

Sierra Leone
Registration
Supplement 1

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Chapter 1: Introduction

Post Office Numbers

When *The Postmarks of Sierra Leone* was originally written, the number 145 was allocated to Shaingay and several spelling variations. It later became apparent (Walton, Beale & Forrest, *Cameo* Vol.5, No.1, pp.5-6, January 1995, but originally paginated as Vol.4, pp.301-302) that these postmarks emanated from *two* separate offices with similar names: Shaingay / Shengeh / Shenge, on the coast, at latitude 7° 55' N, 12° 58' W, open 1884-1898, 1901-1916 and 1925 onwards; and Shengay, inland in Northern Sherbro, at latitude 7° 36' N, 11° 54' W, open 1907-1912. We have retained number 145 for the former and allocated 145A to Shengay.

145 Shaingay / Shengeh / Shenge
145A Shengay (Northern Sherbro)

Post Offices Opening After Independence

The official opening dates of many of these offices have been obtained from Gazette announcements.

Office number	Office Name	Opening Date	Notes
024A	Bunumbu	11 Oct 1962	
032A	Fairo	24 Nov 1963	
033A	Falla	04 Jan 1962	
035.101	Savage Square	26 Mar 1968	Freetown
035.111	Youyi Building		Freetown
042A	Gbendembu	09 Oct 1961	
045A	Giehun	01 Apr 1963	
055	Jaiama Sewafe	23 Jul 1961	
056A	Jojoima	05 Apr 1962	
076A	Komboya	01 Oct 1963	
084A	Leicester		
109A	Masingbi	09 Aug 1962	
112A	Mile 91 Magbosi		
112B	Mobai		
120A	Ngalu Bagbwe	24 Feb 1964	
139A	Sahn	06 May 1982	Not previously recorded
149A	Taninahun	08 Apr 1963	
154A	Tumbudu	22 Jul 1961	
154B	Tungie	28 Oct 1963	

Note: The tables and notes on the following pages only show dates that have been added since the original publication.

Chapter 2: Registered Postal Stationery

Issued Envelopes

FLW Ref	Design	Value	Size	Earliest Date	Latest Date
6	E2	4d	G		06 Jan 1955
15	Arms	Le 5	H	30 Mar 1988	

Chapter 3: Registered Handstamps Oval and Circular Datestamps

Ref	Text	Earliest Date	Latest Date
535.04	R (sans-serif)	14 Apr 1920	
535.10	REGISTERED / FREETOWN.SIERRA.LEONE		05 Dec 1902
535.14	REGISTERED / G.P.O. SIERRA.LEONE	03 Oct 1923	
535.24	PRIVATE MAIL BAG / SIERRA LEONE		04 Jun 1984

Chapter 4: Registered Boxed Handstamps

Ref	Text	Box Size	Pre-Independence		Post-Independence	
			Earliest Date	Latest Date	Earliest Date	Latest Date
535.52A	FREETOWN	41 x 15		11 Oct 1930		
535.52B	FREETOWN	41 x 15	12 Jul 1927			
535.55	FREETOWN	50 x 14	30 Jun 1932			
550.50	HANGHA	40 x 17	10 May 1919			
557.50	KABALLA	51 x 16		22 Dec 1924		
557.51	KABALLA	42 x 17	07 Feb 1925			
585.50	LEVUMA	51 x 15	13 Aug 1958	13 Aug 1958		
605.50	MANGE (m/s)	51 x 15	15 Mar 1951			
629.50	PUJEHUN	58 x 19	21 Feb 1920			
638.50	ROTIFUNK	43 x 17	06 Feb 1920			
628.50	SONGO TOWN	51 x 15	01 Feb 1954			



Ref 585.50: Levuma rubber handstamp

Chapter 5: Registered Adhesive Labels

Registered Adhesive Labels, First Period: 1907 to 1917

Ref	Text	Earliest Date	Latest Date
945A.01	SHENGAY, N.S.	24 Aug 1912	24 Aug 1912
947.02	SUMBUYAH		26 May 1911



Ref 945A.01: Shengay blue label, first period.

