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As promised, the column starts today "**SchedeLeaks**"; column that deals in depth with the various aspects related to the magnetization of Italian telephone cards.

Below we offer a brief introduction to the various topics covered, one per week (indicatively), the result of the studies of Gianfranco and mine (Stefano).

MAGNETIC BAND TECHNOLOGY

1976: this is the year in which for the first time in the world, after years of preliminary studies, the prepaid telephone card appears on the market.

The telephone card was born in Italy from the collaboration between the Italian Society for Telephone Operation SIP and a company specialized in the production of automatic vending machines, SIDA of Montichiari (BS).

The success was immediate: the uncomfortable and heavy token was quickly replaced by the light telephone card, a thin rectangle of cardboard (and later of PVC) with a magnetic strip on which the remaining value available to call is stamped. This is a real revolution for Italians, which in the following years will change the way of communicating for entire generations.

In these first pages we will talk about the history of the telephone card, with particular attention to the technologies of the SIDA and Urmet magnetic stripe.

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TYPES OF CONDITION OF MAGNETISM

There are telephone cards in very different conditions on the collector's market. As mentioned, in addition to the aesthetic conditions, before proceeding to purchase a phone card, it is important to know the condition of magnetism.

In this chapter we will describe the various types of conditions in which magnetism can be found, paying attention to how to recognize the differences. We will also mention the value of a demagnetized card or one with non-compliant magnetism compared to the original magnetized one.

MAGNETIZATION CONTROL TOOLS

To be perfectly collectable, a phone card must be in good aesthetic condition and must have original magnetism, thanks to which it could be used for the purpose for which it was produced: to telephone. Demagnetized or reloaded cards should not be thrown away, of course, but their value is lower and it is therefore important to be informed on the subject.

In the previous chapter we mentioned the different types of conditions of magnetism that can be found on a card; in this chapter we will describe the various magnetization control instruments for collecting purposes, paying attention to their advantages and disadvantages: the iron filings, the magnetic lens, the internal code reader and, obviously ... L'Ettorino.

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INTERNAL CODES

After a series of chapters in which we have tried to clarify the fundamental characteristics of the magnetization of telephone cards, let's now move on to the last chapter, the most innovative and most technical of the entire column: we will therefore speak at length about the so-called "internal codes" of magnetization.

Given the technical language used and the importance of the topics covered, we decided to divide this chapter into several paragraphs, in order to clarify any doubts relating to the previous paragraph before introducing new concepts.

Below you can find the list of topics that will be covered.

Use of internal codes in SIP

Collecting importance of internal codes Structure of the codes

Possible values for internal codes Examples of internal codes

Difference between A-coding and B-coding

Emission logic

Logic for issuing free Urmet white / red cards

Analysis of a "box" Curiosities, various and possible

In the hope of being able to continue to obtain better and better results from our studies, we do not believe we have to consider the previous list exhausted, whose purpose is only to introduce most of the topics that we will deal with in the next chapters.

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