



L8: 5d SWORDFISH, TYPE (Recess)

Designed by two Wellington artists, R. E. Tripe and W. J. Cooch, the stamp was intended to illustrate the exhilarating sport of deep sea fishing

	L8a	L8b	L8c	L8d	L8e	L8f
Issue	Original issue First perforation	Original issue Second perforation	Watermark Change	Wartime Issue	Wartime Issue	Final Issue Course Paper
Date	1935 May 1	1935 May 1	1936 August	1941 July	1942	1942 November
Printer	De La Rue & Co	De La Rue & Co	De La Rue & Co	Waterlow & Sons	De La Rue & Co	De La Rue & Co
Perforation	De La Rue & Co 13-14 *13 ½	De La Rue & Co 13 ½*14	De La Rue & Co 13-14 *13 ½ or 14-13 * 13 ½	Waterlow & Sons 12 ½	Waterlow & Sons 12 ½	De La Rue & Co 13¾ *13 ½
Plate	1	1	1	1	1,2	1,2,3
Watermark		Registered		Multi	Multi	Multi
Paper	Esparto	Esparto	Esparto	Esparto	Royal Cypher	Royal Cypher
Colour	 Ultramarine	 Ultramarine	 Ultramarine Pale Ultramarine Dark Ultramarine	 Pale Ultramarine	 Ultramarine	 Ultramarine Deep ultramarine Pale ultramarine Dull, dark grey-blue Cobalt Blue Bright ultramarine