

B1 : LETTERS AND POSTCARDS

Phase 1 : 1876-1881

The tariffs listed are those to countries belonging to the General Postal Union (GPU) which came into force on 1 January 1876. The GPU was renamed the Universal Postal Union (UPU) on 19 December 1878. For nearly six years, GPU/UPU countries fell into one of two groups as far as French tariffs were concerned, but the composition of these groups changed from time to time.

Grouping	Group 1 countries			Group 2 countries	
01.01.1876	Europe, Egypt, Turkey, Russia & French Mediterranean offices.			U.S.A.	
01.05.1878	No change.			French & British colonies, Far East, U.S.A., South America.	
01.04.1879	As above, plus Canada, U.S.A. and French colonies.			non-French colonies, Far East, Central and South America.	
Postal rates	Group 1 countries			Group 2 countries	
	Letters	PC	Frontier	letters	PC
01.01.1876	.30/15 g	.15	.20/15 g	.40/15 g	.20
01.05.1878	.25/15 g	.15	.20/15 g	.35/15 g	.20
01.04.1879	.25/15 g	.10	.20/15 g	.35/15 g	.15

Frontier rates applied to mail to Spain, Belgium and Switzerland when the office-to-office distance did not exceed 30 kilometres as the crow flies. The frontier rates to Belgium and Switzerland were abolished on 11.01.1971.
PC and PC(5) denote ordinary and 5-word postcard rates respectively.

Phase 2 : 1881-1971 **French Foreign Postal Rates - Single letters & Postcards**

From 1 October 1881, unified UPU rates applied

	=====UPU=====				=====Frontier=====	
	per 15 g		PC		per 15 g	PC
01.10.1881	.25		.10		.20	.10
01.04.1886	.25		.10		.20 (a)	.10
01.07.1892	.25		.10		.15	.10
01.07.1906	.25		.10		.10 (a)	.10
Up to (g)	15	/+15 g	PC		per 15 g	PC
01.10.1907	.25	.15	.10		.10 (a)	.10
Up to (g)	20	/+20 g	PC	PC(5)	per 20 g	PC
01.05.1910	.25	.15	.10	.05	.10 (a)	.10
08.02.1917	.25	.15	.10	.05	.15	.10
01.04.1921	.50	.25	.30	.10	.25	.30
01.01.1922	.50	.25	.30	.10	.25	.20
01.04.1924	.75	.40	.45	.15	.25 (b)	.20
16.07.1925	1.	.50	.60	.20	.25 (b)	.20
01.10.1925	1.	.60	.60	.20	.30 (b)	.20
01.02.1926	1.25	.75	.75	.25	.60	.60
01.08.1926	1.50	.90	.90	.30	.60	.60

B2 : REGISTRATION AND INSURANCE

The registration fees quoted below are in addition to the foreign postage rates. The insurance fees are in addition to both of these.

French Postal Rates

Table (i) : UPU rates. (Notes are at the top of the next page)

	===REGISTRATION===			=====INSURANCE=====			
	Fee	Indem- nity (a)	Bulk (b)	Fee	per	max. V.D.	min. fee
01.05.1878	.50 (c)	-	-	(Varied according to destination)			
16.01.1879	.25	-	-	"	"	"	"
01.04.1921	.50	-	-	.05 (d)	300 F	10,000 F	-
01.04.1924	.75	-	-	.10 (e)	300 F	10,000 F	-
16.07.1925	1.	-	-	.10 (f)	300 F	10,000 F	-
01.02.1926	1.25	-	-	.40	300 F	20,000 F	-
01.08.1926	1.50	-	-	.50	300 F	20,000 F	-
20.07.1932	2.	-	-	.50	300 F	20,000 F	-
01.08.1937	2.	-	-	1.50	2,000 F	50,000 F	-
01.12.1938	2.50	-	-	2.	2,000 F	50,000 F	-
01.02.1942	4.	-	-	3.	1,000 F	50,000 F	-
01.02.1946	10.	-	-	5.	3,000 F	100,000 F	-
01.05.1948	25.	-	-	35.	20,000 F	abolished	-
01.12.1948	35.	-	-	45.	25,000 F	-	-
01.05.1951	45.	-	-	55.	35,000 F	-	-
06.01.1959	60.	-	-	75.	30,000 F	-	-
01.02.1962 NF	.70	-	-	.75	300 F	-	-
19.05.1964	1.	-	-	.75	300 F	-	-
01.08.1966	2.	-	5.	.75	300 F	-	-
13.01.1969	2.60	-	5.	.75	300 F	-	-
12.01.1970	2.60	-	6.	.90	350 F	-	-
04.01.1971	3.	-	6.	.90	350 F	-	-
01.07.1971	3.	-	9.	.90	350 F	-	-
16.09.1974	4.70	-	14.10	.90	350 F	-	-
01.01.1976	4.70	-	14.10	1.80	350 F	-	-
02.08.1976	5.50	-	16.50	1.80	350 F	-	-
15.05.1978	6.50	-	19.50	2.	350 F	-	-
15.10.1979	7.30	70 F	21.90	2.10	350 F	-	-
01.08.1980	8.40	70 F	25.20	2.10	350 F	-	-
01.09.1981	10.	110 F	30.	2.10	350 F	-	-
01.06.1982	11.30	110 F	33.90	2.10	350 F	-	-
01.06.1983	12.80	110 F	38.40	2.10	350 F	-	-
01.07.1984	14.	150 F	42.	2.10	350 F	-	-
01.08.1985	14.60	180 F	43.80	2.20	350 F	-	-
01.08.1986	15.10	180 F	45.30	2.20	350 F	-	-
01.08.1987	15.50	180 F	46.50	2.20	350 F	-	-
11.01.1990	20.	300 F		2.50	500 F	-	15.
19.08.1991	22.	300 F		2.50	500 F	-	15.
05.07.1993	23.	300 F		2.50	500 F	-	15.
18.03.1996	24.	300 F		2.50	500 F	-	15.
01.01.2002	3.66 €	45.73 €		0.38 €	76.22 €	-	2.29 €
01.06.2003	4.00 €	45.73 €		0.38 €	76.22 €	-	2.29 €