

## Note for stamps with Prior vignettes

First "A-Prior" stamp was N° 3047, but **without** a Prior vignette for the European Union (zone A).

"A prior": is used for franking priority standardized letters up to 20g for the European Union (zone A).

Later this was indicated



with or without Prior vignette (N° 3316/3317) or indication Prior Europe (N° 3223)

From N° 3098 there are stamps with "prior vignettes" for normalized domestic mail traffic.

Versions are: - Non-tear-off Prior stamps or stamps with tear-off Prior vignettes whether or not toothed on both (or partial) sides.

(-P) Stamps without a "Prior" vignette are worth 10% less if a Prior vignette was provided.

The following statements are nowhere to be found - not by Bpost - not in OSC catalog: reason unknown. Therefore I created the following indications to recognize and classify the differences of stamp / sheets (F... or V...-....) with tear-off Prior vignettes in the albums.

### Notices:

#### Summary:

#### NOT LISTED IN "OSC"

The most sheets (F...- or V...-.... models) up to and including N° 3263 are issued in various versions regarding the Prior vignettes attached to the stamps by means of perforations.

Either the Prior vignettes are fully toothed on both sides (left & right), either partially (or half) and on the stamp side.

The sizes of the stamps mentioned from now on are the dimensions **WITHOUT** "Prior vignettes" - (if Prior vignette version)

▼ from Y2000 (No. 3098) to + including Y2004 (No. 3263) + in Y2006 (No. 3515) & in Y2007 (No. 3671) ▼

#### Summary

T...= toothed; NT...=NO toothed; (toothed, toothless) - If there are no different sheets with both sides

...-pl, ...-pr, ...-pt, ...-pb = prior left, right, above (top) or below (bottom)

#### Designations in this album (if different)

	- If there are <u>no</u> different sheets with both sides toothed prior vignettes: Position prior-vignette	▶ 3... (pt), (pb), (pl), (pr)
Stamps	- prior vignette: fully toothed except outside untoothed	▶ 3...(T-pt), 3...(T-pb), ▶ 3...(T-pl), 3...(T-pr)
	- prior vignette: partially untoothed except outside untoothed	▶ 3...(NT-pt), 3...(NT-pb), ▶ 3...(NT-pl), 3...(NT-pr)
sheets	- The difference in sheets is indicated by the position of the prior vignette: partially untoothed except for the side of the sheet untoothed	▶ V...-.... (NT-pt), V...-.... (NT-pb), ▶ V...-.... (NT-pl), V...-.... (NT-pr),

- Stamps with Prior vignettes but without vignettes ▶ 3...(-P) (not fat)

- Stamps originally without Prior vignettes: ▶ 3...

#### ▶ Designations of stamps from No. 3264 with vignettes according to positions:

(There are then no more different issues of the sheets except Nr 3515 and No. 3671)

- If stamps are different versions with 3 sides toothed Prior vignettes: ▶ 3... (pt), (pb), (pl), (pr)

- Stamps with Prior vignettes, but without vignettes ▶ 3...(-P) (not fat)



▶ Stamps forseen with Prior vignettes

▶ = international (from 3316 / 3317)

Last stamp with "Prior" is Nr. 3671 by introducing multiple franking on 1/10/2007 {Philanews 4 / 2007 (pg 16)} - except indications ▶

Anyone who sends a letter must in Y2019 again choose between a non-Prior - in which the letter arrives at the later date - or a more expensive Prior stamp.

