

1923-24: Emergency Surcharges Because of the Hyper-inflation Ravaging Polish Currency, overprinted on various stamps.



10 TYSIECY (Mr.)  
(10,000m) on  
25m: violet  
and buff.



MK MK  
25,000  
on 20m:  
rose-red.  
(Type I):  
28x22mm, orig.  
iss. May-Aug. 1921.



MK MK  
25,000  
on 20m:  
brown-red.  
(Type II):  
25x21mm, orig.  
iss. Feb. 1922.



MK MK  
50,000  
on 10m:  
slate-green.  
(Type I):  
28x22mm, orig.  
iss. May-Aug. 1921.



MK MK  
50,000  
on 10m:  
blue-green.  
(Type II):  
27½x21½mm, orig.  
iss. Feb. 1922.

1924: Emergency Surcharges, with vertical smoke-black or bright-black overprinted surcharges of 20,000 and 100,000m.



MK / 20,000 / MK  
on 2m: green.  
13½ x 13½ authentic.



MK / 100,000 / MK  
on 5m: brown-purple.

All these emergency surcharge exist with surcharge inverted and surcharge double.

Quantities: 10 TYS. on 25m 24,180,000; 25,000 MK on 20m (both Types combined) 28,770,100; 50,000 MK on 10m (both types combines) 27,774,400.

1924 Surcharges: 20,000 MK on 2m 10,472,800; 100,000 MK on 5m 23,440,000.

Valid until 30.4.1924.



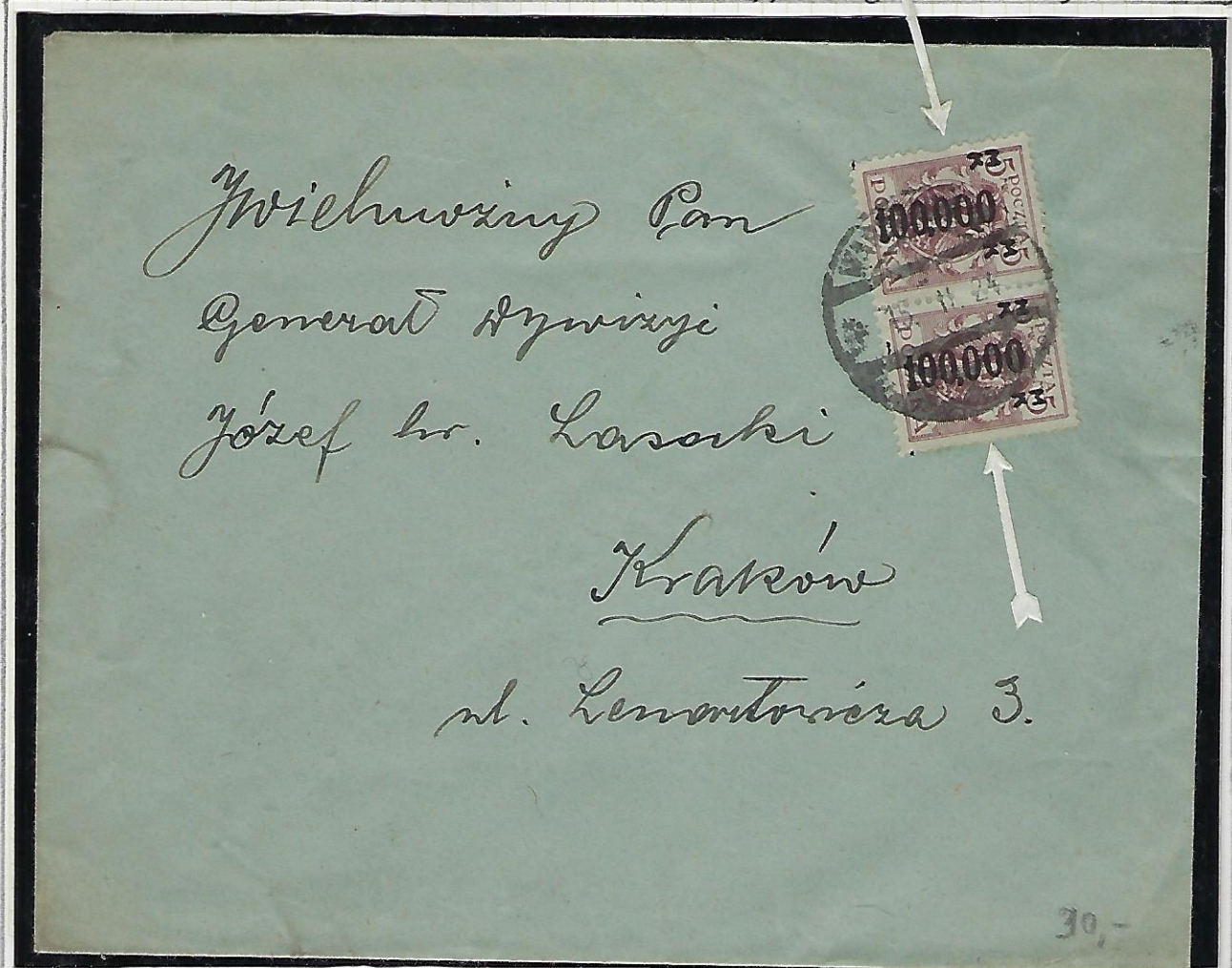
5.XI.23: Commercial cover sent from Warsaw to Cracow with 10000 Mk on 25 Mk.



