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Editorial

It is with much regret that I have to inform readers that I am currently unable to produce my standard newsletter this time around. It takes me a considerable amount of time each month to produce the newsletter and I am currently unable to find sufficient time to produce Meter News in its usual form. This is because I have recently taken on other commitments which must take priority, I'm afraid.

Rather than stop my newsletter completely, I have decided to produce an 'Emergency' version each month for the time being - containing just the important news. In this respect, I intend to track latest numbers as a minimum and also identify any new models that have come onto the market. I consider all other aspects to be a lower priority.

I very much hope that this is just a temporary situation and, at some point in the future, to be able to return to 'normal' service. Indeed, it is possible that one day I shall even be able to re-visit this issue of the newsletter and retrospectively update it with at least some of the 'missing' news. With this in mind, would readers please continue to send me reports as usual – thanks.

If and when I do update this issue of the newsletter, I shall increment the suffix letter to indicate that some changes have been made - until such time that I consider the issue to be complete when the suffix letter will be dropped entirely.

I know this action will come as a big disappointment to many of you who look forward to receiving the newsletter each month. I do apologise for having to take this step, but I hope you will understand my current situation.

Updates in 193b – Latest number images now included.

Acknowledgements

My thanks this month go to Jon Aitchison, Michael Dobbs, Peter Huss, Duncan James, Peter Mantell, Robert Petts, Roy Richardson and Peter Wood for their reports, communications or contributions.

Latest Numbers

Below is the list of 'latest numbers' as at the end of November 2016 – with updates shown in red.

In the list below, the part of the serial number that directly relates to the model is underlined. Entries with hyphen separators in the date indicate 'Design J' (matrix) format.

Frama (UK)

Matrix F2, F4, F6	<u>F1004166</u>	14.10.16	See MN 192
Matrix F12 etc.	<u>FR2003001</u>	14-10-16	Reported by PM

Francotyp-Postalia

Centomail 240/300	<u>FC5110729</u>	18-11-15	See MN 181
PostBase Qi3/4/6/9	<u>FP6116813</u>	18-11-16	Reported by PM
PostBase Mini	<u>FP7117926</u>	11-10-16	Reported by PM

Neopost

IS-330	<u>N1053555</u>	19.08.16	See MN 190
IS-350	<u>N1182853</u>	29.04.16	See MN 187
Various upgraded	<u>N1240763</u>	15.06.16	See MN 188
IN-360 / IS-280c	<u>NE6011219?</u>	05-11-16	Reported by PM – see below
IS-420c / 440c	<u>NE8012382</u>	09-11-16	Reported by AN
IN-600	<u>NE8500831</u>	17-11-16	Reported by PM
IN-700 / IS-6000c	<u>NE9000578</u>	08-09-16	See MN 191

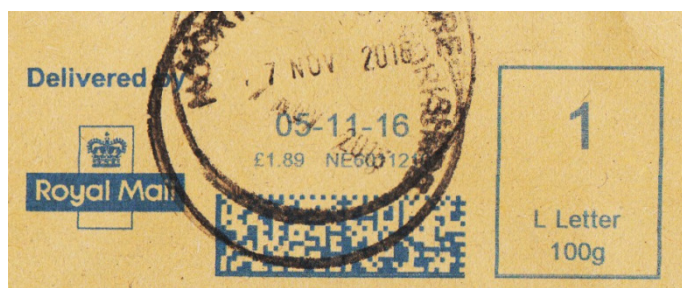
Pitney Bowes

DM160i/220i	<u>PB179211</u>	07-10-16	See MN 192
DM60 (model K722)	<u>PB2021170</u>	04-10-16	See MN 192
DM50, 55	<u>PB313502</u>	16.09.16	See MN 191
DM50, 55	<u>PB368735</u>	11.04.16	See MN 188
Connect+ 10FC etc.	<u>PB5575497</u>	15-11-16	Reported by PM
Connect+ 10FC etc.	<u>PB558222</u>	19-10-16	See MN 192
DM 400, 450, 475	<u>PB620832</u>	01.06.16	See MN 188
DM 400, 450, 475	<u>PB6628348</u>	21-10-16	See MN 192
DM 110i	<u>PB885463</u>	23.09.16	See MN 192

Advanced Mail Codes

AAGX-JZ	NE8009481	24-02-16	See MN 186
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Latest Number Images

Contributor's initials and other details are shown in the bottom left of each image.

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Redditch
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