

Northern Ireland

National Insurance Stamps

1948 - 1993

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National Insurance Stamps 1948-1993.

From 1948 - 1965 the National Insurance Scheme was administered by the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance (Ireland). From 1965 - 1999 by the Ministry of Health and Social Services (Northern Ireland) and since then by the Ministry for Social Development (Social Security Agency N. Ireland).

Information Provided by David Reidy of H.M.Revenue and Customs.

Contribution rate-changes were made by statutory instrument, but were the same as those in Great Britain.

Explanations.**Opting out.**

Widows and married women could opt out of the pensions portion of the contribution as they were covered by the husband's contributions. If they opted in they could receive a pension in their own right and not just a married couple's or widow's pension.

Exempt.

Those over retirement age or girls under 18 married or widowed were exempt from the pensions part of the contribution.























Period: 5 July 1948 - 30 September 1951

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Chocolate on dark green. Value: Dark green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Dark blue on light grey. Value: Grey.	Aged under 18. Medium green on chocolate. Value: Brown.	Aged under 18. Purple on red-brown. Value: Dark red.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Light brown on indigo. Value: Black	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married woman opting out. Light chocolate on brown. Value: Dark green.		Married Girl, aged under 18 opting out. Light chocolate on indigo. Value: Dark red.
Employed Abroad				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Dull red on scarlet. Value: Black	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Dark green on brown. Value: Light red	Aged under 18 Light chocolate on dark blue: Value: Dark green.	Under 18 or exempted from I.I. contributions. Light grey on dark blue. Value: Dark blue.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Light chocolate on light blue-grey. Value: Light red.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married and opting out. Brown on dark blue. Value: Light green		
Class 2				
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Dark blue on brown. Value: Orange.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Brown on light chocolate. Value: Mauve.	Aged under 18. Light blue-grey on light grey. Value: Brown	Aged under 18. Light blue-grey on light chocolate. Value black
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Purple on dark brown Value: Light blue	Aged 18 - 60. Brown on dark green Value: Orange	Aged under 18. Light grey on chocolate. Value: Light blue	Aged under 18. Dark green on chocolate Value: Mauve
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Insured Separately. Brown on light blue-grey. Value: Mauve.	Aged 18 or over. Insured Separately. Dark blue on light chocolate. Value: Red.	Aged under 18. Chocolate on medium green. Value: Black.	Aged under 18. Indigo on brown. Value: Light green.





Period: 1949 - 1950 reprints

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
			14 June 1949	4 October 1949
Employed				
	aged 18-70	aged 18-65	Aged under 18. Medium green on chocolate. Value: Black.	Aged under 18. Purple on red-brown. Value: Black.
Employed Exempt.				
	over 65	over 60		under 18
Employed Abroad				
	18 - 70	18 - 65	under 18	under 18
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	over 65	over 60		
Class 2	4 October 1949			
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Dark blue on brown. Value: Black.	18 - 65	under 18	under 18
Class 3		21 March 1950		
Non Employed.				
	18 - 65	Aged 18 - 60. Brown on dark green. Value: Black.	under 18	under 18
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	18 or over	18 or over	under 18	under 18

Period: 5 July 1948 - 30 September 1951

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
9/1d.		
	2 weeks	4 weeks
		
	8 weeks	13 weeks
	chocolate on dark green.	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
7/1d.		
	2 weeks	4 weeks
		
	8 weeks	13 weeks
	dark blue on light grey.	
Class 1.	Employed Boy aged under 18	
5/4d		
	4 weeks	13 weeks
	medium green on chocolate.	
Class 1.	Employed Girl aged under 18	
4/3d.		
	4 weeks	13 weeks
	purple on red-brown	
Class 1	Employed exempt Man aged over 65	
4/6d.		
	4 weeks	13 weeks.
	light brown on indigo	
Class 1.	Employed exempt woman aged over 60.	
3/6d.		
	4 weeks	13 weeks
	light chocolate on brown.	

The same High Value Stamps were used with these later printings. Though all of the high value stamps printed before December 1948 had been on coated paper.











