
SWITZERLAND THE FIRST STAMP FOR SPORT



Sport in Switzerland is to benefit from the recent issue of the first sports stamp with surcharge. The stamp, with a value of 50+20 centimes, is the first of a series which will be appearing at irregular intervals. The revenue from the surcharge is intended for the entire sports movement in Switzerland.

The motif of this stamp, chosen by an official jury from among ten designs submitted, is the work of the Bern painter and graphic artist Kurt Wirth, designer of a number of highly successful postage stamps in recent years. **He** has created, in tones of lilac, a beautiful synthesis of strength, elegance and movement. The juxtaposition of silhouettes representing gymnastics and jogging forms a modern and highly expressive picture.