

U.S. MILITARY POSTAL STATIONS IN CUBA

Station Number 11. Puerto Principe

Provisional Stamp Issues

First Printing. December 19, 1898.

The surcharge is 17.5 mm in height, in dull black ink on the orange brown "Milasim" Spanish Cuba issue of 1898. No narrow or defective numeral.

Cent  
on  
1 mil.

1 cent



176

176

176

176

176

1

2

3

4

5



176

176

176



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Provisional

First Provisional Issue of 1898.

The surcharge is in dull black ink on the orange brown "milesimas" issue of 1898. The narrow margin is in position two.



2 cents on 2 milesimas

178      179      178      178      178

1      2      3      4      5



178      179      178      178      178



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Jan. 1899. Civilian registered letter from Puerto Principe to Germany. Only recorded cover of the provisional issue with a complete setting of five stamps and only recorded usage to Germany.

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Inverted overprints

1

2

3

4

5

178a

179a

178a

178a

178a



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3 cents on 3 milesimas

180                      181                      180                      180                      180

1                      2                      3                      4                      5



181  
+  
180



Inverted overprints

180a                      181a



180a                      180a



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### 5 cents on 5 milesimas

188	189	188	188	188
1	2	3	4	5



2                      3                      4                      5

### Inverted overprints

188a	189a	188a	188a
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1                      2                      3                      4                      5

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3 cents on 2 milesimas

179F

179G

179F

179F

179F

1

2

3

4

5



This is one of the rarest surcharges of the Puerto Principe issues. All of the recorded stamps are somewhat defective. Three copies of position two are known.

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### 5 cents on 1 milesima

182

183

182

182

182

1

2

3

4

5

MILITARY  
STATION  
POSTMARK



Unused examples of this thin numeral surcharge (position two) are extremely rare.

### Inverted overprints

182a

183a





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5 cents  
2 mil

5 cents



184

185

184

184

184

1

2

3

4

5



185

185

184



pos 2

pos 4

MINT

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5 cents on 3 milesimas

186

1

187

2

186

3

186

4

186

5



Gutters and selvage overprinted varieties occurred when a scrap strip of variable number of stamps with a blank gutter or selvage was fed into the press that applied five surcharges. The composition of the sheets of Spanish colonial stamps was such that blank gutters occurred at variable intervals depending on the issue. It is believed that they had no postal value.

### Inverted overprints



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5 cents on 5 milesimas

188

189

188

188

188

1

2

3

4

5

DARK  
SHINY  
INK  
(rarer than  
1<sup>st</sup> printing)



pos 1

pos 2



pos 4



pos 3

Inverted overprints

189a

188a



pos 2



pos 4

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5 cents on 1/2 milesima

190                      191                      190                      190                      190

1                              2                              3                              4                              5



1                              2                              3                              4                              5

190                      191                      190                      190                      190

(1)                      (2)                      (3)                      (4)                      (5)



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5 cents on 1/2 milesima

Inverted Overprints

190a

191a

190a

190a

190a

1

2

3

4

5



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Provisional Stamp Issues

CUBAN  
CLASSIFICATION  
1913

Third Printing. December 24, 1898.

This printing was sold and used after the fourth printing. The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in bright black ink on the orange brown "milesima" Spanish Cuba issue of 1898 and the one half "milesima" newspaper stamp of 1896. Broken numeral "1" in position two.

1 cents on 1 milesima

177                      177a                      177                      177                      177  
1                                      2                                      3                                      4                                      5



Inverted overprints

1                      2                      3                      4                      5

177d                      177b                      177b



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Third Printing. December 24, 1898.

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1 cents on 1 milesima



Jan. 1899. Soldier's rate from Puerto Principe to New York City. Position one used after the provisional issue was demonetized on January 23, and therefore not accepted as postage by the New York post office. The overprinted US stamp was accepted and the letter was charged only one cent postage due.

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3 cents on 1 milesima

179 B

179 B

179 B

179 D

179 B

1

2

3

4

5





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Third Printing. December 24, 1898.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in bright black ink on the orange brown "milesima" Spanish Cuba issue of 1898 and the one half "milesima" newspaper stamp of 1896.

3 cents on 1 milesima



Jan. 6, 1899. Single weight civilian rate from Puerto Principe to New York City. A position three 3 cents on 1 milesima surcharge (third printing) combined with a 2 cent on 2 milesimas surcharge from the first printing.

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CUBAN  
CLASS.

Third Printing. December 24, 1898.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in bright black ink on the orange brown "milesima" Spanish Cuba issue of 1898 and the one half "milesima" newspaper stamp of 1896. The narrow numeral "5" is on position two.

5 cents on 1/2 milesima

192                      193                      192                      192                      192  
1                                      2                                      3                                      4                                      5



# U.S. MILITARY POSTAL STATIONS IN CUBA

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### Provisional Stamp Issues

Fourth Printing. December 27, 1898.