Class 1.	Employed Boy aged under 18	
5/4d		
	4 weeks	13 weeks
	medium green on chocolate.	
Class 1.	Employed Girl aged under 18	
4/3d.		
	4 weeks	13 weeks
	purple on red-brown	

Period: 1 October 1951 - 5 October 1952

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired.	Aged 18-65 and not retired.	Aged under 18	Aged under 18
	Deep green and magenta.	Brown and green.	Scarlet and green.	Green and Persian orange.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married woman opting out		Under 18
	Victoria blue and orange.	Red brown and Persian orange.		Brown and violet red.
Employed Abroad				
	18 - 70 and not retired	18 - 65 and not retired.	Under 18	under 18 (or excepted from Industrial Injuries contributions.)
	Violet-red and deep green.	Victoria blue and orange.	Red brown and bright blue.	Grey and bright blue.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married and opting out.		
	Scarlet and brown	Violet and magenta		
Class 2				
Self Employed				
	18 - 70 and not retired.	18 - 65 and not retired.	Under 18.	Under 18.
	Red-brown and bright blue	Grey and bright blue	Bright blue and green.	Magenta and Persian orange
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Violet and magenta.	Scarlet and brown.	Green and Persian orange.	Bright blue and green.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	18 or over. Insured separately for Industrial Injuries.	18 or over. Insured separately for Industrial Injuries.	Under 18	Under 18
	Grey and bright blue	Violet and magenta.	Magenta and Persian orange	Green and scpia D/T

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Period: 1 October 1951 - 5 October 1952











Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
9/5d.		
	2 weeks	4 weeks
		
	8 weeks	13 weeks
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
7/5d.		
	2 weeks	4 weeks
		
	8 weeks	13 weeks

Period: 6 October 1952 - 5 June 1955

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18 to 70 and not retired. Bright blue and D.T. Sepia.	Aged 18 to 65 and not retired. Persian orange and bright blue.	Aged under 18. Violet-red and bright blue.	Aged under 18. Deep green and orange.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Persian orange and P.C. red	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married woman opting out. Grey and green.		Married, under 18 and opting out. P.C. red and grey.
Employed Abroad				
	18 - 70 and not retired. Green and Persian orange.	18 - 65 and not retired. Grey and bright blue.	Under 18. Brown and violet-red.	Under 18. (or excepted from I.I. contributions.) Violet red and deep green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Grey and D.T. sepia	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married and opting out. Brown and green.		
Class 2				
Self Employed				
	18 - 70 and not retired. Grey and orange.	18 - 65 and not retired. P.C. red and D.T. sepia.	Under 18. Red brown and D.T. sepia.	Under 18. Green and D.T. sepia.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Deep green and brown.	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and brown.	Under 18. Magenta and red brown.	Under 18. Red brown and bright blue.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	18 or over. Insured separately for Industrial Injuries. Violet.	18 or over. Insured separately for Industrial Injuries. Deep green.	Under 18. Deep green	Under 18. P.C. red.

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Period: 6 October 1952 - 5 June 1955







Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
<p>10/9d.</p> 	 <p>2 weeks</p>	 <p>4 weeks</p>
	 <p>8 weeks</p>	 <p>13 weeks</p>
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
<p>8/5d.</p> 	 <p>2 weeks</p>	 <p>4 weeks</p>
	 <p>8 weeks</p>	 <p>13 weeks</p>

Period: 6 June 1955 - 1 September 1957

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 not retired. Red and magenta	Aged 18-65 not retired. Brown and red-brown.	Aged under 18 Magenta and green.	Aged under 18 Brown and blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70 Brown and gold.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married woman opting out. Blue and violet.		Under 18 married and opted out. Violet and gold.
Employed Abroad				
	18 - 70 and not retired. Violet.	18 - 65 and not retired. Orange.	Under 18 Green.	Under 18 Brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Grey.	Over 60 and retired or over 65 Or married and opting out. Gold.		
Class 2				
Self Employed				
	18 - 70 not retired. Green and yellow-green.	18 - 65 not retired. Blue.	Under 18. Green and brown.	Under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey.	Aged 18 - 60. Blue and violet.	Under 18. Orange and green.	Under 18. Red and grey.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	18 or over. Blue.	18 or over. Orange.	Under 18. Violet.	Under 18. Green.

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Period: 2 September 1957 -2 February 1958







Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
13/7d 			
4 weeks			
			
8 weeks		13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
11/1d. 			
13 weeks			

Period: 2 September 1957 - 2 February 1958

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Red and magenta.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Brown.	Aged under 18. Magenta and green.	Aged under 18. Brown and gold.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Brown and gold.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married and opting out. Dark blue green and blue.		Under 18. Married and opting out. Gold and violet.
Employed Abroad				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Orange.	Under 18. Green.	Under 18. Brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Grey.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married and opting out. Gold.		
Class 2				
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue.	Aged under 18. Dark blue green and blue.	Aged under 18. Gold.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey.	Aged 18 - 60. Violet.	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Red and grey.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 2 September 1957 -2 February 1958

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
13/7d		
	4 weeks	
		
	8 weeks	13 weeks
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
11/1d.		
	13 weeks	

National Health Service Contributions Act.







