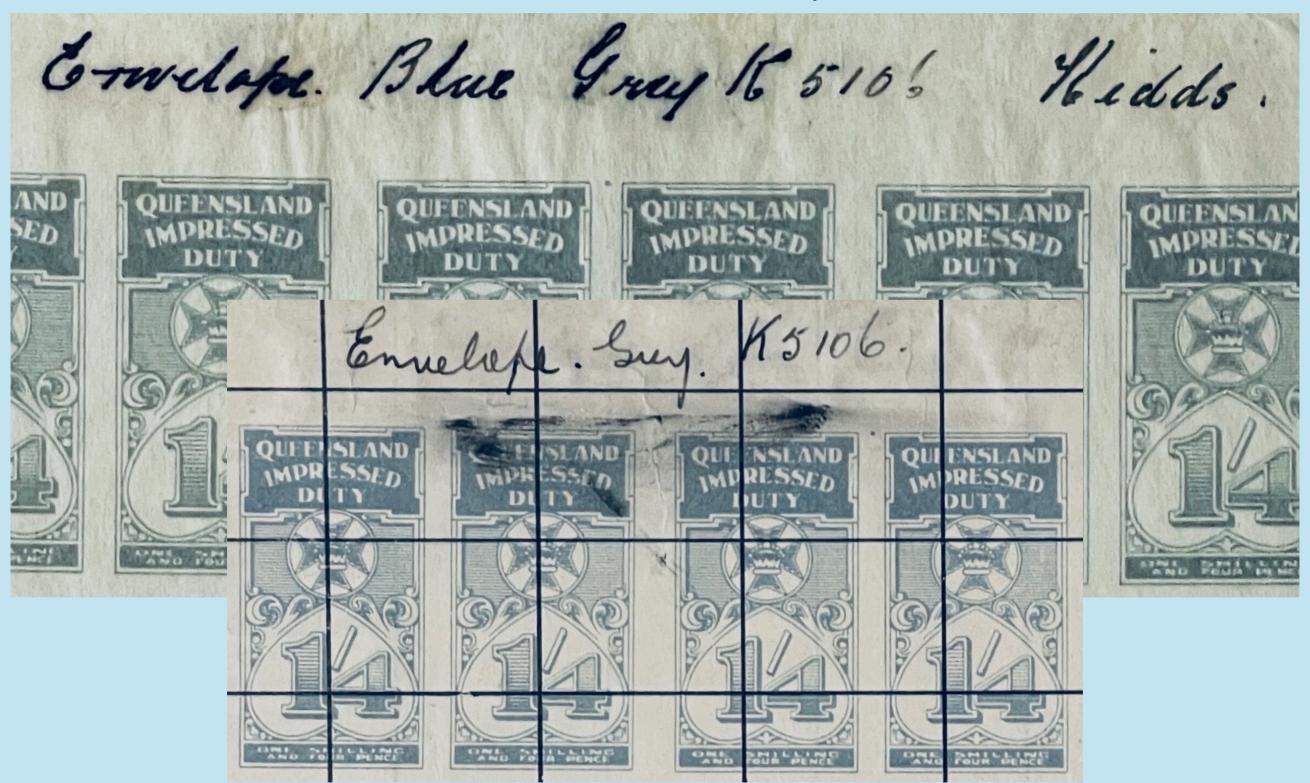


Here we have a good example of proof sheets prior to 5 January 1942 that were printed on plain unwatermarked paper, after this date all proof sheets were defaced by cross hatching in several colours known as 'SETTER SHEETS'



1/4 Proof

Colour Choice. 'Kidds' Blue Grey



## 1/4d



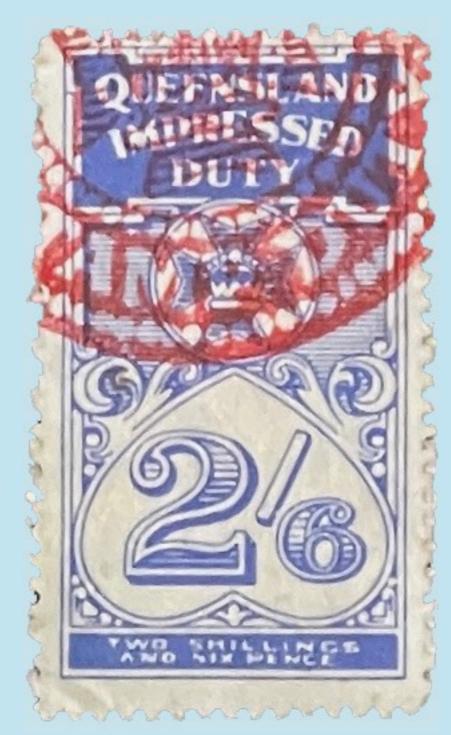
# Fifth Series 1/6d

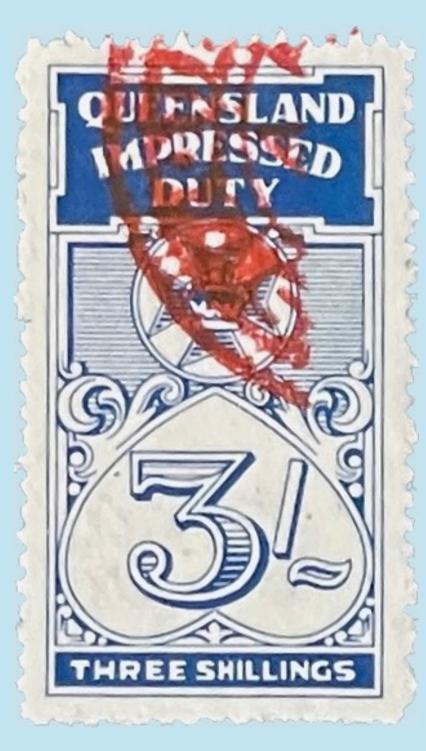


Many Shades

2/-: 2/6:3/-







# H. C. SLEIGH RISBANE REGISTER INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANIES ACT 1938 OF THE STATE OF VICTO BRANCH REGISTER -- 800 KINGSFORD SMITH DRIVE, EAGLE FARM Certificate for Serial Nº. 700093 --20--CONVERTIBLE THIRD SERIES NOTES of 10/-Ante Certificate ISSUE OF THIRD SERIES REGISTERED UNSECURED NOTES LIMITED TO £1,825,000 TO BE CONVERTED TO ORDINARY SHARES ON THE 30th JUNE, 1968, AND CARRYING INTEREST IN THE MEANTIME AT THE RATE OF £6/10/- PER CENTUM PER ANNUM PAYABLE HALF-YEARLY AND ISSUED PURSUANT TO A RESOLUTION OF THE DIRECTORS PASSED ON THE 21st DAY OF APRIL, 1960. CAMERON Donald Kellett IS TO CERTIFY THAT 72 Woodville St., HENDRA. ..Third Series Registered Unsecured Notes of 10/- each in the above issue which is the registered holder of ... will be converted to fully paid ordinary shares in accordance with the conditions endorsed hereon on the 30th day of June, 1968. The holder is entitled to the benefits of and is subject to the provisions of a Trust Deed dated the 16th day of May, 1960, made between the Company of the one part and T.E.A. NOMINEES PROPRIETARY LIMITED (as Trustee for the Third Series Note Holders) of the other part and to the conditions endorsed hereon. 17 NOVEMBER 1960 Given this day at Melbourne under the Seal of H. C. SLEIGH LIMITED -SHAR NOTE: This certificate must be surrendered to the Company before any transfer will be registered or new certificate or certificates issued in exchange or before redemption. (CONDITIONS ARE SET OUT ON THE BACK HEREOF)

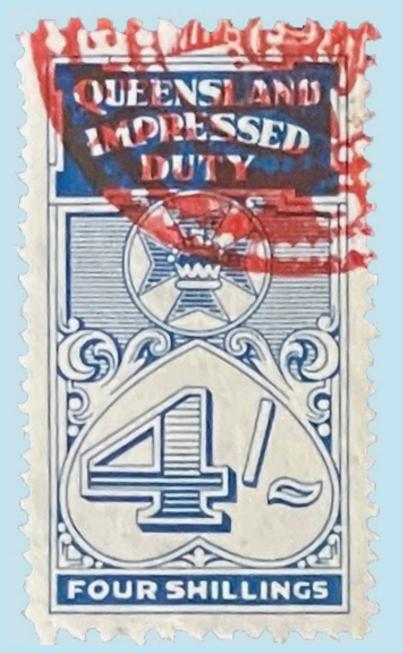
### 2 x 4/- Proof dates have been identified





### 4/- Proof and Issued





Colour Choice. 'Cooks' Bronze Blue

Watermarked Paper

### 5/- Proof



Fifth Series 5/- Proof



5/- & 6/- Issued





#### 6/- Proof



## 7/- Proof and Issued







Watermarked Paper

Unique double key plate to date

### 7/- Proof



# Fifth Series 7/6 Proof and Issued



Proof Value Kiss Print



Watermarked Paper

# 7/6d Usage

QUELNSLAND PHINTENSED IDELY	DUTY PAID ON COTTRACT & B VIDE REGN. No BOLLE
TO AND THE PROPERTY OF THE PRO	FOR VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, I Elsie Elizabeth Benecke
	hereby transfer and assign all my right title and interest in
3	and to the within agreement for Lease to Munified alice.
4	Ryan absolutely.
	Dated this STK day of April 1957.
	Witness: J. M. allista. Assignor: E. E. Renech c.
	I, Winifred Alice Ryan accept the above assignment and agree to be bound by the covenants on the part of the Lessee contained in the within Agreement for Lease.
	Dated this fifth day of April 1957.
>	Witness: M. C. Recon Assigned: W. Wilped. R. Ryan.
	We, Herbert Alfred Roemermann and Dora Roemermann, his wife,
	both of Shire Street, Coorparoo, Brisbane in the State of
UNDRESSED DUTY	Queensland, the Lessors named in the within Agreement for Lease
	HEREBY CONSENT to the above assignment.
G ( )	UP UP DI COMPRIT CO CHE ADOVE ASSIGNMENT.
THE WINDS	Dated this fifth day of April 1957.

