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## POSTAGE STAMPS ISSUES IN THE 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER OF 2020

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## POSTAGE BLOCK LIGHTHOUSES OF UKRAINE



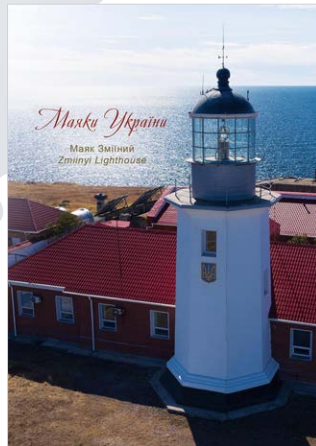
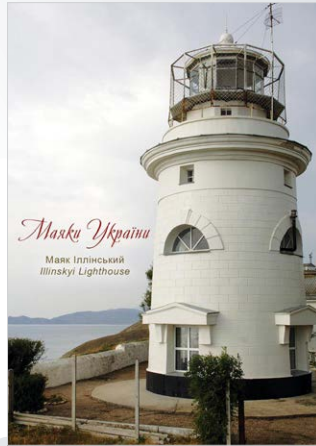
### TECHNICAL INFORMATION OF THE BLOCK

Approximate issue date: August 2020.  
 Printing run – 25 000 copies.  
 Size of the stamps – 24,36x52,2 mm.  
 Number of stamps in block – 6.  
 Face value of the stamps – 9,00 UAH.



Place of cancellation:  
 Kyiv, Kherson,  
 Odessa

Approved original drafts of the postage block, cover "First day" and postmark with special cancellation "First day"



## DECORATIVE STAMP

## The Iron Cross Award

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION OF THE STAMP

**Approximate issue date:** August 2020  
**Print run:** 100,000 copies

**Printing run** – 130 000 copies.

**Size of the stamp** – 30x40,5 mm.

**Number of stamps per sheet** – 8 (4x2).

**Face value of the stamp – 11,00 UAH.**

Design by V.Taran.



Place of cancellation:  
Kyiv

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Iron Cross Award is an award of the Army of the Ukrainian People's Republic. Established on the initiative of the Council of People's Ministers of the Ukrainian People's Republic on May 15, 1920 to commemorate the participants of the First winter campaign of the Army of the Ukrainian People's Republic 1919–1920.



Approved original drafts of the postage block, cover "First day" and postmark with special cancellation "First day"





## POSTAGE BLOCK

### CULTURAL EPOCHS OF UKRAINE. Scythians



**Size of the booklet in open format:**  
530x175 mm.  
**Printing run of the booklet:** 3 000 copies  
Design by S. Kharuk, O. Kharuk.



#### TECHNICAL INFORMATION OF THE BLOCK

**Approximate issue date:** September 2020.  
**Printing run** – 20 000 (400 of them non-perforated and numbered in booklet for participants of the “Ukrphil-ex - 2020” philatelic exhibition and encouragement of philatelic activists).  
**Size of the block** – 114x105 mm.  
**Size of the stamps** – 30,7x50 mm.  
**Face values of the stamps** – 9,00 UAH, 27,00 UAH.  
Design by S. Kharuk, O. Kharuk.



Place of cancellation: Kyiv  
and Kharkiv

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Scythians are a nomadic Iranian-speaking people existed in the first millennium BC. On Ukrainian ground Scythians probably came from the Altai and Kazakhstan, and disappeared as a result of resettlement to the Crimea and extermination Sarmatians at the turn of IV-III centuries. BC.

Approved original drafts of the postage block, cover “First day” and postmark with special cancellation “First day”, booklet and postmark “First Day”



## STAMP SHEET

### UKRAINIAN ALPHABET

#### TECHNICAL INFORMATION OF THE SHEET

**Approximate issue date:** September 2020  
**Printing run** – 20 000 copies.  
**Size of the stamps** – 40x28 mm.  
**Number of stamps per sheet** – 11.  
**Face values of the stamps** – 9,00 UAH.  
Artist – K. Lavro.



Place of cancellation: Kyiv  
and Kharkiv



#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Souvenir booklet is planned for this issue with three stamp sheets “Ukrainian alphabet” 2018-2020, Printing run: 1 000 copies.

Approved original drafts of the stamp sheet, cover “First day” and postmark with special cancellation “First day”





## DECORATIVE STAMPS

### NATIONAL MINORITIES IN UKRAINE. THE GERMANS

#### TECHNICAL INFORMATION OF THE STAMPS

Approximate issue date: September 2020.  
Printing run of each stamp – 130 000 copies.  
Size of each stamp – 30x40,5 mm.  
Number of stamps per sheet – 12 (3x4).  
Face value of each stamp – 9,00 UAH.  
Artist – M. Kochubei.



#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The first rural German settlements appeared in Ukraine in the early 18th century in Transcarpathia (near Mukachevo and Svaliava), and later in Halychyna, Bukovyna, and Southern Volyn. In the second half of the XVIII century Germans settled in Steppe Ukraine, in particular in Zaporizhia, Mykolaiv, Kherson and Odesa regions, Crimea. There are now 33.3 thousand Germans in Ukraine.