The National Health Service Contributions Act of 1957 provided for the separation of the National Health Contributions from the National Insurance Contributions though the two were still to be paid together. It allowed increased National Health Service Contributions.

Period: 3 February 1958 - 6 July 1958

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 not retired. Red and magenta.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Brown.	Aged under 18. Magenta and green.	Aged under 18. Brown and blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Gold.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married and opting out. Dark blue and green.		Under 18. Married and opting out. Violet and gold.
Employed Abroad				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Orange.	Aged under 18 Green.	Aged under 18 Brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Grey.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married and opting out. Gold.		
Class 2				
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue.	Aged under 18. Green and brown.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65 Grey.	Aged 18 - 60 Violet.	Aged under 18 Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Red and grey.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 3 February 1958 - 6 July 1958







Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
17/6d.		
	4 weeks	
		
	8 weeks	13 weeks
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
14/3d.		
	13 weeks	

Period: 7 July 1958 - 2 April 1961

















Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired Magenta and red.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Brown.	Aged under 18. Magenta and green.	Aged under 18. Brown and blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Brown and gold.	Over 60 & retired or over 65. Or married and opting out. Dark-blue and green.		Under 18 married and opting out. Violet and gold.
Employed Abroad				
	18 - 70 and not retired. Violet.	18 - 65 and not retired. Orange.	Aged under 18. Grey.	Aged under 18. Brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Grey.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married and opting out. Gold.		
Class 2				
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue.	Aged under 18. Green and brown.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey.	Aged 18 - 60. Violet and blue.	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Red and grey.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 7 July 1958 - 2 April 1961

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
<p>18/2d.</p> 		 <p>4 weeks</p>  <p>8 weeks</p>  <p>13 weeks</p>
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
<p>14/9d.</p> 		 <p>13 weeks</p>

Period: 3 April 1961 - 2 July 1961

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 not retired. Green.	Aged 18-65 not retired. Brown.	Aged under 18. Magenta and grey.	Aged under 18. Brown and blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Brown and gold.	Over 60 & retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Dark blue and green.		Under 18 married or widowed and opted out. Violet and gold.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired. Red and magenta.	Aged 18 - 65 not retired. Gold and yellow. not overprinted.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married or widowed, under 65 not retired and opted out. Red and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.	19s9d	15s8d		
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired. not found	Aged 18 - 65 not retired. not found		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.		7s2d		
		Under 65 married or widowed, not retired, opted out. not found		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired. Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 not retired. Orange.	Aged under 18. Taupe and magenta.	Aged under 18. Brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Taupe and blue-grey.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Greenish gold.		

3 April 1961 - 2 July 1961 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired. Violet and blue	Aged 18 - 65 not retired. Green	Aged under 18. Green and brown	Aged under 18. Blue and red
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey.	Aged 18 - 60. Violet and blue.	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Red and grey.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green

The 16/5d stamp in the archive set was not overprinted and there were no 19/9d, 15/8d or 7/2d stamps which were predicted.

High Value stamps.

Period: 3 April 1961 - 2 July 1961

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
18/2d.			
	4 weeks		
			
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
15/2d.			
	13 weeks		

Contracting out of the Graduated Pension Scheme.

A graduated pension scheme was introduced in 1961 and was an attempt at providing an extra earnings-related pension on top of the basic state pension. Because many employer's schemes were considered adequate substitutes it was possible to Contract out of the Scheme. The scheme lasted until 1975.

Period: 3 July 1961 - 2 June 1963

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18 to 70 not retired. Blue and green.	Aged 18 to 65 not retired. Brown.	Aged under 18. Magenta and green.	Aged under 18. Brown and blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Gold and brown.	Over 60 retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. (1961) Dark blue and green.	(1962) Magenta and green.	Under 18 married/widowed, opted out. Violet and gold.
Contracted out.				
	18 - 70 not retired. Red and magenta.	18 - 65 not retired. Gold and yellow.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Under 65, married or widowed, not retired. Opted out. Orange and gold.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	18 - 70 and not retired. Violet and pale blue.	18 - 65 and not retired. Blue and brown.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Under 65, married or widowed, not retired, opted out. Green and brown.		
Employed Abroad.				
	18 - 70 not retired. Violet and blue.	18 - 65 not retired. Orange and yellow.	Under 18. Grey and magenta.	Under 18. Brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Over 65 & retired or over 70. Green and brown	Over 60 & retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Greenish gold.		