Transfer & Consent. Duty rate of 7/6. 5/- in £5 or part thereof with 2/6 to register

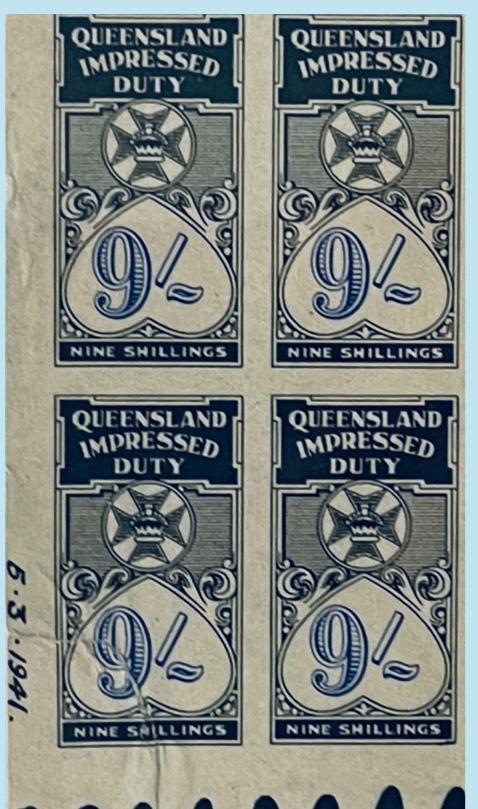
### 8/- Proof and Issued



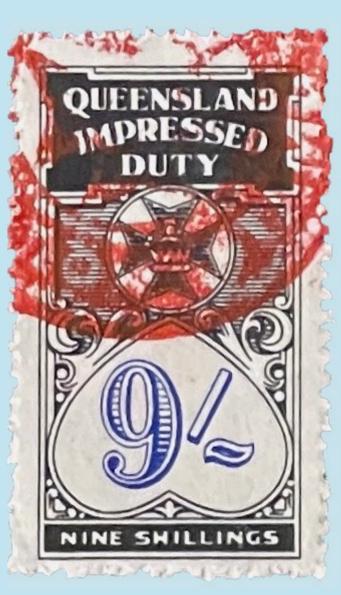




Fifth Series
2 x 9/- Proof with Approval Date and Issued







Watermarked Paper

10/-:11/-:12/-







12/6:13/-:14/-



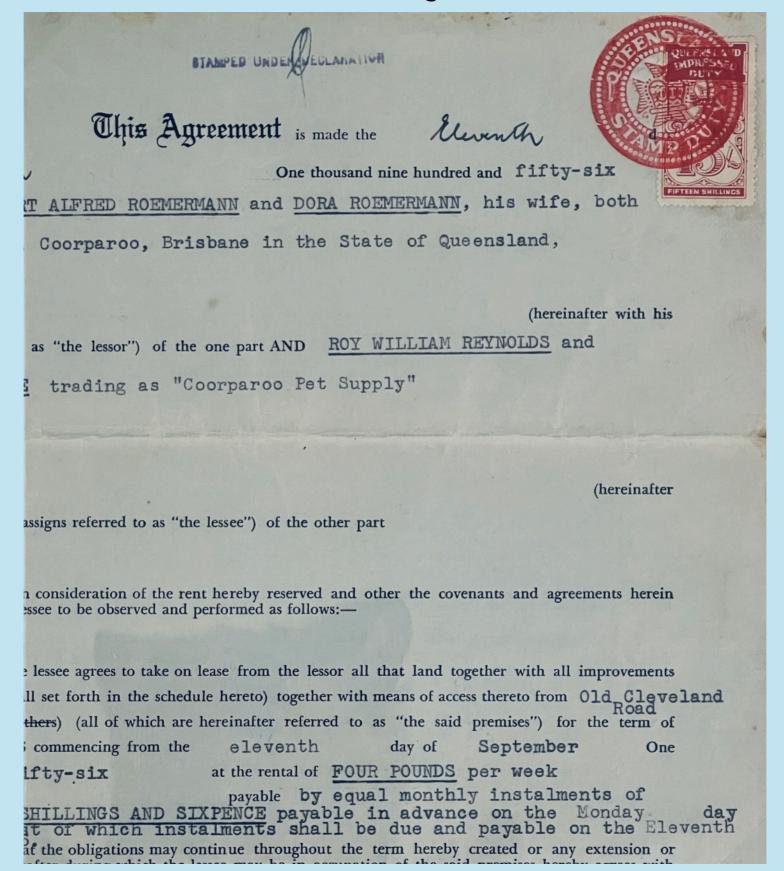




# 12/6 Plate Flaw

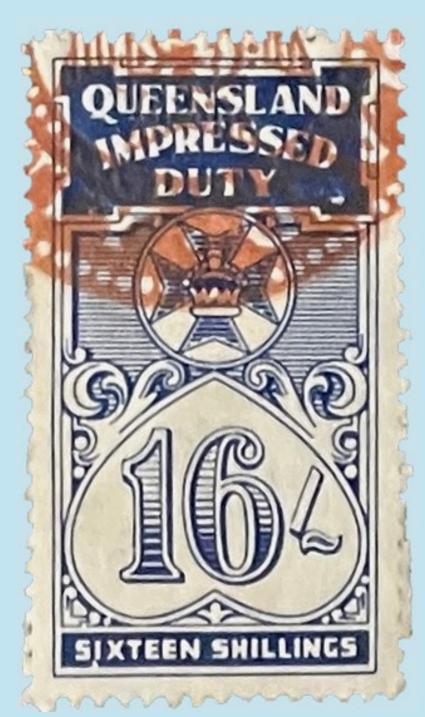


# Fifth Series 15/- Usage



15/-:16/-:17/-

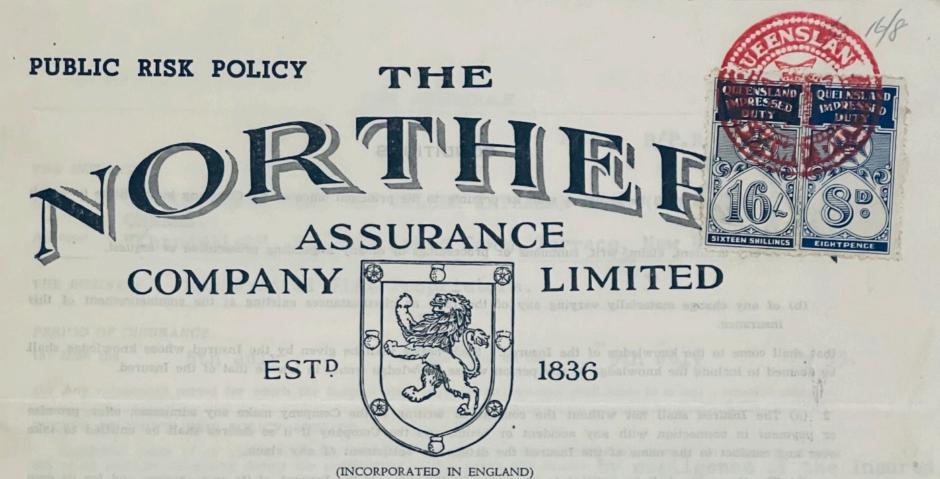






Extreme colour variance found in the 16/-

## 16/- Usage



Thereas the Insured named in the Schedule hereto, carrying on the business described in the said Schedule and no other for the purpose of this insurance has made to THE NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED (hereinafter called the Company) a written Proposal and Declaration, which it is hereby agreed shall be the basis of this contract and be considered as incorporated herein, and the particulars therein set forth in all cases deemed to be furnished by or on behalf of the Insured, and whereas the Insured has paid or agreed to pay to the Company the premium for the indemnity hereinafter contained for the period of Insurance stated in the said Schedule.

Now this Policy witnesseth, that for the consideration and during the period aforesaid, and subject to the terms, conditions, exclusions and memoranda contained herein endorsed hereon or attached hereto the Company shall pay to or on behalf of the Insured all sums for which the Insured shall become legally liable by way of damages in respect of

Fifth Series 17/- Proof





# 17/6 Proof with Approval Date



17/6:18/-

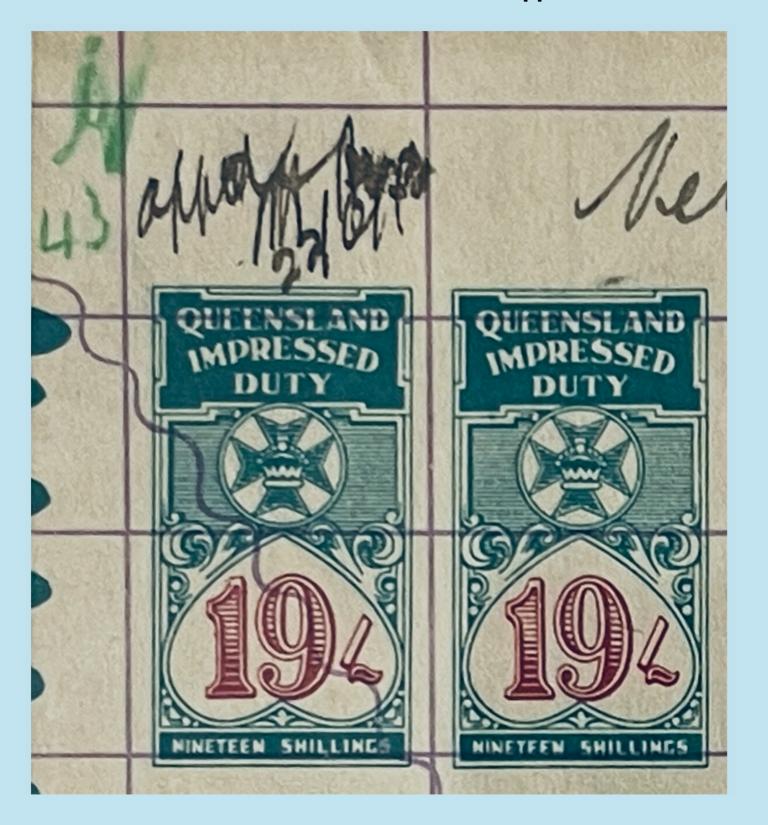




## **18/- Proof**



# 19/- Proof with Approval Date and Issued





Watermarked Paper

### 19/- Proof



# 20/- Two Reign Usage



Dated 19 June 1941

20/-: 25/-: 30/-







# Fifth Series 40/- Proof with Approval Date and Issued





# 40/- Usage



Note shades from various printings

# Fifth Series 50/-: £3: £4



Watermarked Paper





Ink colour shades can dramatically change, it appears little care was taken to match the colour proofs

