

# SECTION E

## Commonwealth OS MINT

Commonwealth official stamps perforated OS were for use by Commonwealth and some State departments and were not available for sale to the public. Mint OS stamps shown below are unauthorised leakages from official departments (including those in WA) but, unlike used stamps with WA postmarks, cannot be proven to have come from WA. These leakages were to meet philatelic demand and are shown here to illustrate that aspect of punctured official stamps in WA.

First watermark: Large OS



First watermark: Small OS



Third watermark: Small OS



Fifth watermark: Small OS





# USED

First watermark: Large OS

The Commonwealth kangaroo/map design stamps with Crown over A watermark replaced colonial designs and were issued from 2 January 1913. Subsequently, supplies of stamps perforated with large OS were made available for use by Commonwealth departments and departments in Victoria, Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia. Such use in Western Australia is shown by the postmarks on the stamps displayed here. 1d red OS was supplied in all four shades of Die 1 and Die 2.



Die 1



Die 2



AU flaw



First watermark: Large OS

Perth 23 June 1913



Perth 23 October 1914, Mount Barker 12 December, Unclaimed, DLO 14 December, Agricultural Bank 16 December

First watermark: Large OS



Die 2





First watermark: Large OS  
Perth 5 March 1914, Williams mss 7 April, Unclaimed, Williams 14 April, DLO 16 April,  
Lands 22 April

**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.**

**R** PERTH  
12435

UNCLAIMED

REGISTERED PERTH  
5 MAR 14  
WEST AUSTRALIA



*L. J. Williams Esq*

*Grazier*

*Williams*

LAND OFFICE  
22 APR 1914  
PERTH

UNCLAIMED  
REGISTERED PERTH  
14 APR 1914  
WEST AUSTRALIA

**D. L. O.**  
16 APR 1914  
No. *1384A*  
**PERTH.**

**ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE**

*(Reg)*

**R** PERTH  
8185

NOT KNOWN BY LETTER CARRIER

NOT KNOWN BY LETTER CARRIER  
-7 SEP. 1916

No. *2790A*

PERTH

CALLED  
AUG 16 12:15 PM  
L.C.R.

REGISTERED PERTH  
-1 AUG 16  
WEST AUSTRALIA



*Mr Henry Hosking*

*Draper*

*Perth*

INSUFFICIENTLY  
ADDRESSED

UNCLAIMED

Perth 1 August 1916, Called LCR 2 August, Not known by letter carrier cachet, Unclaimed cachet, Insufficiently addressed cachet, DLO 7 September



First watermark: Small OS

The large OS perforations so weakened the stamps that they were frequently torn.  
The small OS stamps were issued in early 1914 .





First watermark: Small OS

Day Dawn ?, Meekatharra 14 October 1914, boxed Unclaimed, Dead Letter Office  
19 October



Geological Survey oval cachet 25 June 1915, Ship Room Perth 25 June, censor cachet



Second watermark

The 2½d value was not perforated OS. It is possible that a shortage in WA led to some 2½d kangaroo/map stamps being perforated WA. Official use on cover would prove this but 2½d mint stamps could be among kangaroo/map stamps perforated WA *per favour*.



Kanowna 2 May 1911  
T 4d, Kalgoorlie 4 Ma



ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

ERN AUSTRALIA

29 MAR 15 4:45 PM

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

29 MAR 15 4:45 PM

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

W.A.

W.A.



The Secretary

J. W. Barrymore & Co

Perth

STATE TAXATION DEPARTMENT,  
605 WELLINGTON ST., PERTH.