3 July 1961 - 2 June 1963 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed		 1961 1962		
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Green and gold.	Aged under 18. Green and brown.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey	Aged 18 - 60. Violet	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Red and brown
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	18 or over. Blue	18 or over. Orange	Under 18 Violet	Under 18 Green

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Period: 3 July 1961 - 2 June 1963

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
19/2d.			
	4 weeks		
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
16/-			
	13 weeks		

Period: 3 June 1963 - 28 March 1965

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 not retired. Green.	Aged 18-65 not retired. Brown.	Aged under 18. Green and magenta.	Aged under 18. Brown and blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Brown and gold.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married & opted out. Green and maroon.		Under 18. Married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired. Red and pink.	Aged 18 - 65 not retired. Brown and yellow.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired, opted out. Orange and yellow.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.	24s9d	20s1d		
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired. not found	Aged 18 - 65 not retired. not found		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.		9s4d		
		Under 65 married or widowed, not retired, opted out. not found		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Orange and yellow.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Blue-green and green	Over 60 & retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Gold and green.		

3 June 1963 - 28 March 1965 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and green.	Aged under 18. Brown and green.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey	Aged 18 - 60. Violet and blue.	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Grey and pink
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue	Aged 18 or over. Orange	Aged under 18. Violet	Aged under 18. Green

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Period: 3 June 1963 - 28 Mar 1965

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
21/4d.			
	4 weeks		
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
18/-			
	13 weeks		

This set was absent from the archives but is likely to have existed.

Period: 29 March 1965 - 5 December 1965







Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Green	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Blue.	Aged under 18. Blue-green and magenta.	Aged under 18. Brown and blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Brown and gold.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Green and magenta.		under 18 Gold and violet
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Red and magenta.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Brown and yellow.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65, not retired, opted out. Orange and yellow.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Grey and magenta.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65, not retired. Opted out. Blue and green.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Orange and gold.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Blue and green CO ignored.	Over 60 and retired or widowed/married and opted out. Gold and green		

29 March 1965 - 5 December 1965 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and pale mauve.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and grey.	Aged under 18. Brown and green.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Violet and blue.	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue	Aged 18 or over. Orange	Aged under 18. Violet	Aged under 18. Green

High Value Stamps.

Period: 29 March 1965 - 5 December 1965

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
26/7d.			
	4 weeks		
			
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
22/7d.			
	13 weeks		

Period: 6 December 1965 - 4 September 1966

Class I	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Blue and green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Brown.	Aged under 18. unchanged	Aged under 18. unchanged
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 retired or over 70. Brown and gold.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Green and magenta.		Aged under 18 married/widowed and opted out. unchanged
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired Magenta and red.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired Gold and brown.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired, opted out. Gold and red.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Grey and magenta.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired. Opted out Brown and green.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Orange and gold.	Aged under 18. unchanged	Aged under 18. unchanged
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Green.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married & opted out. Green and gold.		

6 December 1965 - 4 September 1966 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and pale mauve.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue.	Aged under 18. Brown and green.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Violet and blue.	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries. Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 6 December 1965 - 4 September 1966

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
27/-		
	2 weeks	4 weeks
	8 weeks	13 weeks
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
22/9d.		
	13 weeks	

Redundancy Payments Scheme

From 6th December 1965, employers had to contribute to a fund to provide redundancy payments for men and women employed by them. This was collected as part of National Insurance and was 5d per week for a man and 2d for a woman.

Period: 5 September 1966 - 5 February 1967



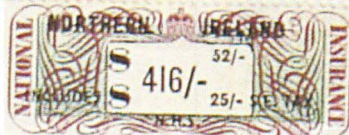



Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 not retired. Blue-green and yellow-green.	Aged 18-65 not retired. Brown and red-brown.	Aged under 18. Blue-green and magenta.	Aged under 18. Brown and blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Brown and gold.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed opted-out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and red-brown.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65, not retired, opted out. Gold and red.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Grey and magenta.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired and opted out. Brown and green.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired. Violet and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 not retired. Orange and gold.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Brown and red-brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Dark green and yellow-green.	Over 60 and retired or over 65 or widowed/married and opted out. Gold and green.		

