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Try to have your covers personally hand cancelled by a post office clerk.
 In some countries this guideline is difficult to accomplish. In some countries, collectors can take or send the covers to certain post offices for special hand cancellations. They can also send envelopes to receive official celebration cancels in stead of merely dropping them off at the closest postbox. An extra effort to have envelopes cancelled nicely goes a long way to please collectors and the same treatment can then be expected from those who send you covers.

Always include a stiffener (a piece of card stock) in your covers. This will ensure your covers will arrive in good condition.

Using postcards is a good way to keep the envelopes from getting folded or torn. It is nice to receive a bonus of a postcard from where the sender lives.

If you send stamps as a gift to your correspondent, please put them in a glassine envelope and don't tape them shut, just tuck in the flap.
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Try to always use current commemorative stamps on your covers.

If you use old commemorative stamps on your covers, please don't get angry if you receive similar old stamps on covers to you. Don't forget that when collectors fill out a Form 10 sheet they should expect current commemoratives like you do, from countries they collect.

If you must use definitive stamps try to use ones that are difficult to obtain and explain this fact in a note to the receiving collector.

There are often certain denominations that are not used very much or there are varieties or different perforations or printers. These would be acceptable.

The size of envelopes is important to collectors. Try to use envelopes that will fit on a regular page for albums, without being turned sideways or mounted on an angle.

10 envelopes (9 X 4 inches) are

too long to use as philatelic covers. # 8 envelopes (6 1/2 X 3 1/2 inches) are often too small to include two stamps and a nice cancellation. The best envelopes to use are invitation envelopes (6 1/2 X 5 inches) Unused greeting card envelopes are also very good.

Try to place stamps well-away from the corner of the envelope.

Stamps should not be closer than 3/4 of an inch from the top or right side of the envelope. This usually prevents torn or curled edges to the stamps in transit.

Always place return address stickers on the back of the envelope. Airmail stickers should go on the front of the envelope in the bottom left corner or away from where the postal/zip code should go.

Only return business addresses are expected to be in the top left hand corner of the front of the envelope.

It is very important to print addresses clearly, not just for your own country's postal clerks to read easily but so foreign postal clerks can read it clearly too.

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