

Alien Registration Tax Introduction Pre-Revenue Stamp

The first Alien Registration Act in Thailand was passed in 1927. The immigration department in charge of implementing the act was part of the police department. The oldest known, pre-revenue stamp, alien immigration card is shown below.

Pre - Revenue stamp

Card issued 27 December 1934. The card was valid for 2 years and the price was 10 baht. No stamps are attached to this document, the red hand-stamped seal belongs to the immigration.

On 25 June 1937, a new Royal Act required foreigners above 12 years old to obtain personal identification booklets. The first booklets were issued free of charge but had to contain a face-front picture of the bearer, a picture to be updated every five years.

On 31 March 1939, an amendment to the Royal Act required payment for these booklets. Booklets valid for one year cost 4 baht and for 5 years cost 16 baht. Some exceptions were made for people without the financial means, to pay quarterly fees of 1 baht. Fees had to be paid by affixing Alien revenue stamps to the page facing the photpgraph page.

Alien Registration Tax 1939 - 1986

The first two Alien revenue stamps were provisional stamps, printed in 1939. Waterlow & Sons printed Court Fee stamps of 1 and 4 baht were overprinted with two lines of Thai text, reading, Revenue Stamp and Alien Registration. The 1 baht stamp used for quarterly payments is rare. The 4 baht stamp was used for yearly payments.



1 Baht



4 Baht



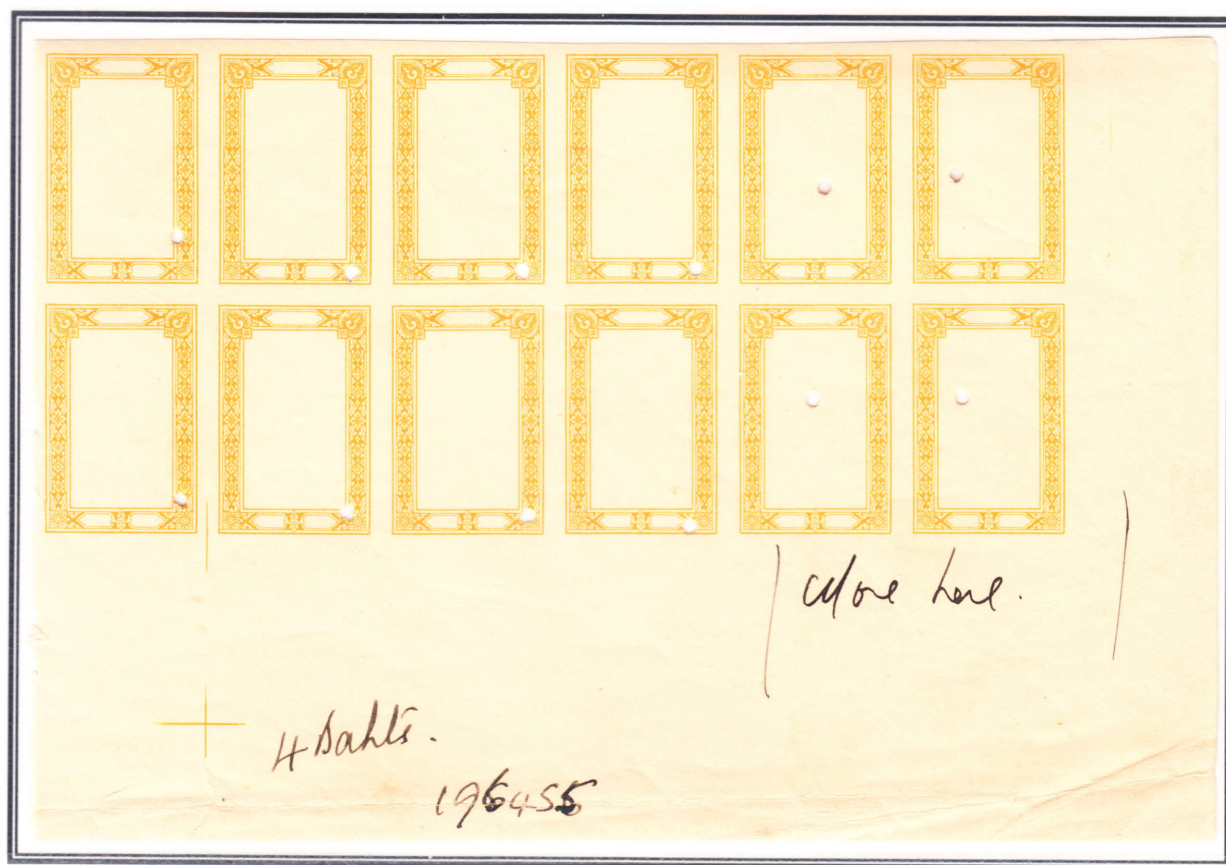
Inside of cover, Chinese national 13 June 1939



