

# Great Britain

## Uses of the King George VI Definitive Series

### Order of Exhibit

#### Exhibit Purpose

Present the KGVI definitive series to viewers, showing a broad range of uses of these stamps.

#### Importance of King George VI Definitives

King George VI ruled from 1936 until his death in 1952. The stamp series spanned turbulent wartimes when his country's survival was in jeopardy, and the subsequent recovery years. The series was in use from 1937 through 1953.

#### Organization by Denomination

The definitive issues are each presented separately, with a single stamp and heading to guide the viewer. The uses are shown by value, organized as follows:

**Solo** is a single stamp on a cover

**Multiples** of the same stamp used

**Mixed** uses *within* the series together

The exhibit has the added challenge of presenting covers where only use of the stamps from within the series are used.

#### The Series

First issued in 1937 in dark colors, a second issue in 1941 in lighter colors, and 1951 issues in colors complimentary to UPU.

#### British Currency

12d (pence) = 1 shilling

20 shilling = £1

#### References

*King George VI Specialized* Stanley Gibbons

*Great Britain Domestic & International Postal Rates & Fees, 1871-1999*, Anthony Wawrukiewicz.

*Collect British Postmarks*, Stanley Gibbons

*Intercepted in Bermuda*, Peter Flynn

*Airmail Operations*, Thomas Boyle, Jr.

*British Empire Civil Censorship*, K. Morenweiser



Low Values ½d—6d



Mid Values 7d—1/-



High Values 2/6d—£1

#### Format for covers described in the exhibit

Description

Rate

Date

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Additional information

Significant items boxed in **maroon**.