

## F01 killer on 4d Jamaica stamp (BWISC #183 / 1999 Dec)

### JAMAICA - A double-take



Please look again. It is not F81.

No reason, I suppose, why a Jamaican 4d stamp should not end up in an English town that happened to be using an F01 killer. Yet why put this on a stamp that already has a perfectly good Kingston date stamp? And what if the Kingston date stamp comes on top?

If I were a researcher (which you all know I am not) rather than a dabbler, I would by now have looked up the allocation of F01, and made enquiries to see what is known of its English life span. Preferring to leave the task to one of our real Jamaica students, I simply pose two questions, which will no doubt trigger off more:

- (1) Was F01 still in use in England in 1889?
- (2) Is there a Jamaican post office whose history would fit with the allocation of that numeral after E58 and before F80?

Over to you!

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