

**A HISTORY**  
**OF**  
**THE TURKS AND CAICOS STAMPS**

Stamps were first introduced in Britain in 1840 to provide a system to send mail around the developing empire.

The first post office opened in Grand Turk 11<sup>th</sup> December 1854 but it was not until 1867 that the Turks Islands issued their own stamps. These stamps carried the portrait of Queen Victoria and the legend "Turks and Caicos Islands."

The early themes covered general scenes of the Turks and Caicos Islands especially the salt trade, and the wildlife, especially fish and birds. However, as the islands gained recognition for their stamps a more varied range of topics developed.

More recent stamp issues have includes a variety of themes, both related to the Turks and Caicos Islands and International subjects. Amongst these have been series on the wildfire of the country, celebration of royal events, sporting events, and historic events, famous people, ships, famous paintings and cartoon characters.

**THE PHILATELIC BUREAU**

The Philatelic Bureau, which was established in March 1977, commissions new stamps, which they market along with other philatelic products. This not only raises important revenue for the government of the Turks and Caicos but also promotes the country to a wider audience.

The Bureau releases six issues of stamps a year and a definitive issue every five years included in these issues are:

**Mint Sets**  
**First Day Cover Sets**  
**First Day Cover Souvenir Sheets**  
**Plate Blocks**

Other Philatelic items for sale at the Bureau in Grand Turk and Providenciales are:

**Stamp Frames**  
**Postcards**  
**T- Shirts**  
**Key Rings**  
**Floating Containers**  
**Caps**

## **OUR CUSTOMERS**

There are many ways that you can buy stamps from us, whether you are an avid collector or a tourist looking for a keepsake of your vacation.

The Bureau provides for three types of clients.

Sales by Standing Order agreement (i.e.)(between a particular client and the Bureau)

Non-Standing Orders, for topical or thematic collectors who receive information when stamps are released.

Over the counter sales to locals and tourist.

## **STANDING ORDER FORM**

Stamp collecting has been a long time hobby for many people. The Turks and Caicos Islands Philatelic Bureau are pleased that the quality and beauty of our stamps make them amongst the most desirable.

**To become a Standing Order Customer kindly fill out the form along with funds of \$50.00 or more and mail to:**

**Turks and Caicos Islands Philatelic Bureau  
Church Folly  
Grand Turk  
Turks and Caicos Islands  
Email address:tciphilatelicbureau@tci.tc**

You can view our stamps by visiting our Website: Turks and Caicos Philatelic Bureau.

# STANDING ORDER FORM

## ITEMS

## QUANTITY

SETS

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CTO SETS (CANCEL)

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FDC SETS

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SOUVENIR SHEETS

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CTO SOUVENIR SHEETS

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FDC SOUVENIR SHEETS

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PLATE BLOCKS

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Enclosed, please find the sum of \$----- for my Standing Order Account.

NAME

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ADDRESS

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The currency use is the United States dollar. We do not accept Credit Cards, but we do accept personal cheques, bank drafts and money orders.

PLEASE ENCLOSE POSTAGE FEE (\$1.00 - \$2.00)

**ORDER FORM**  
**A LIST OF CURRENTLY AVAILABLE STAMPS**  
**ISSUED BY THE TURKS AND CAICOS PHILATELIC BUREAU**

**BUTTERFLIES DEFINITIVES**

**Released date 01. 11. 01**

-----	Mint Sets 10c,15c,20c, 25c, 45c, 50c,60c,80c,\$1.00, \$1.25 \$1.40, \$2.00, \$5.00, & \$10.00	24.05	=====
=====	C. T.O Sets (same as above)	24.05	=====
=====	F.D.C Sets	25.55	=====
=====	Plate Blocks	96.20	=====

**FAMOUS PAINTERS**

**Released date 16. 6.03**

=====	Mint Stamp Set	\$7.30	=====
=====	C.T.O. Set (same as above)	\$7.30	=====
=====	Sheetlets	\$8.30	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheets #1	\$2.00	=====
=====	Sounvir Sheets #2	\$2.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet #3	\$2.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet #4	\$2.00	=====
=====	F.D.C Sets	\$8.80	=====
=====	F. D.C Sheetlets	\$11.55	=====
=====	F.D.C Souvenir Sheets #1	\$ 2.75	=====
=====	F.D.C Souvenir Sheets #2	\$2.75	=====
=====	F.D.C. Souvenir Sheet #3	\$2.75	=====
=====	F.D.C. Souvenir Sheet #4	\$2.75	=====

