

ANNEX D

GUIDELINES FOR GEODETIC CONTROL POINT DESIGNATIONS

A geodetic control point is a monumented or otherwise marked, survey point established for the purpose of providing geodetic reference for mapping and charting activities and for a wide variety of engineering and scientific applications. A control point is normally identified by a number, an alphanumeric symbol, or a concise, intelligible name which is usually stamped on the disk marker. In principle, the designation by which a control point is identified should closely resemble the stamping that appears on the respective marker. However, extraneous information is frequently present which should not be included as part of the designation. In every case, the designation assigned to a control point for processing purposes must be identical to the designation that appears in the heading of the station description.

These guidelines have been established to provide consistent control point designations and facilitate automated processing of the data. Implementation of these guidelines may sometimes result in two or more control points having the same designation. In such cases it will be necessary to refer to other information in the description to completely identify the control point. Sample formats for the various designations are given in this annex.

GUIDELINES

1. A control point designation must not exceed 25 alphanumeric characters for vertical control and 30 alphanumeric characters for GNSS control surveys, including all embedded blanks. When necessary, abbreviate and/or edit an existing designation to conform to this limit.
2. The year the mark was set is considered extraneous information and is not to be carried as part of a control point designation. For marks whose designations have not been altered when they were reset, the word RESET must be appended to the original designations. This also holds true for control points which have been reset more than once. In such cases the year given in the "year set" field will be used to distinguish the marks.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| USGS BM Disk | TT 8 RESET 1965 | TT 8 RESET |
| CGS BM Disk | LAKE WASHINGTON RESET 1970 | LAKE WASHINGTON RESET |
| CGS Tri Sta Disk | BRADY 1951 | BRADY |
| CGS BM Disk | ONEAL 1 1954 | ONEAL 1 |
| CGS BM Disk | DE KALB 1934 | DEKALB |
| NCGS Trav Sta Disk | MC CALL 1968 | MCCALL |
| CGS Tri Sta Disk | DODGE 2 1969 | DODGE 2 |
| CGS Tri Sta Disk | SPIT 1953 1983 | SPIT RESET |
| USGS Survey Disk | PRIM TRAV STA NO 185 1915 | PTS 185 |

3. The acronym or abbreviation of the agency or organization whose name is precast or sometimes stamped in the survey marker is considered extraneous information and should not be included in the control point designation.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| FLGS BM Disk | 203 RESET 1950 | 203 RESET |
| FLGS BM Disk | 203 RESET 1967 | 203 RESET |
| FLGS BM Disk | 203 RESET 1967 MAY | 203 RESET MAY |
| USGS BM Disk | 2903 | 2903 |
| MORC Gaging Sta | GAGING STA | GAGING STA |
| RIRR Disk | RV 16 | RV 16 |
| USGS Chis Square | <i>no stamping</i> | WO 23 RM=148 RM |
| USGS Survey Disk | WO 23 1933 | WO 23 |
| USGS Survey Disk | WO 23 1933 RESET 1962 | WO 23 RESET |
| PP+L Survey Disk | P 11 PPL RESET 1976 | P 11 RESET |

4. The following special characters are allowed, though not encouraged, in a control point designation and alias. Stampings should try to reflect as closely as possible what is on the disk.

| | |
|---------------|-----|
| Ampersand | & |
| Blank | |
| Comma | , |
| Equals | = |
| Forward Slash | / |
| Minus/Hyphen | - |
| Parenthesis | () |
| Period | . |
| Plus | + |
| Single quote | ' |
| Underscore | _ |

The following characters are not allowed

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Asterisk | * |
| Back slash | \ |
| Colon | ; |
| Exclamation | ! |
| Greater than | > |
| Less than | < |
| Quote | " |
| Question mark | ? |
| Semi-colon | : |

Most alpha and numeric character groupings in a designation should be separated by a single blank (). No string of special characters should exist in the designation.

Following are examples of traditional use of special characters in designations.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Survey Disk | TT17B | TT 17 B |
| Survey Disk | TT-17B | TT-17B |
| Base Station | <i>no stamping</i> | NMTU_NM BASE APR |
| AZDT Disk | STATION 11+14 | ROUTE 244 STA 11+14 |
| Highway Disk | 2623 + 00 | I95 STA 2623+00 |
| USGS Nail (Tag) | -227.10 5-23-55 | -227.10 |
| CGS BM Disk | -193.097 F 70 1928 | F 70 |
| USGS BM Disk | ELEV -7.325 FT | -7.325 |
| USGS Chis Square | <i>no stamping</i> | WO 23 RM=148 RM |
| CADH Survey Disk | CH 1174 | CH 1174=297+00 A |
| Unk Survey Disk | STA. NO. 3 | STA 3=MI 182.5 |
| CGS Ref Mark Disk | LEE NO 1 1932 | LEE RM 1=R 13 |
| CGS Tri Sta Disk | 68.399 B 22 | ATKINSON 1918 |
| USGS Cap | U 276 1942 | ATKINSON=B 22 45=U 276 |

