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Allied Military Government of Venezia Giulia - Zone A Correspondence Postal Stationery

On April 30, 1945, following the uprising in other northern areas, the Italian partisans took action against the German army and occupied the main strongholds in Trieste, only to be forced to surrender the following day to the Yugoslav partisans and army. The first Allied Force, the 2nd New Zealand Division at the command of General Freyberg, arrived the following day and had to remain outside the area to avoid further conflicts. So begins a difficult period for Venezia Giulia that will last for a number of years.

In the postal area, all stamps and stationery in circulation are declared invalid by the Yugoslavs. Correspondence is then re-admitted, but only locally within the zones A and B and towards Yugoslavia: rates must be paid in cash.

Following the Belgrade agreement between the two forces, on June 12th the Yugoslav army leaves the city and Zone "A" of the Allied Military Government of Venezia Giulia comes into full effect. Such zone, under the control of the Allied Forces, includes the territories of Trieste, Gorizia and the enclave of Pola.

At this time the only valid stamps are the ones overprinted in Trieste and Pola by the Yugoslavs prior to their departure. July 16th the Yugoslav overprints are declared invalid and the stamps and stationery of the previous Italian Kingdom and RSI periods are re-admitted. Finally, on September 22nd the new stamps with the AMG-VG overprint are circulated. The previous values are declared invalid, but will be tolerated for some time. By now most postal services are reinstated both within the AMG Zones A and B and towards Italy. And slowly, also towards other countries.

September 15th, 1947, marks the end of the Allied Military Government of Venezia Giulia. Most of the territories are returned to their occupants Italy and Yugoslavia. But due to the lack of a full agreement, on that same day the Allied Military Government Free Territory of Trieste begins its function and will remain in existence for further 7 years awaiting a final agreement!

During the period, only 5 postal cards were overprinted for the AMG-VG. Before these, a number of Kingdom and RSI postal and letter cards are reintroduced aided by the limited circulation initially allowed only within the zones. Following the introduction of the overprinted items, the non-overprinted were no longer allowed, but were still tolerated for some time. By oversights did occur.



EXHIBIT PLAN

In this collection we are exhibiting all stationery items used during the period, both the prior Kingdom and RSI and the overprinted. We tried to illustrate the various postal rates and uses, giving priority to smaller offices. We are also showing items of clearly philatelic nature, but that have travelled through the postal system where no commercial or private use was available. We have also allocated a couple of pages to censoring in the area.

- A) Censoring
- B) Kingdom and RSI stationery without o/print
- C) Over printed Stationery
 - 50c "Turrita" postal card with hand o/print
 - 50c "Turrita" postal card with machine o/print
 - 3 lira "Turrita" postal card with hand o/print
 - 3 lira "Democratica" postal card with hand overprint
 - 10 lira "Democratica" postal card with machine overprint
- D) Tollerated and misused items

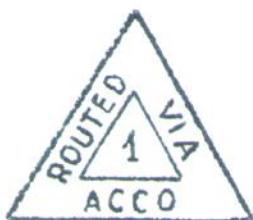


The Censorship of Civil Mail

After an initial period where censoring was done within the AMG VG area, after July 3rd 1945 as the mail service expanded to Italy and abroad to limited foreign national the censoring was allocated outside the Zone. In particular to Udine and Venice for the mail directed in Italy, and Genoa and Rome for the mail directed abroad. Specific stamps were used for the purpose of the area, most of which we will find on postal stationery.



The stamp used on mail to abroad from February to September, 1947, with number series 1000, generally in purple ink. I have never come across it on stationery



The stamp indicated the mail items had been visually reviewed by the Allied Control Commission Office and was not subject to further inspection.

Used on mail from September 1946 to January 30, 1947, generally in red





The stamp used on mail to Zone B, Italy and abroad from January 2, 1946, to August 23rd 1947, with number series 1000, 1200 and 1500, generally in purple ink, but also in red black and blue.



The stamp (right) used by the military office on mail to Austria from January 27 to February 3, 1946, (number series 1100) and from February 3 to September 30, 1947, (number series 3100, 3200 and 3300), in various colors.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

Kingdom Issue

30 Cent VEIII Imperial Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

2 Lira Return Receipt Rate



30 cent VEIII Kingdom card franked with Kingdom, RSI overprinted Kingdom and RSI stamps for a total of 2 Lira. The card was dispatched from Trieste on 22/8/1945 with its Registered Item to Pola, where it arrived on 25/8/1945.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

Kingdom Issue

30 Cent VEIII Imperial Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

2 Lira Return Receipt Rate



30 cent VEIII Kingdom card franked only with RSI stamps for a total of 2 Lira. The card was dispatched from Trieste on 30/8/1945 with its Registered Item to Pola, where it arrived on 1/9/1945.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

Overprinted RSI Issue

30 Cent VEIII War Propoganda Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

60 Cent Distric Card Rate



30 Cent VEIII Kingdom War Propaganda Card overprinted RSI in Pola was sent locally in Pola on 25/8/1945 with no additional franking. The card was taxed as short 30 cents on the rate.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

Overprinted RSI Issue

30 Cent VEIII War Propaganda Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

60 Cent Distric Card Rate



30 cent VEIII Kingdom War Propaganda Card overprinted RSI in Pola was sent locally in Pola on 26/8/1945 additionally franked with 5 Cent RSI and 10 cent Yugoslav overprinted RSI stamps. The card was taxed as short 15 cents on the rate.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

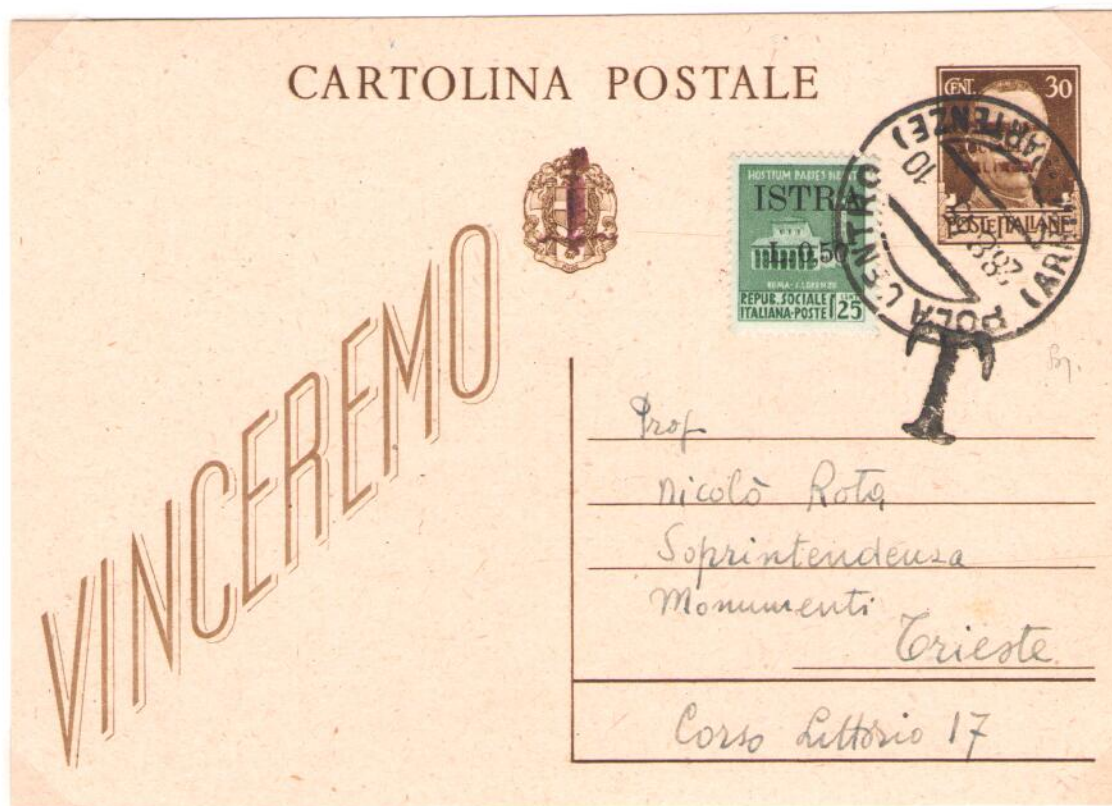
Overprinted RSI Issue

30 Cent VEIII War Propoganda Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

1.20 Lira Domestic Card Rate



30 cent VEIII Kingdom War Propaganda Card overprinted RSI in Pola was sent from Pola on 28/8/1945 to Trieste, additionally franked with a 50 cent Yugoslav overprinted RSI stamp. The card was taxed as short 40 cents on the rate. The 80 Cents represented the illustrated card rate.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Issue