**30<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSAY CARICOM**

**Released date 4. 7. 03**

=====	Mint Stamp Set	\$. 60c	=====
=====	C. T. O Set (as above)	\$. 60c	=====
=====	F.D.C. Set	\$1.10	=====

**WORLD CHAMPTON FREEDIVER**

**TANYA STREETER**

**Released date 15. 7. 03**

=====	Mint Stamp Set	\$1.00	=====
=====	C.T.O Set	\$1.00	=====
=====	F.D.C Set	\$1.75	=====

**100 YEARS ANNIVERSARY OF AVIATION**

**Released date 25. 8.2003**

=====	Mint Stamp Set	\$2.40	=====
=====	C.T.O Set (same as above)	\$2.40	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheets #1	\$2.00	=====
=====	F.D.C. Set	\$3.40	=====
=====	F.D.C. Souvenir Sheet	\$2.50	=====

**100YEARS ANNIVERSARY TOUR DE FRANCE**

**Released date 25.8.03**

=====	Mint Stamp Set	\$4.00	=====
=====	C.T.O. Set (same as above)	\$4.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet	\$2.00	=====
=====	F.D.C. Set	\$3.00	=====
=====	F.D.C. Souvenir Sheet	\$2.75	=====

**100 YEARS ANNIVERSARY TEDDY BEARS OF GERMANY**

**Released date 25.8.03**

=====	Mint Stamp Set	\$2.00	=====
=====	C.T.O Set (same as above)	\$2.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet	\$2.00	=====
=====	F.D.C Set	\$3.00	=====
=====	F.D.C. Souvenir Sheet	\$2.75	=====

**PRINCE WILLIAM OF WALES**

**21<sup>ST</sup> BIRTHDAY**

**Released date 25. 8.03**

=====	Mint Set	\$3.00	=====
=====	C.T.O Set (same as above)	\$3.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet	\$2.00	=====
=====	F.D.C Set	\$4.00	=====
=====	F.D.C. Souvenir Sheet	\$2.75	=====

**50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
CORONATION H.M. QUEEN ELIZABETH II**

**Released date 25.8.03**

=====	Mint Set	\$2.40	=====
=====	C.T.O Set (same as above)	\$2.40	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet#1	\$2.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet #2	\$5.00	=====
=====	F.D.C. Set	\$3.40	=====
=====	F.D.C Souvenir Sheet #1	\$2.75	=====
=====	F.D.C. Souvenir Sheet #2	\$5.75	=====

**FLORA AND FAUNA**

**Released date 17. 11.03**

=====	Mint Set	\$11.60	=====
=====	C.T.O Set (same as above)	\$11.60	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheets #1	\$2.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet #2	\$2.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet #3	\$2.00	=====
=====	Souvenir Sheet#4	\$2.00	=====
=====	F D C Set	\$13.60	=====
=====	F.D.C. Souvenir Sheet	\$2.50	=====
=====	FDC Souvenir Sheet	\$2.50	=====
=====	FDC Souvenir Sheet	\$2.50	=====
=====	FDC Souvenir Sheet	\$2.75	=====

## CHRISTMAS 03

Released date 24. 11. 03

=====	Mint Set	\$2.65	=====
=====	C.T.O Set (same as above)	\$2.65	=====
=====	FDC Set	\$3.40	=====
=====	FDC Souvenir Sheets	\$2.75	=====

**PHILATELIC ITEMS ON SALE**

KEYCHAINS	\$3.00
STAMP FRAMES	\$5.00 AND UP
FLOATING CONTAINER	\$2.00
POST CARDS	0.75
CAPS	\$18.00
CAPS 2	\$25.00
CAPS	\$8.00
CAPS	\$10.00
T SHIRTS	\$12.00
POLO SHIRTS	\$20.00 (without stamp design)
POLO SHIRTS	\$25.00 (with stamp design)