# Fifth Series £4 Proof with Approval Date



£5:£6





Recorded imperf between lower margin and stamp

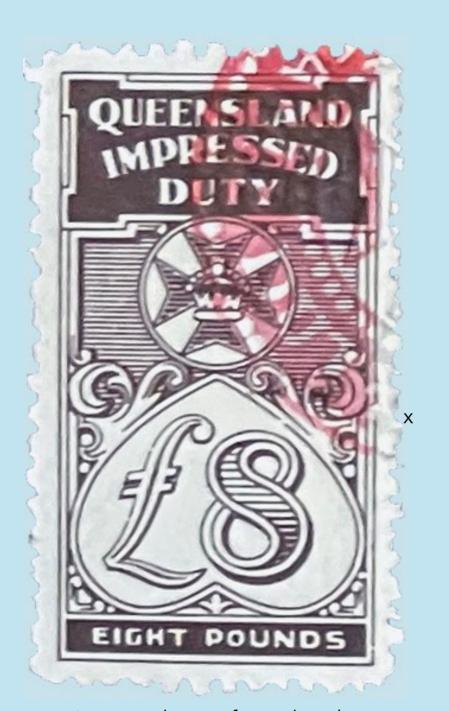
#### £7 Proof



Fifth Series
£7 Issued, also with un-plateable Constant or Transient flaw blocking 'SEVEN'



# Fifth Series £8 and £8 Usage



Inner and outer frame breaks



# Fifth Series £9 Proof - Colour Choice





Colour Choice 'Kidds' Hazel Brown

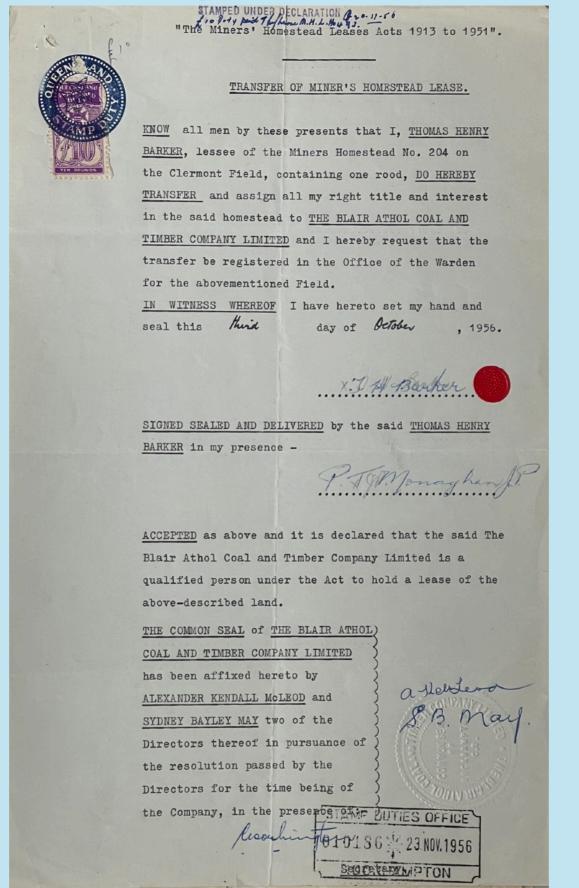
Break to outer frame line top left

£9:£10





### £10 Usage - Homestead Transfer



£11:£12:£13



Watermarked Paper





Break at back of '2'



# Fifth Series £14 Proof with Approval Date and Issued





Watermarked Paper

Many shades of colour



Colour spot middle left of '1'. White Scratch 1\4

### £15 Proof



## £15 Proof with Approval Date and Issued



Approval date 22.7.1941



Watermarked Paper

£16:£17





#### £17 Proof



# Fifth Series £18 Proof and Issued





Watermarked Paper



**Fifth Series** 

## £19 Proof and Issued



Watermarked Paper

### £20 Proof



£20



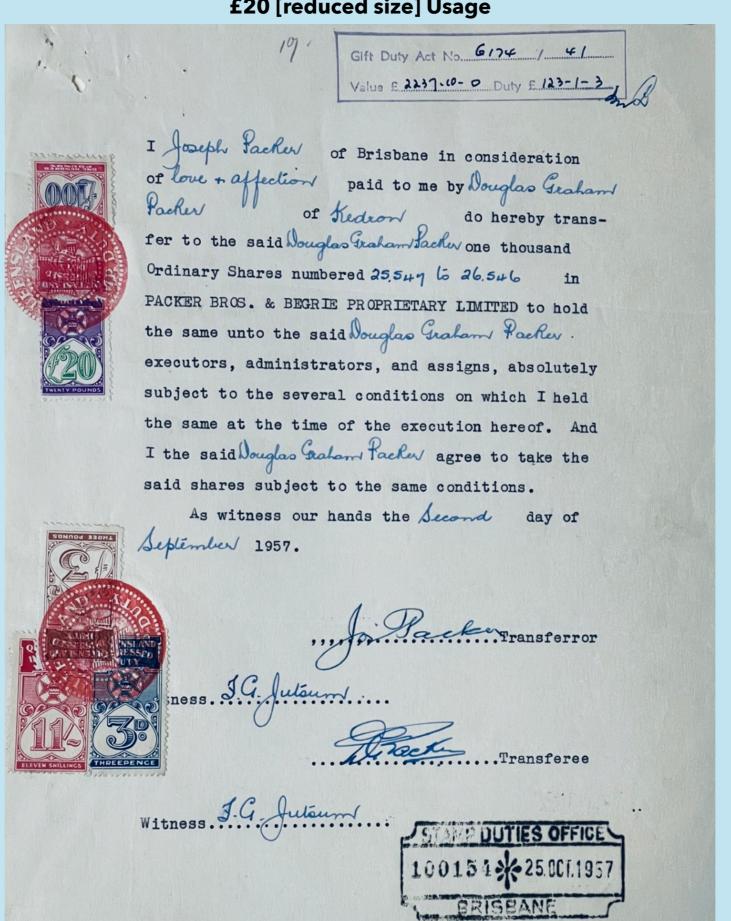
Original issue19x36mm Can vary by 1mm in length



Reduced size 17x32mm

No proof of reduced size was saved. Sheet size is unknown. Earliest date 25.10.57

## Fifth Series £20 [reduced size] Usage



Note adhesives

are place so as to

have clear view of their value

## Fifth Series £30 Proof and Issued





Watermarked Paper

Colour Choice. 'Kidds' Viridian Green

#### £40 Proof



## £40 Proof and Issued



**Unwatermarked Paper** 



Watermarked Paper



Two colour dots & break to lower frame

## £50 Proof and Issued



Approval date 7.8.1942



FIFTY POUNDS Andrew Market

Watermarked Paper

## £50 ERROR of COLOUR



It is hard to get the colour right to show the difference but if you have one in your hand you can clearly see it is the colour of the £40

Printed in the colour selected for the £40

### £60 Proof and Issued





Watermarked Paper

Colour Choice. 'Kidds' Emerald Green

#### £70 Proof and Issued



Colour Choice - 'Kidds' Emerald Green & Vermillion



Watermarked Paper

Fifth Series £80 Proof



£80: £90 Issued



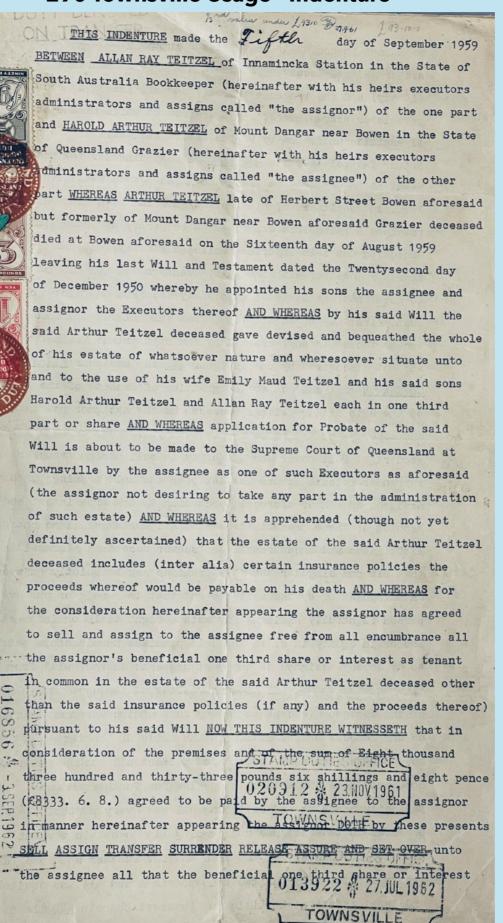


Break above 'P' of POUNDS Row 1 Stamp 5

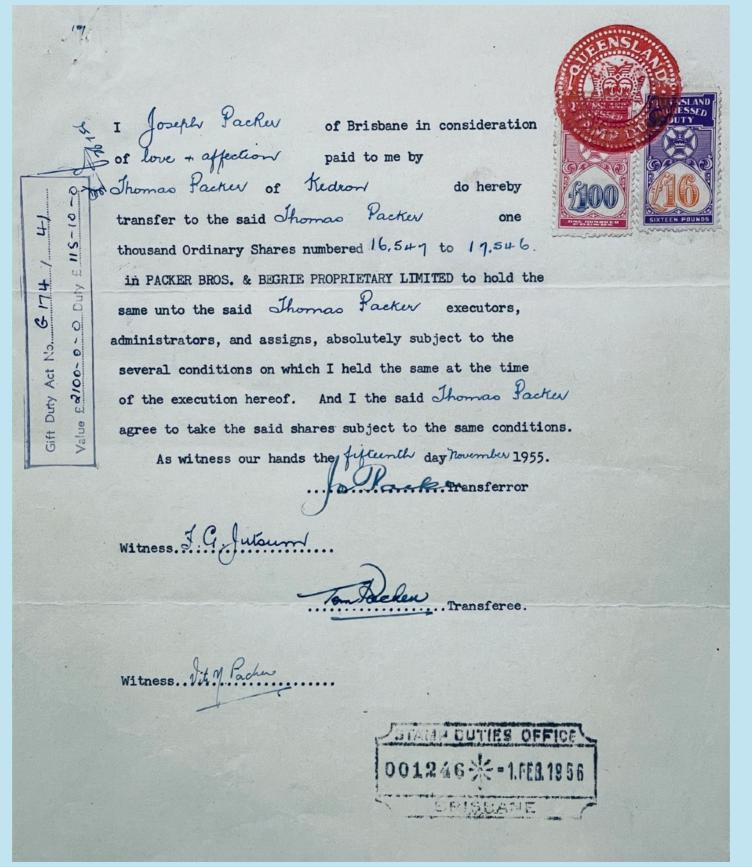


## Fifth Series £90 Townsville Usage - Indenture

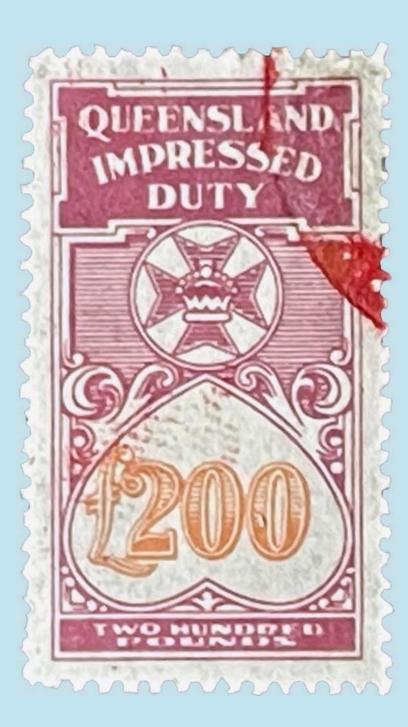
Note adhesives are place so as to have clear view of their value



