

(c) An application for a single fixed-time call or for a series of fixed-time calls on other than consecutive days or for less than five consecutive days (such days being actually or constructively consecutive as hereinbefore provided), shall be regarded and dealt with as an application for an appointment call or calls.

(d) An application for a series of fixed-time calls shall be made so as to be received by the officer in charge of the caller's exchange at least three hours in advance of the time at which the first call of the series is desired. No guarantee can be given that calls will be established at the time specified or agreed upon, but every endeavour will be made to do so at that time or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit.

(e) (i) Should any one of a series of fixed-time calls not be established within fifteen minutes of the time desired, the calling subscriber shall be given the option of making the call as soon thereafter as possible or of cancelling it. If at this stage he elects to cancel the call no charge shall be made. If he elects to make the call the station-to-station rate shall be charged but the fixed-time fee shall not be charged.

(ii) In the event of a call being cancelled after the required number has been obtained by the exchange, within fifteen minutes of the appointed time, the full charge for the initial three-minute period, together with the fixed-time fee, shall be payable.

(iii) If a call is cancelled within a period of fifteen minutes before or after the time of appointment, but before service is actually offered, the appropriate fixed-time fee, together with half the cost of a three-minute call, shall be payable, but the maximum combined charge shall not exceed 2s. 6d.

(iv) If a call is cancelled more than fifteen minutes before the time of appointment, one-third of the charge for a three-minute call (with a maximum of 1s. 6d.) shall be charged.

Contract Toll Service.

112. (a) By special arrangement made with the Department in advance a subscriber may enter into a contract for daily toll communication, to be known as a "contract" call, with a subscriber to another exchange.

(b) The contract shall provide for a daily call of not less than ten minutes and for a minimum aggregate period of communication of not less than five hours.

(c) Saturdays and/or Sundays and/or departmental or other holidays may be excluded from the arrangement at the option of the contracting subscriber.

(d) Each daily call shall be between one station only at the originating exchange and one station only at the other exchange.

(e) The daily communication shall be afforded at a time suitable to the Department, except that the contracting subscriber may stipulate that the communication be regularly afforded during one of the following periods:—

(i) Between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

(ii) Between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. or between 6 p.m. and 11 p.m.

(iii) Between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

(f) The charges shall be as under:—

(i) Between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. on week-days: The basic rates relative to this period of the day less 33½ per cent.

(ii) Between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. and between 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. on week-days, and between 6 a.m. and 11 p.m. on Sundays and departmental holidays: The basic rates relative to these periods of the day less 33½ per cent. in respect of distances up to and including 20 miles, or less 20 per cent. in respect of distances exceeding 20 miles.

(iii) Between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. every day: The basic rates relative to this period of the day without reduction.

(g) The charge for the aggregate period of communication contracted for shall be paid before the commencement of the contract service. The provisions of Regulations 117 and 118 relating to collect calls and transferred-charge calls, respectively, shall not apply to contract toll service.

(h) If the duration of a call exceeds the daily period contracted for, the extra time shall be charged for proportionately at the contract rate.

(i) A contracting subscriber failing on any day to utilize the whole or any part of the daily period contracted for shall not on that account be entitled to any credit or adjustment of charges.

(j) If it is impossible for the Department to give effect to a contract call on any day, the contracting subscriber shall be entitled to a refund of the value of the call computed at the contract rate.

(k) The Department reserves the right at any time to cancel a contract for toll service, but in such case the contracting subscriber shall be entitled to a proportionate refund in respect of the unexpired portion of the contract.

Local Calls.

113. If any person uses the public telephone at a toll station for the purpose of—

(i) Conversing over a private telephone line connected with the toll station;

(ii) Communicating with a local exchange subscriber's station; or

(iii) Communicating with a subscriber's station of an exchange whose base-rate area includes the site on which the toll station is situated,—

such communication shall be treated as a toll call. If, however, public call-office facilities are not provided at the toll station, the charge for a call as described above shall be 1d. for each three minutes or fraction thereof in lieu of the charges prescribed by Regulation 106. In the latter case the charge for a "no-reply" call shall be 1d. in lieu of the charge prescribed by clause (b) of Regulation 108.

Calls after Hours.

114. (a) Provided the attention of the toll stations concerned can be gained, toll calls may be arranged after the ordinary hours of attendance on week-days or Sundays on payment of a reopening fee of 1s. if the telephonist is resident on the premises, or 2s. 6d. if he is not resident on the premises. In addition, if the attendance of any officer is required beyond a period of twenty minutes, such attendance shall be paid for at the rate of 1s. for each subsequent twenty minutes or fraction thereof.

(b) Toll calls to or from offices which have been specially reopened under this regulation shall be given precedence over those of similar code between offices then open for ordinary toll purposes.