30 Cent Mazzini Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

2 Lira Return Receipt Rate



30 cent Mazzini card franked with RSI overprinted Kingdom and RSI stamps for a total of 2 Lira. The card was dispatched from Trieste on 13/8/1945 with its Registered Item to Pola, where it arrived on 15/8/1945.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Issue

30 Cent Mazzini Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

1.20 Lira Domestic Card Rate

2.40 Lira Open Registered Rate



30 cent Mazzini card franked with Yugoslav overprinted RSI stamps for a total of 3.60 Lira. The card was sent from Pola on 13/8/1945 with its Registered Item to Pola, where it arrived on 15/8/1945.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Issue

30 Cent Mazzini Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

1.20 Lira Domestic Card Rate



30 cent Mazzini card franked with RSI stamps for a total of 1.20 Lira. The card was sent from Gorizia on 29/8/1945 to Rome.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Issue

30 Cent Mazzini Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

1.20 Lira Domestic Card Rate



30 cent Mazzini card franked with RSI stamps for a total of 1.20 Lira. The card was sent from Gorizia on 30/8/1945 to Zagabria (Yugoslavia). At the time the AMG-VG domestic rate was valid for mail directed from Zones A and B to both Italy and Yugoslavia



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Issue

30 Cent Mazzini Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

2 Lira Return receipt Rate



30 cent Mazzini card franked with regular AMG-VG stamps for a total of 2 Lira. The card was dispatched from Trieste on 4/10/1945 with its Registered Item to Pola, where it arrived on 6/10/1945, returning to Trieste On 7/10/1945.

The regular AMG-VG overprinted stamps were issued on 22/9/1945.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Issue

30 Cent Mazzini Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

1.20 Lira Domestic Card Rate



30 cent Mazzini card franked with regular AMG-VG overprinted stamps for a total of 1.20 Lira. The card was sent from Trieste on 15/10/1945 to Palermo.

The regular AMG-VG overprinted stamps were issued on 22/9/1945.

Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Issue

30 Cent Mazzini Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



30 cent Mazzini card franked with regular AMG-VG overprinted stamps for a total of 3 Lira.

The card was sent from Cormons (Gorizia) on 19/11/1946 to Cuneo.

By the time of its use the card was invalid but still tolerated.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

Kingdom Issue

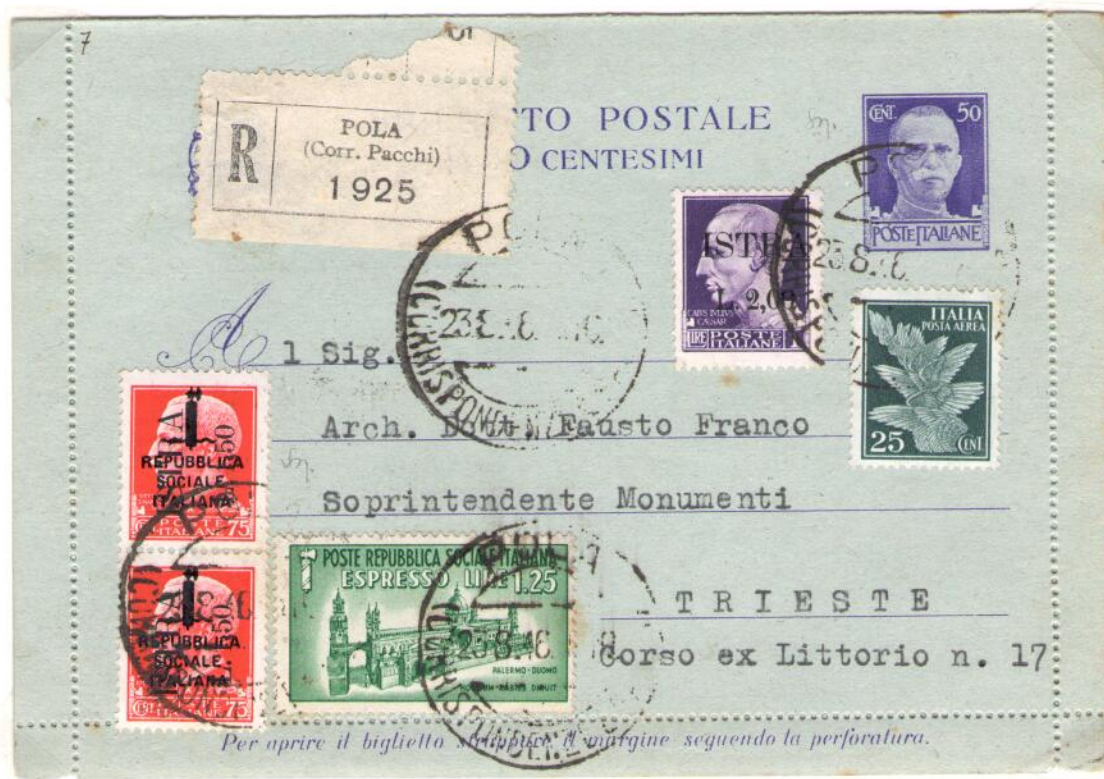
50 Cent VEIII Imperial Letter Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

2 Lira Domestic Letter Rate

5 Lira Registered Rate



50 cent VEIII Kingdom Letter Card franked with Kingdom, RSI, Yugoslav overprinted Kingdom and RSI overprinted stamps for a total of 7 Lira. The card was dispatched from Pola on 23/8/1945 to Trieste.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

Kingdom Issue

50 Cent VEIII Imperial Letter Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

2 Lira Domestic Letter Rate



50 cent VEIII Kingdom Letter Card franked with RSI stamps for a total of 2 Lira. The card was dispatched from Caporetto (Gorizia) on 4/9/1945 to Teramo.



Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Overprint Issue

50 Cent VEIII Imperial Letter Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

1 Lira Distric Letter Rate



50 cent VEIII Kingdom Overprinted Letter Card franked with Yugoslav overprinted RSI overprinted stamps for a total of 1 Lira. The card was dispatched locally in Pola on 23/8/1945.

Use of Prior Period Postal Stationery

RSI Overprint Issue

50 Cent VEIII Imperial Letter Card

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

2 Lira Domestic Letter Rate



50 cent VEIII Kingdom Overprinted Letter Card franked with RSI and Yugoslav overprinted Kingdom stamps for a total of 7 Lira. The card was dispatched from Pola on 27/8/1945 to Trieste.



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Venezia Giulia Overprinted Postal Stationery Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrta' Novara Issue

A.M.G.
V. G.

To the left copy of the hand overprint, to the right the machine version.

A.M.G.
V.G.

The cards were originally printed in Novara in May 1945 at the then current card rate. The cards were processed in Trieste, initially by hand and then by machine, with a 12.5x11mm black ink overprint. The two overprints were of the same size and very similar and on cancelled stamps are sometime difficult to tell apart. They were circulated certainly after September 22nd, 1945, the official date of issue of the of the first similarly overprinted adhesive stamps. A total of 192,710 were processed of both types combined. While the single quantities are not known the machine overprinted are considerably more numerous than the hand ones.