# Fifth Series £100 Usage



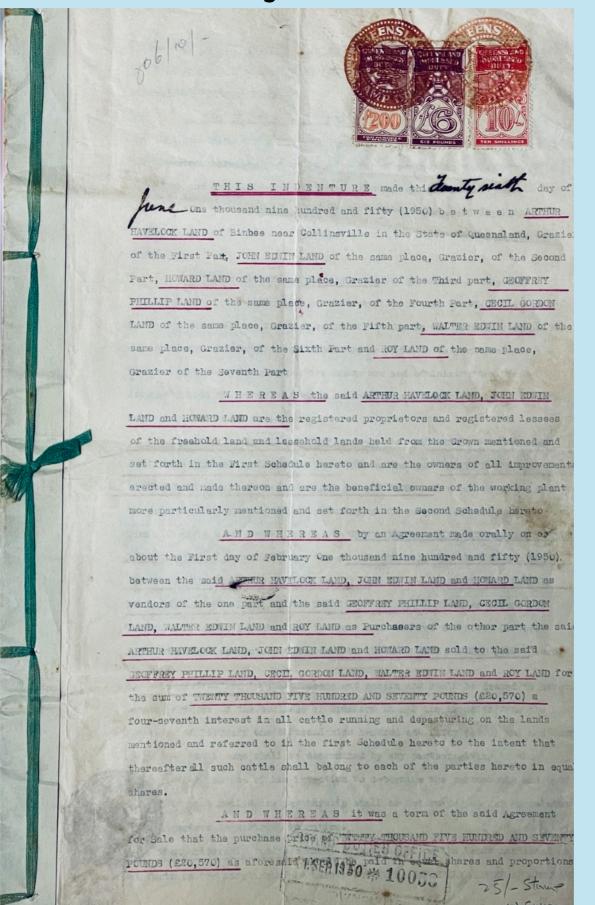
£100:£200:£300







## Fifth Series £200 Usage - Indenture



# Fifth Series £300 Usage



Note adhesives are place so as to have clear view of their value after cancelling

Unique pair of £300 to date

## £400 Proof & Issued

£400 artwork see page 107



Unwatermarked Paper



10 sheets of 60 issued to the printer 12 September 1960

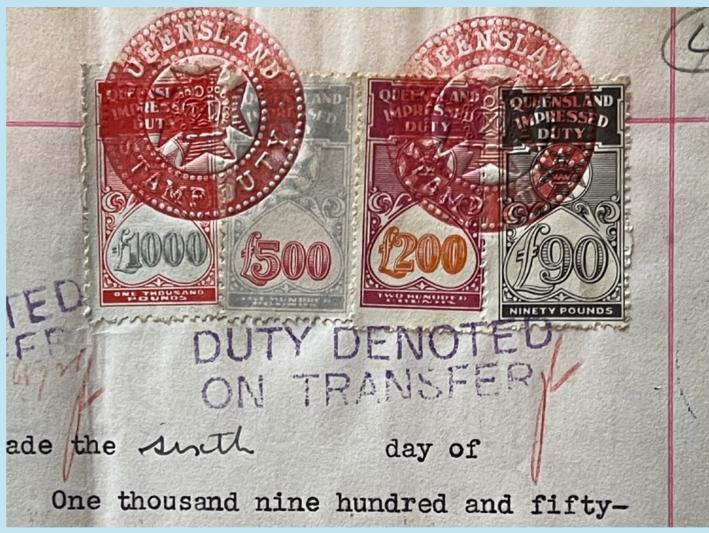
Watermarked Paper

## £400 Usage



### £500 Proof & Issued





A unique to date single £500 on a complete instrument [above] is recorded

One of two £1000 on full instrument to date, see page 106

Fifth Series £1000 Proof



Fifth Series £1000 Proof



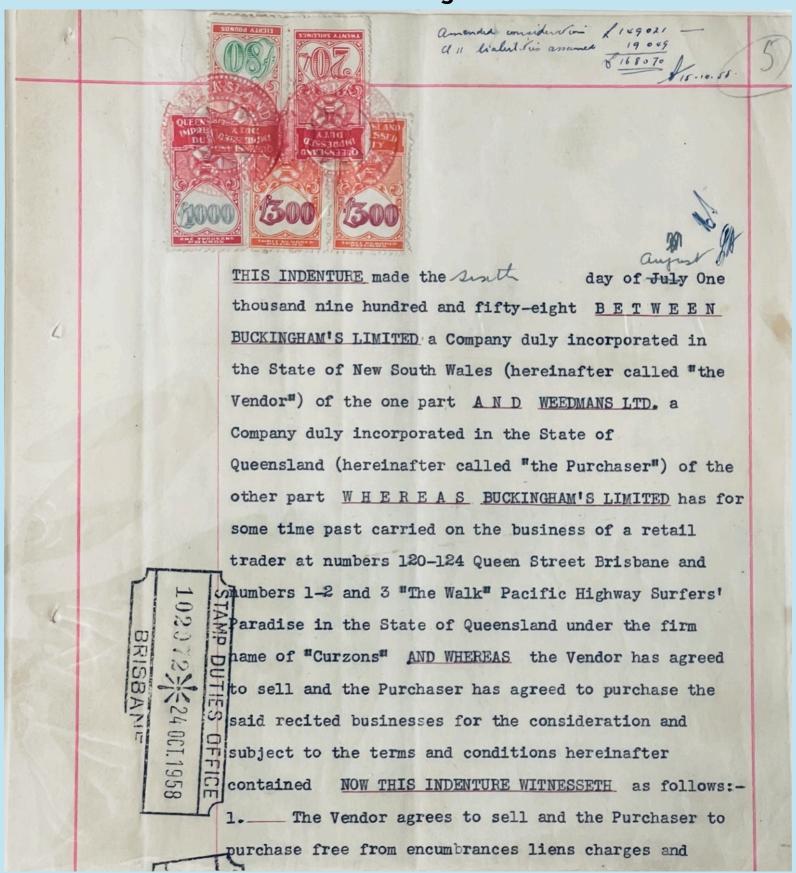
Fifth Series
£1000 Key Plate Proof and Issued





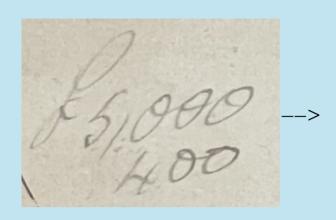
Watermarked Paper

# Fifth Series £1000 Usage



Note adhesives are place so as to have clear view of their value after cancelling

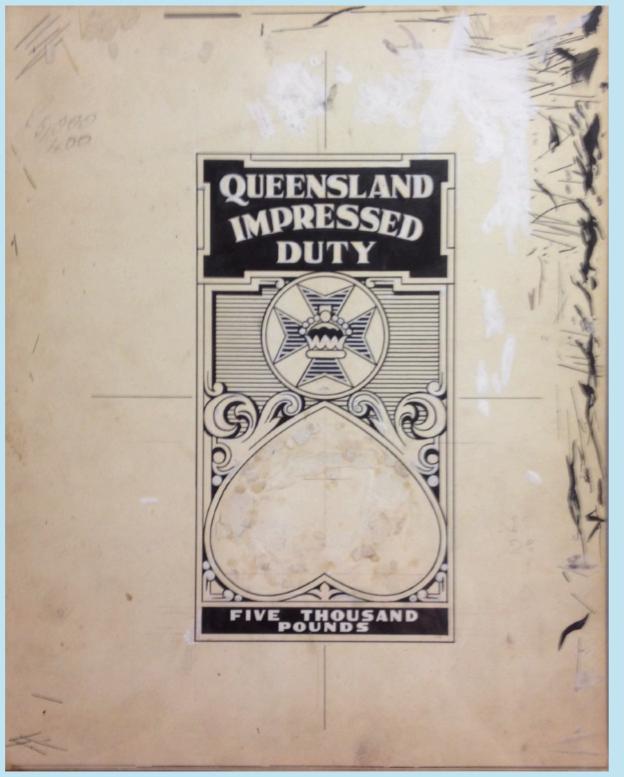
## Fifth Series £5000 Artwork



Artwork for the £400 and £5000

Keyplate frame 3½"x 6¾"

8 sheets issued to the printer to print 48 stamps on 12 September 1960. One printing only



There were 3 printings on 6 sheets of 6 stamps 3x3.

