

Angola

PRESTAMP MAIL

HISTORY.

Mail was carried by private individuals, couriers, ship captains and Government officials prior to the development of the Portuguese postal service Correio Publico in 1520 by King Manuel I. With the introduction of Government Postal Service other forms of mail carriage were replaced, although these changes were slow to extend to the Colonies. The Government Postal Service initially used a Town Postal Mark and Rate marks. These were later replaced with postage stamps, although the town marks were initially used to cancel the newly introduced stamps. In the early years, letters carried to the Colonies, usually by ships captains, often present with no marks.

