Dear visitor-collector,

Collecting FDCs:

This website is a catalogue including inventory & overview list of Belgian FDCs supplemented up to Y2014. (discontinuation of FDCs by Bpost)

The FDC scans shown are sometimes not always the best quality, although every effort was made to provide the best possible representation.

The main purpose of this site is to show the various FDCs issued by & Bpost, good quality or otherwise.

If you have scans that are missing from this catalogue, please send them to us via the contact form, if possible Contact - Suggesti(e)(on)s - Appre(é)ciati(e)(on)s | FDC-BE catalogu(s)(e) | NL-FR-EN Or , thank you.

You can find these missing scans in the catalogue or in the appendices:

"EN-list & missing Y....FDC ► (P...►P...)(....-)" for each year.

These lists are made in 3 languages: Dutch, French and English

Enjoy watching, MZ

FDCs

This are official covers of the 1st day issues (First Day Covers - FDC).

From the first issue on 04-09-1948 (source OBS=official Belgian postage stamp collection) to the last on 27-10-2014, 3 different main editions are mentioned in this catalogue as follows:

- 1) FDC(cr) (Note: If available with flap, otherwise without)
 - -> issued by **Campo-Rodan** later taken over by Bpost
 - ▶ In the years 1950-1960 it was "Editions Rodan Brussels" on the flap and with the serial number at the bottom right "P...." but at that time there was no collaboration with the Post and FDC were also published by other organizations.
 - ► The OBS mentions many postage stamps with FDC: this probably refers to those of Campo-Rodan, which usually have a P numbering.
 - ► From a certain day (Y1957-Y1960) these are numbered as "P..." as we think the first numbering at "P. 44" in the series "1025 / 1026 Europa"

The numbering is usually missing on regular issues, but the number is on the limited issues. Blocks also have an FDC from Campo-Rodan.

► Later, Bpost took over that activity from Campo and continued the numbering.

Afterwards this was referred to as "Design & Printwork by SA Campo-Rodan NV – Brussels" or "Design & Printwork by SA Campo-Rodan NV – Brussels - Antwerp" on the flap and on FDC "P. 476" sometimes with the text 'Published by the Royal National Association of Belgian Postage Stamp Circles'

Remark:

"number on heraldic lion" postage stamps

- For the regular issues of "Number on heraldic lion":
 - => FDC No. **841** (15/02/1951) published by ????
- ⇒ For the regular issues of "Number on heraldic lion":
 - => FDC from No. 1443 (19/01/1968) published by Echophil" and not by Campo-Rodan This FDC catalogue shows the FDC from **Echophil** until **Campo-Rodan** itself released FDCs on 14/02/1977 (No. 1839)

See more information in: Begrippen - consepts - concepts | FDC-BE catalogu(s)(e) NL-FR-EN

"King Baudouin" postage stamps

- ⇒ With the regular issues of "King Baudouin" (New image)
 - => FDC No. **909** (10/12/1953) published by ????
- ⇒ For the regular issues of "Koning Baudouin" (Marchand Type 924):
- => FDC No. **924** (10/09/1953) published by ??? ⇒ For the regular issues of "Koning Baudouin" (Marchand Type 924):
- => FDC No. **1028** (01/10/1957) published by ???
- ⇒ For the regular issues of "Koning Baudouin" (Marchand Type 924) + (Type Elström type 1581 <u>):</u>
 - => FDC from No. 1371 (31/03/1966) issued only by "Echophil" and not by Campo-Rodan
- ⇒ For the regular issues of "Koning Baudouin" Type Elström type 1581):
 - => FDC from No. 1747 (17/02/1975) published only by Campo-Rodan and by "Echophil"
- 2) FDC(ph) (with "post horn" logo) (note: always shown without flap)
- -> These FDCs were probably issued by Bpost (with "post horn" logo). Period of \pm No. 785 on 4/9/1948 (??) to No. 1676 on 19/05/1973 (??)

NOT to be confused with "post horn" logo from another publisher (not listed here)



- **3) FDC(S)** (FDC in silk version) (note: always shown without flap)
- -> These FDCs were issued from No. 1621 on 25/03/1972 (??) to No. 4468 on 27/10/2014

With collaboration with Bpost???