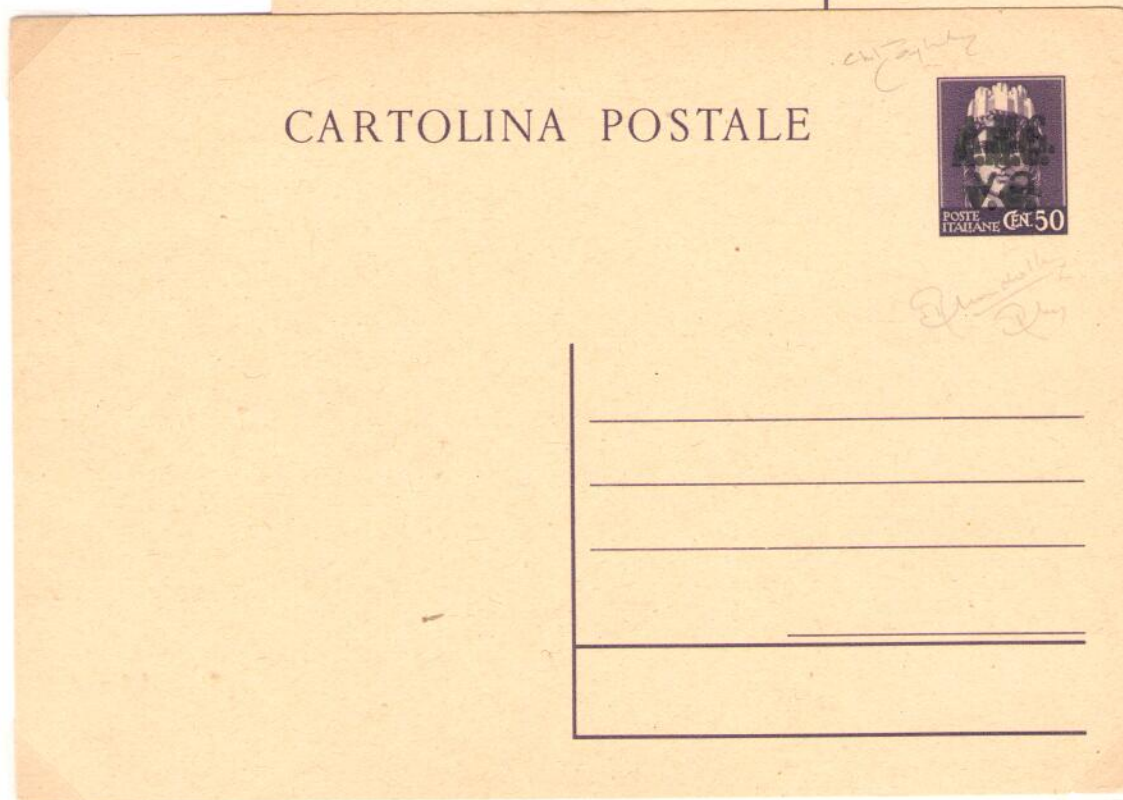
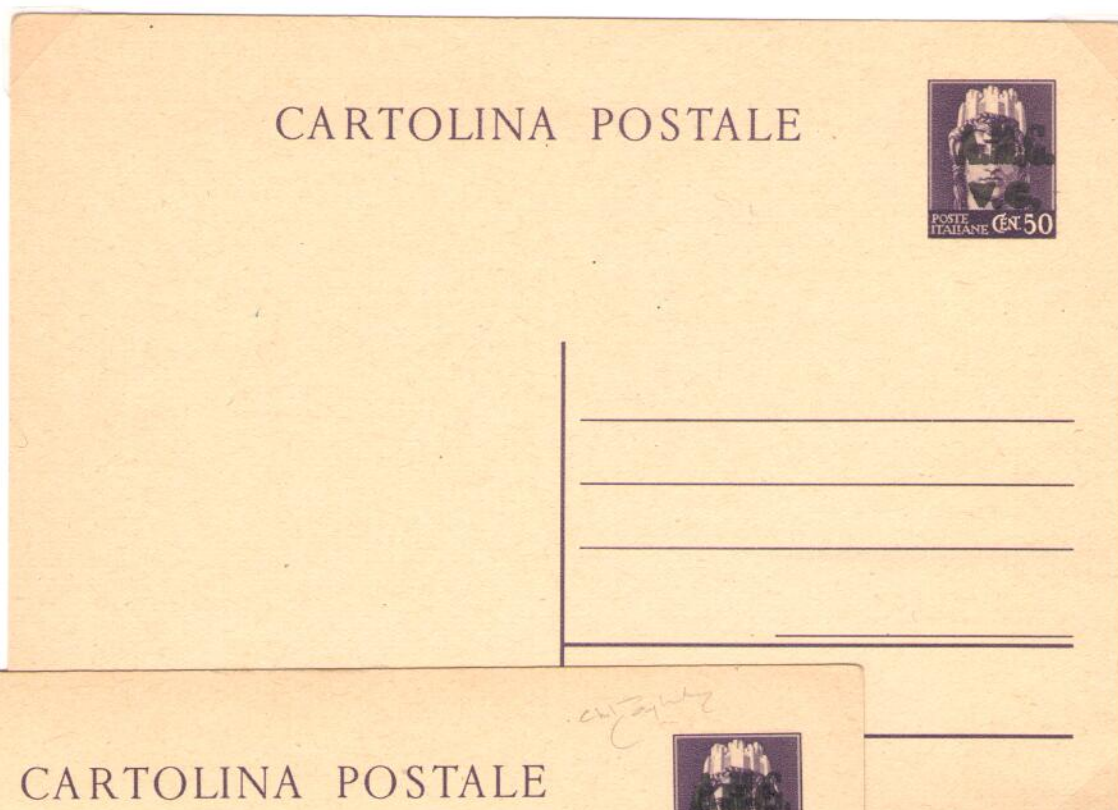


Top portion of a 50 Cent 'Turrta' card with two different overprints, one struck by hand and the other by machine. The card additionally franked for the 3 lira domestic card rate was mailed from Trieste on September 24th 1946.



Venezia Giulia Overprinted Postal Stationery
Hand Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrta' Novara Issue

To the right:
a regular hand
overprinted card.



To the left:
a card with a
double hand
overprinted.



Venezia Giulia Overprinted Postal Stationery
Hand overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrita' Novara Issue



When overprinted for the AMG-VG, the postal card rate had increased and these were normally sold with additional franking already applied, particularly to use up the many stamps with low face value overprinted for use in the AMG-VG.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrity'
Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947
3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



Hand overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrity' card, with additional franking for the 3 Lira domestic card rate sent from Trieste (Piazza della Borsa) on 8/10/1946 to Verona.

The card was removed and returned to mail with the ROUTED VIA ACCO cancel.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

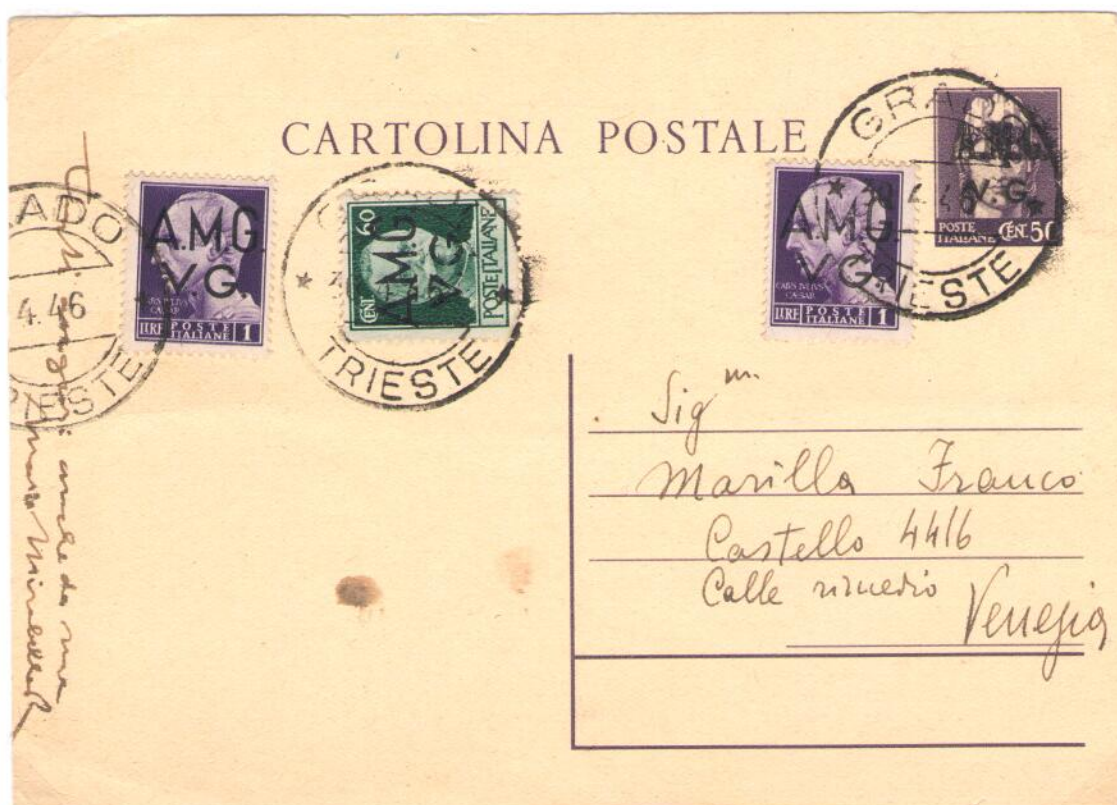
Hand Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrta'

Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



Hand overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrta' card, with additional franking for the 3 Lira domestic card rate sent from Grado on 30/4/1946 to Venice.

