## 1968 - GRENOBLE

Poland, Mini-sheet



No.17, a sheet of eight

17. Same as sheet No.98 of the "1964 - Tokyo" section except GRENOBL3 1968 is added across top of each label.

Several thousand labels remained in stock after the 1964 Games. The remainders were overprinted "GRENOBLE 1968" or "MEKSYK 1968" and the entire issue was eventually sold out.

\$1.00/label \$10.00/sheet

Note: See No.97 of "1968 - Mexico City" section for other overprint

## 1968 - MEXICO CITY

The following poster is reproduced from "Olympism Through Posters" published by International Olympic Committee.

Printer: Miguel Galos S.A., Mexico.

Size: 57x94cm

Comments: The Aztec calendar rests on a base with the three colors of Mexico

Text, to left, is Spanish, French and English (pale blue) Rings are in usual multicolors, "1968/MEXICO" is tan, calendar is black, margin is tan.





Self-adhesive label, in black, on gray-brown paper. Depicts same calendar as poster.

Green

↑ Red

A Spanish-text Sheet of 25(5x5) Different Labels, Nos.1 to 25: Olympic events are depicted as pictograms in the 1st,2nd,4th & 5th vertical rows. Vignettes are 15x15mm squares with rounded corners, Olympic rings above & 1968 below each vignette. The 3rd vertical row employs Olympic symbolism to indicate that this sheet honors the XIXth Olympiad of 1968 in Mexico City. The designs on the latter vertical row are wider than those of the other 4 rows.

The sheet has a lined border outside the vignettes. There are lines of text on all four sides of the sheet, outside the lined border but inside the outer perforations. The sheet has perf margins on all four sides and perfs extend through the selvage.

Size: Design portion of sheet measures 129x169mm. Overall sheet size is 158x216mm. Sheets exist both perforated & imperforated. On perfed sheets, the size of the individual seals, and the width of the selvage around the sheets, varies. Perf gauge is 10.

<u>Colors</u>: Each sheet is of one color only. Background color is provided via use of colored paper(blue, green, beige or white). The designs come in five colors: red, blue, green, brown or orange. Thus, counting imperfs, a complete set consists of 40 sheets (1000 labels).

Texts on borders of sheet(translations in parentheses):

Top: MEXICO:DEL 12 AL27 DE OCTUBRE DE 1968(Mexico:From the 12th to the 27th of October of 1968)

Bottom: 19MEXICO:EL ANO DE LA OLIMPIADA DE LA PAZ68 (19MEXICO: The Year of the Olympiad of Peace 68)

Left & Right Sides: JUEGOS DE LA XIX OLIMPIADA DE LA ERA MODERNA (Games of the 19th Olympiad of the Modern Era)

Catalog Numbers: Nos. 1 to 25 for individual seals. Sheet format, however, dictates that they be collected as sheets of 25)

## 1968 - MEXICO CITY



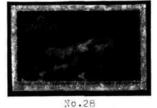
1968 - Mexico Sheets of 25 diff. Exist both perf. & imperf. on 4 colors of paper(blue, green, beige & white). Vignettes & printed info. are in 5 colors(blue, green, red, orange & brown). Language is Spanish. Cat. #'s assigned to 25 seal positions is 1 through 25.

