Northern Rhodesia



1924-1953/1963-1964

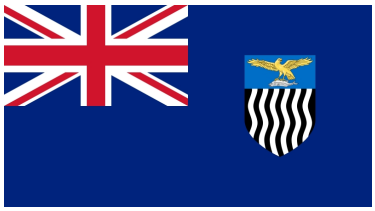
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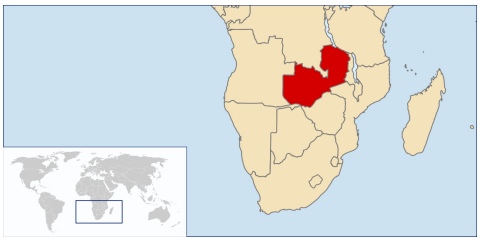
Northern Rhodesia was a protectorate in south central Africa, formed in 1911 by amalgamating the two earlier protectorates of Barotziland-North-Western Rhodesia and North-Eastern Rhodesia. It was initially administered, as were the two earlier protectorates, by the British South Africa Company (BSAC), a chartered company, on behalf of the British Government.
From 1924, it was administered by the British Government as a protectorate, under similar conditions to other British-administered protectorates, and the special provisions required when it was administered by BSAC were terminated.

Although under the BSAC charter, it had features of a charter colony, the BSAC's treaties with local rulers, and British legislation, gave it the status of a protectorate. The territory attracted a relatively small number of European settlers, but from the time they first secured political representation, they agitated for white minority rule, either as a separate entity or associated with Southern Rhodesia and possibly Nyasaland.

The mineral wealth of Northern Rhodesia made full amalgamation attractive to Southern Rhodesian politicians, but the British Government preferred a looser association to include Nyasaland. This was intended to protect Africans in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland from discriminatory Southern Rhodesian laws. The Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland formed in 1953 was intensely unpopular among the vast African majority and its formation hastened calls for majority rule.

As a result of this pressure, the country became independent in 1964 as Zambia.





Protectorate of the United Kingdom; division of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland (1953–1963)
Capital: Livingstone (until 1935) Lusaka (from 1935)

Governor: 1924–1927 Sir Herbert Stanley, 1959–1964 Sir Evelyn Hone
Prime Minister: 1964 Kenneth Kaunda

Company rule: 1911
British protectorate: 1 April 1924
Federated with S. Rhodesia and Nyasaland 1953–1963
Independence: 24 October 1964

Northern Rhodesia

King George V Definitive Issue
1st April 1925



sg 1 sacc 1

1d
brown

sg 2 sacc 2

1 1/2d
carmine-red

sg 3 sacc 3

2d
yellow-brown

sg 4 sacc 4

3d
ultramarine

sg 5 sacc 5

4d
violet

sg 6 sacc 6

6d
slate-grey

sg 7 sacc 7

8d
rose-purple

sg 8 sacc 8

10d
olive-green

sg 9 sacc 9

1s
yellow-brown
and black

sg 10 sacc 10

2s
brown
and ultramarine

sg 11 sacc 11

2s 6d
black
and green

sg 12 sacc 12

3s
violet
and blue

sg 13 sacc 13

5s
slate-grey
violet

sg 14 sacc 14

7s 6d
rose-purple
and black

sg 15 sacc 15

10s
green
and black

sg 16 sacc 16

20s
carmine-red
and rose-purple

sg 17 sacc 17

Northern Rhodesia

King George V Varieties
1st April 1925

1/2d
dull blue-green

sg 1 var. sacc 1 var.

1d
chocolate

sg 2 var. sacc 2 var.

1 1/2d
deep carmine-red

sg 3 var. sacc 3 var.

2d
orange-brown

sg 4 var. sacc 4 var.

3d
dull-blue

sg 5 var. sacc 5 var.

4d
dull-violet

sg 6 var. sacc 6 var.

10d
sage-green

sg 9 var. sacc 9 var.