Registered Adhesive Labels, Second Period: from 1946

Ref	Text	Pre-Independence		Post-Independence	
		Earliest Date	Latest Date	Earliest Date	Latest Date
815.50	BLAMA		08 Nov 1960		
816.51	Bo	31 Jan 1956			
816.52	Bo (manuscript)				09 ??? 1972
816.57	Bo-Pendembu / T.P.O. with "Pendembu / T.P.O." deleted in m/s	04 Aug 1959	04 Aug 1959		
819.50	BRADFORD			05 Aug 1961	
825.51	Cline Town			17 Oct 1968	
833A.52	Falla (manuscript)				03 Jul 1963
835.64	Freetown / East	03 May 1960	03 May 1960		
835.81	Ftn Quay (manuscript)	27 Sep 1954			
846.50	GIEMA	30 Mar 1960	30 Mar 1960		
846.53	GIIMA	Not recorded without endorsement		(renumbering)	
860.50	KAMABAI	22 Oct 1955	22 Oct 1955		

Ref	Text	Pre-Independence		Post-Independence	
		Earliest Date	Latest Date	Earliest Date	Latest Date
870.52	Kasseri (manuscript)		25 Jan 1960		
875.50	KISSY				08 Aug 1983
888.57	Lungi (m/s) on BOAJIBU			28 May 1983	28 May 1983
889.50	LUNSAR			03 Jun 1961	
891.60	MABONTO	29 Dec 1949	29 Dec 1949		
902.50	MAGBURAKA	04 Nov 1950			
899.50	MAKENI			16 Oct 1962	
903.52	Mambolo (manuscript)	24 Feb 1951	24 Feb 1951		
917.50	MOYAMBA	04 Nov 1954			
919.51	New England				21 Feb 1973
926.50	PORT LOKO		19 Jul 1960		
941.51	Segbwema		02 Sep 1955		
944.52	Serabu (manuscript)	08 Jan 1951			
956.51	Waterloo		01 Jun 1956		
960.52	Yele (manuscript)	30 Jul 1954	30 Jul 1954		
961.51	Yengema			10 Aug 1971	
961.52	Yengema (manuscript)	19 Mar 1958			
966.50	ZIMMI	19 Nov 1954	19 Nov 1954		

Manuscript registration markings, with or without a hand-drawn box, have been reported for further offices, including: Bananas (11 Jul 1925); Bauya (04 Oct 1954); Hastings (09 Mar 1922); Kamabai (04 Jul 1920-21 Mar 1921).

Labels with dots following the office number are known for FREETOWN 1. (29 Nov 1957) and 2. (10 Jun 1958).

Freetown Numbered Labels - Post 1960

Ref	Text / Number	Earliest Date	Latest Date
835.72.002	Freetown 2 (manuscript)	17 Jul 1961	
835.70.011	FREETOWN 11	20 May 1963	
835.70.012	FREETOWN 12	21 Jun 1983	
835.80.012 (h)	12 (m/s) on FREETOWN xx	04 Jun 1984	04 Jun 1984
835.70.034	FREETOWN 34	197?	197?
835.70.037	FREETOWN 37	27 Jun 1985	27 Jun 1985
835.80.057 (d)	57 (m/s) on FREETOWN xx		30 Mar 1988
835.90.057.078	FT 57 (m/s) on KUKUNA	03 Dec 1985	05 Sep 1986
835.80.063 (e)	63 (m/s) on FREETOWN xx	?? Jul 1967	
835.81.063 (e)	63 (m/s) on Freetown xx	08 May 1973	
835.71.070	Freetown 70	Not recorded without endorsement	
835.80.100 (f)	100 (m/s) on FREETOWN xx		19 Jun 1987
835.90.100.097	100 (m/s) on MAHERA	27 Jun 1985	27 Jun 1985
835.70.103	FREETOWN 103	Not recorded without endorsement	

Footnotes:

- (b) 2 (manuscript) has also been noted on Freetown 70.
- (d) 57 (manuscript) has also been noted on FREETOWN 79, 104.
- (f) 100 (manuscript) has also been noted on FREETOWN 103.
- (h) 835.80.012 - 12 (manuscript) has been noted on FREETOWN 11. (additional footnote)

A MASSA label (910.50) has been seen used at Freetown 18 Jul 1985 without any endorsement (see next page).

Index of Offices

Please add ticks for: Kamabai, blue label; Levuma, box h/s; Mabonto, blue label; Shengay, Northern Sherbro, blue label; Zimmi, blue label.



Massa blue label used at Freetown, without endorsement, 18 Jul 1985.