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THE TELEGRAPH REGULATIONS 1963, AMENDMENT NO. 2

—
 BERNARD FERGUSSON, Governor-General
 ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington this 28th day of March 1967

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. KEITH HOLYOAKE, C.H., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Post Office Act 1959, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

— REGULATIONS

1. (1) These regulations may be cited as the Telegraph Regulations 1963, Amendment No. 2, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Telegraph Regulations 1963* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).

(2) These regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of April 1967.

2. The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 5, and substituting the following regulation:

“Ordinary Telegrams and Urgent Telegrams

“5. (1) The charges for ordinary inland telegrams and for urgent inland telegrams shall be:

“(a) On weekdays—

For the first 12 words or fewer (including address and signature) .....	.....	.....	.....	s.	d.
				2	6
For every word beyond 12 words .....	.....	.....	.....	0	2½
For urgent transmission .....	.....	.....	.....	2	0

“(b) On Sundays and holidays—

For the first 12 words or fewer (including address and signature) .....	.....	.....	.....	5	0
For every word beyond 12 words .....	.....	.....	.....	0	5
For urgent transmission .....	.....	.....	.....	2	0

*S.R. 1963/77

Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1964/9

“(2) The holidays referred to in paragraph (b) of subclause (1) of this regulation are New Year’s Day, the second day of January, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Anzac Day, the Queen’s Birthday, Labour Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day, or any days substituted therefor.”

3. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 6, and substituting the following regulation:

“Telegrams from Members of Parliament

“6. (1) The charges for inland telegrams from members of Parliament shall be:

	s.	d.
For the first 36 words or fewer (including address and signature)	0	6
For each additional four words or fewer	0	1
For urgent transmission	2	0

“(2) The charges referred to in subclause (1) of this regulation shall also apply to telegrams sent to a member of Parliament by his wife or other nominee when the member is absent from home.”

4. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 7, and substituting the following regulation:

“Letter Telegrams

“7. Inland letter telegrams are inland telegrams deliverable by post, from the telegraph office of destination, on the next weekday after acceptance. These telegrams shall be accepted on weekdays only. The charges for letter telegrams shall be:

	s.	d.
For the first 22 words or fewer (including address and signature)	2	6
For each additional two words or fewer	0	2½”

5. Regulation 8 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words “3d.”, and substituting the words “6d.”.

6. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 10, and substituting the following regulation:

“Multiple Telegrams

“10. Inland multiple telegrams are inland telegrams for two or more addressees in the one city or other local area. The charges for inland multiple telegrams shall be:

“(a) The charge or charges for a single transmission as prescribed in these regulations except that in computing the charge all addresses shall be counted in the number of words; and

“(b) For each addressee’s copy beyond the first, 2s. for the first 50 words of the text and 1s. for each 50 words or fraction thereafter; and

“(c) In the case of urgent transmission, an additional charge of 2s. in respect of each address:

“Provided that the total charge shall not exceed that which would apply if the same communication were being sent as ordinary telegrams or urgent telegrams, as the case may be.”

7. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 12, and substituting the following regulation:

“After Hour Telegrams

“12. (1) For a telegram handed in outside the normal hours of attendance of either the office of origin or the office of destination and intended for delivery on the same day, there shall be payable the following charges:

“(a) A reopening fee as prescribed in regulation 27 of these regulations if the Postmaster is required to attend the office of origin for the acceptance and transmission of the telegram:

“(b) For the first 12 words or fewer (including address and signature) .....	.....	s.	d.
For every word beyond 12 words .....	.....	5	0
For urgent transmission .....	.....	0	5
		2	0

“(2) A telegram handed in within the hours of attendance of both the office of origin and the office of destination but after 6 p.m. and intended for delivery by hand shall be subject to the charge for an urgent telegram of the same kind unless the Sunday and holiday charges apply.”

8. Regulation 13 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words “signalled back from office to office”, and substituting the words “fully collated”.

9. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 14, and substituting the following regulation:

“Repetition of Telegrams After Delivery

“14. An addressee who doubts the accuracy of an inland telegram may have it repeated in whole or in part. The charge shall be at the ordinary telegram rate as prescribed in regulation 5 of these regulations and this charge shall be refunded if the original transmission proves to have been incorrect.”

10. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 15, and substituting the following regulation:

“Correction of Telegrams

“15. For the correction of the address of an inland telegram at the instance of the sender, after transmission has begun, there shall be a charge for a correcting telegram at the ordinary telegram rate as prescribed in regulation 5 of these regulations.”

11. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 16, and substituting the following regulation:

“Cancellation of Telegrams

“16. The sender of an inland telegram, on cancelling it before transmission has commenced, shall be refunded the amount paid, less a charge of 6d., or in the case of a collect telegram, he shall pay a charge of 6d. Where a telegram has been partly transmitted it may still be cancelled but no refund shall be made. After transmission has been

completed a telegram may be cancelled only by means of a cancelling telegram, the charge for which shall be at the ordinary telegram rate as prescribed in regulation 5 of these regulations.”

12. (1) The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 17 (as substituted by regulation 2 of the Telegraph Regulations 1963, Amendment No. 1), and substituting the following regulation:

“17. (1) Photographs, pictures, drawings, or typed, printed, or hand-written matter may be handed in for transmission as a phototelegram between public phototelegram stations under the control of the Minister. A facsimile reproduction of the article shall be delivered to the addressee. The charge for this service shall be £2 2s. 6d. per transmission.

“(2) Phototelegrams may also be handed in for transmission from public stations available for the purpose to a privately owned phototelegram station or they may be transmitted from a privately owned station to any such public stations. The charge for this service shall be £1 17s. 6d. per transmission.

“(3) Except in the case of phototelegrams transmitted from a privately owned station to a public station for delivery therefrom, the services referred to in regulations 18 and 19 hereof shall not apply to phototelegrams exchanged between public and private stations.”

(2) The Telegraph Regulations 1963, Amendment No 1, are hereby revoked.

13. Paragraph (b) of regulation 18 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words “4s.”, and substituting the words “7s. 6d.”.

14. Regulation 19 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words “4s.”, and substituting the words “5s.”.

15. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 20, and substituting the following regulation:

“Press Telegrams

“20. The charges for inland press telegrams shall be as stated in the following table:

	Telegrams Handed in Between the Following Hours	Telegrams Addressed to More Than One Newspaper		Telegrams Addressed to One Newspaper Only	
		Telegrams of 50 Words or Fewer*	Telegrams of 51 to 100 Words and for Each Succeeding 100 Words or Fewer*	Telegrams of 50 Words or Fewer*	Telegrams of 51 to 100 Words and for Each Succeeding 100 Words or Fewer*
	<i>Weekdays</i>	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
(a) For morning newspapers	Mon.-Fri, 8 a.m.-midnight	2 6	3 0	3 6	4 0
(b) For evening newspapers (i.e., those published at noon or after) or for broadcasting services or news agencies	Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Sat., 8.30 a.m.-6 p.m.}	2 6	3 0	3 6	4 0
	<i>Sundays and Good Friday, Anzac Day, and Christmas Day</i>				
(c) For morning newspapers or for broadcasting services or news agencies	6.30-7.30 p.m.	3 0	3 6	3 6	4 0
(d) For morning newspapers	7.30-11.30 p.m.†	3 6	3 6	4 0	4 0
	<i>New Year's Day, the 2nd Day of January, Easter Monday, the Queen's Birthday, Labour Day, and Boxing Day or any Day Substituted for any Such Day</i>				
(e) For morning or evening newspapers or for broadcasting services or news agencies	9 a.m.-4 p.m. and 7-10 p.m	3 0	3 6	3 6	4 0
(f) For morning newspapers	10 p.m.-midnight	3 0	3 6	3 6	4 0
	<i>Special Occasions</i>				
(g) Telegrams lodged at a reopened office	Received during the special midnight overseas press attendance on weekdays, Sundays, or holidays	3 6	3 6	4 0	4 0
(h) Telegrams containing overseas news		3 6	3 6	4 0	4 0"

*No charge shall be made for address and signature up to six words.

†Telegrams presented during this period shall refer only to happenings after 7.30 p.m.; and the number of words shall be limited to 500 from any one person.

16. Regulation 22 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words "3d.", and substituting the words "6d."

17. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 23, and substituting the following regulation:

"Transferred Charge Telegrams

"23. (1) The charges for a telegram accepted by telephone for onward transmission may be debited to a telephone station other than the one from which the telegram is telephoned but connected with the same exchange or another exchange within the same group.

"(2) The charges for a telegram lodged at a telegraph counter may be debited to a telephone station connected to the exchange serving the office at which the telegram was presented or to another exchange within the same group.