5th Series 1st Issue - Unwatermarked Paper [3 sheets]

5th Series 3rd Issue - Security Overprint paper [3 sheets]

5th Series 4th Issue - Watermarked Paper [2 sheets]

Actual usage Recorded:
4 on no wmk paper
5 on security paper
1 wmked, in specimen set

An imperf proof sheet of 6 in Black and Purple exist in private hands. These are NOT printed on setter sheets but plane paper

The imperf black proof sheet has manuscript on the reverse "1st Proof"

# Fifth Series £5000 Usage





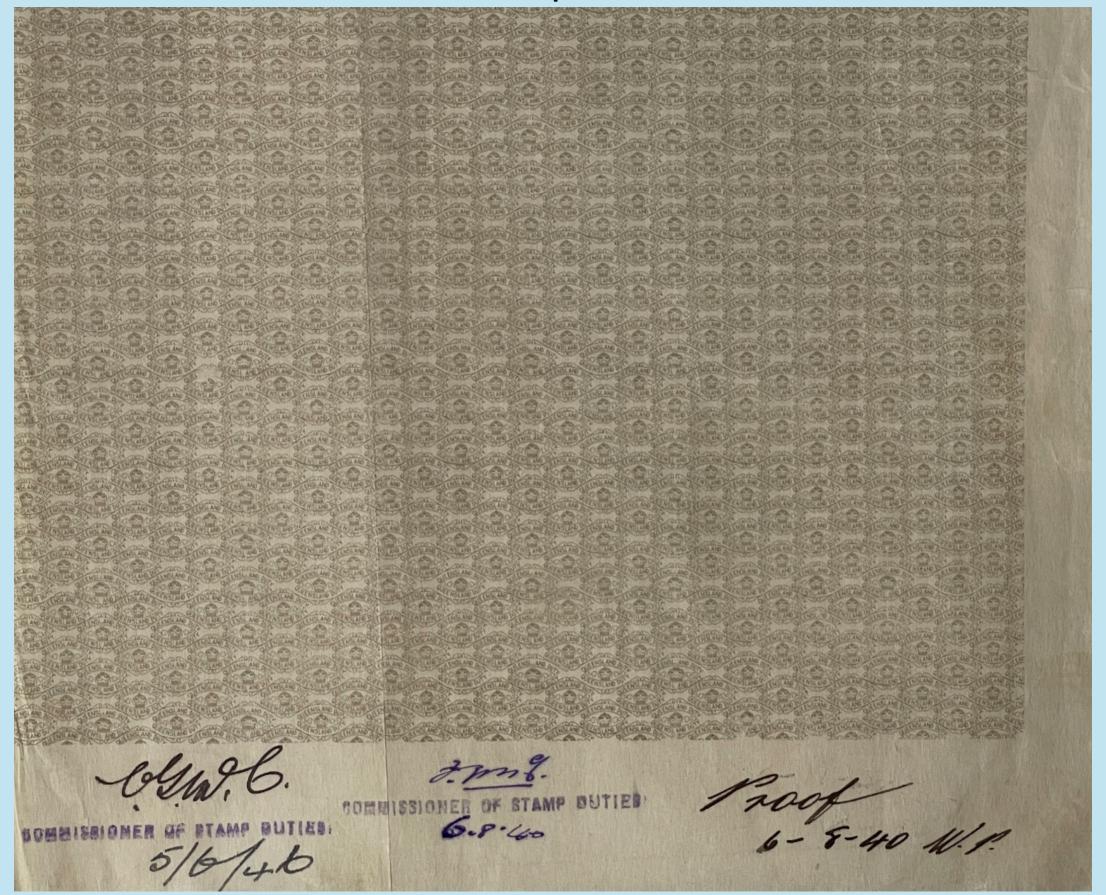
This pair of £5000 represents the highest recorded multiple to date

Left: Seen in auction 2015

One printing only. Unfortunately the graphics show a colour difference, the author is confident if put side by side they would all match up the same colour

3 sheets of 6 line perf 12 were printed and sent to Treasury in late 1962

## Fifth Series - Second Issue 1940 <u>Backprint</u> Proof



Fifth Series - Second Issue 1940 Backprint Proof



# Fifth Series - Second Issue 1940 Backprint Shades



#### Fifth Series - Second Issue. Several Values have been Identified Issued on this Security Backprint Paper



Recorded Values in collectors hands:

Backprint <u>Upright</u> 4d: 2/6d

Backprint <u>Inverted</u> 4d:6d:2/6d: 25/-: £9:£14

Back printed values are rare in particular the 25/-, £9 and the £14 as these three are unique to date

6 values in record books

First Printed

4d 5.5.1942 1000 Sheets

6d not noted in records

2/6d 23.7.1946 500 sheets

25/- not noted in records

£9 not noted in records

£14 not noted in records

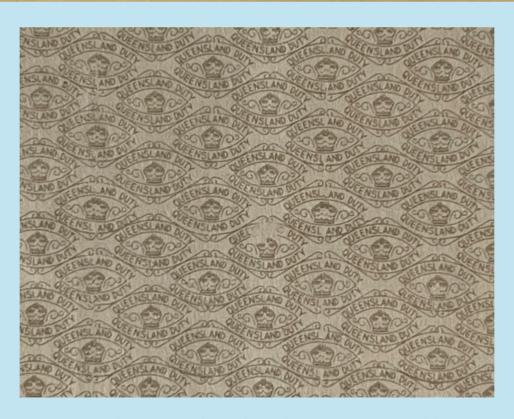
Other values may exist that were not noted in the printers record books



**Backprint Inverted** 

#### Fifth Series - Second Issue 1940 Backprint Destruction

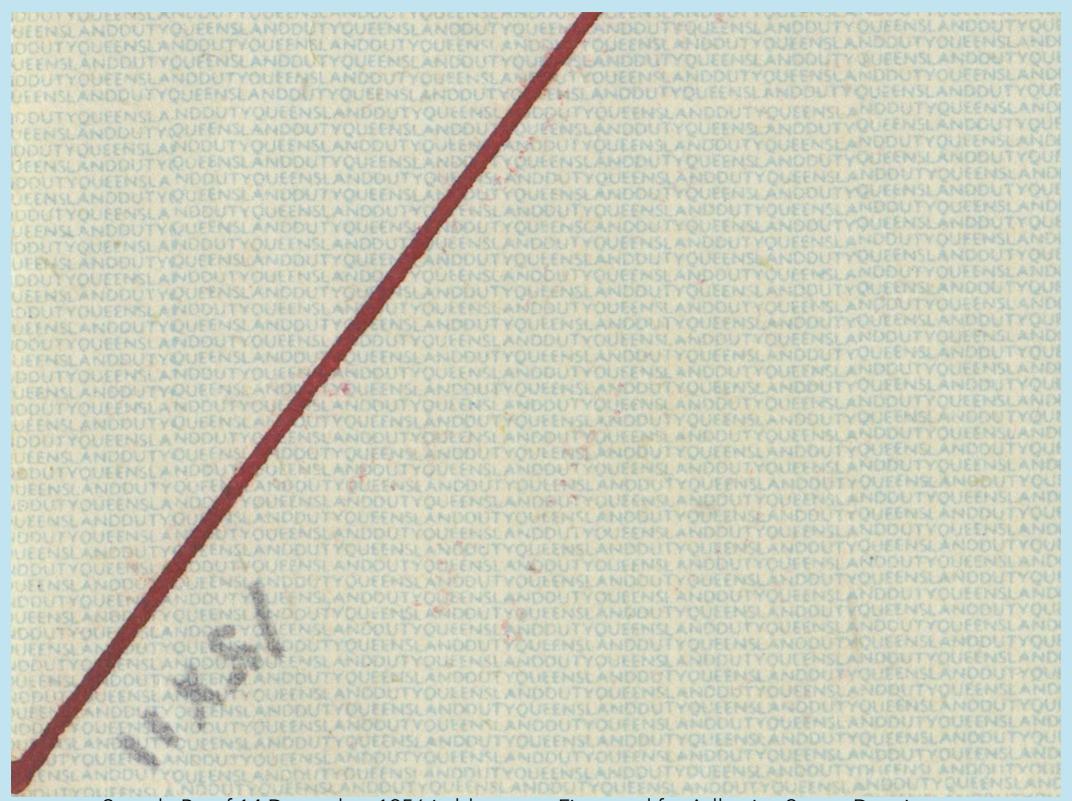
# 



Security paper destroyed 15th July 1958 Signed by Overseer C. Hampson who later became Government Printer

#### Fifth Series - Third Issue. Unwatermarked Security Proof Paper

This paper was used as an Overprint for the £5000



Sample Proof 14 December 1956 in blue-grey. First used for Adhesive Stamp Duty issues

Due to Wiggins Teape watermarked paper shortage the Government Printer was called upon to design a 'more modern' security paper to deter forgery with plain paper locally supplied by 'Australian Paper Manufacturers Ltd'

# Fifth Series - Second Issue £5000 Issued Full Sheet on Security Overprint



3 sheets of 6 were printed and sent to Treasury

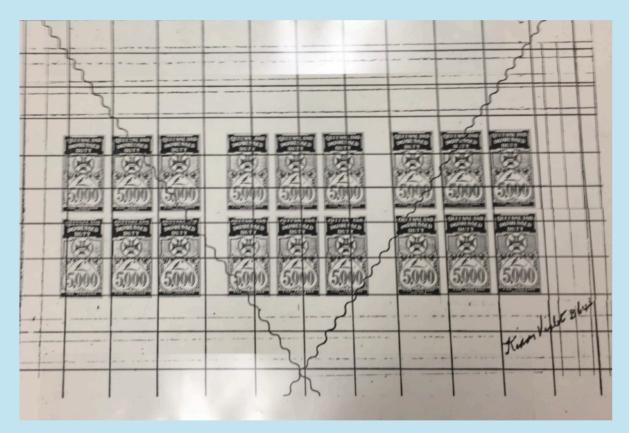
5 issued stamps are unaccounted for

Fifth Series - Third Issue £5000 Security Overprint - Imperf Vertically Between



### Fifth Series - Fourth Issue £5000 Proof Sheet

No £5000 usage on watermarked paper has surfaced to date



This uncut setter sheet printed in 'Kidds' Violet, consisted of 3 'sheets' of 6 stamps laid horizontally



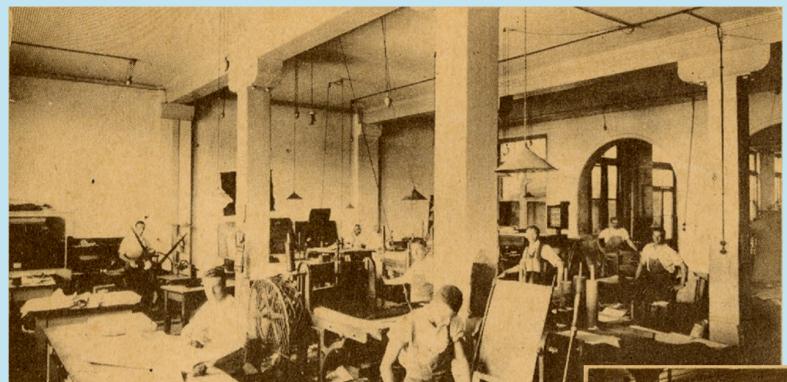
2 sheets of 6 stamps was sent to Treasury

Largest surviving proof block in private hands

11 issued stamps are unaccounted for

One surviving £5000 on watermark paper to date is overprinted SPECIMEN [see page 127]

