Domestic cats

On March 22, 2019 the State Committee of Information Technology and Communications of the Kyrgyz Republic puts into circulation a series of Kyrgyz Express Post postage stamps: “Domestic cats”.

The new series of KEP postage stamps includes 3 miniatures depicting the following breeds of domestic cats: Scottish Fold, Siberian and Maine Coon.

For this series, KEP also issues three postcards, which are used to realize three maximum cards.

**Stamps description**

**No. 125.** 50 KGS. *Scottish fold.* This breed is distinguished by its folded (“hanging”) ears. The stamp presents a cat named “Baron Kissol D Vel” who lives with the family of Olga Kiselnikova from Bishkek.

**No. 126.** 100 KGS. *Siberian.* These cats are perfectly adapted to the harsh Siberian climate conditions. The stamp depicts a cat named “Helmut iz Tverskogo Knyazhestva”, who is also owned by Olga Kiselnikova from Bishkek.

**No. 127.** 150 KGS. *The Maine Coon* is the oldest breed of cat in North America. Its name is associated with the northeastern state of Maine, where these cats were first discovered. The stamp shows a cat named “Temir House Mercury” and its owner is Alla Temirkhanova from Bishkek.

**Technical specifications**

Paper: coated, gummed, 105 g/m².
Printing method: full-color offset lithography.
Stamps perforation: comb 14:14½.
Stamps size: 46.00 x 27.50 mm.
Stamps are issued in minisheets of 4 stamps. Stamps are also issued in collective minisheet of 3 stamps (1 complete set).
Minisheets size: 113.00 x 108.00 mm.
Collective minisheet size: 113.00 x 108.00 mm.
Quantity issued: 8 000 pieces each stamp, including the quantity of the collective minisheet – 2 000 pieces.
Photographer: Ivan Turkovskii.
Designer: Daria Maier.
Printer House: “Nova Imprim”.

A special cancellation on FDC will be carried out at the Bishkek KEP Office (729001) on the stamps issuing day. The first day cover and special postmark are designed by Daria Maier. Cover size: C6 (162 x 114 mm). Printing method: full-color digital offset. Quantity issued: 250 pieces. Endorsing ink color: black.