5 September 1966 - 5 February 1967 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired Blue and violet-blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18 Red-brown and green.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and blue	Aged 18 - 60. Violet and blue.	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over Blue	Aged 18 or over. Orange	Aged under 18. Violet	Aged under 18. Green

High Value Stamps.

Period: 5 September 1966 - 5 February 1967

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
52/- 			
	4 weeks		
			
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
35/3d. 			
	13 weeks		

Selective employment tax (SET)

This was a tax on 'non-productive workers' (i.e. a tax charged on selective occupations) that was introduced in 1966. It was collected as part of National Insurance.

Period: 6 February 1967 - 29 October 1967

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Blue-green and yellow green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Deep magenta and pale red.	aged under 18 unchanged	aged under 18 unchanged
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and light blue.	Over 60 retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted-out. Blue-green and magenta.		under 18 unchanged
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and pale red.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue-green and yellow-green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65, not retired, opted out. Violet and pale red.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue-green and magenta.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired and opted out. Red and light blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and light blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Brown and red-brown.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Blue-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted-out. Orange and magenta.		

6 February 1967 - 29 October 1967 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired Blue and violet-blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Red-brown and green.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Violet and blue.	Aged under 18. Orange and green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 6 February 1967 - 29 October 1967

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
52/5d.			
	4 weeks		
			
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
35/6d.			
	13 weeks		

Period: 30 October 1967 - 5 May 1968

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Blue-green and yellow-green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and light blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue-green and yellow-green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired and opted out. Red and light-blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and light blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Red and blue-green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and orange.		

30 October 1967 - 5 May 1968 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Light blue and violet	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green	Aged under 18. Red-brown and yellow-green	Aged under 18. Light blue and red
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light-blue	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

High Value Stamps.













Period: 30 October 1967 - 5 May 1968

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
56/8d.			
	4 weeks		
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
39/3d.			
	13 weeks		

Period: 6 May 1968 - 1 Sep 1968







Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow-green and blue-green	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and not retired. Violet and light blue.	Aged over 60 and not retired. Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18, married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and dark green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and light blue. without CO		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Red and light blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and light blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Red and blue-green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Magenta and red.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and green.		

6 May 1968 - 1 Sep 1968 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Light blue and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Red-brown and yellow-green	Aged under 18. Light blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Light blue and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Red-brown and yellow-green	Aged under 18. Light blue and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over Blue	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	under 18 unchanged	under 18 unchanged

High Value Stamps.

Period: 6 May 1968 - 1 September 1968

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
58/2d.			
	4 weeks		
			
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
40/7d.			
	13 weeks		

Actual examples of Northern Ireland Stamps were not preserved in the archives after about 1968/1969. The following note is added to pages of the stamps of Great Britain.

All but the four Mercantile Marine stamps are overprinted for use in N. Ireland

These were the last High Value Stamps to be preserved. The next ordinary set was the last one kept.

Period: 2 September 1968 - 6 July 1969

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow-green and blue-green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and light blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired. Opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Red and light blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and light blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Red and blue-green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and green.		

2 September 1968 - 6 July 1969 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Light blue and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Red-brown and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Light blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue.	Aged 18 - 60 Grey and violet.	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18 Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

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Period: 2 September 1968 - 6 July 1969













Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
71/1d. 			
	4 weeks		
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
47/- 			
	13 weeks		

These and all the following pictures of High Value stamps have been fabricated. They are said to have existed. The positions of the overprints on almost all of the pictures of the following ordinary stamps have been guessed.

Period: 7 July 1969 - 2 November 1969




Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Mid green and light blue.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and light blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and yellow-green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Red and light blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and light blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18 Red and blue-green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and green.		

7 July 1969 - 2 November 1969 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Light blue and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Red-brown and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Light blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet.	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 7 July 1969 - 2 November 1969

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
81/7d. 		
	4 weeks	8 weeks

There were no 13 week G.B. stamps for this period in the archives, which seems deliberate.

Period: 3 November 1969 - 5 July 1970

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Mid-green and light blue.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and light blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and mid-green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired . Opted out. Red and light blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and light blue	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Red and mid-green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and orange. CO ignored.		

