

Part 4: REGISTERED ENVELOPES

Introduction

The basis of this part of the monograph concerning HK registered envelopes is taken directly from, or with some modifications of my article, “Un-Cataloged Hong Kong Registered Envelope Finds.” Until 2003, the last significant “new” item I recall in Hong Kong postal stationery was the 1928 “CHINA” overprint registration envelope (“RE”) recorded by Mr. Perrin. There was also the 20c KG V registered envelope with the flap folding to the rear, and I was one of the discoverers of that. Then in 2003 the 1946 Hong Kong RE with “R” in oval at the top left, and “Fee Paid” at the bottom left, both in bright red, was first recorded – not just one example, but eight used and one mint, of which I am aware. How could something that amazingly different go unrecognized and unreported for so long?

RE catalog numbers mentioned herein are Schoenfeld types, unless otherwise noted. The RE “new finds” information, along with ERD / LRD and other related information, has been provided in tabular form. Information may be accessed by clicking below on the text section for the associated reign during which the REs were issued. Table RE-1, which summarizes and combines descriptive and usage information for the QV and KE reigns, appears above the beginning of the QV section (RE-A). Similarly, Table RE-2, which summarizes and combines information for the KGV reign, including the “CHINA” overprints, and the KG VI reign, appears above the beginning of the KGV section (RE-C). Table RE-3 summarizes information for the QE reign, and appears at the beginning of the QE section (RE-F).

<u>Reign</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Table</u>
Queen Victoria	RE-A	RE-1
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KGV – “CHINA”	RE-D	RE-4
King George VI	RE-E	RE-5
Queen Elizabeth	RE-F	RE-6



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