

# New Zealand Postal Routes & Regulations Pre 1874

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## Bibliography

### Official Documents consulted

#### Acts

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7 January 1842, effective from 1 March 1842.
- 12° Victoria Session 9 N° 2 Ordinance for regulating the Conveyance and postage of letters.**  
18 November 1848, confirmed by London 10 July 1852.
- 19° & 20° Victoria N° 30 Session 1. The Local Posts Act 1856.**  
15 August 1856.
- 21° & 22° Victoria N°15 New Zealand Post Office Act 1858**  
26 June 1858, effective from 1 October 1858.
- 30° Victoria N° 53 New Zealand Post Office Act Amendment Act 1866**  
8 October 1866, effective 1 January 1867.
- 30° Victoria N° 54 New Zealand Post Office Act Amendment Act 1866, N° 2.**  
Gazetted 17 August 1866.
- 32° Victoria N° 33 New Zealand Post Office Act Amendment Act 1868**  
16 October 1868, effective 1 January 1869.
- 33/34° Victoria N° 44 New Zealand Post Office Amendment Act 1870**  
23 July 1870, Gazetted 27 July 1870, effective 1 August 1870.
- 33/34° Victoria N° 44 New Zealand Post Office Amendment Act 1870 N° 2.**  
12 September 1870, Gazetted 13 September 1870, effective 1 November 1870.
- 36° Victoria N° 9 New Zealand Post Office Act Amendment Act 1872**  
22 September 1872, effective 1 January 1873.

#### Proclamations

- 18 December 1848** Reduced Port to Port charge from 4d to 1d
- 31 December 1850** Colonial Letter Rate of Postage set at 2d per  $\frac{1}{2}$ oz (*Republished 18 July 1855*)
- 19 September 1851** Confirmed Letter rate & added rates for Printed Books & Newspapers **18**
- December 1852** Some rates changed, Army & Navy Letters added. (*Republished 19 Oct. 1855*)
- 10 December 1858** New Postal rates as per the NZ PO Act 1858
- 13 January 1859** Dated 1858 in error. Post Office Regulations.
- 26 November 1859** Franking rights for Her Majesty's Naval & Military Forces "OHMS"
- 29 December 1860** Altering the rates of Postage as in the 10 December 1858 Proclamation. **4**
- February 1862** Mandatory prepayment of Letters & Packets
- 16 June 1864** Fixing rates for Militiamen & Volunteers
- 29 December 1864** Fixing new rates of postage for Newspapers
- 29 December 1864** Altering the Registration Fees to 6d
- 29 December 1864** Limiting the Power of Franking
- 4 March 1865** Newspaper Rate, abolished as in the 29 December 1864 Proclamation.
- 23 May 1866** Postal Rates for the new via Panama Route
- 26 June 1866** Altering the Postal Rates for the new via Panama Route
- 10 January 1867** New Postal Rates (Comprehensive Lists)
- 6 June 1867** New Revised Postal Rates (Comprehensive Lists)

#### Proclamations (continued)

<b>26 November 1867</b>	County of Westland Act to come in force 1 January 1868
<b>26 November 1867</b>	Postal Rates for Westland & The Chatham Islands
<b>20 November 1868</b>	Regulations for Newspaper Exchange
<b>20 November 1868</b>	Armed Constabulary Redirected Letters Free of additional fees.
<b>9 October 1869</b>	Book Post Rates
<b>21 March 1870</b>	Altered progression and certain rates to parts of Australia
<b>2 July 1870</b>	Included Western Australia in the change of Rates (21 March 1870)
<b>2 August 1870</b>	New Postal Rates to the Americas (via San Francisco?)
<b>11 May 1871</b>	New Postal Rates via Brindisi
<b>22 November 1871</b>	New Postal Rates (Comprehensive Lists)
<b>24 December 1873</b>	New Postal Rates (Comprehensive Lists)

#### Orders in Council.

<b>6 February 1862</b>	New PO Regulations, revoking 1.3.1859, effective from 1 April 1862
<b>22 November 1862</b>	Bankers Parcels included in the Book Packet Regulations 6 Feb.1862.
<b>16 August 1864</b>	Regulation 38 revoked and Charge made for redirection.
<b>8 January 1866</b>	New PO Regulations, all previous regulations revoked
<b>20 July 1867</b>	New PO Regulations, all previous regulations revoked
<b>14 January 1870</b>	Registration Fees reduced, amends 209-211 Late Letter new rates
<b>24 June 1871</b>	Amends clause 31, unpaid letters

#### Post Office Notices etc.

These were all published in the various **New Zealand Government Gazettes, 1840 – 1874**. Suffice to say that over 35 have been consulted and copied.

Also consulted were the reports from the six colonies Postal Conference held 4 – 20 March 1867, and the report dated 15 April 1867. In addition a Memorandum dated 6 July 1871, on the San Francisco Route.

#### Appendices to the Journals, House of Representatives of New Zealand

#### British Parliamentary Papers, Colonies New Zealand. Her Majesty's Stationery Office.

#### New Zealand Postal Guide 1868

#### Secondary Reference publications.

I have found the following three publications invaluable in many ways, both for Rates and New Zealand Postal History, and are strongly recommended to all collectors of NZ stamps.

##### Colin Tabcart

*Australia New Zealand and UK Mails to 1880.*

Published by the Author 2004. Fareham, England. ISBN 0-9548407-0-4

##### Jane and Michael Moubray

*British Letter Mail to overseas destinations 1840-1875*

ISBD 0 900631 28 7

##### John S. White

*The Postal History of New South Wales 1788 – 1901*

Philatelic Association of NSW. Australia 1998. ISBN 0 73162725 3