George V Silver Jubilee
6th May 1935



sg 18 sacc 18

2d
green &
indigo

sg 19 sacc 19

3d
brown &
deep blue

sg 20 sacc 20

6d
slate &
purple

sg 21 sacc 21

Northern Rhodesia

George V Silver Jubilee Varieties
6th May 1935

1d
light blue & olive-green
Diagonal line by turret

sg 18f sacc 18a

1d
light blue & olive-green
Dot by flagstaff

sg 18h sacc 18b

1d
light blue & olive-green
Dash by turret

sg 18i sacc 18c

2d
green & indigo
Diagonal line by turret

sg 19f sacc 19a

2d
green & indigo
Dot to left of chapel

sg 19g sacc 19b

3d
brown & deep blue
Diagonal line by turret

sg 20f sacc 20a

3d
brown & deep blue
Dot to left of chapel

sg 20g sacc 20b

6d
slate & purple
Dot by flagstaff

sg 21h sacc 21b

Coronation of King George VI
12th May 1937



sg 22 sacc 22

1 1/2d
carmine

sg 22 sacc 22

2d
buff

sg 23 sacc 23

3d
blue

sg 24 sacc 24

3d
blue

sg 24a sacc 24a

Northern Rhodesia

Definitive Issue. King George VI
1st March 1938



sg 25 sacc 25

1/2d
chocolate

sg 26 sacc 26

1d
brown

sg 27 sacc 27

1d
green

sg 28 sacc 28

1 1/2d
carmine-red

sg 29 sacc 29

1 1/2d
yellow-brown

sg 30 sacc 30

2d
yellow-brown

sg 31 sacc 31

2d
carmine-red

sg 32 sacc 32

2d
purple

sg 33 sacc 33

3d
ultramarine

sg 34 sacc 34

3d
scarlet

sg 35 sacc 35

4d
dull-violet

sg 36 sacc 36

4 1/2d
blue

sg 37 sacc 37

6d
grey

sg 38 sacc 38

9d
violet

sg 39 sacc 39

1s
yellow-brown
and black

sg 40 sacc 40

2s 6d
black
and green

sg 41 sacc 41

3s
violet
and blue

sg 42 sacc 42

5s
grey
and dull-violet

sg 43 sacc 43

10s
green
and black

sg 44 sacc 44

20s
carmine-red
and rose-purple

sg 45 sacc 45

Northern Rhodesia

King George VI Varieties
1st March 1938

1/2d
chocolate

sg 26a sacc 26a

1d
chocolate

sg 27a sacc 27a

Victory Issue
26th November 1946



sg 46 sacc 46

2d
carmine

sg 47 sacc 47

1 1/2d
red orange

sg 46a sacc 46a

King George VI Silver Wedding
1st December 1948



sg 48 sacc 48

20s
brown-lake

sg 49 sacc 49

Northern Rhodesia

75th Anniversary of U.P.U
10th October 1949



sg 50 sacc 50

3d
deep blue

sg 51 sacc 51

6d
grey

sg 52 sacc 52

1s
red-orange

sg 53 sacc 53

Northern Rhodesia

Centenary Of The Birth Of Cecil Rhodes
30th May 1953



sg 54 sacc 54

1d
green

sg 55 sacc 55

2d
mauve

sg 56 sacc 56

4 1/2d
blue

sg 57 sacc 57

1s
orange and
black

sg 58 sacc 58

The Birth Of Cecil Rhodes Varieties
30th May 1953

1/2d
major
re-entry

sacc 54a

1s
major
re-entry

sacc 58a

Northern Rhodesia

Rhodes Centenary Exhibition
30th May 1953



sg 59 sacc 59

Queen Elizabeth II Coronation
2nd June 1953



sg 60 sacc 60

Northern Rhodesia

Definitive Issue. Queen Elizabeth II
15th September 1953



sg 61 sacc 61

1d
green

sg 62 sacc 62

1 1/2d
orange

sg 63 sacc 63

2d
purple

sg 64 sacc 64

3d
red

sg 65 sacc 65

4d
violet

sg 66 sacc 66

4 1/2d
blue

sg 67 sacc 67

6d
grey

sg 68 sacc 68

9d
violet

sg 69 sacc 69

1s
orange and
black

sg 70 sacc 70

2s 6d
black and
green

sg 71 sacc 71

5s
grey and
purple

sg 72 sacc 72

10s
green and
black

sg 73 sacc 73

20s
red and
purple

sg 74 sacc 74

Northern Rhodesia

Definitive Issue. Queen Elizabeth II
10th December 1963
No Watermark



sg 75 sacc 75

1d
light blue

sg 76 sacc 76

2d
brown

sg 77 sacc 77

3d
yellow

sg 78 sacc 78

4d
green

sg 79 sacc 79

6d
light
olive-green

sg 80 sacc 80

9d
yellow-brown

sg 81 sacc 81

1s
slate
purple

sg 82 sacc 82

1s 3d
bright
purple

sg 83 sacc 83

2s
orange

sg 84 sacc 84

2s 6d
lake
brown

sg 85 sacc 85

5s
magenta

sg 86 sacc 86

10s
mauve

sg 87 sacc 87

20s
blue

sg 88 sacc 88

Queen Elizabeth II Varieties
10th December 1963

1d
light blue
val ommited

sg 76a sacc 76a

Northern Rhodesia

Postage Dues
1929 - 1952



sg D1 sacc 1

2d
grey-black

sg D2 sacc 2

3d
grey-black

sg D3 sacc 3

4d
grey-black

sg D4 sacc 4

Postage Dues
10th December 1963
No Watermark



sg 5 sacc 5

2d
deep blue

sg D6 sacc 6

3d
lake

sg D7 sacc 7

4d
ultramarine

sg D8 sacc 8

6d
purple

sg D9 sacc 9

1s
light emerald

sg D10 sacc 10