

TYPE 8 SURCHARGE

Issued: 1881-1883?



Red Two Reales on
Two Reales Blue Revenue



Inverted Surcharge
ms. cancel



Double Surcharge
Postally Used

Twelve Examples Recorded

(The Ordinance of October 27, 1881, called for a Two Reales red surcharge on the Two Reales blue revenue. Virtually all were surcharged 8c in error (see below), a value intended for the One Peso brown telegraph, which was never issued. The Treasury Department surcharged over the error with the intended Two Reales Red. Very few of the stamps received only the Two Reales red surcharge. As such, this exhibitor theorizes all such stamps are omitted surcharge errors, in which the initial 8c surcharge was omitted. When the Two Reales surcharge was "added", there was no under-surcharge to add it to. It was then, the only surcharge on the base stamp. This stamp had been listed by numerous authorities since 1890, but not in the Scott Catalogue. Based on the discovery of these stamps by this exhibitor, the stamp was added as a new listing (Sc. 129A) in the 1996 Scott Catalogue, where it remains listed.)



TYPE 9

Issued: January, 1882
No. Surcharged: 20,000



Double Surcharge - Red Two Reales (Type 8)
on Pink 8c (Type 9) on Two Reales Blue Revenue

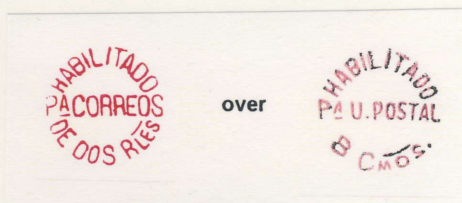


Inverted 8c Surcharge

This is the only stamp which used the Type 9 surcharge. This surcharge differs from the Type 10 in the central line of the surcharge, i.e., the Type 9 reads "P^A Correos," while the Type 10 reads "P^A U. Postal."



Double Surcharge - Red Two Reales (Type 8)
on Pink 8c (Type 10) on Two Reales Blue Revenue



Red Two Reales
Inverted



Doubled 8c Surcharge
One Inverted