

ARTICLE 36

Charge on Unpaid or Insufficiently Prepaid Correspondence

Apart from the exceptions laid down in Article 145, §§ 3, 4 and 5, of the Detailed Regulations for certain classes of redirected articles, letters and single post-cards not prepaid or insufficiently prepaid are liable to a charge equal to double the amount of the deficient postage to be paid by the addressees; but that charge may not be less than 5 centimes.

The same treatment may be applied in similar circumstances to other articles of correspondence which have been incorrectly forwarded to the country of destination.

ARTICLE 37

Surtaxes

Over and above the rates fixed by Article 34, a surtax proportionate to the expenses incurred may be levied on every article forwarded by extraordinary services which involve special payment.

When the rate of prepayment for the single post-card comprises the surtax authorised by the preceding paragraph, the same rate is applicable to each half of the reply-paid post-card.

ARTICLE 38

Special Charges

1.—Administrations are authorised to make an additional charge, in accordance with their own legislation, on articles posted after the ordinary hour of collection.

2.—Articles addressed *poste restante* may be taxed by Administrations of the countries of destination with the special charge prescribed by their legislation for similar articles in the inland service.

3.—The Administrations of countries of destination are authorised to levy a special charge not exceeding 50 centimes on each small packet delivered to the addressee. This charge may be increased by a sum not exceeding 25 centimes when the packet is delivered at the addressee's premises.

ARTICLE 39

Articles Liable to Customs Duty

Small packets and printed paper packets liable to customs duty are admitted.

The same applies to letters and sample packets containing articles liable to customs duty when the country of destination has given its consent.

Packets containing serums and vaccines included in the exception shown in Article 122 of the Detailed Regulations are admitted in every case.

ARTICLE 40

Customs Control

The Administration of the country of destination is authorised to submit to the Customs the correspondence mentioned in Article 39, and, if necessary, to open it officially.