This printing was sold and used before the third printing. The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in red ink on the one centavo black violet Spanish Cuba issue of 1898. The narrow numeral "3" is on position two.

### 3 cents on 1 centavo

196
197
196
196
196  
1
2
3
4
5



### Inverted overprints

196a
197a
196a
196a



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Provisional Stamp Issues

Fourth Printing. December 27, 1898.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in red ink on the one centavo black violet Spanish Cuba issue of 1898.

3 cents on 1 centavo



Jan. 9, 1899. Civilian single rate letter (probably overpaid by one cent) from Santa Cruz del Sur to Puerto Principe. Position five. One other recorded cover with this postmark.

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Fourth Printing. December 27, 1898.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in red ink on the one centavo black violet Spanish Cuba issue of 1898. The narrow numeral "5" is on position two.

5 cents on 1 centavo

198                      199                      198                      198                      198

1                          2                          3                          4                          5



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STATION  
POSTMARK



MILITARY  
STATION  
POSTMARK



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Fourth Printing. December 27, 1898.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in red ink on the one centavo black violet Spanish Cuba issue of 1898.

5 cents on 1 centavo



Feb. 1899. Third printing, 5 cents on 1 cent. Civilian registered letter from Puerto Principe to New York.

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The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in red ink on the one centavo black violet Spanish Cuba issue of 1898. The narrow numeral "5" is on position two.

### 5 cents on 1 centavo

### Inverted overprints

198a

1



199a

2

198a

3

198a

4

198a

5



### Double overprints

198c

199c

198c

198c

198c



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Fourth Printing. December 27, 1898.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in red ink on the one centavo black violet Spanish Cuba issue of 1898. The top part of the number "11" is broken on position four.

10 cents on 1 centavo

200                      200                      200                      200 a                      200  
1                              2                              3                              4                              5



por 5

(1)

(1)



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Fourth Printing. December 27, 1898.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in red ink on the one centavo black violet Spanish Cuba issue of 1898.

10 cents on 1 centavo



Jan. 1899. Single weight registered letter from Puerto Principe to Munich, Germany via Havana. A 10 cents on 1 centavo surcharge from the fourth printing combined with a 2 cents on 2 milesimas from the first printing. One of the two recorded covers with the ten cent stamp from the fourth printing.

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Fourth Printing. December 27, 1898.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in red ink on the one centavo black violet Spanish Cuba issue of 1898.

10 cents on 1 centavo



Jan. 1899. Multiple weight registered letter from puerto Principe to Havana. A 10 cents on 1 centavo surcharge, position two, from the fourth printing combined with a 5 cents on 4 milesimas from the fifth printing. There is one other recorded covers with the ten cent stamp from the fourth printing. Probably unique combination of printings on cover.

# U.S. MILITARY POSTAL STATIONS IN CUBA

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### Provisional Stamp Issues

Fifth Printing. January 11, 1899.

This is the rarest printing. The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in black ink on the one half "milesima" newspaper stamp of 1896. The narrow numerals are on position two, and the error "eents." on position three.

### 3 cents on 1 milesima



### Inverted overprints



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Fifth Printing. January 11, 1899.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in black ink on the one half "milesima" newspaper stamp of 1896.

3 cents on 1 milesima



Jan. 1899. Civilian single letter rate from Puerto Principe to Havana. A 3 cents on 1 milesima surcharge, position two. Of the four recorded covers from the fifth printing this is the only one known with the three cent overprint.

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3 cents on 2 milesimas

203

203

203a

204

203

1

2

3

4

5



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Inverted overprints

203b



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3 cents on 3 milesimas

205                      205                      2056                      206                      205  
1                                      2                                      3                                      4                                      5



Inverted overprints

206a



FIFTH PRINTING

5c in 1M  
1898 issue

pos 40



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### 5 cents on 1 milesima

211

1



211

2



211a

3

212

4

211

5



### 5 cents on 2 milesimas

213

1



213

2

213a

3

214

4



213

5



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5 cents on 3 milesimas

215

1



215

2

215a

3



216

4

215

5



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Fifth Printing. January 11, 1899.

The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in black ink on the one half "milesima" newspaper stamp of 1896. The narrow numerals are on position two, and the error "cents." on position three.

5 cents on 4 milesimas

217

217

217a

217

217

1

2

3

4

5



Inverted overprints

217b

217c

218a

217b



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The surcharge is 19.5 mm in height, in black ink on the one half "milesima" newspaper stamp of 1896. The narrow numerals are on position two, and the error "cents." on position three.

### 5 cents on 8 milesimas

219

219

219b

220

219

1

2

3

4

5



### Inverted overprints

219a

219a

219c

220a

219a