3 November 1969 - 5 July 1970 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired Light blue and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired Gold and blue-green	Aged under 18. Red-brown and mid-green	Aged under 18 Light blue and red
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet.	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue	Aged 18 or over. Orange	under 18 unchanged	under 18 unchanged

Period: 3 November 1969 - 5 July 1970

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
83/7d.			
	4 weeks		
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
54/1d.			
	13 weeks		

Period: 6 July 1970 -14 February 1971

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow-green and light blue.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and light blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married. Opted out. Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and yellow-green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Red and light blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and light blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Red and blue-green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and yellow-green.		

6 July 1970 -14 February 1971 continued.

Class 2				
Self Employed unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Light blue and violet	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green	Aged under 18. Red-brown and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Light blue and red
Class 3				
Non Employed. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Grey and light blue.	Aged 18 - 60 and not retired. Grey and violet.	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue	Aged 18 or over. Orange	Aged under 18. Violet	Aged under 18. Green

Period: 6 July 1970 -14 February 1971

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
84/7d. 		
	4 weeks	
	8 weeks	13 weeks
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
55/1d. 		
	13 weeks	

DECIMALISATION

14 February 1971 - 4 July 1971

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow-green and blue-green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and blue-green.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married. Opted out. Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and yellow-green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Red and light blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and blue.	Aged 18 - 65. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Red and blue-green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married. Opted out. Magenta and blue-green.		

14 February 1971 - 4 July 1971 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and violet	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green	Aged under 18. Brown and green	Aged under 18. Blue and magenta
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet	Aged under 18. Grey and light blue	Aged under 18. Grey and red
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Deep blue and light blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange and gold.	Aged under 18. Violet and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Blue green and mid-green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 15 February 1971 - 4 July 1971

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
£4.23			
	4 weeks		
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
£2.75			
	13 weeks		

5 July 1971 - 19 September 1971

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow-green and blue-green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Blue and violet.	over 60 Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Grey and yellow-green		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Dull blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Red and blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Red and green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and green.		

5 July 1971 - 19 September 1971 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Brown and green.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet.	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Deep blue and light blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange and gold.	Aged under 18. Violet and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Blue-green and yellow-green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 5 July 1971 - 19 September 1971













Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
£3.03 			
	4 weeks		
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
£2.15 			
	13 weeks		

This period was of less than 13 weeks, but the same stamps were used for these categories in the next period so 13 week stamps were printed for use then.

20 September 1971 - 1 October 1972






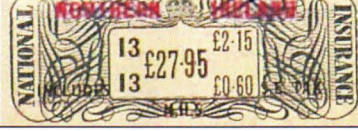
Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed Unchanged.				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Green and light blue.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Purple and light blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and purple.
Contracted out. Unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and purple	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Purple and green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Purple and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue and orange		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired and opted out Red and blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Taupe and magenta.	Aged under 18. Red and green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and green		

20 September 1971 - 1 October 1972 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and violet.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Brown and green.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet.	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue and violet.	Aged 18 or over. Orange and gold.	Aged under 18. Violet and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Blue-green and yellow-green.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 20 September 1971 - 1 October 1972

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
£3.03			
	4 weeks		
			
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
£2.15			
	13 weeks		

2 October 1972 - 1 April 1973







Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed	 Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow-green and light blue	 Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red-brown.	 Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	 Aged under 18. Gold and light blue
Employed Exempt.	 Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and light blue.	 Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married/widowed and opted out. Turquoise and magenta.		 Under 18 married/widowed and opting out. Gold and violet.
Contracted Out	 Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet	 Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue and green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.		 Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out. Purple and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad	 Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Gold and yellow-green	 Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and Exempt.		 Under 65, married or widowed, not retired, opted out. Red-brown and light blue		
Employed Abroad	 Aged 18 - 70 not retired. Maroon and blue	 Aged 18 - 65 not retired. Yellow-green and deep orange.	 Aged under 18. Grey and maroon.	 Aged under 18. Maroon and green.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.	 Over 65 & retired or over 70. Yellow-green and maroon	 Over 60 & retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Maroon and yellow-green.		