NOTE: In situations where there are multiple designations that either do not appear stamped on the mark or are too long to be accommodated by the allowable character limit for the designation, the secondary designation may be given as a separate data item and carried as an alias in the appropriate field.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| USGLO Survey Disk | T1N R3E S35 S36 1/4 1943 | T1N R3E SECS 35 36 1/4 COR |
| MADPW Survey Disk | ELEV. B.M. NO. F 40 | F 40 |
| CGS Ref Mark Disk | W. BASE NO 4 1965 | CHARLESTON W BASE RM 4 |
| CADWR Survey Disk | MI. 0.9 1967 | AMERICAN CANAL MI 0.9 CGS |
| Tri Sta Disk | PALMER N.E. BASE | PALMER NE BASE |
| CGS BM Disk | MT. MORRIS 1941 | MT MORRIS |

5. Nonspecific descriptive terms are not to be treated as "double designations" and are not to be carried as aliases.

| Published as | Stamped | Designation |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| BENCH MARK 2 | <i>no stamping</i> | 2 |
| 114.3, Chis Square | <i>no stamping</i> | 114.3 |
| C 1, Bolt | <i>no stamping</i> | C 1 |

6. The characters "BM", "BENCH MARK", and "PBM", even when stamped on a disk, are not to be included in a designation unless the control point has no other stamping (e.g., BM USGS) or the characters "BM" do not represent the words "BENCH MARK."

7. The elevation stamped on the disk marker on the monument is not to be carried as a part of the respective designation. The exception is when the elevation is the only means of identifying the survey mark.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| CGS BM Disk | H 325 230.695FT | H 325 |
| MORC Disk | 140B ELEV 95.3 FT | 140 B |
| USGS BM Disk | -9.825 FT | -9.825 |
| BOR Survey Disk | ELEV. 101.6 | 101.6 |

8. The characters "NO" or "No.", when used as an abbreviation for the word "number", should not be included in the designation, even when they are stamped in the disk.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|
| CGS Ref Mark Disk | | MONROE RM 1 |
| CGS BM Disk | | 6 |

9. The designation for a reference mark disk should be formed by appending the symbols RM 1, RM 2, ..., RM 13, etc. to the name of the horizontal control point for reference marks stamped NO 1, NO 2, ..., NO 13, etc., respectively.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|-------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| CGS Ref Mark Disk | CHARLOTTE NO. 1 1945 | CHARLOTTE RM 1 |
| CGS Ref Mark Disk | BOULDER 1935 NO 6 1968 | BOULDER RM 6 |
| CGS Ref Mark Disk | CHICO 1948 NO 3 RESET 1971 | CHICO RM 3 RESET |

10. The designation for an azimuth mark disk is formed by appending the characters "AZ MK" to the name of the respective horizontal control point. In the case of multiple azimuth marks, the numbers "2", "3", etc. are added for azimuth marks stamped NO 2, NO 3, etc.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| CGS Az Mark Disk | CHARLOTTE 1934 | CHARLOTTE AZ MK |
| CGS Az Mark Disk | BOULDER 1935 NO. 3 | BOULDER AZ MK 3 |
| CGS Az Mark Disk | NORWASH AZI 1932 | NORWASH AZ MK |
| CGS Az Mark Disk | PARK AZ RESET 1965 | PARK AZ MK RESET |

11. A temporary bench mark (TBM) must carry the letters "TBM" as the first three characters of the designation.

| Monument | Stamped | Designation |
|----------|--------------------|-------------|
| Spike | <i>no stamping</i> | TBM 1 A |
| Sidewalk | <i>no stamping</i> | TBM 14 |

12. The [National Ocean Service](#) (NOS) has instituted a standard system of designations for all tidal and water level stations operated by NOS. The system provides for the unique identification of all disks, staffs, etc., located at such stations (e.g., see Formats in this annex).

Tidal and water level bench mark designations must conform to standard designations adopted by the National Ocean Service. For information concerning specific tide gage bench marks, etc., communicate with:

User Services
Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS)
1305 East-West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3281
Phone: (301) 713-2815
Fax: (301) 713-4500
E-mail: User Services (Tide.Predictions@noaa.gov)

Whenever the need arises for a guideline to deal with a situation not covered herein, the user is encouraged to contact the Bluebook team of the Observation and Analysis Division, NGS at ngs.bluebook@noaa.gov .