Approved original drafts of the stamps, cover "First day"



Place of cancellation:  
Kyiv



Approved original drafts of stamps and postmark of special cancellation "First Day"





## SPECIAL CANCELLATIONS IN THE 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER OF 2020

No.	Approximate issue date	Name of special cancellation	Place of cancellation
2	August	100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ukrainian military organization	Kyiv, Ternopil
3	September	18 <sup>th</sup> National Philatelic Exhibition "UKRPHILEX 2020"	Kharkiv (three special cancellations)
4	September	375 years since the foundation of Sloviansk	Sloviansk, Donetsk
5	September	200 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation of Nizhyn State University named after Mykola Hohol	Nizhyn, Chernihiv Region
6	September	75 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War II	Kyiv



## NON-POSTAL POSTMARKS AND OVERPRINTS ON POSTAGE OF UKRAINE

Non-postal postmarks and overprints are imprints of drawings, texts and figures on the address side of the postal item, samples of which are not approved by government agencies and are not provided by the Rules for the provision of postal services.

Such prints are not affixed on postage stamps, but it is possible to use them on the free space of the address side of the envelope (illustration 1), on the postage stamp coupon (illustration 2), on the bank of the post block or on vignettes (non-postage stamps).

Imprints of non-postal postmarks on postal items are of a souvenir nature, made for collection purposes and complement the general character of the official special cancellation and the theme displayed on the stamp or drawing of the envelope. Cancellations with such postmarks are called club, because they are in most cases made on the initiative of clubs of philatelists.



illustration 1



illustration 2



illustration 3



illustration 4



illustration 5

Non-postal postmarks can be applied independently to any outstanding events, if the thematic plan does not provide for official special postmarks. In such cases, the selection of artistic envelopes and postage stamps, which are close in content to the event being celebrated (illustration 3 - illustration 4).

Let's remember the balloon mail. Balloon flights with mail on board have been taking place in Ukraine since 2001. Written balloons were affixed with written stamps on ballots, certifying their actual delivery by balloon, but they were not official. However, the imprints of such stamps on the letters have always aroused the interest of philatelists (illustration 5 - illustration 6).



illustration 6



illustration 7

In 2008, mail was delivered by helicopter from Chernivtsi to Khotyn. The on-board stamp of the helicopter on written items certified their delivery directly by air transport (illustration 7).

There are known cases of imprinting of non-postal postmarks and overprints in the case of commemoration of outstanding events, significant achievements or correction of errors in the text on the envelopes made by the printing house.

Here is an example when immediately after the final match of the prestigious club European football tournament - UEFA Champions League Final 2018 Kyiv (May 25) 2018 on postal items made after 23:00 on the same day, philatelists stamped text display of the names of the countries of the final game, date and score of the match (illustration 8).



illustration 8

A noteworthy print on the envelope, which was made in honor of the victory of the Ukrainian biathlon team in the women's relay at the Winter Olympics in Sochi (illustration 9). As an example, there is a picture dedicated to the final game of the European Football Championship 2012 (illustration 10).



illustration 9



illustration 10

It is impossible not to mention the mistake that was made in late 2008 when putting into circulation an envelope with the original stamp "Volodymyr Nemyrovych-Danchenko. 1858-1943", when his brother Vasyl was depicted instead of Volodymyr Nemyrovych-Danchenko and an erroneous inscription was printed. To correct this mistake, meticulous philatelists printed a text on the envelope. The management of "Marka Ukrainy" Publishing House officially acknowledged the mistake and apologized to postal service users and collectors. Later, the Publishing house "Marka Ukrainy" printed an unlabeled artistic envelope with the correct image of Volodymyr Nemyrovych-Danchenko and the corresponding inscription (illustration 11 - illustration 13).





illustration 11– illustration 13

It is appropriate to cite cases of the use of personal seals on written items by the chiefs of annual expeditions at the Ukrainian Antarctic station "Academician Vernadskyi". Each head of the next expedition had to act as the head of the Antarctic post office. The forwarding of postal items was confirmed by his personal seal on the free space of the address side of the envelope (illustration 14).



illustration 14

Skillful use of non-postal postmarks and overprints on postal items allows philatelists to supplement and decorate their collections. We hope that the above information will be useful for collectors of special cancellations.

Members of Association of Philatelists of Ukraine  
Vadym Ishchenko, Ildus Khakimov



## PHILATELY NEWS

### Thematic issue plans for the postage stamps and envelopes on 2021 is approved!

On its corporate website, Ukrposhta presented to the public thematic plans, according to which decorative postage stamps, blocks and envelopes will be issued next year.

Next year, among other things, it is planned:

1. completion of the long-term series "Beauty and Greatness of Ukraine". The series will end with issues dedicated to Rivne, Cherkasy regions, as well as the city of Sevastopol;
2. issue in honor of the 30th anniversary of Ukraine's Independence;
3. continuation of the series "Ukrainian embroidery - the code of the nation" and "National dishes" launched in 2018;
4. issue in honor of the 100th anniversary of the first performance of the Ukrainian carol "Shchedryk" in Carnegie Hall in New York.