## **Inside the Government Printing Departments**





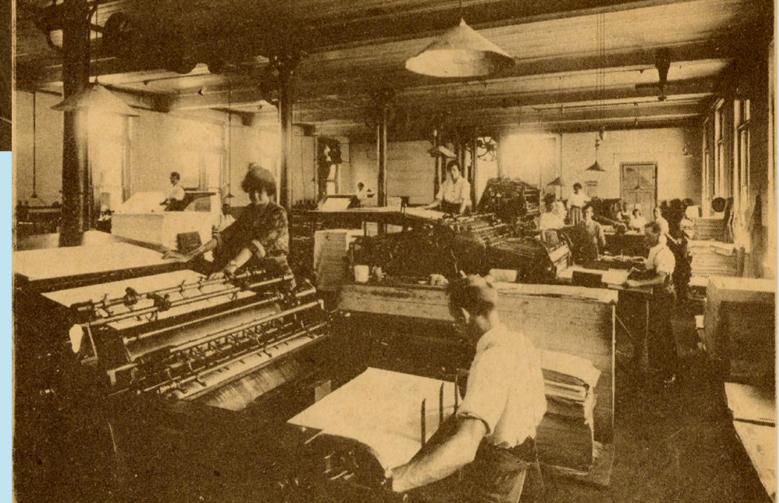
Stores Department



Litho Press Department

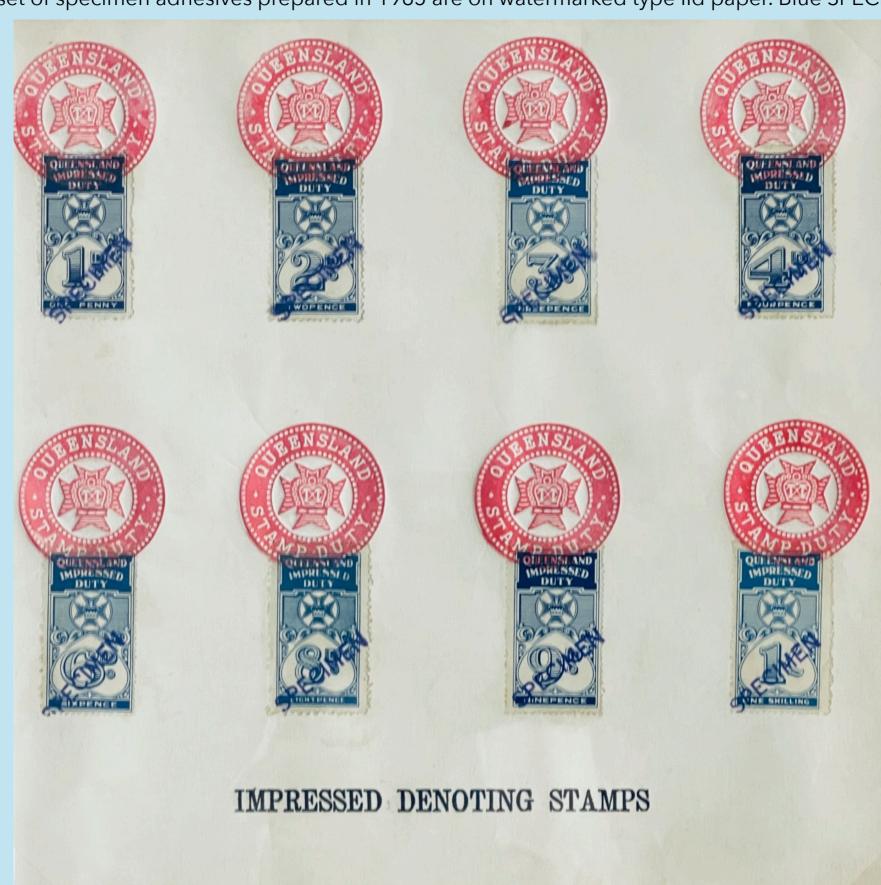


Composing Department



Litho [offset] Department

This unique set of specimen adhesives prepared in 1965 are on watermarked type IId paper. Blue SPECIMEN 25x4mm

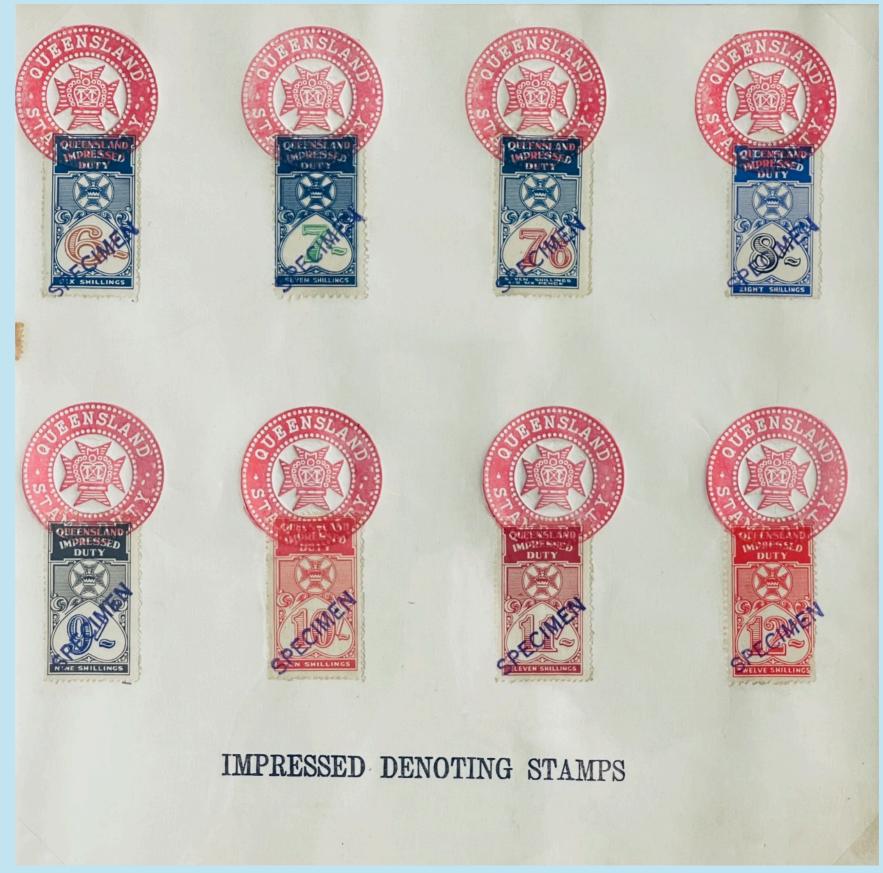


See page 133 for details on the red

embossing canceller



Blue SPECIMEN 25x4mm



7/- Unique double key plate to date



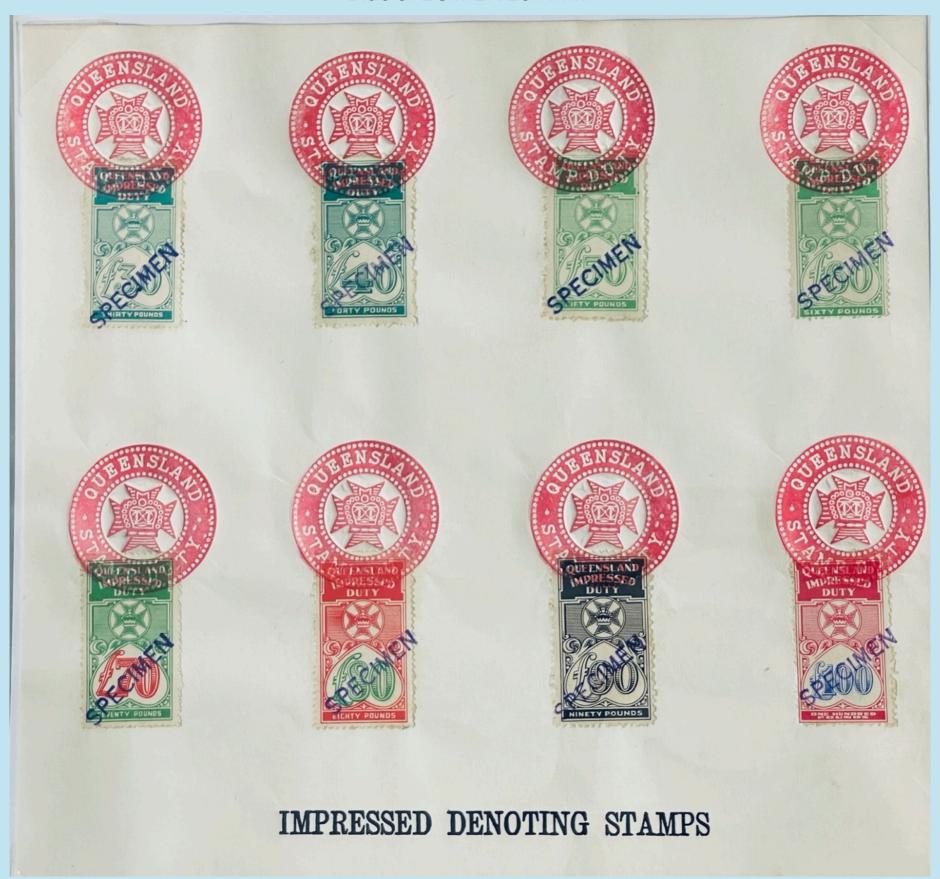




Blue SPECIMEN 25x4mm

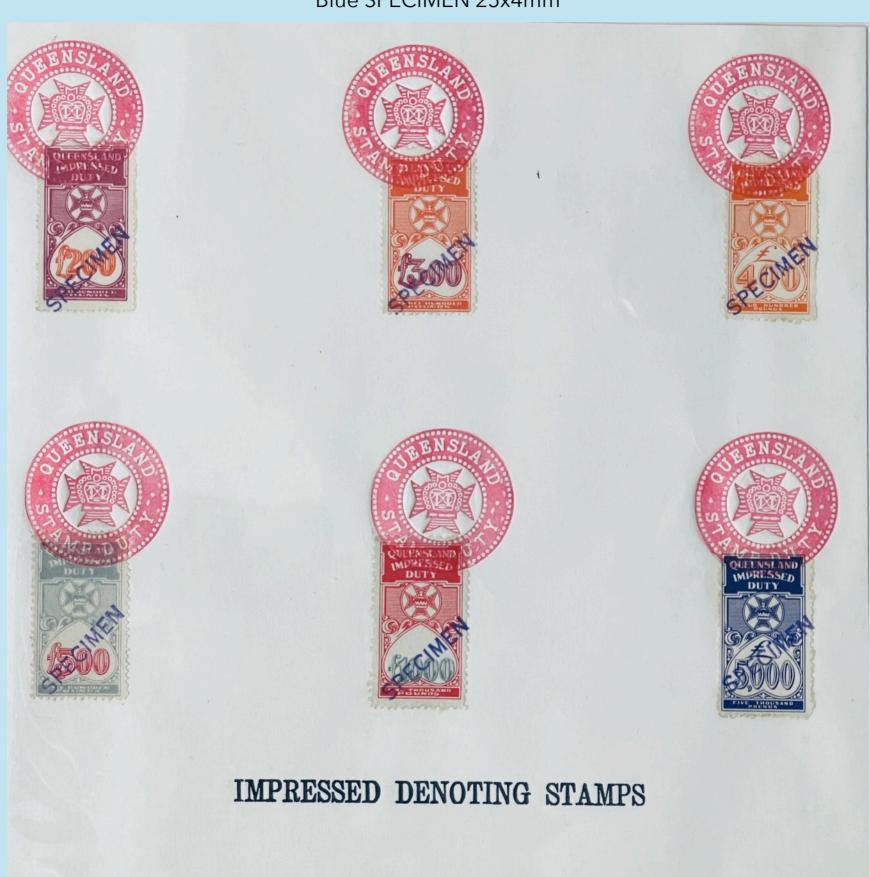


Note small £20 used. See page 84



### **Specimen Overprint - Fifth Series - 1st and 4th Issue**

Blue SPECIMEN 25x4mm



£5000 deep violet from 4th issue

The only surviving £5000 on watermark paper to date is this SPECIMEN

This specimen set is cancelled with the Brisbane Die II embossed canceller [see page 134]