FROM Y1978 onwards, ONLY FDC'S WERE CATALOGED FROM "CAMPO-RODAN" + the silk FDC's versions and no longer those from "Echophil"

In addition to these FDC types, there were other companies that released covers, the most famous being Echophil . (see comments above)

According to our information, the first FDC would have been released on 04/09/1948: (see (jay)1948-1953-FDC ► (P. .. ► P4)(785-937)NL-FR-EN.pdf)) in the series

"785 /786 - Liberation of Antwerp & resistance monument in Liège"

Why collect postage stamps or FDCs? © bpost

Quote from brochure 6/71: "COLLECTING POSTAGE STAMPS IS GAINING KNOWLEDGE":

"The postage stamp" tells about all domains of science: Geography, History, Sciences, Mathematics, Art, Languages, Humanity, world, his achievements and his visions of the future. The image of the postage stamps is a faithful representation of reality and appeals to its beauty, its rich colours and its special shapes, which greatly enhance the visual charm of the postage stamp."

What can you use this website for and how do I keep my FDC collection organized?

"FDC-BE catalogue" website is a catalogue of the Belgian FDCs with special edition information. (leaflets or Philanews). These are available from Y1948.

For common postage stamps such as "Number on Heraldic Lion", "Royal effigies", "birds", etc., FDCs were usually not available in the past. (see previous comments)

All Belgian FDCs up to Y2014 with their cancellations, 1st ^{day} editions, cancellations of the various places and references to the postage stamp numbers have been inventoried (PDF-files).

The layout in the catalogue, including the inventory lists, was drawn up according to the postage stamp order issued by Bpost and furthermore in the order of the place names of the pre-stamps in the brochures or Philanews and NOT **according** to the Campo-Rodan number classification.

FYI:

- The dates in these catalogue are the dates of the first availability of the postage stamps, namely during presales or not (according to the information in the brochures or Philanews).
- As far as we know, the first pre-sale was mentioned from 14/01/1956. {item no. F1- Blood donor (986)}
- In the OBS catalogue the dates are up to no. 3929 / 3938 according to the pre-sales if there are any otherwise according to the issue date. From number 3939, the dates of issue are shown and no longer of pre-sale. (the reason is unknown to me)
- This catalogue is not complete and is therefore subject to change.

In some boxes it says that this scan from FDC is not available.

sl/m/b = mauvais scan sl/m/b = bad scan even for this poor quality scan, a better one is always welcome.

If you have this FDC in your possession, we would appreciate it if you would provide us with a scan of it, thank you.

What can you expect from this site?:

This catalogue of the Belgian FDCs has been created to provide a more clear view of the editions. With the same stamp(s) there can be different FDCs, which include: layout and/or colors – per stamping location.

- However, the main purpose of this site is a catalogue from which you can consult the pages of the and the FDCs can be classified by using special FDC's plastic storage sheets for normal dimensions of the covers (165 x 94mm): 6/sheet.



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You can also fill in the inventory list (in Excel: sheet protected without password)

Info about inventory xlsx file:

The FDC lists were created to easily inventory the FDC of your collection. The lists are formatted in such a way that it is easy to do the following:

(only on cells with light green background color without unprotecting)

- Inventory the FDCs
- Use autofilter

(only with first security - password-free - cancel worksheet)

- Insert rows/copy with formulas (insert sheet row(s) - copy previous row with formulas - paste

The formulas adjust automatically.

- Insertion rows can be created as needed for issues not included in these lists.

How do you navigate through the website of this catalogue?

- To view the catalogue you can consult its contents directly by scrolling, the "scribd" or downloading the PDF.

One catalogue page contains 4 horizontal gray-tinted parts, each of which can contain 4 different FDCs. (one part/seal or series of postage stamps)

Missende FDC met stempel uit ▲ FDC manquant estamponé à

Missing FDC with postmark off ▲

in one of the compartments, it means that an FDC is

probably available,

but unfortunately not yet shown and the scan is not in our possession.

If you have this FDC in your possession, we would appreciate it if you would provide us with a scan of it, thank you.



"probably no more FDC" in one of the compartments, it

means that there are

probably no more FDC(s) with this postage stamp(s).

- From No. **1046** (Y1958), the information (thematic description of the postage stamps) of the special postage stamp editions issued by Bpost is also available.
- As mentioned earlier, these are not published here.
- You can also find the information about the special postage stamps/FDC in the brochures/Philanews published by the Post from - publication date.
- >>Unfortunately, the brochures (Y1958-Y1998) / Philanews (small size Y1999-"4-2009") are no longer available on the Bpost sites.
- >>Philanews large format are available from year Y2010 (2009-5) large format not available.

PS: - This catalogue has been drawn up in accordance with the rules of Bpost (see Philanews 2013 / 03 pg 18: FAQ © bpost).

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- If you spotted an error or have any suggestions, they are more than welcome, thank you.

Updates:



These are listed if performed as well as the previous ones.

Enjoy watching,

MZ