Thematic plans can be found in the section "Philately" - "Thematic plans for production" (<https://www.ukrposhta.ua/ua/tematychni-plany-vypusku-produktsii>).

### Let's vote for the Ukrainian postage stamp!

We know many interesting stories about the heroic deeds of the military, fire-fighters, doctors and know almost nothing about the heroic daily work of postmen who walk long distances in all weather conditions to deliver to people what they expect.

Have you ever heard of the Transcarpathian postman Fedor Feketa (1791-1838), who for 30 years in a row covered a distance of twenty-five kilometers daily to Uzhhorod for mail, and then back to his native village of Turliia Remety ?! As a result, it is fifty kilometers a day - more than a marathon. Fedor went not on the road (so much longer), but on his only known short trails. One winter, the postman unsuccessfully put his foot on the ice on the river Turytsia, fell under the water, caught a cold and soon died. And his compatriots erected a plaque in his honor on the wall of the local church. The plaque is engraved with the inscription: "In memory of the kindness, sobriety, honesty and helpfulness of Ambassador Fedor Feketa. He died in 1838."

In memory of the friendliness, sobriety, honesty and helpfulness of all generations, the postman Ukrposhta presents this year's postage issue according the "Europa" program on the topic "Ancient postal routes".

Let's vote for the Ukrainian issue in the competition "The best postage stamp of Europa 2020" <https://www.posteurop.org/europa2020>. Voting will last until September 9, 2020.





## XVIII National Philatelic Exhibition "UKRPHILEX 2020"

From September 10 to 13 in Kharkiv it is planned to hold the XVIII National Philatelic Exhibition "UKRPHILEX 2020", dedicated to the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Declaration of State Sovereignty of Ukraine. The venue of the exhibition has been determined - Kharkiv Regional Philharmonic (21 Rymarska Street, Kharkiv). The list of the organizing committee of the exhibition and the logo have been approved.



## Meeting of the Editorial Council on issue of the postage stamps, covers and cards in Ukraine

Despite the quarantine restrictions, the work of the Council did not stop for a day, but only changed its format - from offline to online meetings. During three months, 5 meetings were held, at which members considered appeals for additional issues of postage stamps, envelopes and special cancellations in 2020-2021. In addition, sketches for stamps, envelopes, special cancellation postmarks for 2020 were approved and a number of important decisions were made on:

- shift from the Thematic Plan for the issue of postage stamps for 2020 to the Thematic Plan for 2021 for the issue of postage stamps "XXXII Summer Olympic Games" and "EURO 2020";
- inclusion in the Thematic Plan for the issue of postage stamps for 2020 the postage stamp "Frontline" (fight against Covid-19);

- inclusion in the Thematic Plan for the issue of postage stamps for 2020 issue of the postage stamp "Iron Cross Award" (the only fighting order of the Army of the Ukrainian People's Republic);
- holding a special cancellation in 2020 in Nizhyn, dedicated to the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary foundation of Nizhyn State University named after Mykola Hohol;
- holding in 2020 in Ternopil a special cancellation "First Day", dedicated to the 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Kyryl Osmak;
- holding a special cancellation in Kyiv in September 2020, dedicated to the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the Second World War;
- exclusion from the Thematic plan of special cancellation for 2020 special cancellation for Easter (Lutsk).

## On May 29, Ukrposhta presented a postage stamp "Frontline", dedicated to the fight against COVID-19

Since the beginning of the epidemic, several postal administrations have issued postal issues to combat Covid-19.

However, the Ukrainian issue is exceptional. When the whole world was threatened with the spread of coronavirus disease, in Ukraine, which has been defending its independence and territorial integrity for several years, a second front opened - medical. Brave Ukrainian medics stood on the front line side by side with the brave military, defending the most valuable thing - the life and independence of Ukrainians.

This issue is a tribute to Ukrainian medics and the military, as well as to those who have been and remain at the forefront despite quarantine restrictions - drivers, sellers, operators and postmen, couriers, bakers, firefighters, police and many, many more...

The envelope to the postage stamp contains the famous saying of Taras Shevchenko - Fight - win!

The solemn ceremony of special cancellation of the postage stamp, which took place on May 29 at the Kyiv Main Post Office, was attended by Olena Golovach, head of the infectious-boxing department of the Kyiv City Children's





Infectious Diseases Hospital; Andrii Rymaruk, a war veteran in Eastern Ukraine, a scout of the 53rd Brigade, an employee of the Return Alive Foundation and Ukrposhta General Director Igor Smelyansky.

Postage stamp "Frontline" was issued with a circulation of 140 thousand copies. The face value is marked with the letter "V", the equivalent of UAH 9 and corresponds to the tariff for sending an ordinary letter weighing up to 50 g within Ukraine.

The author of the postal issue is Kharkiv illustrator Nikita Titov.



## Postage issues of other countries on the fight against Coronavirus

### China Post



### Isle of Man



### Morocco Post Office





## Swiss Post



## Vietnam Post Office

## Taiwan Post Office



## Mail of Iran

