

## Royal Mail marks the return of The Open to Royal Portrush with a special postbox and postmark

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As The Open returns to Royal Portrush for the first time in 68 years, Royal Mail unveils a special edition postbox honouring the legendary Championship in the town centre. Royal Mail is also marking the 148th Championship with a postmark, appearing on stamped mail from July 15 to July 16.

The Open is golf's original Championship, played on the most famous links courses in the UK and one of the four major championships in professional golf. Every July the world's best golfers compete for the iconic Claret Jug trophy and the title of Champion Golfer of the Year.

The 148th Open will be the largest ever sporting event to be held in Northern Ireland. Unprecedented demand for tickets led to The Open being sold out on Championship Days for the first time in its history.

The postbox is located in Portrush town centre and decorated with facts and graphics relating to The Open. The postbox will be decorated for the duration of the tournament.

Mark Street, Head of Campaigns at Royal Mail said: "At Royal Mail, we mark special

events and anniversaries across the UK where we can. As one of the largest ever sporting events to be held in Northern Ireland, The 148th Open is a momentous occasion that we are proud to honour with a special postbox, as golf's original Championship returns to Royal Portrush after almost 70 years."

The postbox is situated on Main Street in Portrush town centre, just off Atlantic Avenue.

Neil Armit, Chief Commercial Officer at The R&A, said, "The Open is one of the world's great sporting events and we are delighted that Royal Mail is celebrating the Championship's historic return to Royal Portrush with a specially designed commemorative postbox to be situated in the town."

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