26. MEXICO - 1968/ across top; SPI/ at lower right corner. Vignette: a lrge XIX(25x21mm) and Olympic rings with a map of Mexico in the background. 43x29mm(48x33mm, overall), rouletted 7, vermilion
27. Same as 26 but color is green \$1.00
28. OMEGA(with Greek letter, omega, above it)/ at upper left; OMEGA-OFFICIAL TIMEKEEPER OF THE OLYMPIC GAMES-MEXICO 1968/ across bottom, below vignette; vignette: runners about to leave starting-blocks. 50x282mm(55x35mm, overall, including white border), imperforate, self-adhesive label, runners are multi- colored, background is black, text is white at upper left, text below vignette is black \$2.00 28a. Same as #28 but German text below vignette \$4.00
29. A Matchbox Label: MEXICO 1968/ across top; imprint at lower corner: MHSZ; a 1mm wide, gold frame line. Vignette: a high jumper. 34x482mm,imperforate,colors: athlete outlined in black, uniform & shoes are yellow, hair is white, body is tan; high-jump bar is alternating black & white; text and imprint are white; background is gold
30. Like 29 but athlete is a shotputter \$1.00
31. Like 29 but athlete is walking(and wearing a cap) \$1.00
32. Like 29 but athlete is a fencer \$1.00
33. Like 29 but athlete is canoeing, "HMSZ" imprint is at upper left(canoe is yellow outside and gold with yellow ribs inside)
34. Like 29 but athlete is a discus-thrower \$1.00
35. Like 29 but athlete is a woman gymnast performing on a horizontal bar
36. Like 29 but two wrestlers are depicted, one is wearing a black uniform
37. Like 29 but athlete is a gymnast performing on rings
38. Like 29 but athlete is a boxer, wearing a black shirt and gloves, trunks are yellow
39. Like 29 but athlete is performing long-jump \$1.00
Note: Nos. 29 to 39 are illustrated on two following pages.





No.27





No.28a





No.30

See a following page for the rest of this gold set.







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MEXICO 1968





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Re series 29 to 39:

There are other labels in this series. Two more have been reported, as follows:

35a. Same design as No.35 but colors are as follows - body is pink, uniform is red & background is green ...... \$1.00

39a. Same colors as 35a but a woman gymnast is depicted. (This pose probably also exists as a gold-background label)





40. A Hungarian Label: MAGYAROK AZ OLYMPIAN/MEXICO-CITY 1968/ at bottom; vignette, above: Olympic rings over Hungarian Flag(red, white & green horizontal stripes) 33x27mm, perf 72, text & Olympic rings are impressed, in gold, into the label-paper(a very attractive & well-executed label). \$3.00

## A Ukrainian Fund Raising Label

- 41. FOR UKRAINE'S/ up left side; PARTICIPATION IN THE OLYMPIC/ across top; GAMES/partly down right side; rest of right side and bottom border has Ukrainian text; vignette portion, inside border text: small Olympic rings/round Aztec calendar/a small "1968"/MEXICO/ down left side; large Olympic rings with the Ukrainian Territorial Emblem in front of the 5th ring/ on right side; a "5" at lower right corner.

  58x252mm,perf 12½, calendar and emblem are pale orange, rest of design is white, background is blue
- 42. Same as #41 but background color is light brown and "5" is replaced by "10", at lower right corner
- 43. Same as #41 but background color is yellow-olive and "5" is replaced by "15", at lower right corner

41,42, & 43 are ..... \$1.00ea

## Sheet Format of Nos. 41,42 & 43:

A sheet of nine(3x3),PM4S,perfs run through selvage; No.41 is at positions 1,6 & 8, No.42 is at positions 3,5 & 7 and No.43 is at positions 2,4 & 9 (three different se-tenant strips of three are thus possible, as either vertical or horizontal strips of three)

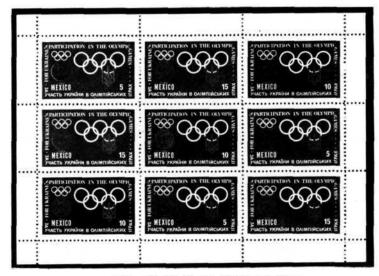
> Strips of three diff.... \$4.00 Sheet of nine ...... \$15.00

### A Czechoslovakian Adhesive Label

- 45. EL PASO/TEXAS/at upper left; JUAREZ/MEXICO/at upper right; black Olympic rings between; GATEWAY TO THE 1968 OLYMPICS/across middle,in black; vignette,across bottom: U.S. flag in front of city with mountain behind, to left; Mexican flag in front of city with mountain behind to right; river in middle. 35½x21mm, roul 7, multicolored \$2.00