2 October 1972 - 1 April 1973 continued.

Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Light blue and dark blue	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and turquoise	Aged under 18. Toupe and green	Aged under 18. Light blue and red-brown
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet	Aged under 18. Grey and turquoise.	Aged under 18. Grey and red-brown
Industrial injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue	Aged 18 or over. Orange unchanged	Aged under 18. Violet unchanged.	Aged under 18. Green unchanged

High Value Stamps.

Period: 2 October 1972 - 1 April 1973

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
£3.13			
	4 weeks		
			
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
£2.24			
	13 weeks		

2 April 1973 - 30 September 1973

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow green and light blue.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and green.	Aged under 18. Orange and light blue.
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Purple and light blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opted out. Gold and purple.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and opted out. Magenta and violet	18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and orange		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		married woman or widow under 65 and not retired. Opted out Violet and green.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and green	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 and not retired and opted out. Red and blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and magenta.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Green and orange.	Aged under 18. Taupe and magenta.	Aged under 18. Grey and violet, not an error.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Green and magenta	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and green.		

2 April 1973 - 30 September 1973 continued.







Class 2	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Self Employed Unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Light blue and dark blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and turquoise.	Aged under 18. Toupe and green.	Aged under 18. Light blue and red-brown.
Class 3				
Non Employed. Unchanged.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet.	Aged under 18. Grey and turquoise.	Aged under 18. Grey and red-brown.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. Unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue.	Aged 18 or over. Orange.	Aged under 18. Violet.	Aged under 18. Green.

Abolition of Selective Employment Tax.


















From 2nd April 1973 Selective Employment Tax was abolished along with Purchase Tax, so the cost of National Insurance stamps was reduced. The Revenue was recovered using Value Added Tax.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 2 April 1973 - 30 September 1973

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
£1.93		
	4 weeks	
		
	8 weeks	13 weeks
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
£1.64		
	13 weeks	

1 October 1973 - 20 January 1974

Class I	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow-green and blue-green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Red and magenta.	Aged under 18. Magenta and yellow-green.	Aged under 18. Gold and blue-green.
Employed Exempt.				
	Over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married/widowed and opted out. Blue-green and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opting out. Gold and violet.
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and purple	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and yellow-green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired and opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired and opted out Red and blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and blue-green.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green. oval value lozenge	Aged under 18. Grey and magenta.	Aged under 18. Yellow-green and magenta.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and blue-green.		

1 October 1973 - 20 January 1974 continued.

Class 2				
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and magenta.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and green.	Aged under 18. Red-brown and green.	Aged under 18. Blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and light blue.	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet.	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red.
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue and violet	Aged 18 or over. Orange and gold	Aged under 18. Violet and blue-green	under 18 Unchanged.

High Value Stamps.

Period: 1 October 1973 - 20 January 1974

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
	4 weeks	
	8 weeks	13 weeks
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
	13 weeks	

21 January 1974 - 4 August 1974

Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	Aged 18-70 and not retired. Yellow-green and blue-green.	Aged 18-65 and not retired. Magenta and red.	Aged under 18. Magenta and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Violet and orange. (not an error)
Employed Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Violet and blue.	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or married/widowed and opted out. Grey and magenta.		Under 18 married/widowed and opting out. Grey and red. (not an error)
Contracted out.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and violet	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Violet and yellow-green.		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired and opted out. Violet and orange.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Orange and yellow-green	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Light blue and orange.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Married woman or widow under 65 not retired and opted out. Red and light blue.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Magenta and light blue.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Yellow-green and orange.	Aged under 18. Violet and light blue.	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green. (not an error)
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	Aged over 65 and retired or over 70. Yellow-green and magenta	Over 60 and retired or over 65. Or widowed/married and opted out. Magenta and light blue.		

21 January 1974 - 4 August 1974 continued.

Class 2				
Self Employed				
	Aged 18 - 70 and not retired. Blue and magenta.	Aged 18 - 65 and not retired. Gold and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Brown and green.	Aged under 18. Light blue and red.
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	Aged 18 - 65. Grey and blue	Aged 18 - 60. Grey and violet	Aged under 18. Grey and blue-green.	Aged under 18. Grey and red
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only. Unchanged.				
	Aged 18 or over. Blue and violet	Aged 18 or over. Orange and gold.	Aged under 18. Violet and blue-green	Aged under 18. Blue-green and yellow-green

High Value Stamps.

