

**Hongkong Post to issue “Christmas Stamps IV” Special Stamps
(Issue Date: 4 December 2020)**

This set of special stamps is designed by Mr. WONG Chun-hong, and printed in lithography plus hot foil stamping by Joh. Enschede B.V., the Netherlands.

From 20 November 2020, Official First Day Covers have been put on sale at \$1.5 each at all post offices and the stamps and the associated philatelic products have been displayed at General Post Office, Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Tsuen Wan Post Office, Sha Tin Central Post Office and Tuen Mun Central Post Office. Advance orders for servicing self-provided covers were accepted at all philatelic offices from 20 to 26 November 2020.

Sales Arrangements

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below:

<i>Products</i>	<i>Unit Selling Price</i>	<i>Sales Period</i>	<i>Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer on the First Two Days of Issue</i>
<i>(A) Products Available at <u>all Post Offices</u></i>			
First Day Cover	\$1.5	20 November 2020 to 3 March 2021	No restriction
Mint Stamps (a set of 4 gummed stamps - \$2, \$3.70, \$4.90 and \$5)	\$15.6	4 December 2020 to 3 March 2021	5 sheets of each denomination (viz. 125 stamps of each denomination)
Souvenir Sheet (containing a set of 4 gummed stamps - \$2, \$3.70, \$4.90 and \$5)	\$15.6		10 sheets
Self-adhesive Souvenir Sheet (containing a set of 4 self- adhesive stamps - \$2, \$3.70, \$4.90 and \$5)	\$15.6		10 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing 4 \$2 self-adhesive stamps)	\$8		10 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing 4 \$3.70 self- adhesive stamps)	\$14.8		10 sheets

Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing 4 \$4.90 self-adhesive stamps)	\$19.6		10 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing 4 \$5 self-adhesive stamps)	\$20		10 sheets
Presentation Pack (containing a set of 4 gummed stamps)	\$30		5 packs
<i>(B) Products Available at <u>Philatelic Offices</u> only</i>			
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of 4 gummed stamps (date-stamped with associated special postmark)	\$19.6	4 December 2020 to 3 March 2021	5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a gummed souvenir sheet (date-stamped with associated special postmark)	\$19.6		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of 4 gummed stamps (date-stamped with associated colour postmark)	\$19.6		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a gummed souvenir sheet (date-stamped with associated colour postmark)	\$19.6		5 covers
Postage Prepaid Christmas Cards (Local Mail) (containing a set of 4 cards)	\$36		5 sets
Postage Prepaid Christmas Cards (Air Mail) (containing a set of 4 cards)	\$46		5 sets

Date-stamping Arrangements

A hand-back date-stamping service using the office steel date-stamp and the special postmark will be provided on 4 December 2020 at all post offices for official/private-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. The GPO-1 date-stamp will only be available at the General Post

Office.

For the stamp issue to be launched throughout the period of the pandemic, Hongkong Post will implement a special sales arrangement to achieve social distancing and prevent crowds. These arrangements, which shall be applicable to this issue, include:

- 1) Ordering of stamp products on the website;
- 2) Collection points to be set up at all post offices on the issue date of the special stamps to facilitate the submission of order forms as well as first day covers requesting hand-back date-stamping service.

Information about this special stamp issue and associated philatelic products is available on the Hongkong Post Stamps website (stamps.hongkongpost.hk) or via Hongkong Post mobile app.