

PERFIN STAMP IDENTIFIER

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The Commonwealth Stamp Store [Chris Stewart] has developed a "Perfin Identifier" and has been advertising it. The computer software is called "Sueco Stamp Identifier v8.4" which includes a Perfin Identifier Program. Perusal of the Spanish store website [www.commonwealthstamps.com] indicates how a perfin can be copied, the web page stating, *"Developed as requested for the perfin collectors worldwide. Build your own library of perfin patterns from stamps or reference materials. Accurate and extensive identification is possible using purchased or exchanged files, providing your stamp scans are of the same size. NO ready made files are supplied with the software"* leaving one to compare the perfin against purchased or exchanged files.

Has any member purchased this program and could they comment on it? and indicating whether or not such comments are for publication! Additionally is any member aware of files that exist other than those published as catalogues?



[Ed:- I have shown the sample perfin page above, taken from the website. As you can see the program appears to have a die comparison feature, which will compare your scan of the perfin die with a previous scan. It's not clear how the program accommodates misalignment or partial strikes. As Chris says the key question is where you can get perfin scans. The program costs £19.99+£1.50 shipping.]