"(3) An additional charge of 6d. shall be payable for the services referred to in subclauses (1) and (2) of this regulation."

18. Regulation 24 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words "3d.", and substituting the words "6d."

19. Regulation 25 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting from subclause (1) the words "1s.", and substituting the words "2s."

20. Regulation 26 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (a) the words "6d.", and substituting the words "1s. 6d."

21. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 27, and substituting the following regulation:

"Reopening of Office for Ordinary Telegrams

"27. When a Postmaster reopens his office for the acceptance and transmission of a telegram, other than a press telegram, a reopening fee shall be payable as follows:

"(a) If the Postmaster lives in the Post Office premises—

	s.	d.
For attendance up to 20 minutes	.....	5 0
For each succeeding 20 minutes or less	.....	5 0

"(b) If the Postmaster lives elsewhere—

For attendance up to 20 minutes	.....	10 0
For each succeeding 20 minutes or less	.....	5 0:

"Provided that if more than one telegram is lodged by the same person the reopening fee shall apply to one telegram only."

22. Regulation 28 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting the words "7s. 6d.", and substituting the words "£1".

23. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 30, and substituting the following regulation:

"Code Addresses

"30. (1) For the registration of telegraph code addresses the following charges shall apply.

	In Respect of Each Office at Which Registered					
	Year		Three Months or Less			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
For all telegrams (inland, overseas or radio)	5	0	0	1	5	0

“(2) For the delivery of telegrams to unregistered code addresses the charges shall be:

	s.	d.
For an inland telegram	1	0
For any other telegram	3	0”

24. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 33, and substituting the following regulation:

“Inspection of Original Telegram

“33. (1) The sender or the addressee of a telegram may inspect, at the office of origin or destination, the original of a telegram sent by or to him.

“(2) If that original has left the office of origin (having been dispatched to the Chief Post Office for filing) the applicant shall pay a charge or charges according to the following scale:

“(a) If full particulars are supplied to enable the telegram to be readily obtained	s.	d.
.....	1	0
“(b) If full particulars are not supplied, a search being necessary	8	0
“(c) If the search extends beyond one half hour; for each half hour after the first	8	0”

25. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 34, and substituting the following regulation:

“Copy of Telegram

“34. (1) The sender or the addressee of a telegram may obtain a certified copy of a telegram sent by or to him, subject to the payment of a charge of 2s. for the first 50 words or fewer, and 1s. for each 50 words or fraction thereafter, and subject to the charge in subclause (2) of regulation 33 of these regulations, if the original of the telegram has left the office of origin.

“(2) If desired, a copy of the telegram or an extract therefrom will be telegraphed to the applicant upon the payment of the telegraph charge in addition to the charge for the copy.”

26. The principal regulations are hereby further amended by revoking regulation 35, and substituting the following regulation:

“35. The sender of an undelivered or unclaimed telegram shall be informed by telegraph of non-delivery.”

27. The principal regulations are hereby amended by revoking regulation 36.

T. J. SHERRARD,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations increase the rates for inland telegrams and for some miscellaneous telegraph services including reopening fees, carriage fees, and the registration of code addresses. They also provide for the following changes:

(1) Under recent legislation the 2nd day of January (or some other day in its place) was declared a statutory holiday. An amendment to regulation 5 (2) and to regulation 20 provides for holiday rates to apply on this day.

(2) Regulation 6 is amended to permit the wife or other nominee of a member of Parliament using the special telegram concession rate on telegrams to the member when he is away from home.

(3) In regulation 13 the method of signalling inland repetition paid telegrams is brought into line with international practice.

(4) In regulation 17 a flat rate is prescribed for inland phototelegrams in place of the present scale of charges based on size. The maximum size phototelegram which can be sent in one transmission is governed by the type of equipment used. Equipment varies and provision of a flat rate avoids the need for amending regulations because of changes in equipment.

(5) In regulation 20 the hours of acceptance of press telegrams on Sundays and specified holidays are extended and a minor restriction in regard to the content of messages accepted during certain hours is removed.

(6) Regulation 23 is amended to provide for a charge of 6d. to meet the case where a telegram accepted at the telegraph counter is charged to a telephone account. This is in keeping with similar transferred charge services in respect of telegrams.

(7) Regulation 35 is amended and regulation 36 is revoked to provide for an improved method of notification to senders of undelivered or unclaimed telegrams.

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These regulations are administered in the Post Office.