

## CENTENARY OF THE BIRTH OF SIR EDMUND PERCIVAL HILLARY



Magyar Posta is issuing a commemorative stamp in honour of the centenary of the birth of Sir Edmund Percival Hillary. One hundred and fifty thousand copies of the stamp designed by the graphic artist András Szunyoghy Jr were produced by ANY Security Printing Company. The new issue is available from Filaposta, philately specialist services, certain post offices and www.posta.hu.

Sir Edmund Percival Hillary, the legendary mountain climber, explorer and diplomat, and the Nepalese Sherpa Tenzing Norgay became the first people to reach the top of the highest mountain in the world. Apart from Mount Everest, Hillary was also the first person to conquer the North and South Poles.

During his life he established several schools, hospitals, airports and bridges, and contributed to building a number of monasteries. He raised and devoted large sums of money to helping the Nepalese people. His many honours include the Order of New Zealand, which he was the first to receive, and being knighted by Queen Elizabeth II.

The stamp depicts him and Sherpa Tenzing during the climb. On the first day cover, in addition to Hillary's portrait, there is a stylised map of the globe with the New Zealand mountaineer's signature pointing to the most important geographical locations of his life. The special postmark shows the summit of a mountain.

## Order code:

2019030010011 (stamp) 2019030060012 (FDC)

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**Face value/selling price:** HUF 445 (On the date of issue, this pays the postage of a Domestic priority letter up to 500 g as well as a priority other standard-sized letter, postcard and picture postcard up to 20 g to Europe.)

**Special feature:** the stamps are arranged head to tail in a tête-bêche format in the sheet

Printing technique: 4-colour offset

Number of copies: 150,000 stamps (50 stamps + 5 barcodes/sheet)

Perforated size of stamps: 25.5 x 40 mm

**Paper type:** White, wood-free, surface-treated, gummed stamp paper with optical whitener

Printed by ANY Biztonsági Nyomda Nyrt.

Designed by András Szunyoghy Jr.