

### Ireland Issued ELO 7" Singles Front & Rear Sleeves



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Often as little as 250 Irish pressings were made, if they sold out then either another 250 pressings were made, or a few hundred UK pressings were imported.

So if you went into a record shop in Ireland, (for example looking for Evil Woman), you might get an Irish copy if you were lucky, or a UK issue or sometimes the Irish & UK pressings were mixed together.

The Harvest issues should have been sold in EMI company sleeves, but Ireland didn't always receive large enough sleeve quantities from EMI in Hayes. The Polydor pressings should have been issued in Polydor company sleeve's.

As with most Irish pressings in the 1970's, the United Artists and Jet Records pressings were sold in plain white sleeves, occasionally a Jet Records company sleeve might have been used.

Post 1981 Irish issued singles usually had UK picture sleeves or their company sleeves (but not always!).

The Irish record pressing plant in Dublin pressed 7" singles with a 4 prong push out rough centre section, these became known as "lunar" or "moon surface" centres as they are said to resemble the Moon's surface.

During the 1970's and 1980's, VAT was applied to all imports from the UK and Mainland Europe. Although records were mainly manufactured at 2 plants (EMI in Waterford in the 1970's and Carlton Productions, Dublin in the 80's), very often the labels were UK printed, as this didn't attract VAT, so you had quite a number of Irish produced singles, with UK labels attached.

There are a number of Irish Pressing traits ...

CP or CP mark denotes Carlton Productions TB (Intertwined Letters) denotes "Plated by TB" who worked at Carlton productions

Some 1970's releases added the IRL stamp into the runouts .. such as in some Pink Floyd 45's

The Carlton production issues from the 1980's mainly (but not always) have a slight to strong brown translucency when held up to a bright light

# Other Charted ELO 7" Singles in Ireland.

The following ELO singles also charted in Ireland, but I do not know if there were any actual Irish pressings issued or if UK issues were imported:

Wild West Here - No 9 The ELO EP - No 15 Twilight - No 18 Ticket To The Moon/Here Is The News - No 17 Secret Messages - No 16

I welcome more information on the above.