Baht 4 registration stamp, 25 April 1939

Alien Registration Tax Waterlow & Sons Proofs

Already in 1934, Waterlow and Sons prepared an Alien revenue proof set of 4 baht.
The actual stamps were put in use, late 1939..



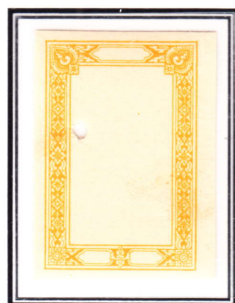
Imperforate margin block of the frame proof.



Imperforate margin block of the frame and value proof of 4 Baht

Alien Registration Tax 1939 - 1950

Starting late 1939, the baht 4 Waterlow printed Alien revenue stamp was used to pay the yearly fee. However, due to the outbreak of World War 2, the stamps had to be locally printed, making crude lithographic copies of the Waterlow stamp. The first locally printed stamps appear in 1941. On 1 January 1947, the yearly registration fee was raised to 8 baht (two stamps of 4 baht).



proof
frame only



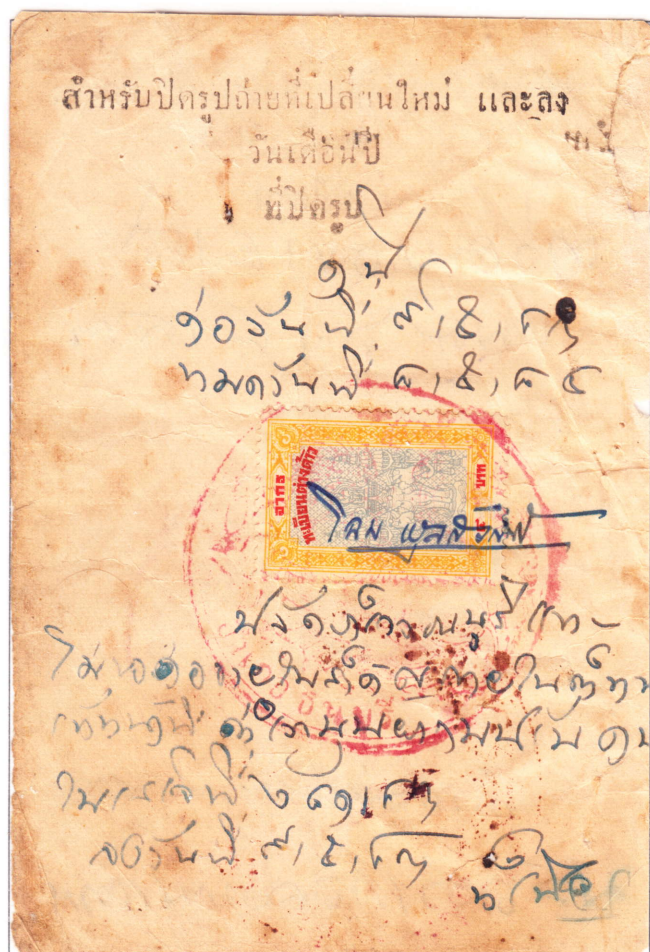
proof 4 Baht
frame and value



1939
4 Baht
Waterlow



1941
4 Baht
Local print



Baht 4 Waterlow printed, date 9 May 1940



Baht 4 stamps locally printed.
Extensions for the years 1947 and 1948

Alien Registration Tax 1950 - 1956

29 May 1950, the yearly fee was increased from 8 to 20 baht and the Waterlow Alien registration stamp of 1939 was surcharged from 4 to 20 baht. The fee for lost booklets was set at 5 baht and a never issued 1 baht Waterlow Alien Registration stamp, was surcharged. On 24 December 1951 the registration fee was changed to 200 baht per year and the 5 baht overprint on 1 baht was additionally overprinted to 200 baht.

