

HOW TO ASSIST IN THE PREPARATION OF STAMPS FOR SALE

1 Stamps are sold by weight

So, to help prepare the stamps, we need:

- a margin of about 2mm around each stamp, and
- the stamp needs to be on a single piece of paper (not the double corner of the envelope).

NOTE: Stamps are **unsaleable** if:

- the perforations are cut
- the stamps are covered in cello tape or crossed with pen.

2 How much are the stamps worth towards the End Trachoma?

To give you an idea of the value of your contribution, as at Jan. 2018 we receive:



- \$15/kg for the \$1.00 stamps – the latest issues of these are always in demand
- \$30/kg for high value and foreign stamps
- \$8/kg for stamps under 70c
- \$15/kg for 70c commemorative stamps and all 65c Xmas stamps

3 Sorting Stamps helps enormously

NOTE: Stamps without paper backing have very little value and need to be removed from all collections to be sold as a separate item, regardless if they are \$1.00 or 40cents.

It is most helpful if stamps are sorted into the following groups (you could use old ice-cream containers to help the sorting process):

- Foreign
- High value - \$2.00 & over
- Australian - \$1.00 only
- Australian commemorative (the large ones) - 70c only
- Un-franked stamps
- All stamps under 70c in value – including concession stamps
- All 65c Xmas stamps



Stamp albums need to be left intact as this protects the stamps

4 If unsorted

If all of the above sounds too difficult, never mind, Carrol and Eric Farmer will take the stamps any way they come.

5 Stamps are then placed in labelled bags and taken to the dealers.

6 Getting the stamps to Carrol Farmer

Most donors post them, either in a large paper envelope or a light-weight bag from the Post Office, but contact Carrol or Eric first, just in case they have a contact & can save you postage. Carrol says: "If you DO send us donations, please include your Email address so that I can thank you"

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