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Reptiles. Lizards

On August 13, 2018 the Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus will issue 3 stamps “Lizards” of the series “Reptiles”.


No. 1269

Viviparous lizard

Elements of protection

No. 1270

Sand lizard

Elements of protection

No. 1271

Slow Worm

Elements of protection

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Face value A is equal to the tariff of a letter up to 20 gram within Belarus.
Face value M is equal to the air-mail tariff of a postcard abroad.
Face value H is equal to the surface tariff of a letter up to 20 gram abroad.

A sheetlet is also issued. **Sheetlet composition:** 3 (1 set) stamps. **Sheetlet size:** 127x74 mm. **Print quantity:** 20.000 sheetlets.

Reptiles are represented in Belarus by 7 species: one species of turtles (Pond turtle), three species of snakes (Smooth snake, Grass snake and Common European adder) and 3 species of lizards (Viviparous lizard, Sand lizard and Slow Worm).

The Viviparous lizard is the second most common species of reptiles after the Sand lizard. It has a special egg production: it does not lay eggs in the ground, but carries them inside its body.
The Sand lizard is the most popular type of reptiles in the republic. Its movements are quick, sharp and impulsive.
The Slow Worm is the only representative of legless lizards in Belarus. In many parts of the republic a Slow Worm is confused with a poisonous Smooth snake and it is mercilessly destroyed. The lizard has the ability to shed its tail as a defense mechanism.

A special cancellation on FDC will be carried out at the post office No.1 of Minsk (shop “Philately”, 16 Moskovskaya street) on the stamps issuing day.
3 maximum cards "Lizards" will be issued too. Artist A. Mityanin. Design by M. Vitkovskaya.