ABBREVIATIONS

A list of standard abbreviations has been adopted for use in designating geodetic control points. These abbreviations are for terms that commonly occur in designations and are the only accepted forms of abbreviation. This list may be extended as the need arises.

Geodetic control point abbreviations

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| A POINT | A PT |
| ACADEMY | ACAD |
| ADMINISTRATION | ADM |
| AGENCY | AGY |
| AGRICULTURE | AGRI |
| AHEAD | AHD |
| AIRCRAFT | ARCFT |
| AIRPORT | APT |
| AIRWAY | AWY |
| AIR FORCE BASE | AFB |
| ALLEGHENY | ALGHNY |
| AMBASSADOR | AMB |
| AMENDED | AMD |
| AMENDED MONUMENT (AM) | AMD MON |
| AMERICAN | AMER |
| ANGLE | ANG |
| ANGLE POINT (AP) | ANG PT |
| ANTENNA | ANT |
| APPALACHIAN | APLCN |
| APPROXIMATELY | APPROX |
| ASSOCIATION | ASSOC |
| ASTRONOMICAL | ASTRO |
| ASYLUM | ASY |
| ATLANTIC | AT |
| AUTHORITY | AUTH |
| AUXILIARY | AUX |
| AUXILIARY MEANDER CORNER (AMC) | AUX MDR COR |
| AVENUE | AVE |
| AVIATION | AVN |
| AZIMUTH | AZ |
| BACK | BCK |
| BANK | BK |
| BANKING | BKG |
| BAPTIST | BAP |

Notes:

1. Abbreviations listed with () are used by the Bureau of Land Management.
2. The cardinal directions (E, S, W, N, NE, SE, SW, and NW) are to be abbreviated only when they are not the first word of the designation.

Geodetic control point abbreviations (con't.)

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| BATTERY | BTRY |
| BEACON | BCN |
| BEARING | BRG |
| BEARING OBJECT (BO) | BRG OBJ |
| BEARING TREE (BT) | BRG TREE |
| BELFRY | BFRY |
| BETWEEN | BET |
| BOULEVARD | BLVD |
| BOUNDARY | BDRY |
| BREAKWATER | BRKWTR |
| BRICK | BR |
| BROADCASTING | BCSTG |
| BROTHER | BRO |
| BROTHERS | BROS |
| BUILDING | BLDG |
| BUREAU | BUR |
| CAPITOL | CAP |
| CATHEDRAL | CATHL |
| CATHOLIC | CATH |
| CEMETERY | CEM |
| CENTER (C) | CEN |
| CENTERLINE | CL |
| CERAMIC | CERAM |
| CHEMICAL | CHEM |
| CHIMNEY | CHIM |
| CHURCH | CH |
| CLOCK | CLK |
| CLOSING CORNER (CC) | CC |
| COLLEGE | COLL |
| COMMERCE | COM |
| COMMERCIAL | COML |
| COMMISSION | COMM |
| COMPANY | CO |
| COMPRESS | COMP |
| CONCENTRATION | CONCN |
| CONCEPTION | CON |
| CONCRETE | CONC |
| CONGREGATIONAL | CONG |
| CONSOLIDATED | CONSOL |
| CONSTRUCTION | CONSTR |
| CONTINENTAL | CONTL |
| CONTROL | CTRL |
| COOPERATIVE | COOP |
| CORNER | COR |
| CORPORATION | CORP |
| CORRECTIONAL | CORR |
| COUNTRY | CTRY |
| COUNTY | CNTY |
| COURTHOUSE | CTHSE |
| CUPOLA | CUP |
| DAYBEACON | DBCN |
| DEFENSE | DEF |
| DEPARTMENT | DEPT |
| DISTRIBUTOR | DISTR |

Geodetic control point abbreviations (con't.)