The card has a double overprint and is franked in excess for 10 cents.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrity'
Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



Hand overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrity' card, with additional franking for the 3 Lira domestic card rate sent from Trieste on 13/7/1946 to Rome.

The card was taxed in error on arrival for double the "missing amount". While the overprinted stamps remained valid until the end of the AMG-VG period, in Italy the validity of the 2 Lira 'Turrity' stamp expired on June 30 1946.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrta'

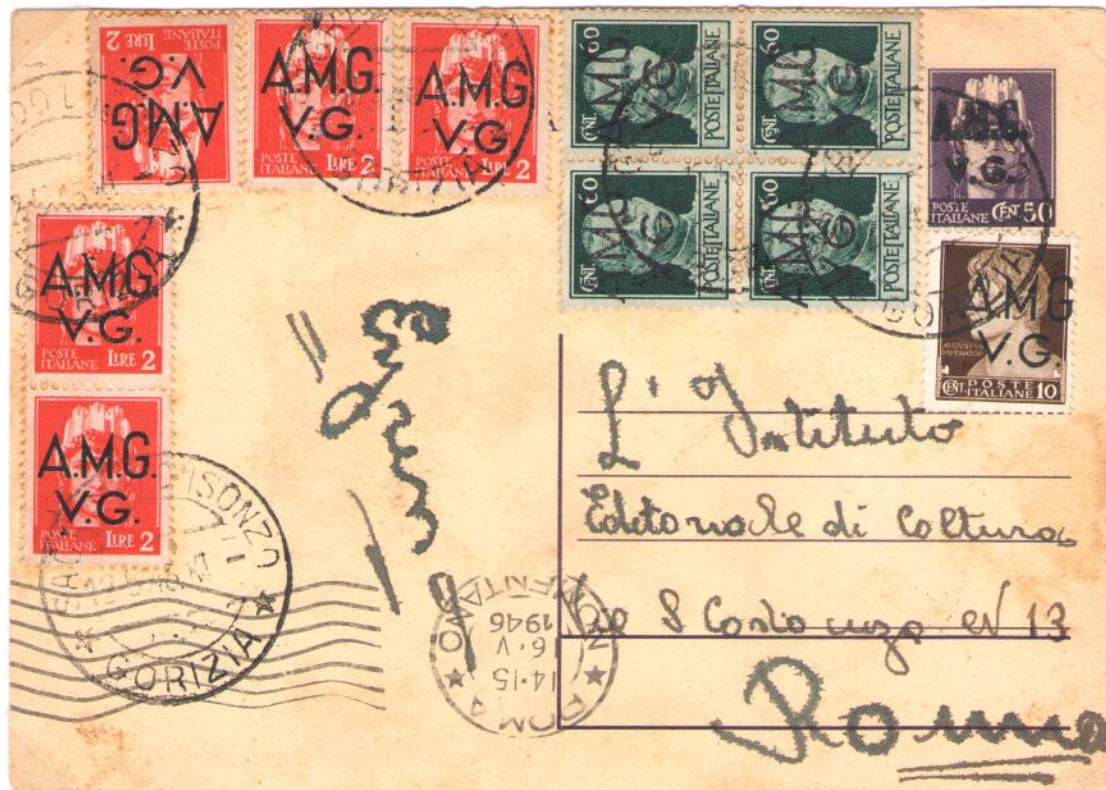
Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate

10 Lira Express Service Rate



Hand overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrta' card, with additional franking for the 3 Lira domestic card and 10 Lira Express rate rates sent from Salgado d'Isonzo on 12/5/1946 to Roma.

The card was cancelled on arrival.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrita'
Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947
4 Lira Domestic Card Rate



Hand overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrita' card, with additional franking for the 4 Lira domestic card rate, sent from Trieste on 29/6/1947 to Bologna.

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Hand Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrina'
Novara Issue

10/8/1945—31/3/1946

3 Lira Card Rate

10 Lira Registered Rate



Hand overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrina' card, with additional franking for 19.40 Lira, in excess of the international card and registration rates.

Clearly a philatelic item with many of the then issued overprinted stamps, which actually travelled to Fraubrunnen in Switzerland as documented by the Venice transit cancel dated 19/3/1946 and arrival cancel dated 25/3/1946 on the reverse.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal StationeryInternational Postal Rates

Hand Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrta'
Novara Issue

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira Card Rate

20 Lira Registered Rate



Hand double overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrta' card, with additional franking for 40 Lira, in excess of the international card and registration rates, from Trieste on 7/8/1946 to Fraubrunnen (Switzerland).

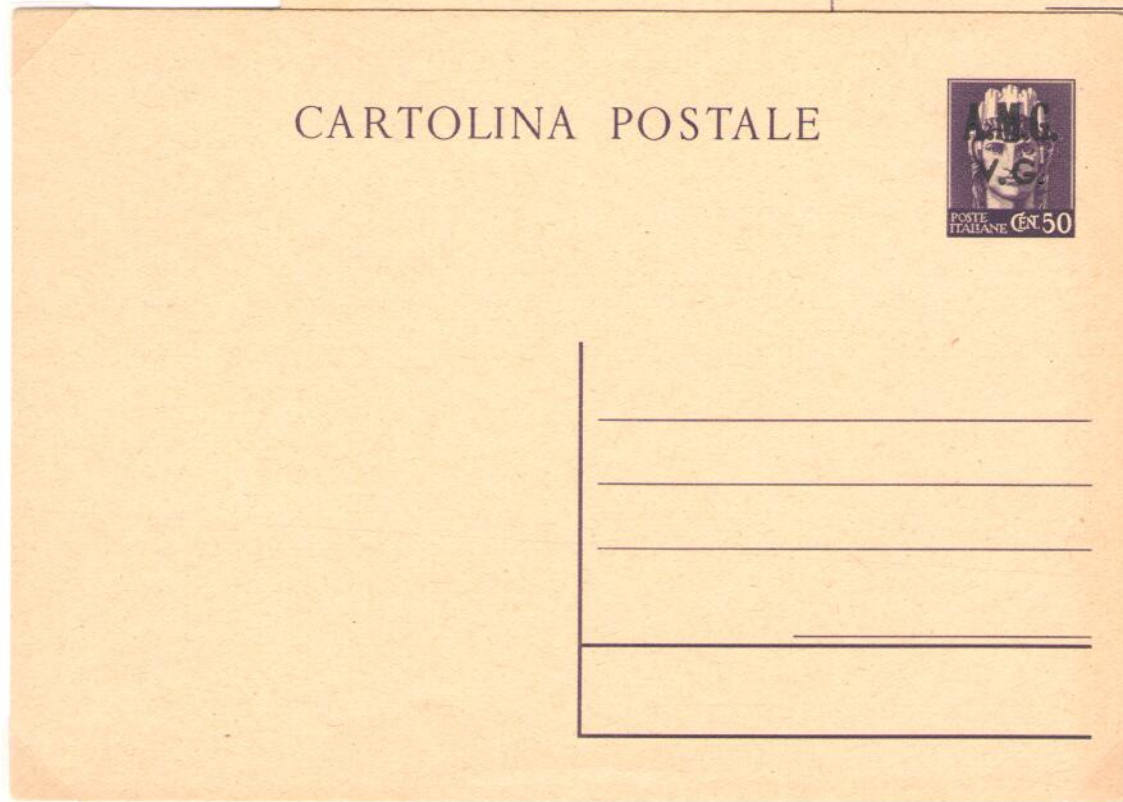
Clearly a philatelic item with many of the then issued overprinted stamps, which actually travelled through the mail system as also confirmed by the Censor cancel



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Venezia Giulia Overprinted Postal Stationery Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrita' Novara Issue

To the right:
a regular machine
overprinted card
with stamps
applied by the
Post Office for
the 3 Lira Internal
rate.