No.40



Nos. 41,42,43 as sheet of nine



No.44



No.45

Nos. 46 to 53 are Latvian matchbox labels (Liepaja, on text of Nos. 46 to 51, is a city in W. Latvia, on the Baltic Sea).
46. MEXICO 68/ at top, center; black Olympic rings below; background color is blue; 48x35mm \$0.50
47. MEXICO 68/ at upper left; vignette: depicts two runners in black & white, on a track; bkgr is blue \$0.50
48. MEXICO 68/ at upper right; vignette: two men rowing a boat, black & white colors, bgrnd is blue \$0.50
49. MEXICO 68/at top, center; black Clympic rings with a soccer ball in front of middle ring; ball is white, rings are black; background color is red \$0.50
50. MEXICO 68/ at upper left; a bicyclist on a track, color is black & white; bgrnd is red; 352x482mm \$0.50
51. MEXICO 68/ at upper right; a javelin thrower, color is black & white; bgrnd is red; vertical like #50 \$0.50 Text on Nos. 46-51, at bottom, states "BALTIJA, LIEPAJA 60 GAB. 1 KAP. (plus 1-6, 2-6, 3-6, 4-6, 5-6, ar 6-6)
52. MEXICO 68/ at top, center; black Olympic rings in center; background is blue; 100x51mm \$0.75
53. Same as #52 but background is red \$0.75
Note: The "MEXICO 68" text of Nos. 46-51 is black and that of Nos. 52 & 53 is white.





No.46







No.48

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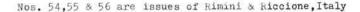




No.51



No.52 , same vignette as No.53



- 56. VERSO MEXICO 1968/in green, in a circular red & white "pin-wheel"; RIMINI/ at bottom, white text in black panel; above latter, in a white panel: RASSECNA/ODIEPICA/ to left, Olympic rings, in center, and DI ARTE/FILATELICA/ to right, latter texts green, rings are red; background is black. 282x41mm, perf 11. \$1.00

Top of sheet containing three copies of # 56 has following texts in selvage: VERBAND DER SPORT-PHILATELISTEN/ up left side(as on # 55); AZIENDA AUTONOMA SOGGIORNO RIMINI(Autonomous Firms Stay at Rimini)/ across top.



No.54



No.55 , three copies at top of sheet



No.56, three copies at top of sheet

## A Set of Slavic Matchbox Labels, Two Types

Type 1, largely white background: 68(Olympic rings) MEXUKO/ at (57-65) top; two lines of Slavic text/below; vignette, in center: a boxer, in black & white, with a large boxing glove in back, both in a 23½mm square with a red line across the

- top. 34x48mm, imperf, colors; texts are black and background of square vignette is red ...... \$1.00
- 58. Same as 57 but a soccer player kicking ball, before net
- 59. Same but sailing(2 sailboats)
- 60. Same but a bicyclist with large wheel behind
- 61. Same but a horseman with horse's head behind
- 62. Same but two swimmers
- 63. Same but volloy ball player, ball & net behind
- 64. Same but with 5 small pictures: horse's head, a round target, a swimmer, crossed foils, and a foot
- 65. Same texts but no red background- a large red "68" behind black Olympic rings ...... all \$1.00ea

See pages 348 & 349 for listing & illustrations of Type 2

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## A set of Slavic Matchbox Labels, Two Types

(See pages 346 & 347 for listing & illustrations of Type 1)

Type 2, more red background: Same texts as Type 1 with red bar (66-74) above; vignette, in center: XIX, a red hand holding a black torch that has red & black flames; vignette is in a 23½mm square with a white line above; latter square is surrounded by a larger 29x28mm red square. 34x49mm(overall), imperf \$1.00

- 67. Same as 66 but a runner with a large foot behind
- 68. Same but a fencer with large fencing foils behind
- 69-74 have no white line above vignette:
- 69. Same as 66 but a gymnast swinging on a bar with large ring behind
- 70. Same but a hand holding a pistol, with target behind
- 71. Same but a basketball player with net and ball behind
- 72. Same but a double paddle with two men rowing sculls
- 73. Same but a weight-lifter with a large bar-bell behind
- 74. Same but a water-polo player with an arm behind

Note: in above vignette descriptions, the figure in the foreground is black while the second-mentioned item is red. All labels printed on white paper.







