

G.B. STAMP ISSUE CODE LETTERS

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In response to a request from **Burkhart Beer**, the following table shows the cross-reference between Code letters 'A, B, C ...' and their corresponding G.B. stamp issues. These codes are used in the New Identity pages and some articles in the Bulletin, but their main use is in the 'New Illustrated Catalogue of G.B. Perfins' (with details).

Stamp Issue Codes used in Perfin Society Catalogues.

A	Code not used. QV stamps issued prior to the 1d Lilac are either 'described' or referenced by SG* numbers, including plate numbers where appropriate.	N	KGV Silver Jubilee
B	QV 1d Lilac	O	KEVIII definitives
C	QV High Values	P	KGVI Coronation
D	QV Lilac & Green issue	Q	KGVI Dark colour
E	QV Jubilee issue	R	KGVI Light colours
F	KEVII definitives	S	KGVI Changed colours
G	KEVII High Values	T	KGVI Commemoratives
H	KGV Downey heads	U	QEII Wildings
I	KGV Typographs	V	QEII Machins (£sd)
J	KGV Seahorses	W	QEII Machins (£p)
K	KGV 1924/5 BEX	X	QEII Commemoratives
L	KGV 1929 PUC	Y/Z	QEII Regionals (£sd/£p)
M	KGV Photogravure		

In the 'New Illustrated Catalogue of G.B. Perfins', some codes are now qualified (where possible) to give a better idea of date. For example, issues 'I' and 'U' are followed by watermark information:

I(RC) - Royal Cypher, I(BC) - Block Cypher, U(TC)- Tudor Crown, U(SEC) - St Edwards Crown, U(MC) - Multiple Crowns.

Commerative issues 'T' and 'X' are followed by their SG* numbers, 'Modern' Machins with elliptical cuts are shown as W(ell), and Regional issues are qualified by the region involved.

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