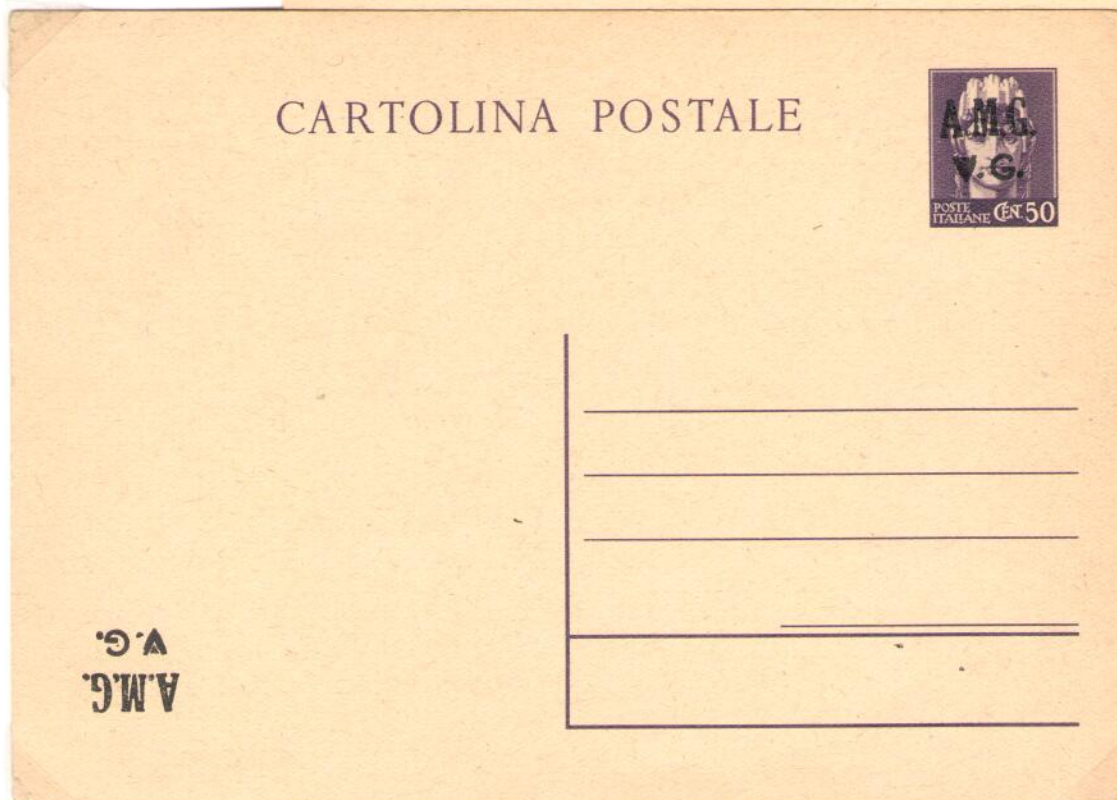
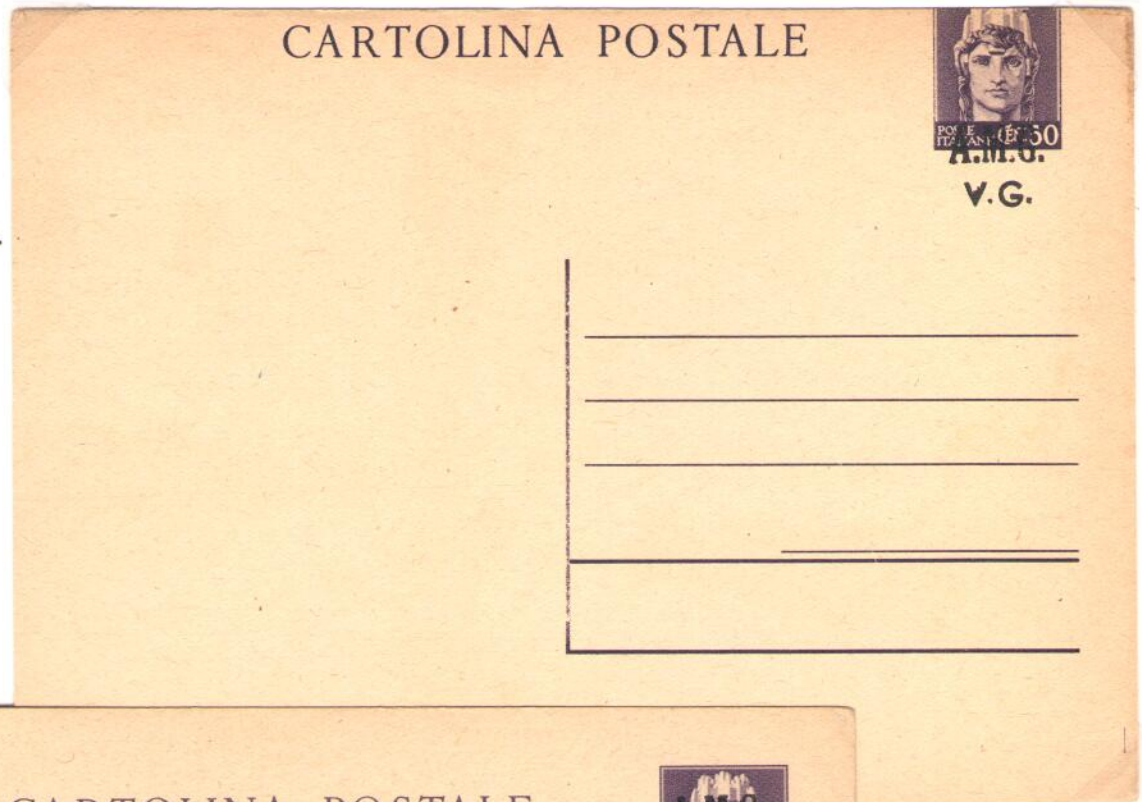


To the left:
a regular machine
overprinted card.



Venezia Giulia Overprinted Postal Stationery
Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent 'Turrita' Novara Issue

To the right:
a machine
overprint on mis-
cut card.



To the left:
a machine
overprinted card
with misplaced
double overprint.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent

'Turrita' Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrita' card, with additional franking for the 3 Lira domestic card rate sent from Poggioreale Del Carso on 27/9/1946 to Argegno (CO). The card arrived on 2/10/1946 as per arrival cancel and was also examined by the censor.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent
'Turrta' Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947
4 Lira Return Receipt Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrta' card, with additional franking for the 4 Lira Return Receipt rate sent from Trieste on 18/6/1946 locally.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent

'Turrta' Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate

5 Lira Open Registered Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrta' card, with additional franking for the 3 Lira domestic card 5 Lira Open Registered rate sent from Trieste on 25/2/1947 to Milan.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent
'Turrita' Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947
4 Lira Domestic Card Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrita' card, with additional franking for the 4 Lira Domestic Card rate sent from Trieste on 7/4/1947 to Milan.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent

'Turrta' Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947

4 Lira Domestic Card Rate

15 Lira Express Service Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrta' card, with additional franking for the 4 Lira Domestic Card and 15 Lira Express rate sent from Trieste on 7/4/1947 to Milan.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent
'Turrita' Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/8/1947—10/8/1948
8 Lira Domestic Card Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrita' card, with additional franking for the 8 Lira Domestic Card rate sent from Monfalcone on 8/8/1947 to Trieste.

The card was franked 25 Cents in excess.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent
'Turrita' Novara Issue

Internal Postal Rates

1/8/1947—10/8/1948
3 Lira Signature & Date Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrita' card, originally sold with stamps for the 3 Lira domestic card rate, used for the 3 Lira Singnature and Date rate sent from Trieste on 30/9/1947 to Milan.

Although the AMG-VG period ended on 15/9/1947, the overprinted postal items were still valid until the end of september 1947

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent
'Turrta' Novara Issue

International Postal Rates

10/8/1945—31/3/1946

3 Lira Card Rate

10 Lira Registered Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrta' card, with additional franking for 19.40 Lira, in excess of the international card and registration rates, from Trieste on 21/3/1946 to Bilthoven (Netherlands).