28.XII.1923: Picture postcard showing "The Ducal Home" and garden in Zakopane (Tatra Mountains) sent to Warsaw, with 5000 Mk Copernicus stamp (of June-Nov.1923 issue) plus 10000 Mk on 25 Mk. Note that the ink of "Kartka Poczta" penetrated through the red Copernicus stamp!



40f. postal stationery card ovpt. "DRUK" (Printed matter) used as a normal card during inflation, although the reverse shows a printed offer for Polish stamps (prices in Swiss Francs!), using 0000 on 25Mk + 2 x 50000Mk.



15.II.24: Cover sent from Warsaw to Cracow with a pair of 100,000 on 5 Mk, with a missing perforation hole which repeats itself.

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges, contd.

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1924: Registered commercial cover sent from Cracow-1 b on "29.XII.13" (wrongly adjusted date stamp), with 6 x 100,000 om 5 Mk stamps (on reverse).

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges, contd.



1924: Registered commercial cover sent from Cracow-1 b on "29.XII.13" (wrongly adjusted date stamp), with 6 x 100,000 on 5 Mk stamps (on reverse).

1923 - 1924: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Dies, Paper Types & Perforations.

10,000 m on 25 m Violet and Buff:

DIE I (Buff Background larger than Stamp): Medium Wove Paper.



$11\frac{3}{4} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$



$12\frac{1}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 11$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$   
(paper decidedly thin)



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 14\frac{1}{2}$



$13 \times 13$   
(Paper somewhat coarse)



$13\frac{1}{2} \times 11$   
(Paper somewhat coarse)



$14 \times 11\frac{1}{2}$



$14 \times 12$

10,000 m on 25 m Violet and Buff:

DIE I (Buff Background larger than Stamp): Bluish Wove Paper.



$11\frac{1}{2} \times 12$



$12 \times 10\frac{1}{2}$



$12 \times 12\frac{3}{4}$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 13$



$13\frac{1}{2} \times 13$

10,000 m on 25 m Violet and Buff.

DIE II (Buff Background same as Stamp Size): Thickish Wove Paper.



$11\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{3}{4}$



$10\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$



$11\frac{3}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{4}$   
(mint)



12 x 12



12 x 12

(Paper decidedly thinner)



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{4}$



1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Dies, Paper Types & Perforations.

25,000 m on 20' m rose-red

(Type 1):

Thin Wove, Smooth Paper:



9 x 9  
Surcharge displaced →



11½ x 11½



11¾ x 11¼

Thin Wove, Bluish Paper:



9 x 9



11½ x 11½



13¼ x 11½

Thick, Spongy Paper:



9 x 9

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Dies, Paper Types & Perforations.

25,000 m on 20 m brown-red

(Type II):

Thin Wove Smooth Paper:



12 x 11



12½ x 13



12½ x 12½



13½ x 13½



14 x 10¾

Pelure Paper:



Very thin paper. All have the Perf. 12½ x 12½. Shades. Rotary Printing.

Medium to Thickish, Spngy Wove Paper:



12 x 13½



12½ x 12½



12½ x 13½



14 x 13

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Dies, Paper Types & Perforations.

50,000 m on 10 m slate-green

TYPE I:

(Large Type: Stamp Size 28 x 22mm  
of the Sowing Peasant Design).

