

Perforating comb identity. The stamps are from the P12½x12½ carmine printing of June 1891, a later printing than the one originally overprinted which was P12½x12. Panes are perforated 12½x12½ large holes, using a comb that differs from any of those associated with the original Swaziland overprinting. The perforating comb has yet to be fully profiled.

6.2.3 ‘TWEED PENCE’, 2d olive-bistre with full stop after ‘Swaziland’

Ten panes (600 stamps) of the 2d received this overprint. The stamps are from either the July 1891 or the March 1893 issue, both are perf. 12½x12½. No examples have been recorded with overprint inverted.

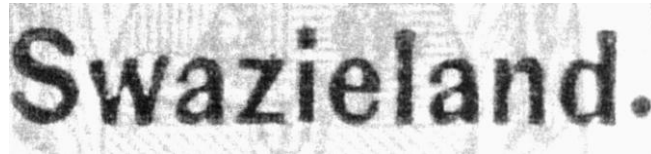


Fig 25 – Typical example of the ‘with stop’ overprint on the 2d, with example selected to show raised small circular stop, at 600%.

Perforating comb identity. These panes are perforated 12½x12½ large holes, using a comb that differs from those associated with the original Swaziland overprinting and which has not yet been profiled.

6.2.4 ‘TIEN SHILLINGS’, 10/- yellow-brown with full stop after ‘Swazieland’

One pane (60 stamps) of the 10/- received this overprint.



Fig 26 – Characteristic example of the ‘with stop’ overprint on the 10/-, with example selected to show large level circular stop, at 600%.

Perforating comb identity. This single pane, from a later printing than those used for the original ‘Swazieland’ overprinting, is perforated 12½x12½ large holes from an as yet unidentified comb. This later printing is that of July 1891, in yellow-brown, differing in colour from both the original overprinted stamps and the reprints.

6.3 ATTEMPTS AT DECEPTION

Scarcity of copies of the genuine issued 10/- has resulted in fraudulent attempts to alter the ‘with stop’ 10/- duty to resemble the 10/- stamp as originally issued. The collector is advised to be alert to the existence of 10/- stamps where the stop has been expertly removed from an unused copy or a used copy, both are known, and to used 10/- stamps where a carefully positioned strike or carefully positioned smudge of the squared circle postmark has obliterated the stop or has covered the evidence of prior removal of the stop. Examples of both are known on this and the other duties.



Fig 27 – Stop disguised, at 175%.



Fig 28 – Stop obliterated, at 175%.



Fig 29 – Stop removed, at 175%.