

1879 - 1897  
REGISTERED MAIL

It was not until the implementation of the UPU procedures in September 1879, that registration became a regular practice, particularly for business mail. Beginning in September 1879, the registered fee for overseas mail, except to Spain and colonies, was 8 centavos + the normal rate. Because the back of the cover was often signed and kept at the post office as evidence of receipt, most registered covers only exist as "fronts".

OVERSEAS SINGLE-WEIGHT REGISTERED RATE

8 Centavos Single-Weight Rate + 8 Centavos Registration Fee = 16 Centavos



1894 and 1893 Manila to Switzerland at registered overseas single-weight rate.