



Canada Celebrates the Scouts and Guides

This exhibit illustrates many of the slogan machine cancels and hand stamps used by Canada Post to honour the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides in Canada. It includes some of the auxiliary markings such as registration and other miscellaneous markings that occurred to these covers. These cancellations were typically used in one city or very few cities

The machine cancels include the "Brotherhood" and "Fratenite" series of cancellations used in the 1960's and early 1970's. These were used to honour Baden Powell's birthday of February 22, who was the Founder of Scouting. These slogans were used in up to 18 cities across Canada but only selected ones of each year will be shown in this exhibit. This evolved into what is now known as Scout/Guide Week or Guide /Scout Week in alternating years - the week starting and ending on a Sunday with Feb. 22 in it.

There are no known spray cancellations honouring Scouting or Guiding in Canada.

The earliest known date (EKD) and latest known date (LKD) of usage is indicated where appropriate. For multiple cities usage, the dates shown are for the slogan as a whole and not a particular city. Some of the hand cancels such as the 1974 Quebec Jamboree do not have changeable dates, but just show a period of usage such as Aug. 17 to Aug. 24. Typically all cancels were used for less than a month.

The exhibit is arranged in a rough chronological order within the various sections as detailed on the next page.



