



Government of the Cook Islands

SCHEDULE OF POSTAL RATES AND CHARGES

SURFACE RATES: Within Cook Islands and to New Zealand.

Letters: 5c first oz, 1c each additional oz. Postcards: 3c each.

Parcels: to New Zealand

Ordinary:

Up to 3 lb. - 40c

7 lb. - 60c

14 lb. - \$1.10

21 lb. - \$1.60

28 lb. - \$2.40

Cinematograph

Five film receptacle \$7.00

Four film receptacle \$6.00

Three film receptacle \$5.00

Two film receptacle \$4.00

Single film receptacle \$2.50

Registration: Limit of compensation up to \$20: Fee 20c, plus 5c next \$20, and 5c for each additional \$40 (maximum limit \$800)

OVERSEAS SURFACE RATES:

British Commonwealth Countries:

Letters: 5c first oz, 1c each add oz, up to 4 lb. Postcards: 3c each.

Other Countries:

Letters: 8c first oz, 4c each add oz, up to 4 lb. Postcards: 4c each.

Registration of letters: 20c maximum compensation \$7.30

Insurance of letters: 25c up to \$58, and 10c each additional \$58 up to a limit of \$800. The limit for air parcels is \$100.

OVERSEAS SURFACE PARCEL RATES:

up to 2 lbs. 7 lbs. 11 lbs. 22 lbs.

Australia, Hawaii, Samoa, Tonga and other Pacific Islands	60c	\$1.00	\$1.50	\$2.50
Great Britain, Europe, USSR, U.S.A., Canada, India, Japan	\$1.20	\$1.50	\$2.10	\$4.00
Central and South American countries, African countries	\$1.50	\$2.10	\$3.00	\$6.00

OVERSEAS AIRMAIL RATES:

Country or Area	Letters each 1/2 oz.	Postcards	Air Parcels each 8 oz.
New Zealand, Australia, Hawaii, Tonga, Samoa, and other Pacific Islands	10c	6c	50c
United States, Canada, Mexico, Japan, India, and other Asian countries	25c	13c	\$1.25
Great Britain, Europe, African countries, Central and South American countries	30c	15c	\$1.50

Surface mail: Post Office patrons are reminded that the arrival time of mail sent overseas by surface mail will vary considerably because of infrequent ship schedules, and possibly might be enroute several months. Some cruise ship formerly stopping by Rarotonga to carry onward mail to either Auckland or Papeete will soon discontinue service.

Airmail service can be predicted to reach overseas addressees within seven to twenty days, depending on the departure time from Rarotonga, now that an inter-island air service has begun which will connect Rarotonga and Aitutaki with Pago Pago, Nadi, and Auckland twice each month.

Air parcel mail presently represents the least postal charge for most rapid delivery time. For example, an unregistered parcel to Great Britain weighing one pound would cost \$1.20 by surface parcel post, \$3.00 by air parcel post, and \$9.60 at regular airmail rates; an unregistered seven ounce letter, would cost 11c by surface mail; \$1.50 by air parcel post and \$4.20 by regular airmail.

Overseas residents must take into account in the above delivery times any delays usual to their own customs service. In many countries all parcel post shipment, both air and surface, must clear through customs service, which time is not taken into account in the above advice concerning in-transit time from the Cook Islands to Europe and the Americas.

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