

Introduction

Given that there is very little information to be found on social media about the black-and-white small sheets featured on the stamp, an attempt has been made here to remedy this.

Hopefully, this comprehensive explanation on this site will therefore hit the mark.

In this section:

► «Extra ☐ (NL-FR-EN)»

►► «ZW/NB-ZNP, ZNE, GCA, GCB, GCD: — Zwart-wit velletjes — Noir-blanc feuillets — Black-white small sheets»

You can enjoy this – mostly little-known – aspect of philately.

This site aims to cover all aspects of Belgian stamps, including references to flyers and Philanews, and therefore also these black-and-white small sheets. Ministerial small sheets will be added later. None of these are stamps, but rather related aspects that sometimes determine, amongst other things, how stamps are produced.

The black-and-white small sheets are **NOT** stamps and are therefore often overlooked by some collectors.

They are, however, black-and-white images of existing stamps, blocks and booklets throughout the years, starting from Y1965 ([ZNE1-\(1349/50\)](#)) to the present day for some series. Some are complete, whilst others are still being added to. See: 'ZW info'

We shall leave the origin of the abbreviations open to interpretation; even OSC makes no mention of them.

Please therefore refer to the likely correct (and most obvious and logical) interpretation

►: 'ZW info' in the explanation of the various series

Some Terms:

The black-and-white small sheets are presented in **album format** – easy for anyone to print for personal use.

The descriptions are in Dutch, French and English

Naming format: series, series number – OSC image number on sheets (....)

E.g.: [GCD1- \(2629\)](#) | [ZNP3-\(BL48\)NL](#) (Dutch version) - [ZNP3-\(BL48\)FR](#) (French version)

The dates given are those of the pre-sale and issue of the stamps/blocks/booklets depicted on the small sheets, and **NOT** the dates of their actual issue. These can vary considerably, sometimes by several years. (inventory lists with the years of issue)

The references to flyers and/or Philanews also relate to the stamps/blocks/booklets.

The grey area corresponds approximately to the actual dimensions of the small sheet.

If the exact size of the small sheet is unknown, it is estimated based on the actual image on it (see below to the right of the dates).

Missing scans are shown as:

in the albums



and



and in the inventory lists



All sheets are organised in **inventory lists** containing all necessary information about the images.

In **PDF format:** inventory lists

In **Excel format:** on the far right ► green cells to be filled in for personal use (in your possession and/or duplicates)

These files are protected **WITHOUT a password**

If you have any comments, questions, suggestions for improvements, etc., please do get in touch; thank you.

Enjoy browsing,

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