

# Tasmanian Savings Bank Packets: Special Registration Concession Rate

1882-1912

Tasmania adopted a special concession rate for posting savings bank books as packets 1 November 1862. The rate adopted was 1d per 4 oz. with free registration included. To qualify for the savings bank packet registration concession rate, the packet had to be clearly marked with the contents, endorsed by the sender on the front, and the contents could not contain any other written material. Regulations implementing this special concession rate were adopted November 1881, but not effective until 1 January 1882.

This exhibit will show examples of:

- Normal savings bank packet mail carried at this rate
- Registration postal markings in use 1882-1912
- Non-conforming usage and post office errors
- Officially Registered and taxed postal markings

## Earliest recorded Savings Bank 1d Concession Rate Registered Packet

Personal Discovery



*15 September 1882 Franklin to Hobart  
1d to pay the Savings Bank Concession rate including Registration  
Manuscript properly endorsed "513/ Registered" and "Savings Bank Packet Only"  
Normal Hobart receiving c.d.s. 16 September 1882 on reverse*

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