Clearly a philatelic item with many of the then issued overprinted stamps, which actually travelled through the mail system as also confirmed by the arrival cancel.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent
'Turrita' Novara Issue

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947
10 Lira Card Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrita' card, with additional franking for the 10 Lira international card rate, from Trieste on 7/11/1946 to Meiningen (Russian Controlled Germania).

The card was examined by the allied Censor as confirmed by the cancel



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

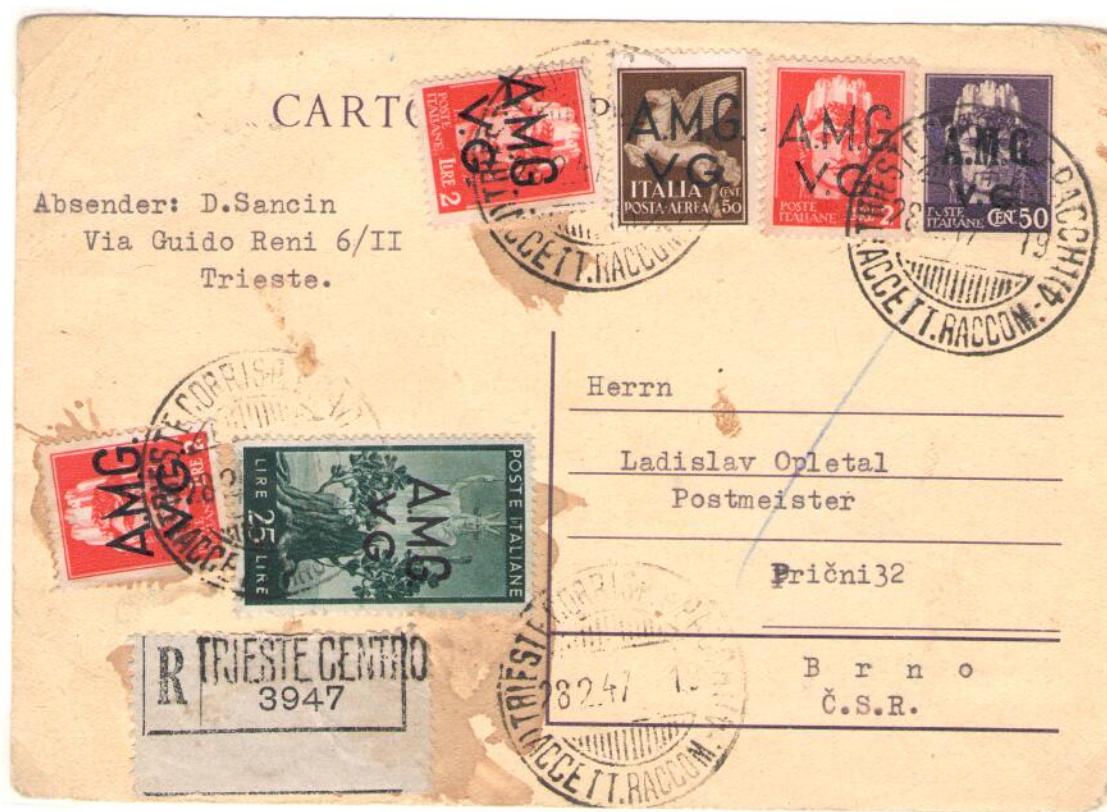
Machine Overprint of Italy 50 Cent
'Turrita' Novara Issue

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira Card Rate

20 Lire Registered Rate



Machine overprinted 50 Cent 'Turrita' card, with additional franking for the 10 Lira international card and Registered rates, from Trieste on 28/2/1947 to Brno (Cecoslovacchia).

The card was franked 2 Lira in excess.



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Venezia Giulia Overprinted Postal Stationery Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lire Red 'Turrta' Rome Issue

With the Increase in the internal postal card rate, the 3 Lira red 'Turrta' cards printed with the coat of arms in Rome on grey paper were overprinted manually. The rubber stamp used a 2 line AMG-VG acronym, measuring 16.5x12.5mm and blue violet ink. A total of 44,000 cards were overprinted and issued as needed starting October 17th, 1946.

To the right
overprinted card
sold with additional
franking for the 4
Lira rate.



To the left
Regular overprinted
card.

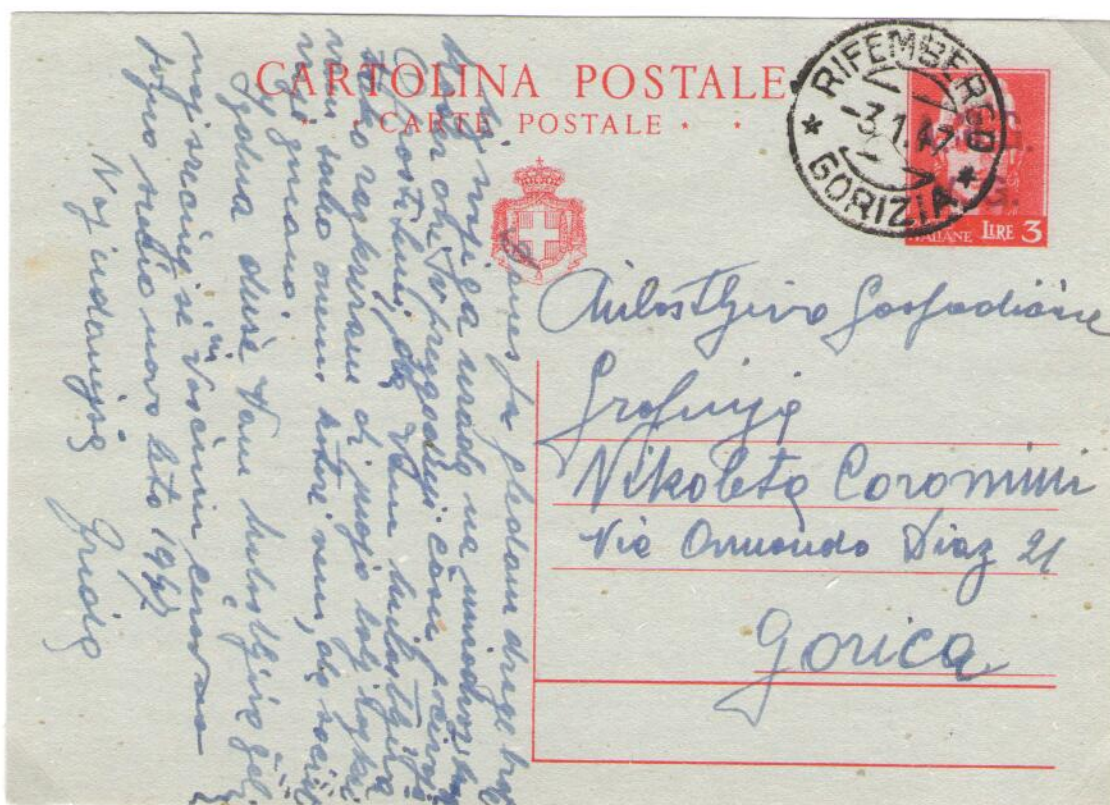


Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947
3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Rifembergo (GO) on 3/1/1947
locally to Gorizia.

To be noted the the card is addaress to Gorica (from Rihemberk) although both are in the
italian language area.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947
3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lire Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 29/11/1946 to Bologna. The card was selected for Censorship and struck with a ROUTED VIA ACCO cancel as it was directed to Italy.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate

10 Lira Registered Mail Rate

10 Lira Express Service Rate



3 Lire Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent Registered and Express from Pola on 15/2/1947 to Roma. The card was additionally franked for 20 Lira to complete the two services. The card was cancelled on arrival in Rome and regularly delivered through an agency as per attached label.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947

4 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lire Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Grado on 17/5/1947 to Venezia. A 1 Lira overprinted stamp was added to complete the rate.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

4 Lira Domestic Card Rate

3 Lira Poste Restant Rate



3 Lire Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 3/4/1947 to Gorizia. A 4 Lira overprinted stamp was added to complete the rates.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947

4 Lira Domestic Card Rate

7 Lira Open Registered Rate



3 Lira Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 9/5/1947 to Milano. Additional franking for 8.50 Lira was added to complete the rates, overpaying 50 cents. The 50 cent stamp may have been added as usually the Open Registered Rate was half the normal Registered rate (currently 15 Lira).



