

Special Stamp Issue – “Astronomical Phenomena” on 17 March 2015

This set of stamps is designed by Mr. LI Shik-kwong, Ken. The stamps and \$10 Stamp Sheetlet are printed in lithography plus spot varnishing, whilst the \$20 Stamp Sheetlet is printed in lithography plus holographic 3D foil with micro embossing by Joh. Enschedé B.V. of the Netherlands.

Sales Arrangements

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below:

<i>Products Available From 3 March 2015</i>	<i>Unit Selling Price</i>	<i>Restriction Per Queuing Customer</i>
“Astronomical Phenomena” Special Stamps		
First Day Cover (available at all post offices until 17 March 2015)	\$1.20	No restriction

<i>Products Available From 17 March 2015</i>	<i>Unit Selling Price</i>	<i>Restriction Per Queuing Customer on the First Day of Issue</i>
Mint Stamps (a set of 6 designs of stamps) (available at all post offices from 17 March 2015)	\$18.60	5 sheets of each denomination (viz. 125 stamps of each denomination)
Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$10 stamp) (available at all post offices from 17 March 2015)	\$10	10 sheets
Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$20 stamp with holographic 3D foil and micro embossing effect) (available at all post offices from 17 March 2015)	\$20	10 sheets
Se-tenant Stamps (containing a set of 6 stamps) (available at all post offices from 17 March 2015)	\$18.60	10 strips

Presentation Pack (containing a set of 6 stamps and a \$10 stamp sheetlet) <i>(available at all post offices from 17 March 2015)</i>	\$43	Five packs
Prestige Stamp Booklet (containing 3 stamp sheetlets with a set of 6 stamps and a \$10 stamp sheetlet) <i>(available at all post offices from 17 March 2015)</i>	\$60	Five books
Postage Prepaid Picture Cards with special 3D effect (Air Mail) (containing a set of 7 cards) <i>(available at all philatelic offices only on 17 March 2015)</i>	\$77 / set	Five sets
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of 6 stamps and date-stamped with the special postmark <i>(available at all philatelic offices only on 17 March 2015)</i>	\$22.30	Five covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$10 stamp sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark <i>(available at all philatelic offices only on 17 March 2015)</i>	\$13.70	Five covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$20 stamp sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark <i>(available at all philatelic offices only on 17 March 2015)</i>	\$23.70	Five covers
A set of 3 Serviced First Day Covers affixed with stamp sheetlets from the Prestige Stamp Booklet and date-stamped with the special postmark <i>(available at all philatelic offices only on 17 March 2015)</i>	\$39.70	Five sets

Date-stamping Arrangements

A hand-back date-stamping service using the office steel date-stamp and the special postmark will be provided on 17 March 2015 at all post offices for official/privately-made covers bearing the first day of issue indication and a local address. All philatelic offices will also provide hand-back date-stamping service using the “Philatelic Bureau” pictorial postmark and the philatelic office pictorial postmark concurrently, but the GPO-1 date-stamp will only be available at the General Post Office.

A cachet for “Astronomical Phenomena” will also be introduced. Application of the cachet will be available at all philatelic offices and the Hong Kong Space Museum from 17 March to 4 April 2015.

The public hall of the Hongkong Post Philatelic Bureau will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on 17 March 2015 to provide date-stamping service using the “Philatelic Bureau” pictorial postmark and the special postmark.

Information about this special stamp issue and associated philatelic products is available on Hongkong Post’s website at www.hongkongpost.hk. It can also be obtained from any post office, the Hongkong Post Mobile App and the Hongkong Post Philatelic Bureau hotline on 2785 5711.