

IRELAND.
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"HEY-DOLPHIN" machine cancel F.D.I. Dublin Feb 17 1922 Code "A"



After discussions between the British Government and the newly appointed Minister of Postal Works for the Irish Free State, J. J. Walsh, the proposal to overprint the current English stamps was accepted and by mid-February 1922 these overprinted stamps were widely distributed throughout the post offices of Southern Ireland. They were officially issued for public sale on February 17th 1922.

The overprinting of the stamps was carried out by two Dublin firms, Dollard Printing House Limited and Alex Thom and Company Limited.