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## Esperanto Advertising Labels (Nos. 75 to 86)

This set has one basic design but vignettes & texts occur in four positions. There are six different background colors. All labels have the following in common, except for position of each text or vignette item:

MEKSIKO, in white, within a black panel; 1968, in black; "alvokas vin!" (Alvokas Wine), in black; a green star with a white background; Olympic rings, in black (interlaced as on original Olympic flag); a sombrero, with black outline and decoratively colored in green plus whatever background color is on the label.

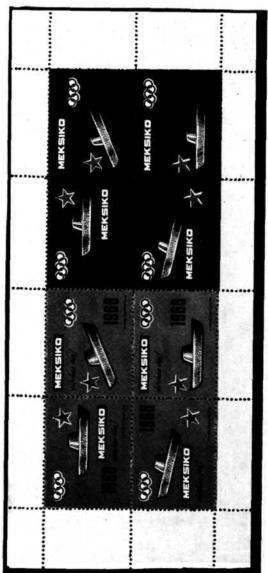
All labels have the imprint "E.MORENO -BARCELONA.1965" in the lower right corner.

The four positions mentioned above come as blocks of four of each background color. Individual label data follows:

- 75. 45x34mm(overall), perf 11\frac{1}{2}, color: light mauve
- 76. Same as 75 but color: yellow
- 77. Same as 75 but color: pale orange
- 78. Same as 75 but color: medium blue
- 79. Same as 75 but color: light-slate gray
- 80. Same as 75 but color: red ..... all \$0.50ea .... block of 4, all \$2.00ea
- 81. Same as 75 but imperf
- 82. Same as 76 but imperf
- 83. Same as 77 but imperf
- 84. Same as 78 but imperf
- 85. Same as 79 but imperf

All of the above come in <u>sheets</u> of eight(4x2) with two diff. colored blocks of four per sheet. The following colors are combined on three different sheets (perf or imperf):

All sheets have wide, white margins (selvage), about 25mm wide at sides and 12mm wide at top & bottom. Perf sheets are PM4S with perfs passing through the selvage (means all perf singles are perfed all-around).



Nos.75 to 80 , as a sheet of eight

#### Ukrainian Fund Labels:

These consist of five diff. vignettes and 15 diff. colors. Of each vignette, one perf color and three diff. imperf colors have been seen. The designs have the following features in common:

Cyrillic text up left side: 1968 at lower left corner; a value number at upper left corner;Olympic rings behind the athlete-vignette, in varying locations; background colors are mottled with white specks; 24x41mm, perf 112 (or imperf); text, rings, value & part of athlete depicted are white; and athlete is depicted in a dark color.complementary to the background color. (2nd color, below, is background).

- 87. Athlete at finish-line tape, value 15. colors: reddish-brown & cinnamon
  - b) Same as 87 but imperf
  - c) Same as 87 but imperf, colors: light blue & purple
  - d)Same as 87 but imperf, colors: black & light blue
- 88. Diver doing back-dive.value 25. colors:dark green & light green
  - b) Same as 88 but imperf
- c) Same as 88 but imperf.colors:silver-gray & carmine-red
- d)Same as 88 but imperf.colors:lake-brown & pink
- 89. Discus-thrower, value 35, colors: deep & light green
  - b)Same as 89 but imperf
  - c)Same as 89 but imperf, colors: violet & lilac
  - d)Same as 89 but imperf.colors:olive-vellow & deep claret
- 90. Bicyclist, value 45, colors:dark & light blue
  - b)Same as 90 but imperf
- c) Same as 90 but imperf, colors: ultramarine & azure-blue
- d)Same as 90 but imperf, colors: light turquoise-green & dark gray
- 91. Soccer player, value 55, colors: olive-green & bistre
  - b) Same as 91 but imperf c)Same as 91 but imperf.colors:gray-black & gray
  - d) Same as 91 but imperf, colors: olive-bistre & bistre-brown

.... all ... \$1.00ea

- Nos. 92 & 93 are undated but believed to be 1968 issues:
- 92. ANCIENNE/VILLE/above: OLYMPIA/below; vignette: Olympic rings in their usual multicolors, a laurel branch, in green, at top-left border; a blue border-line outside design. A round label,51mm diameter,55mm(overall), texts are blue ...... \$1.00
- 93. Another round & also self-adhesive label: ACADEMIE OLYMPIQUE INTERNATIONAL and laurel branch/around edge, inside thin borderline; inner text,circular:MUSEE HISTORIQUE DES JEUX OLIMPIQUES; vignette:Olympic rings/ AncoLYMPIE/Olympic fire/in center. 41mm diameter, color:text & design are blue on gold . \$1.00 (French translates: Historic Museum of the Olympic Games)

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The following souvenir sheets are related to label No.93.



