

ARTICLE 15

Commercial Papers

1. The following are considered as Commercial Papers: all papers and all documents, wholly or partly written or drawn, not having the character of an actual and personal correspondence, such as open letters and out-of-date post-cards which have already fulfilled their original purpose, papers of legal procedure, documents of all kinds drawn up by public functionaries, way bills or bills of lading, invoices, certain documents of insurance companies, copies or extracts from deeds under private seal, written on stamped or unstamped paper, musical scores or sheets of music in manuscript, the manuscripts of works or of newspapers forwarded separately, pupils' exercises in original or with corrections, but without any note which does not relate directly to the execution of the work.

These documents may be accompanied by reference slips or statements showing the following or similar particulars: list of the papers included in the packet, references to correspondence exchanged between the sender and the addressee, such as:

"Annex to our letter of.....to Mr.....
Our reference.....Your reference....."

2. Commercial Papers are subject, so far as regards form and make-up, to the regulations laid down for Printed Papers (Article 19 below).

ARTICLE 16

Printed Papers

1. The following are considered as Printed Papers:—Newspapers and periodicals, books, sewn or bound, pamphlets, sheets of music (excluding perforated sheets intended to be used with automatic musical instruments), visiting cards, address cards, proofs of printing with or without the relative manuscript, engravings, photographs and albums containing photographs, pictures, drawings, plans, maps, catalogues, prospectuses, advertisements, and notices of various kinds, printed, engraved, lithographed or mimeographed, and, in general, all impressions or copies obtained upon paper, parchment, or cardboard by means of printing, engraving, lithography, mimeography, or any other mechanical process easy to recognize except the copying-press, hand-stamps, with or without movable type, and the typewriter.

2. The Printed Paper rate is not applicable to printed papers which bear any marks whatever capable of constituting a conventional language, nor, save the exceptions specifically authorized by Article 18, to those of which the text has been modified after printing.

3. Articles of stationery, properly so-called, when it is clearly evident that the printed portion is not the essential part of the article, cannot be sent at the Printed Paper rate.

4. Cards bearing the heading "*Carte Postale*" or the equivalent of this heading in any language are admitted at the rate for Printed Papers, provided that they conform to the general conditions applicable to Printed Papers. Those which do not fulfil these conditions are treated as post-cards or letters, as the case may be, under the provisions of Article 13, § 5, of the Detailed Regulations.

ARTICLE 17

Articles Specially Admitted at Printed Paper Rate

Reproductions of a manuscript or typewritten original are treated as Printed Papers, when they are obtained by a mechanical manifolding process such as hectography, &c.; but, in order to pass at the reduced postage, these