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947

4 Lira Domestic Card Rate

7 Lira Open Registered Rate



3 Lire Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Romans D'Isonzo (GO) on 23/6/1947 locally to Gradisca D'Isonzo (GO). The card was properly franked with 7 Lira additional postage.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/8/1946—11/8/1948

8 Lira Domestic Card Rate

10 Lira Open Registered Rate



3 Lira Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 6/8/1947 to Messina.

Additional franking for 17 Lira was added to complete the rates, overpaying 2 Lira.

Probably, in error, the post office charged the then 10 Lira letter rate instead of the card rate.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira International Card Rate



3 Lire Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 28/4/1947 to Bad Ischl (Austria). Additional franking for 7 Lira was added to complete the rate.

The card for Austria was subject to censorship and struck with the appropriate cancel.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira International Card Rate

31 Lira USA Airmail Rate (1/4/1946-
14/3/1947)



3 Lira Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 31/1/1947 to New York City (USA). Additional franking for 38 Lira was added to complete the rates.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira Turrita
Card

International Postal Rates

1/9/1947—11/8/1948

20 Lira International Card Rate



3 Lira Red Turrita Card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 10/9/1947 to Berna (Switzerland). Additional franking for 17 Lira was added to complete the rate.



Allied Military Government of Venezia Giulia - Zone A Correspondence Postal Stationery

Venezia Giulia Overprinted Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lire Brown 'Democratica' Issue

With the red 3 Lira card, from October 17th 1946 a total of 400,000 of the newer brown 3 Lira Democratica card also began process of hand overprinting and sale as needed.

The same stamp was used as for the prior issue but as these were more numerous, the ink eventually was topped up and a much bluer color was used, recognisable in the later uses.

To the right
card with vertical
overprint



To the left
Regular hand
overprinted card



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Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lire Brown 'Democratica' Issue

The cards were overprinted and sold as needed, therefore as postal rates increased they were sold with additional franking applied by the Post Office.

To the right

Overprinted card
sold with 1 lira
stamp for
increased rate



To the left

Blue Overprint
denoting later
processing. Card
with stamp for
increased rate.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira brown Democratica card with regular overprint sent from Trieste on 13/2/1947 to Bologna.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira rown Democratica card with regular overprint sent from Trieste on 10/3/1947 to Zagabria (Yugoslavia).

Until December 1946 the domestic rate was valid for correspondence between Zones A and B and from the area to Italy and Yugoslavia. In this case the use was tollerated and the card not taxed.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate

10 Lira Express Rate



3 Lira brown Democratica card with regular overprint sent from Trieste on 23/2/1947 to Verona. The card was additionally franked for 17 Lira, 7 in excess of the rates. Clearly a philatelic item also including a 2 Lira stamp attached in reverse to show the decal of the overprint on the back of the stamp.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira
Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947
4 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira Brown Democratica card with overprint missing "M", sent from Trieste on 29/3/1947 to Genova. The card missing the additional 1 Lira was not taxed.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira
Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947
4 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira brown Democratica card with overprint high, sent from Trieste on 5/4/1947 to Rome.
The card was additionally franked for 1 Lira to complete the rate.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947

4 Lira Domestic Card Rate

15 Lira Express Rate



3 Lira brown Democratica card with blue overprint, sent from Gorizia on 7/7/1947 to Udine.
The card was additionally franked for 16 Lira to complete the rates.

The blue overprint indicates a late overprint.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira
Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/8/1947—11/8/1948
8 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira rown Democratica card with blue overprint, sent from Gorizia on 16/8/1947 to Villanova di Farra (GO). The card was additionally franked for 5 Lira to complete the rate and was cancelled on arrival at Farra D'Isonzo (GO).

The blue overprint indicates a late overprint.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira
Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/8/1947—11/8/1948
8 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira brown Democratica card with blue overprint, sent from Grado on 8/9/1947 to Capodistria (Zone B). The card was additionally franked for 5 Lira to complete the rate.

The blue overprint indicates a late overprint.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/8/1947—11/8/1948

8 Lira Domestic Card Rate

25 Lira Express Rate



3 Lira rown Democratica card with blue overprint, sent from Trieste on 16/8/1947 to Venezia. The card was additionally franked for 30 Lira to complete the rates.

The blue overprint indicates a late overprint.



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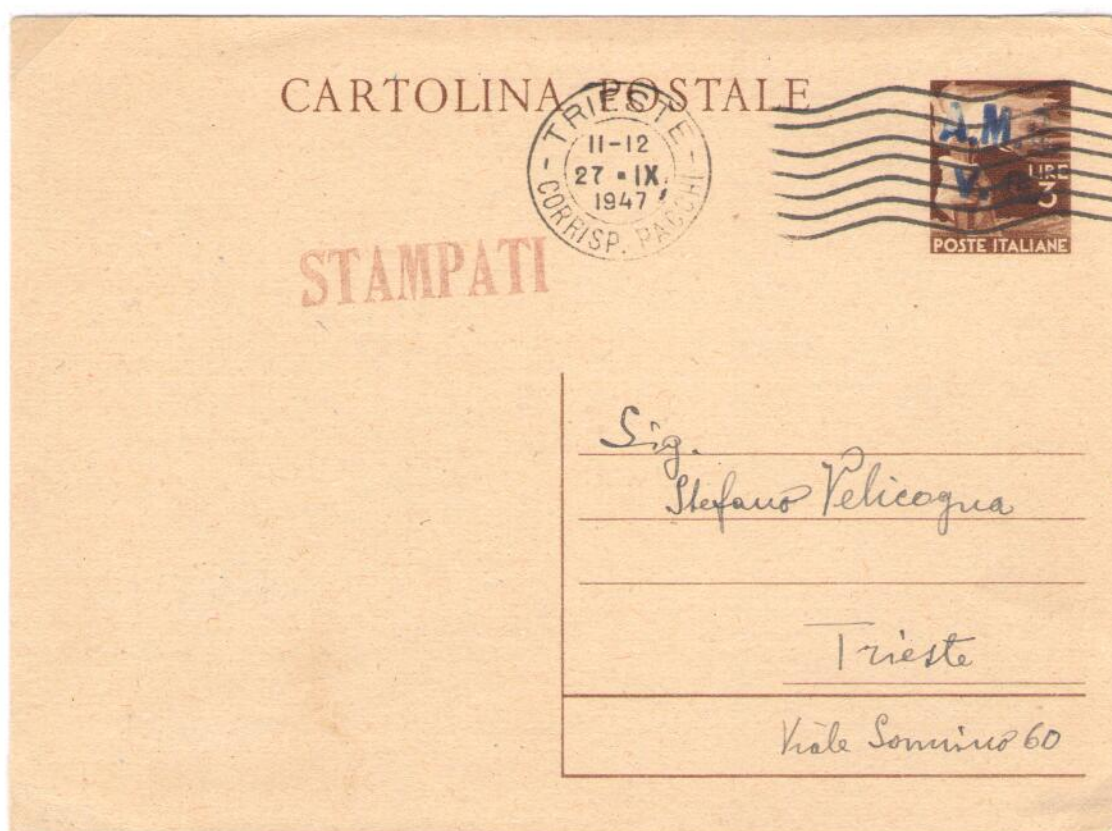
Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

Internal Postal Rates

1/8/1947—11/8/1948

3 Lira Printed Matter Rate



3 Lira brown Democratica card with blue overprint, sent from Trieste locally on 27/9/1947.

The blue overprint indicates a late overprint.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira
Democratica Card

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira International Card Rate



3 Lira brown Democratica card with blue overprint, originally sent from Trieste on 14/7/1947 to Milan and then on 1/8/1947 redirected to Paris (France). The card was originally franked for 1 Lira to complete the 4 Lira domestic card rate, and then with 6 Lira in Saltrio (Varese), presumably by the post office, to complete the international card rate.

