The Icelandic Postal Administration considers it appropriate to call the attention of the public to the Icelandic style wrestling (glima) and swimming, which may be termed the national sports. In order to interest people in these sports, the Icelandic Government Post- and Telegraph Administration will, on August 9th 1955, issue two new ordinary stamps in the following designs:

75 aur. Brown.
Icelandic wrestling.
A popular sport in Iceland which has existed since the earliest times of settlement in the country.

Kr. 1,25. Blue.
Swimming has been cultivated from ancient times in Iceland and has in recent years become even more popular. The conditions for cultivating this sport are excellent — because of the unlimited supply of natural thermal water, which is harnessed to the swimming pools.

Inscription on both stamps:
"Góði íþrótt er gulli betri."  
(A noble sport is more precious than gold).

The designs of these stamps are done by the artist, Mr. Stefán Jónsson, Reykjavík. The engraving and printing by the firm of Thomas de la Rue & Co., Ltd., London, in single Direct Plate and in sheets of 100 stamps.
Customers are requested to send payment plus postage with their orders by International Postal Orders or by Checks payable through banks in Great Britain, U.S.A., Denmark, Norway or Sweden.

The amount can also be paid to the account of:

"Direction Générale des Postes d'Islande" at the following banks:

Bergens Privatbank, Kirkegata 23, Oslo.
Skandinaviska Banken, Stockholm 16.
Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 140 Broadway, New York.

The present rate of exchange is as follows:

1 £ . . . . . . . Icelandic kr. 45,60
1 Danish Kr. . . . " " 2,36
1 Norwegian Kr. . . " " 2,28
1 Swedish kr. . . . " " 3,15
1 U.S.A. $ . . . . . " " 16,30

Respectfully,

FRÎMERKJASALAN
Direction Générale des Postes.