

Why the CTC S13 & S14 series are dated 1987

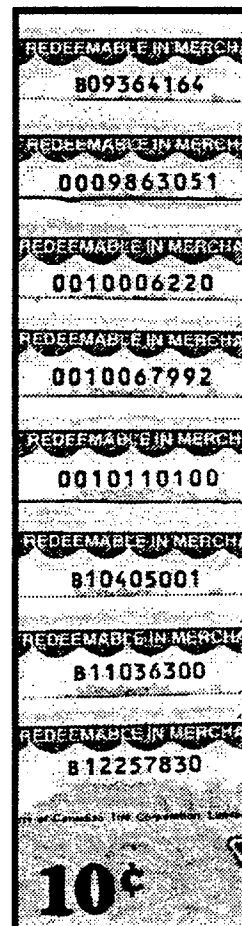
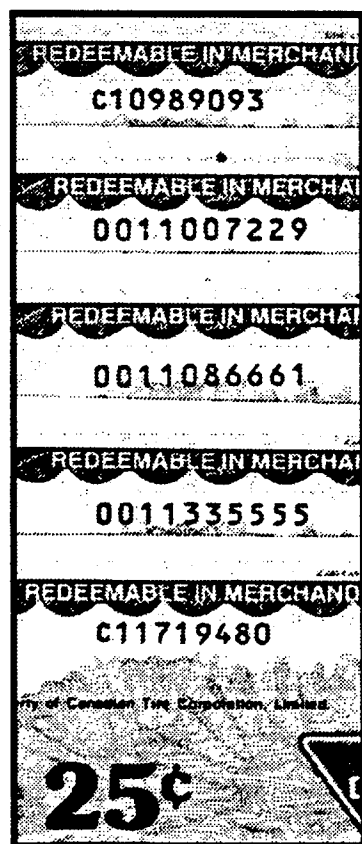
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Due to a demand for three cent coupons from the outlying regions, who gave three percent in bonus coupons to their customers, the British American Banknote Company could not or would not produce a three cent coupon for less than three cents in 1990. The treasury department of CTC asked the Canadian Banknote Company if they would do a reprint of the last regular three cent coupon that they had printed back in 1984. They obliged, if only to get their foot back in the door, and henceforth came the small serial numbered three cent coupons (CTC S12) that started to appear in stores in the outlying regions in February of 1991.

After having gotten back into the graces of the treasury department, the CBNC managed to steal back the lucrative job of supplying the coupons to CTC once again. They already had all the plates for the different coupons except the two dollar* coupon. For now they would forget the two dollar coupon and concentrate on the other denominations. The BABNC was obliged to give them the exact serial numbers that they finished printing their coupons at. This is why the CBNC started to print these two series of coupons with the 1987 date without starting at zero. They were identical to their last

series of coupons except for the addition of one number and the omission of the second letter in the prefix, which gave us the CTC S13 series. At one point in time

someone, out of need, either to supplement production capability or to try a new method, printed some ten and twenty-five cent coupons with a ten digit serial number. These ten digit serial numbered coupons became the CTC S14 series. They were printed in sequence with the eight digit-one letter coupons. They only printed a few of these ten digit coupons and after a short run, resumed the previous method. The range can be precisely pin-pointed and therefore the quantity printed is easy to determine.



* The BABNC had already printed up a certain quantity of twos in the CTC S11 series and they were collecting dust in the treasury department vault, waiting for a strategical moment to be released. All of a sudden the two signatory's of the coupons were no longer with the company, and a new set of coupons were on the drawing board. These new CTC S15 series coupons were printed early in September of 1992 and released in early November 1992. The last one to appear was the fifty cent coupon late in December. The new two dollar coupon has yet to be released as of March 1993.