Perth 29 March 1915



Third watermark



Die 1

Die 2





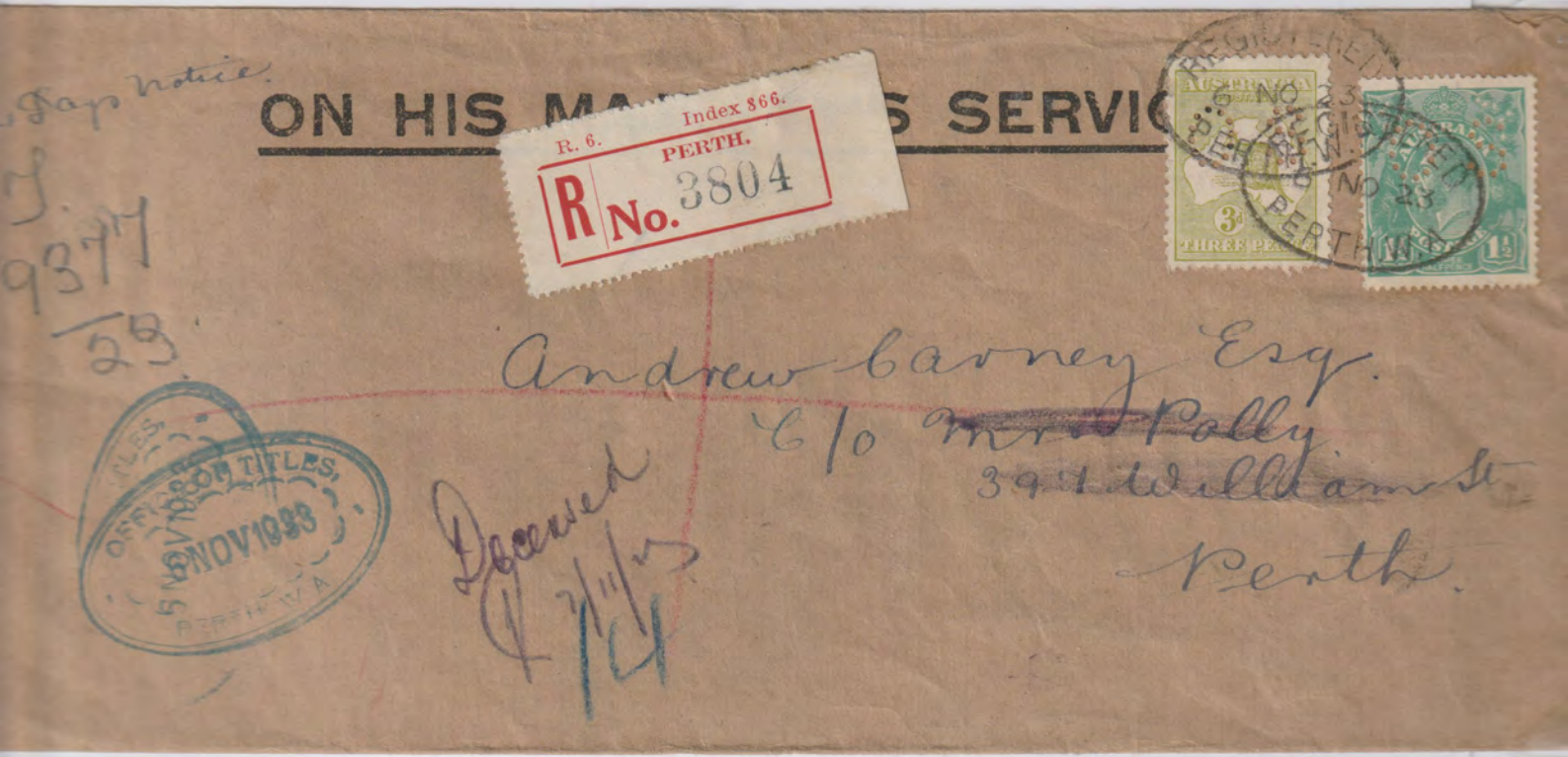
Third watermark





Third watermark

Yalgoo 19 October 1918



Perth 6 November 1923, 13 November datestamp



Fifth watermark





Third watermark

Port Hedland 21 February 1928

O.H.M.S.

*By Aerial Mail*

103

*The Chief Accountant  
Railway Department  
Perth wa*



BY AIR MAIL  
PAR AVION

By Perth-Wyndham and First Australia-Netherlands Indies-Holland Air Mails.

O. H. M. S.



J.C. Wade, Esq.,  
Inspecting Engineer's Office,  
Agency-General for Western Australia,  
Savoy House, 115-116 Strand,  
LONDON, W.C. 2, England.

IF NOT CLAIMED WITHIN 7 DAYS  
PLEASE RETURN TO  
COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS,  
PERTH.

R.6  
PERTH  
West Australia  
No. 3 174

Perth 19 May 1931

Fifth watermark



# SECTION F

King George V OS  
MINT

Second Watermark





Second watermark



Die 2





Second watermark

Yalqoo 16 January 1917



Yalqoo 3 November 1916