#### Die I & Die II Upper Over Embossing Dies

Die I & Die II was 32mm diameter from dot to dot but with a different Crowns inside Maltese Cross design

Die II Locally was made.

Die II has a different font to Die I



Die I Brisbane Only

Both upper dies I & II graphics are horizontally flipped

### Die I Over Embossing incorporating the Queensland Badge



3 x Upper Die I dies have survived [also see page 130]. No Lower die's have survived

This 32mm diameter from dot to dot with Crown inside Maltese Cross design replaced all existing cancellers in late 1938

### Die I Upper Over Embossing incorporating the Queensland Badge

William Wyon of London supplied several dies for cancelling instruments



3 x Upper Die I dies have survived [also see page 129]. No Lower die's have survived

These 32mm diameter from dot to dot with Crown inside Maltese Cross design replaced all existing cancellers in late 1938

#### Die I Usage the Over Embossing Die

This 32mm diameter from dot to dot with Crown inside Maltese Cross design replaced all existing cancellers in late 1938

Brisbane: Rockhampton: Townsville







Brisbane Treasury

**Rockhampton Treasury** 

Townsville Treasury

Identical size over embossing canceller's were used at the Brisbane, Rockhampton & Townsville Treasury's. Three colours were used.

Red at the Brisbane Treasury, Blue at the Rockhampton Treasury and Brown at the Townsville Treasury

## **Ink Colour Changes**

Various shades of all three Treasury embossed cancellers can be found

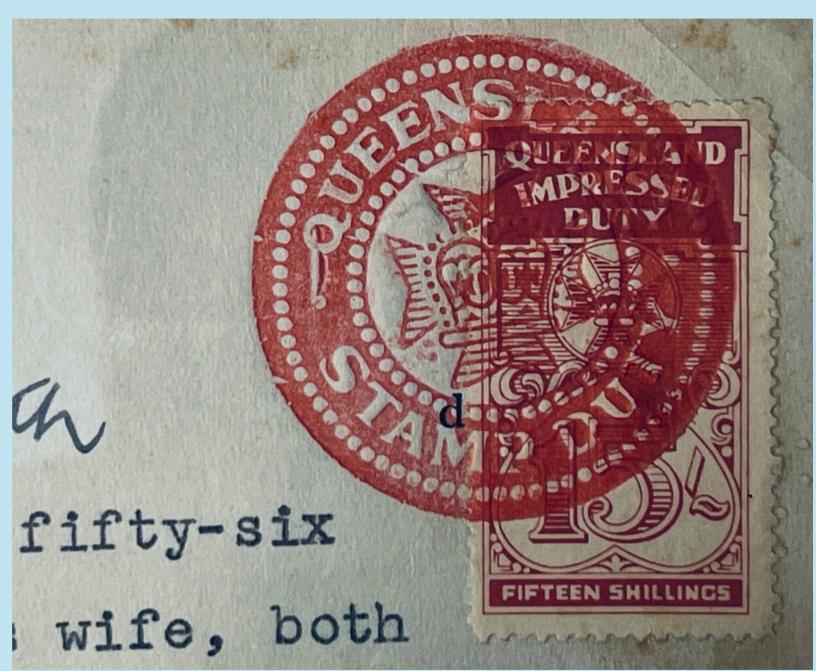


Light Brown Townsville Example

### **Die I Damage**

Brisbane Treasury





### Die II Over Embossing incorporating the Queensland Badge



One Upper Die II die [not previously described] has survived. No Lower die's have survived

Die II added c1958. Brisbane only

#### **Die II Usage Examples**

Die II Original State Nera: The second of 16 A.

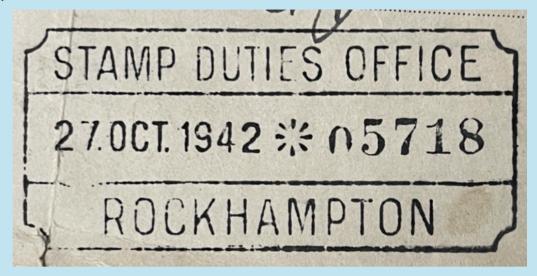
Damage to Die II between 'D' & 'Y' - 4 dents, see steel die above



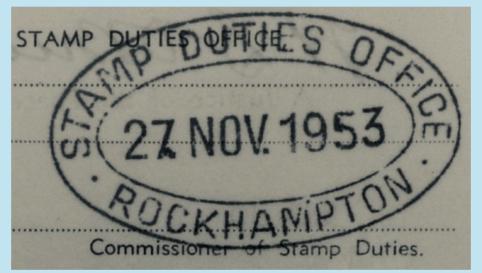
Earliest date recorded for Die II is 24 October 1958

**Locally Supplied Handstamps** 





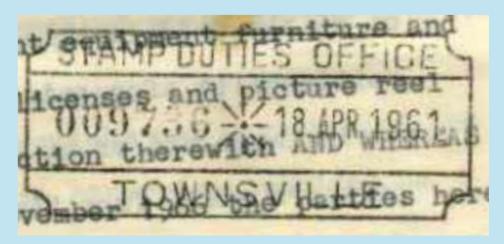
Brisbane



Rockhampton

Rockhampton





Townsville

Townsville

Fine Paid

Penalty

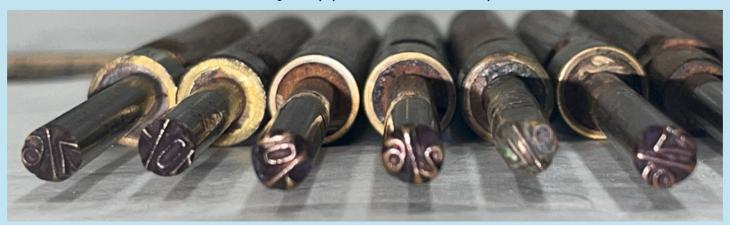


Duplicate





Locally Supplied Handstamps



Several handstamps were put into service

Duplicate

### DUTY DENOTED / ON TRANSFER

**DUTY PAID ON TRANSFER** 



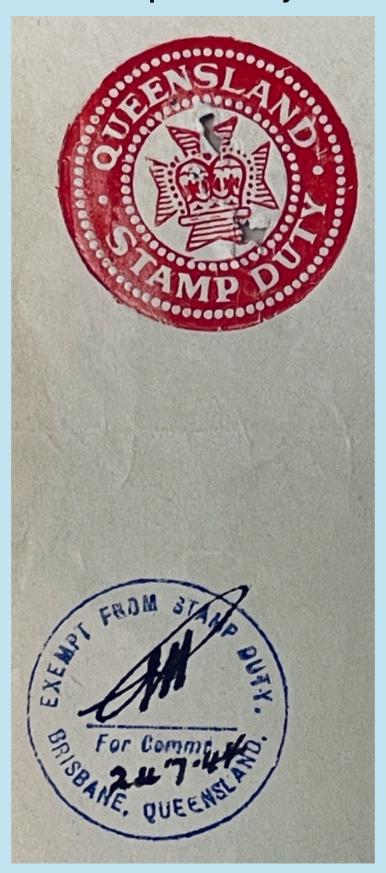
Locally Supplied Handstamps



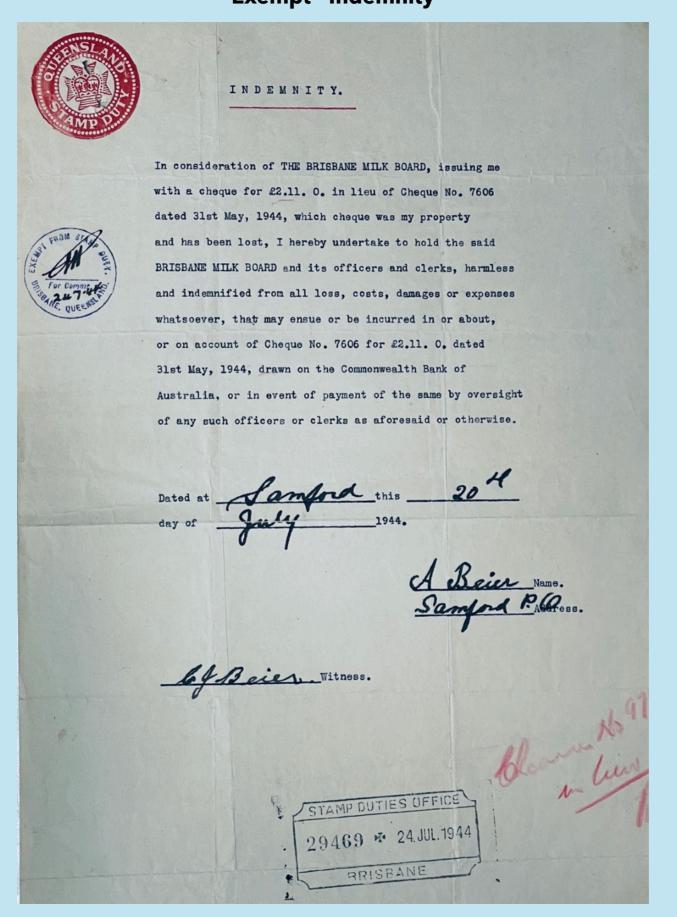
Several handstamps were put into service

