SAMOA
APIA, FIRST DAY OF ISSUE, 15·12·2011

# COLLECTORS' BULLETIN

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# A Leap into the Future

Samoa currently sits east of the dateline - which cuts through the middle of the Pacific - meaning that it is 11 hours behind GMT and is one of the last places on Earth to see out the day. Under the change it will be among the first of the world's countries to greet the dawn. After passing a law to change its dateline

location, Samoa will define its future on December 29th 2011 when it moves west across the dateline to join its Pacific partners in furthering its commercial future. The nation's "move" will mean it will skip December 30th this year, effectively taking it a day into the future.

The move will align Samoa and its time zone with its major trading partners. Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, the Samoan Prime Minister, said the reform would make it easier to do business with Samoa's biggest trading partners, both of which are also home to large expatriate communities. "In doing business with New Zealand and Australia, we're losing out on two working days a week". Currently the time difference puts Samoa 21 hours behind eastern Australia and 23 behind New Zealand. From December 31, it will be one hour ahead of Wellington and three ahead of Sydney.

## Collectors Notes:

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| Designer: | Denise Durkin, Wellington, New Zealand |
| Printer: | Southern Colour Print, Dunedin, New Zealand |
| Process: | Offset Litho |
| Stamp Size: | 42.4mm x 37.5mm horizontal with centre tab. |
| Pane: | Sheet with two panes each with 2 x 5 strips |
| Perforation Gauge: | 14.25 x 14.25 |
| Denominations: | $2.50 and $3.00 |
| Paper: | 103gsm Tullis Russell Yellow/Green phosphor gummed stamp paper |
| Period of Sale: | 15 December 2011 for a period of 2 years. |

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## ORDER FORM FOR CASUAL ORDERS OR ADDITIONAL ORDERS FOR STANDING ORDER CUSTOMERS

| ITEM **Dateline Issue** | PRICE (Tala) | No | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|
| Single mint strip | **5.50** | | |
| Mini strip CTO | **5.50** | | |
| Set of stamps only on First Day cover | **8.50** | | |
| Full Sheet (20 strips) | **110.00** | | |
| Reg.Post + Ins | | | |
| **TOTAL** | | | |

Name:..... Phone / Fax.....

Address..... Email.....

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### TICK METHOD OF PAYMENT

- Bank Draft payable to Samoa Post ☐
- Postal Order payable to Samoa Post ☐
- Debit my standing order account. ☐
- Credit card – Visa or Mastercard ☐
  Please enter number and expiry date below. ☐

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