Period: 21 January 1974 - 4 August 1974

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70		
£2.12 			
	4 weeks		
	8 weeks	13 weeks	
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65		
£1.79 			
	13 weeks		

5 August 1974 - 5 April 1975






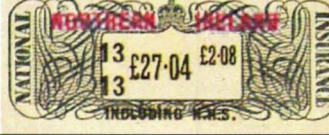
Class 1	MAN	WOMAN	BOY	GIRL
Employed				
	aged 18-70	aged 18-65	aged under 18	aged under 18
Employed Exempt.				
	over 65	over 60		under 18
Contracted out.				
	18-70 not retired	18-65 not retired		
Contracted out and Exempt.				
		under 65, married or widowed, not retired, opted out.		
Contracted out and Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired.	Aged 18 - 65 not retired.		
Contracted out, Employed Abroad and exempt.				
		Under 65 married or widowed, not retired, opted out.		
Employed Abroad.				
	Aged 18 - 70 not retired.	44/5 Aged 18 - 65 not retired.	Aged under 18.	Aged under 18.
Employed Abroad and Exempt.				
	over 65 & retired or over 70	Over 60 & retired or over 65; or widowed/married & opted out.		

5 August 1974 - 5 April 1975 continued.












Class 2				
Self Employed				
	18 - 70	18 - 65	under 18	under 18
Class 3				
Non Employed.				
	18 - 65	18 - 60	under 18	under 18
Industrial Injuries.				
Industrial Injuries only.				
	18 or over	18 or over	under 18	under 18

High Value Stamps.

Period: 5 August 1974 - 5 April 1975

Class 1	Employed Man aged 18-70	
£2.47		
	4 weeks	
		
	8 weeks	13 weeks
Class 1.	Employed Woman aged 18-65	
£2.08		
	13 weeks	

1975 - 1993

Period:	CLASS 2		CLASS 3	Share Fisherman
	MAN	WOMAN		
6 Apr. 1975 - 10 Apr. 1976				
	Blue and violet.	Gold and greenish-blue.	Taupe and blue	red and blue
11 Apr. 1976 - 9 Apr. 1977				
	Blue and violet.	Green and blue.	yellow and blue	red and blue
10 Apr. 1977 - 8 Apr. 1978				
	Blue and violet.	Gold and green.	Taupe and blue.	Red and blue
	CLASS 2		CLASS 3	
9 Apr. 1978 - 7 Apr. 1979				
	Green and gold.		Gold and purple	Blue and red
8 Apr 1979 - 5 Apr. 1980				
	Red and blue.		Blue and gold.	Green and red.
6 Apr. 1980 - 11 Apr. 1981				
	Green and orange.		Orange and blue	Red and blue
12 Apr. 1981 - 10 Apr. 1982				
	Red and green		Red and blue	Blue and pink
11 Apr 1982 - 9 Apr. 1983				
	Red and green		green ad red	Orange and blue.
10 Apr. 1983 - 7 Apr 1984				
	Green and orange.		Orange and green	Red and blue.

Period:	CLASS2		CLASS 3		Share Fisherman
8 Apr. 1984 - 6 Apr. 1985					
	Black, yellow and brown.		Black, brown and pale green.		Black, blue and green.
7 Apr. 1985 - 5 Oct. 1985					
	Black, red-brown and gold.		Black, purple, yellow and grey.		Black, green and blue.
6 Oct. 1985 - 5 Apr. 1986					
	Black, grey and gold.		Black, blue and grey.		Black, pink and blue.
6 Apr. 1986 - 11 Apr. 1987					
	Black, green and blue.		Black, brown and orange.		Black, green, yellow and blue.
12 Apr. 1987 - 10 Apr. 1988					
	Black, red-brown and yellow.		Black, green, and blue.		Black, green and blue.
11 Apr. 1988 - 8 Apr. 1989		Guesswork from here on.		Guesswork from here on.	
	Black, grey and yellow.		Black, grey and pink.		Black turquoise and blue.
9 Apr. 1989 - 7 Apr. 1990					
	Green, brown and yellow.		Blue, brown and yellow.		Yellow, red and brown.
8 Apr. 1990 - 5 Apr. 1991					
	Yellow and taupe.		Orange and taupe.		Blue and red.
6 Apr. 1991 - 11 Apr. 1992					
	Pink. (£5.15)		Brown. (£5.05)		Green (£6.20)
12 Apr. 1992 - 10 Apr. 1993					
	Red and yellow.		Green and yellow.		Red, yellow and green. (£7.00)

The overprints after April 1988 have not yet been seen.