Handstamps

Exempt - Indemnity



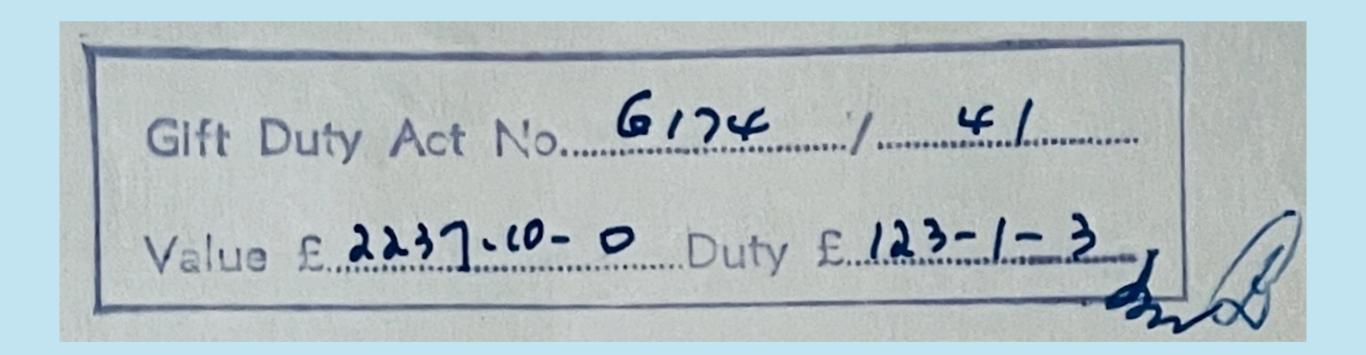
# Handstamps Exempt - Indemnity



#### **Exempt**



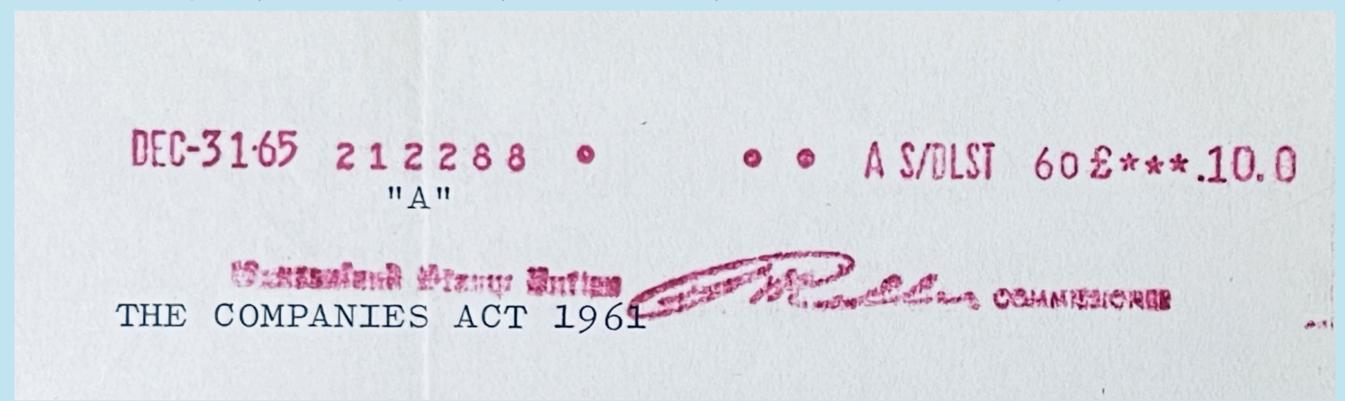
EXEMPT FROM GIFT DUTY / No...... Value £.......



Gift Duty Act No...... / Value £......Duty £......

## End of the Adhesive Duty Stamp in Brisbane Electro-Mechanical Machines

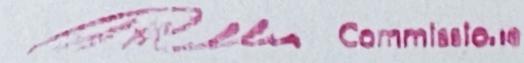
At the Brisbane Office on the October 29th 1962 the first electro-mechanical machines were installed in Queensland to stamp instruments (N.C.R. 2000 cash registers [modified]) - replacing adhesive 'impressed duty' stamps cancelled by a hand-operated die. Rockhampton and Townsville followed shortly thereafter



Two different recorded, with 'QUEENSLAND STAMP DUTIES.' enhanced

JAN-12-66 196841 0 0 ES/D- 35£\*\*\*. 2.6

OUEFNSLAND STAMP DUTIES.



COMPANIES ACT 1961

## **Back Door**



#### STAMP ACT 1894

There are 12 Amendments to the 1894 Act that are pertinent to this stamp duty series1940-1965
Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1940 4 Geo 6 No. 23 date of assent 21 November 1940 commenced on date of assent
Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1950 14 Geo 6 No. 10 date of assent 9 November 1950 commenced on date of assent
Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1954 3 Eliz 2 No. 44 date of assent 6 December 1954 commenced on date of assent
Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1955 4 Eliz 2 No. 44 date of assent 2 December 1955 commenced on date of assent
Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1956 5 Eliz 2 No. 13 date of assent 19 November 1956 commenced 1 January 1957 (proc pubd gaz 15 December 1956 p1931)

Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1958 7 Eliz 2 No. 44 date of assent 3 December 1958 commenced on date of assent

Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1959 8 Eliz 2 No. 42 date of assent 26 November 1959 commenced on date of assent

Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1961 10 Eliz 2 No. 21 date of assent 7 April 1961 commenced on date of assent

Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1962 No. 28 date of assent 18 December 1962 commenced on date of assent

Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1963 No. 35 date of assent 16 December 1963 commenced on date of assent

Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1964 No. 62 date of assent 22 December 1964 commenced on date of assent

Stamp Acts Amendment Act 1965 No. 46 date of assent 25 November 1965 ss 4, 7(1)(a) commenced 1 December 1965 (see ss 4(2), 7(2)) remaining provisions commenced on date of assent

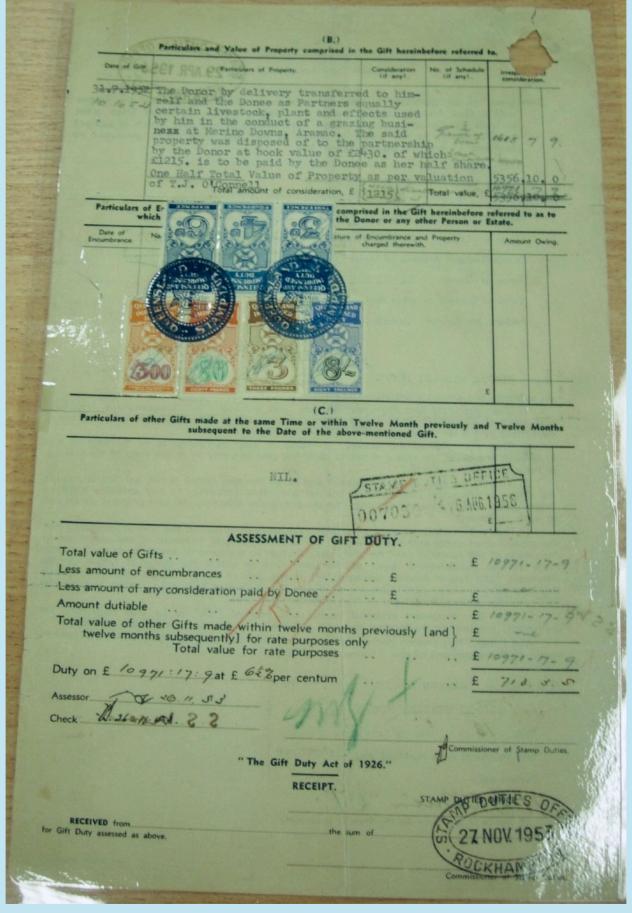
Decimal Currency Act 1965 No. 61 s 10 sch 1 date of assent 23 December 1965 commenced 14 February 1966 (see S1(2)

#### **Sundry**

Marino Downs, Aramac. Qld Property Gift

This instrument is housed along with many others at the Queensland Treasury where in 2009 they surprisingly heat sealed historical paper items.

Also in 2009 the author requested a viewing of their archive and was given no explanation as to why they chose to heat seal their instruments in this way



#### The Maths:

27.10.1953. Property transfer valued @ £2,430 book value. 50% paid by donee. Total duty paid on full book value £383.9.1d.

6.8.1956. Property gifted revalued @ £10,971.17.9d Gift Duty Assessed @ 6½% paying £713.3.5d

Footnote: In 2022 the author requested to view the Treasuries historical archive section to update his notes and was told it had been moved to the Queensland Museum. A further request to Queensland Museum yielded the answer "We have no knowledge of this transfer"

1		IMPRES	C. SSED STAMPS.			
	REQUIRED by (1) Runto Brunous  of (2)  IMPRESSED DUTIES STAMPS of the following Numbers and Denominations on Documents  now presented:—					
	DOCUMENT. (3)	FROM	TO	CONSIDERATION OR VALUE.	DUTY.	
	1. Request	Q.L. Byeroft.	3.7		-126	1
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	- 4	7/2/2	4 3 7			-
-		13/13/19	9	19 11		- being and
-	1/4	41-2	4 4 1	7 1		-

## Sundry

## **Escutcheoning Tools**



To get the adhesive stamps to stick to velum it needed to be roughed up to take the shine off.

Recorded usage is rarely found in this series but none the less exists

#### **Government Printing Office Staff Memo**

Government Printers [in house] news postcard. In this case an upcoming sports day to be held at the school of arts Southport.

Addressed to 'Ye Caxtonian' pertaining to William Caxton, the printer [1422-91]



Re 'MY STAMP': Government Printer Cypher held by each of the two 'Devils' on the front of the Government Printing Office

#### Other works in this series:

"The 1938 Queensland King George VI Adhesive Duty Stamps" 2023 Dave Elsmore RSRM APR

"The 1916 Queensland King George V Impressed Duty Stamps" 2023 Dave Elsmore RSRM APR

"The 1916 Queensland King George V Adhesive Duty Stamps" 2023 Dave Elsmore RSRM APR

"The 1901 Queensland King Edward VII Impressed Duty Stamps" 2022 Dave Elsmore RSRM APR

"The 1901 King Edward VII Duty Stamp Adhesives" 2020 Dave Elsmore RSRM APR

"The 1895 Queen Victoria Impressed Duty Stamps" 2021 Dave Elsmore RSRM APR & Andrew Mortlock FBSAP FRPSL

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