## Levée Exceptionnelle (Supplementary Mail)

Extra-fee service for mail brought to a major city P.O. after day's final pickup, but prior to day's final departure. Originally (1863) specially marked octagonal date stamps used, with "E" (Exceptionnelle) in dater, and E1, E3 and E3 for each additional 15 minutes delay.

Rate lowered 20 March 1887 to one sole delay at 15c extra, and again 1 January 1896 to just 5c more.

Hexagonal cancels began to appear in 1885, and circular ones from 1893.

domestic usage:



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four strikes of Bordeaux "1st 15 minutes", 17 April 1877, to Paris

 $3x \, letter \, (30-50 \, gm) = .75$ 1st 15 mins. delay = .20postage (1 January 1876 Tariff) = .95

Supplementary mail, other than from Paris, is rare

Paris, 9 Jan, 1877 4-color 1F10 franking suggesting though marked as 1st delay, it was actually very late as the 3rd delay

 $2x \, letter \, (15-30 \, gm) = 50c$ 3rd (45 mins.) delay = 60cpostage (same Tariff) =1F10







Paris (60), 1st 15 mins. delay, E 1,22 Sept. 1876; [15c = Type I] backstamps of 22 and 23 September

lx letter = 25c lst 15 mins. Delay =  $\underline{20c}$ postage (1 January 1876 Tariff) = 45c



Paris, 2nd 15 minutes delay, 13 May 1878, to Orléans

lx letter = .15

fee for 2nd 15 mins. delay = .40 postage (1 May 1878 Tariff) = .55

[ex-P. Lux]



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Paris, , 22 Sept. 1879, to Blois; 1st 15 minutes delay, delivered next day

lx postage = 15c lst delay = 20c postage (1 May 1878 Tariff) = 35c



Paris, 2nd 15 miutes delay, 29 Nov. 1882, to St. Brieuc

2x letter = .30

fee for 2nd 15 mins. delay = .40 postage ( 1 May 1878 Tariff) = .70



circular E', 22 Nov. 1898 to Poitiers with now sole delay at 5c

**previously unknown**supplementary service from
Rue Blumet

arrival backstamp of 23rd

(Vienne,

SOCIÉTÉS RÉUNIES DES PHOSPHATES THOMAS
7, Rue Ambroise-Thomas. — PARIS

hexagonal E'
5 Sept. 1899 Paris
to Orléans;
3rd pickup, but
now only one
delay fee of 5c;
6 september
arrival backstamp



Monsieur A. BINEAU

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10 Feb. 1899
incorrect usage of a
circular Paris
suplementary mail
cancel on
ordinary mail





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Paris, 3 Jan. 1888, 1st 15 minutes delay, to Madrid

lx letter = .25

"universal" supplementary fee = .15

postage (20 March 1887 Tariff) = .40

Madrid

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Paris, 6 July 1892, 1st delay to Milan next day arrival backstamp

lx letter = 25c

"universal" supplementary fee =  $\frac{15c}{40c}$ postage =  $\frac{40c}{40c}$