Vertically Laid Papers:



$11\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$



$13\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$

Thin Wove Paper:

*9.6. - red wove p.  
surcharge*



$11\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$



13 x 14

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Dies, Paper Types & Perforations.

50,000 m on 10 m slate-green

TYPE II:

(smaller Types: Stamp Size  $27\frac{1}{4} \times 21\frac{1}{2}$ )

Spongy Wove Papers:



$11\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{3}{4}$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$



$12\frac{3}{4} \times 12\frac{3}{4}$



$13\frac{1}{4} \times 13\frac{3}{4}$



$13\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$

50,000 m on 10 m slate-green

TYPE II:

(smaller type: Stamp Size  $27\frac{1}{4} \times 21\frac{1}{2}$ )

Thin Wove Papers:



$11\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{4}$



$12\frac{1}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{4}$



$12\frac{1}{4} \times 12\frac{3}{4}$



$12\frac{1}{4} \times 12\frac{3}{4}$   
(shade)



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{4}$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$



$13\frac{1}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{4}$



$13\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{4}$



$14\frac{1}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Dies, Paper Types & Perforations.

50,000 m on 10 m slate-green

TYPE II:

(Smaller Type: Stamp Size  $27\frac{1}{4} \times 21\frac{1}{2}$ )

Pelure Paper (Very thin paper; printing Rotary):



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{4}$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{4}$   
(shade)

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Paper Types & Perforations.

Mk/ 20,000 /Mk on 5 m green

Thin Wove Paper:



$10\frac{1}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{4}$



$11\frac{1}{2} \times 11$



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 13$   
(Mint)



$14 \times 13\frac{1}{2}$

Variations:



$14\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$   
Double Surcharge  
Printing



$14\frac{1}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$   
(Mint)

Thick Wove Paper:



$12\frac{3}{4} \times 13\frac{1}{4}$

Porous (spongy) Wove Paper:



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Paper Types and Perforations.

Mk/ 100,000 / Mk on 5 m brown-purple

or chocolate:

Medium-thin horizontally laid paper:



$13\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$

Thin, smooth wove paper:



$11 \times 12\frac{1}{2}$



$13 \times 12\frac{3}{4}$



$13 \times 13$

Variations



$12\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$

Double surcharge  
printing.

Chocolate-brown colour:



$12 \times 11\frac{1}{2}$



1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges, contd. - Variations.

Mk / 100,000 / Mk on 5 m brown-purple:



$12\frac{3}{4}$  x 13:

Gross misplacement of ovpt. to the right.  
Used block of 6.



$12\frac{3}{4}$  x 13:

For comparison a correctly  
overprinted pair.

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges - Paper Types and Perforations.

Mk/ 100,000 /Mk on 5 Mk brown-purple

(Contd.)

Thick paper:



12 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$



12 x 12



12 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$



13 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 $\frac{1}{2}$



13 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 13



14 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$

Coarse / spongy paper:



11 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 11



11 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 14 $\frac{1}{2}$



13 x 13

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges, Contd.

(1): "10 TYSIECY" (10,000)mk on 25mk violet and buff:



Surcharge printing very light:  
On top stamps the figures "0" (left  
stamp) and "1" (right stamp) only  
partly printed.



Medium printing: Only "TY" on  
the two left stamps shining through  
on the stamps' backs.



Medium-heavy printing: All of  
"10 TYSIECY" just visible on  
the back.



Heavy printing: The whole surchar-  
ges clearly visible on the back.

Graduations in surcharge printing from light to heavy.

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges, Contd.

(2): 25,000 mk on 20 mk rose-red (Type I):



Heavy Printing. Perf. 9.



Very Heavy Printing (double printing?), even to the point of leaving black smudges of printing ink (in particular under the first two zero's of "25,000").

Perf. 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

(3): 25,000 mk On 20 mk brown-red (Type II):



Light to medium printing.  
Perf. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ .



Medium to heavy printing.  
Perf. 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

1923-24: Emergency Inflation Surcharges, Contd.

(4): 50,000 mk on 10 mk slate-green (Type I): *Large type - 28 x 22*



Heavy Printing. Perf. 12 x 13.



(5): 50,000 mk on 10 mk blue-green (Type II): *Smaller type - 27 1/2*



Medium to Heavy Printing.  
Perf. 14 x 14 1/2.

Graduations in Printing and Perforation Types.