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Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira International Card Rate



3 Lira rown Democratica card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 20/6/1947 to Belfast (Nother Ireland). The card was additionally franked for 7 Lira to complete the rate.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira International Card Rate

25 Lira Kenya Airmail Rate (1/4/1946-
14/3/1947)

3 Lira brown Democratica card with regular overprint, sent from Grado on 25/2/1947 to Mombasa (Kenya). The card was additionally franked for 32 Lira to complete the rates.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira International Card Rate

31 Lira USA Airmail Rate (1/4/1946-
14/3/1947)



3 Lira brown Democratika card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 5/3/1947 to New York City (USA). The card was additionally franked for 38 Lira to complete the rates.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

Hand Overprint of Italy 3 Lira

Democratica Card

International Postal Rates

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira International Card Rate

25 Lira USA Airmail Rate (15/3/1947-
31/8/1947)



3 Lira brown Democratica card with regular overprint, sent from Trieste on 14/5/1947 to New York City (USA). The card was additionally franked for 32 Lira to complete the rates.



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Venezia Giulia Overprinted Postal Stationery

Machine Overprint of Italy 10 Lire Red 'Democratica' Issue

In order to satisfy the need for international postal card, in December 1946 a total of 1,890 of the new red 10 Lira Democratica postal cards issued in Italy in May of the same year, were processed by machine with an overprint similar to the 50 Cent by the Tipografia Fortuna in Trieste. The size of the overprint was slightly larger measuring 14x11mm compared to 12.5x11mm of the previous. This was most probably due to the larger size of the stamp imprint on the card (24x19mm instead of 21x17mm of the 50 Cent card).





Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

International Postal Rates

Machine Overprint of Italy 10 Lira Red

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

Democratica Card

10 Lira International Card Rate



10 Lire Red Democratica Card with machine overprint, sent from Trieste late December 1946 with Christmas and New Year's wishes to Wien (Austria).

It missed being cancelled but was removed for censoring on departure and censored again on arrival in Austria.



Overprinted AMG-VG Postal Stationery

International Postal Rates

Machine Overprint of Italy 10 Lira Red
Democratica Card

1/4/1946—31/8/1947

10 Lira International Card Rate
25 Lira USA Airmail Rate (15/3/1947-
31/8/1947)



10 Lire Red Democratica Card with machine overprint, sent from Trieste on 29/3/1947 to New York City (USA). A 25 Lira stamp was added to cover the airmail rate.

Overprinted AMG-VG Postal StationeryInternational Postal Rates

Machine Overprint of Italy 10 Lira Red
Democratica Card

1/9/1947—30/9/1947
10 Lira International Card Rate



10 Lire Red Democratica Card with machine overprint, sent from Trieste on 8/9/1947 to Salzburg (A) and from there forwarded to Gmunden, with additional franking for 20 Lira rate.

The card was verified by appropriate censor for mail to Austria.

Use of Overprinted Cards after the AMGVG Period

The AMG-VG period ended on 15/9/1947, and the overprinted values allowed until 30/9/1947.

Internal Postal Rates

1/8/1951—1/12/1955

20 Lira Domestic Card Rate



50 Cent machine overprinted purple Turrita issued in Novara in May of 1945.

The card franked for the 3 Lira rate available at the time the cards were issued, was mailed on 27/2/1955 as per train cancel "Amb. Trieste - Milano 90 * G *", most probably from Trieste to Genoa when the domestic card rate was 20 Lira.

The card used after the AMG period - the TLT also ended in October of the previous year - and short franked was still allowed and not taxed.

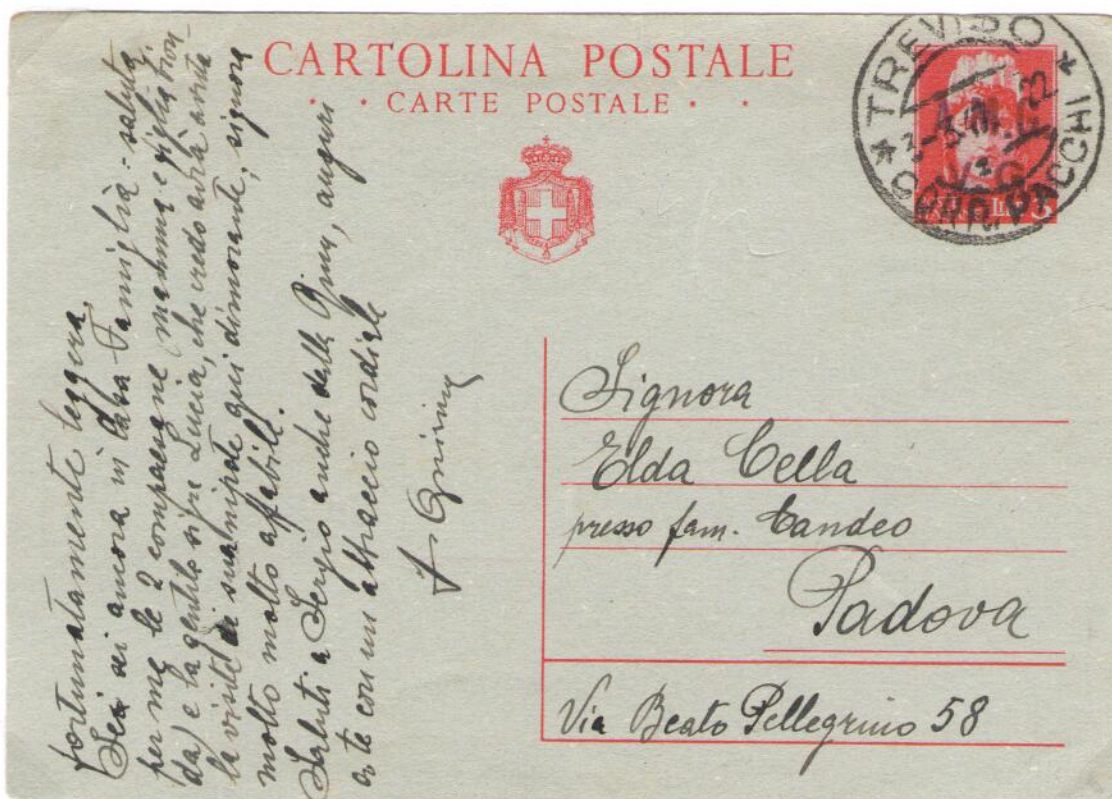
Use of Overprinted Cards outside theAMG-VG Zone A

The use of overprinted cards was not allowed outside the Venetia Giulia Zone A area.

Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira red Turrita card with hand overprint.

The card was carried outside of the Zone and sent from Treviso on 3/3/1947 to Padova.

Maybe due to the light overprint, the card was not caught and taxed.



Use of Overprinted Cards outside the
AMG-VG Zone A

Internal Postal Rates

25/3/1947—31/7/1947

The use of overprinted cards was not allowed outside the Venetia Giulia Zone A area.

4 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira brown Democratica card with hand overprint.

The card was carried to Valle di Cadone (Belluno) and from there sent to Trieste on 26/7/1947 with addition AMG-VG franking for the 4 lira domestic card rate.

The card was taxed for double the rate.



Use of Non Overprinted Cards in the
AMG-VG Zone A

Except for the initial period, and relating only to Kingdom and RSI stationery, the use of non overprinted cards was not allowed inside the Venezia Giulia area.

Internal Postal Rates

10/8/1945—28/2/1946

1.20 Lira Domestic Card Rate



1.20 Lira brown Turrita with Coat of Arms issued in Rome in June of 1945.

The card was sent from Trieste to Venice on 28/11/1945, two months following the issue of the overprinted stamps. The use was tolerated and the card not taxed.



Use of Non Overprinted Cards in the
AMG-VG Zone A

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Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



3 Lira red Turrita with Coat of Arms issued in Rome in June of 1945.

The card was sent from Trieste to Palmanova (UD) on 26/2/1946. The card is the same issue as the hand overprinted already on sale in the area, which is probably the reason it missed being caught and taxed.



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AMG-VG Zone A

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Internal Postal Rates

1/3/1946—24/3/1947

3 Lira Domestic Card Rate



50 Cent purple Turrina without Coat of Arms issued in Novara in May of 1945.

The card was sent from Gorizia to Bergamo on 30/9/1946, with additional overprinted stamps to complete the rate. The card was chosen for censoring and the ROUTED VIA ACCO stamp applied. Never the less, being the same issue as the overprinted already on sale in the area, it missed being caught and taxed.