

9. Every British newspaper shall be printed and published at intervals not exceeding thirty-one days between any two consecutive numbers, or parts of such publication, and the same shall be registered by the proprietor or printer thereof at the General Post Office in London, and shall be posted within fifteen days from the date of its publication, and the title and date of the newspaper shall be printed at the top of every page thereof, and, for the purposes of this Warrant, every such newspaper shall be deemed and considered a packet, and shall be charged and chargeable with a separate and distinct single rate, or separate and distinct progressive rates of postage, according to the weight thereof, as mentioned in the first schedule hereto, notwithstanding two or more newspapers shall be enclosed and transmitted in one and the same cover, wrapper, envelope, or bundle, and form only one parcel or bundle of newspapers, and every printed supplement or additional sheet to any such newspaper shall, for the purpose of charging the postage under this Warrant, be deemed a distinct newspaper, unless sent in the same cover, or together with the newspaper to which it is a supplement or addition.

10. No packet of British newspapers shall exceed five pounds in weight.

11. The term "printed papers" used in this Warrant and the First Schedule hereto, shall mean and include all printed books or other printed publications, printed or lithographed letters, and such artistic productions as prints, printed, engraved, or lithographed maps, and photographs, which maps and photographs may be on paper, parchment, or vellum, together with any binding, mounting, or covering of or upon or belonging to any such article or production, or any portion thereof, and including also any cases or rollers of prints or maps, book markers (whether of paper or otherwise), or other thing usually appertaining to any such article or production, or necessary for its safe transmission, which shall be sent in the same packet with any such article or production to which they or it shall belong, and also when contained in any packet consisting of unbound proof sheets only, any ordinary corrections in writing of such unbound proof sheets, which corrections may, if necessary, be written on separate sheets or pieces of paper annexed to such proof sheets, but shall not mean or include any photographs, drawings, prints, or other contents which may be obviously of an obscene character.

12. No packet of printed papers shall exceed three pounds in weight.

13. No patterns or samples shall be of any intrinsic value, or consist of articles or things of a saleable nature, or having a value of their own apart from their mere use as patterns or samples, but this clause shall not apply where the patterns or samples consist of scissors, knives, forks, or such like articles, or of tobacco, raw or spun silk, or coloured or twisted silk.

14. No packet of patterns or samples shall exceed eight ounces in weight, nor shall any packet consisting of raw or spun silk, or coloured or twisted silk, exceed three ounces and a-half in weight.

15. No packet of patterns or samples shall contain any explosive or other dangerous material or substance, nor any sharp or pointed instrument, unless such sharp or pointed instrument be securely packed and guarded to the satisfaction of the Postmaster-General, so as to ensure sufficient protection against injury to the officers of the Post Office and to the contents of the mail bags.

16. All packets shall be subject to the following further regulations, viz. :—

No packet shall exceed two feet in length or one foot in breadth or depth, unless under the special authority of the Postmaster-General.

Every packet shall be sent open at the ends or sides, and either without a cover or in a cover or envelope open at the ends or sides; But, in the case of pattern or sample packets, samples of seeds, drugs, and such other articles and things as cannot be sent in open covers, may be enclosed in bags of linen, paper, or other material, which can be readily opened.

No packet shall contain any written letter or written communication in the nature of a letter, either closed or open, and whether addressed to or intended for the person to whom the packet is directed or any other person, nor any enclosure, sealed or otherwise closed against inspection, nor any other enclosure not authorized by this Warrant, except that in the case of prices current, exchange lists, and trade circulars, the entry of the prices, as well as alterations in quotations, may be written, and except that in the case of packets consisting of patterns or samples, the name and address of the sender, a manufacturer's or trade mark, and the number, price, and description of the pattern or sample, may be written or printed on labels attached to the pattern or sample.

There shall be no writing, figures, or manual marks whatsoever, of any description, upon any packet, or the cover or envelope thereof, not authorized by this Warrant, except the name and address of the person to whom the same is sent, and except in the case of packets consisting of patterns or samples, the name and address of the sender, a manufacturer's or trade mark, and number, price, and description of the pattern or sample; but the name or title of any British newspaper, and the name and address of the publisher, news-vendor, or agent by whom the same is sent, may be printed on the cover thereof; and any other packet, not consisting of a British newspaper, may have any matter or thing printed on the cover thereof.

Every packet posted in the United Kingdom shall be put into the Post Office at such hours in the day and under all such regulations as the Postmaster-General may appoint.

17. If any packet shall be posted or transmitted by the post otherwise than in conformity with the regulations and conditions applicable thereto hereinbefore, in the 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, and 16th clauses contained, the same shall and may be detained and opened; and at the option of the Postmaster-General, shall be either returned or given up to the sender thereof, or be given up to the person to whom the same shall be addressed, or be forwarded to the place of its destination; and any such packet, on being so returned, given up, or forwarded, shall, at the option of the Postmaster-General, be either free of postage or be charged with any rate of postage he may think fit, not exceeding the rate that would be chargeable on such packet as an unpaid letter.

18. The Treasury Warrant and parts of Treasury Warrants described in the second schedule hereto, shall, on the coming into operation of this Warrant, be repealed.

19. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.