No.94a



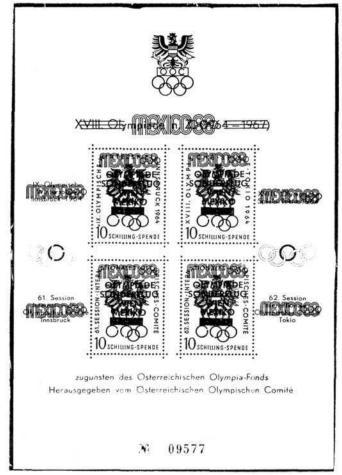
No.94b



No.94c

95. Same as No.16 of "1964 - Innsbruck" but overprinted. The upper text and the texts on left & right sides are overprinted "MEXICO 68." The four labels are overprinted: MEXICO 68/OLYMPIADE/SONDERFLUG/WIEN/MEXIKO/. Label nos. are 95a, b, c & d ...... \$4.00/label ...... \$20.00/sheet

(Overprint text: Olympiad, Special Flight, Vienna to Mexico).



Souvenir Sheet No.95

## 1968 - MEXICO CITY

## Poland, a Balloon Flight Mini-sheet

These sheets of eight (4x2) contain three different labels, four of which have a 3zl value. The latter labels paid the air-mail postage of covers flown in a balloon flight held for the Mexican Olympics (at Poznan)

## 96. Sheet of eight:

- a. Four blue labels in positions 1, 3, 6 & 8 depicting a balloon and a city-hall building.
- b. Two red labels in positions 2 & 7 depicting a Maya discus above Olympic rings/MEKSYK/1968
- c. Two red labels in positions 4 & 5 depicting a philatelic "TEMATICA/POZNAN/68" label above three Polish words

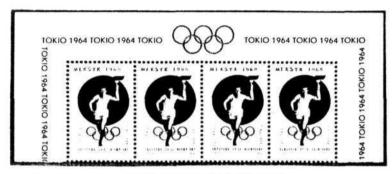
Text across top of sheet: 75 LECIE RUCHU FILATELISTYCZNEGO W POLSCE

Text across bottom of sheet: LOT BALONOWY Z OKAZJI XIX IGRZYSK OLIMPIJSKICH W MEKSYKU (Balloon flight on the occasion of the XIXth Olympic Games in Mexico)

Text at lower left corner of sheet: PZF POZNAN 37/68 5000 ARK (Poznan, Poland; 5000 sheets) 148x108mm, imperf, sheet texts are white, overall background is green



Poland. Mini-sheet



No.97, upper half of sheet

97. Same as sheet No.98 of the "1964 - Tokyo" section except MEKSYK 1968 is added across top of each label.

Several thousand labels remained in stock after the 1964 Games. The remainders were overprinted "GRENOBLE 1968" or "MEKSYK 1968" and the entire issue was eventually sold out.

Note: See No.17 of "1968 - Grenoble" section for other overprint

## 1967 and 1970 , Olympic-Related Labels

The following labels are Olympic-related but not issued on Olympiad years:

98. 1967/WINTER OLYMPIC/EXHIBITION/SAPPORO/ on a "text-only" label, no vignette.
33x18mm oval-shaped, self-adhesive label; imperf, margin and text are silver colored on blue background, back-up paper is tan \$1.00



The two following labels commemorate Olympic Day:

- 99. Greek text across top & across bottom; vignette: a gold map of the world on a light blue background; dark blue Olympic rings are superimposed on top of vignette; a "track" extends downward from the center ring. 43x29.5mm(overall), perf 11, text & track are black . \$1.00





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Note: Date of issue of No.99 is uncertain at this writing. Further information on dating and the significance of an "Olympic Day" is solicited from the reader.