



## Red Cross

The French Red Cross (*Croix-Rouge Française*), is the National Red Cross Society in France founded in 1864. Recognized as a public utility since 1945, the French Red Cross is one of the 191 national societies of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. It has more than 62,000 volunteers and 17000 employees. Its network consists of 1062 local offices, 108 departmental and territorial delegations and 634 social, medico-social and health establishments throughout France, including the overseas departments and territories.

France is the first country to issue Red Cross stamps with a surcharge in 1914. Since then, France has issued 154 such issues in the Metropole and in its overseas territories.

France  
5 May 1962 National Hospital Week. Nurse and Child



### 1960 Red Cross Fund



L'Hospital (Statesman)



Boileau (Poet)



Turenne (Military Leader)



Bizet (Composer)



Degas (Painter)



St.Martin (after 6<sup>th</sup> Century) Wood Carving