12 June 1950



20 baht on
4 Baht

12 June 1950



Misplaced
surcharge

4 March 1952



200 baht on
5 baht on
1 baht

4 March 1952



400 baht on
20 baht on
4 baht

around 1952



400 baht
Proof

On 29 January 1952 the fee was raised to baht 400 and the above shown baht 20 surcharged stamp was again additionally surcharged to baht 400.

Around that same time the Waterlow archives show a revenue proof of baht 400. but this proof was never seen issued as an actual stamp. Also starting 16 August 1952, the fee could be paid in four quarterly instalments of 100 baht..

A set of provisional stamps, surcharged on 1935 Waterlow Court fee stamps was introduced to fill the various needs of values. The baht 4,00 on 1 satang is in error. The rate in 1955 when the stamp was used was baht 400.

22 January 1953



400 baht
on 10 Satang

14 July 1952



20 baht on
1 Satang

30 October 1952



100 baht on 1 Baht

On December 1955, a requirement was added to cancel stamps with a punch hole.

Alien Registration Booklet Pages 1950 - 1956



1951 extension, a baht 20 surcharge on a baht 4 Waterlow printed stamp.

1952 extension, a baht 400 on a baht 20 on a baht 4 Waterlow printed stamp. This extension was paid 1 year late. The two baht 1 Standing Nurse stamps belong to the 1953 extension, See the page just below.



Extension for 2 quarters from 7 July 1953 - 6 January 1954. Paid with two baht 100 on baht 1 stamps for a yearly rate of baht 400



Extension for 1 quarter from 8 April 1954 - 7 July 1954. Paid with one baht 100 on baht 1 stamp, for a yearly rate of baht 400

Bradbury Wilkinson and De La Rue Printings 1954 -1986

On 31 January 1955, the fee was changed to baht 200 per year. It would stay at that amount till 1986 when the use of Alien revenue stamps was ended.

Bradbury Wilkinson

1954



100 baht

1956

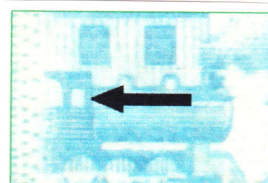


200 baht

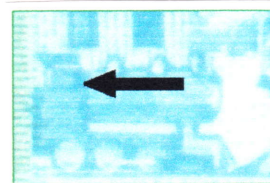
1968



200 baht
silk threads
in paper



Bradbury
window in
engine



De La Rue
no window in
engine

Thomas De La Rue

1973



200 baht

THOMAS DE LA RUE & CO. LTD.

1B 1B

200 baht, Thomas De La Rue
UNIQUE imprint block, 1973

Alien Registration Booklet Pages 1956- 1986



Two baht 100 Bradbury stamps to pay
27 November 1954 - 26 November 1955.
It looks like an overdue payment.



Payments with baht 200 Bradbury stamps
18 March 1959 - 17 March 1960
18 March 1960 - 17 March 1961
Added baht 1 Standing Nurse charity stamps



baht 200 Thomas De La Rue stamps
for extensions of 1976 and 1977



Folded page, baht 200 Bradbury stamp
to pay extension for 1962. Two baht 1
Standing Buddha charity stamps.

Alien Registration Tax Thomas De La Rue Proof 1973



UNIQUE imperforate proof of the baht 200 Thoma De La Rue issue.
The backside of the card reads "Customer approved proof 11/1/73".

Starting February 1985, the Alien registration fee did not longer require stamps,
but only a receipt was issued.