| | |
|--------------|---------|
| DIVISION | DIV |
| DOMESTIC | DOM |
| DORMITORY | DORM |
| DRAWBRIDGE | DBRIDGE |
| EAST | E |
| ECCENTRIC | ECC |
| EDUCATION | EDUC |
| ELECTRIC | ELEC |
| ELEMENTARY | ELEM |
| ELEVATION | ELEV |
| ELEVATED | ELEV D |
| ELEVATOR | ELEVR |
| ENGINEERING | ENG |
| ENGRAVING | ENGR |
| ENTRANCE | ENTR |
| EPISCOPAL | EPIS |
| EQUIPMENT | EQPT |
| EVANGELICAL | EVAN |
| EXCHANGE | EXCH |
| EXPERIMENTAL | EXPTL |
| FEDERAL | FED |
| FINIAL | FIN |
| FIRST | 1ST |
| FLAGPOLE | FP |
| FLAGSTAFF | FS |
| FOURTH | 4TH |
| FRONT RANGE | FRGE |
| FURNITURE | FURN |
| GABLE | GAB |
| GENERAL | GEN |
| GEODETTIC | GEOD |
| GEOGRAPHIC | GEOG |
| GEOLOGICAL | GEOL |
| GOVERNMENT | GOVT |
| GROWERS | GROS |
| HARBOR | HBR |
| HARDWARE | HDWE |
| HEADQUARTERS | HQ |
| HEIGHTS | HTS |
| HIGHWAY | HWY |
| HISTORICAL | HIST |
| HOSPITAL | HOSP |
| HOUSE | HSE |
| HYDRO | HYD |
| IMMACULATE | IMM |
| IMPLEMENT | IMPL |
| IMPORT | IMP |
| INCINERATOR | INCIN |
| INCORPORATED | INC |
| INDEPENDENT | IND |
| INDUSTRIAL | INDL |
| INDUSTRY | INDY |
| INFIRMARY | INFIRM |
| INSTITUTE | INST |
| INSTITUTION | INSTN |

Geodetic control point abbreviations (con't.)

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| INSURANCE | INS |
| INTERNATIONAL | INTL |
| INTERSTATE | INTST |
| INTERSECT | INT |
| INVESTMENT | INVT |
| IRRIGATION | IRRIG |
| ISLAND | IS |
| JUNCTION | JCT |
| LABORATORY | LAB |
| LANDING | LDG |
| LATITUDE | LAT |
| LATTER DAY SAINTS | LDS |
| LEATHER | LEA |
| LEFT | LT ** |
| LIGHT | LT |
| LIGHTHOUSE | LH |
| LOCAL | LCL |
| LOCATION | LOC |
| LOCATION MONUMENT (LM) | LOC MON |
| LOOKOUT | LO |
| LOOKOUT HOUSE | LOH |
| LOOKOUT TOWER | LOT |
| LONGITUDE | LON |
| LUMBER | LUM |
| LUTHERAN | LUTH |
| MACHINERY | MACH |
| MAGAZINE | MAGZ |
| MAGNETIC | MAG |
| MAINTENANCE | MAINT |
| MANUFACTURED | MFD |
| MANUFACTURING | MFG |
| MARK | MK |
| MARKET | MKT |
| MAST | MST |
| MEANDER | MDR |
| MEANDER CORNER (MC) | MDR COR |
| MERCHANDISE | MDSE |
| MERCANTILE | MERC |
| METHODIST | METH |
| METROPOLITAN | MET |
| MICROWAVE | MV |
| MILE or MILES | MI |
| MILEPOST | MP |
| MILITARY | MIL |
| MILLING | MILL |
| MONUMENT | MON |
| MOUNT | MT |
| MOUNTAIN | MTN |
| MUNICIPAL | MUN |
| MUSEUM | MUS |
| NATIONAL | NAT |
| NAVIGATION | NAV |
| NEAR | NR |

**The abbreviations R, T, LT, and RT must be adjacent to at least one numeric character.

Geodetic control point abbreviations (con't.)

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| NORTH | N |
| NORTHEAST | NE |
| NORTHWEST | NW |
| OBJECT | OBJ |
| OBSERVATION | OBS |
| OBSERVATORY | OBSY |
| OBSTRUCTION | OBSTR |
| OFFICE | OFF |
| ORDNANCE | ORD |
| ORGANIZATION | ORG |
| ORTHODOX | ORTH |
| PEAK | PK |
| PENINSULA | PEN |
| PETROLEUM | PET |
| PINNACLE | PCL |
| PLANT | PLT |
| POINT | PT |
| POINT A | PTA |
| POINT OF CURVE | POC |
| POINT OF INTERSECTION | PI |
| POINT OF TANGENT | POT |
| POLICE | POL |
| POWER | PWR |
| POWERHOUSE | PHSE |
| PRESBYTERIAN | PRESB |
| PRIMARY | PRIM |
| PRIMARY TRAVERSE STATION | PTS |
| PRINTING | PTG |
| PROCESS | PRCS |
| PRODUCING | PRODG |
| PRODUCT | PROD |
| PROPERTIES | PROP |
| PROTESTANT | PROT |
| PUBLIC | PUB |
| PUBLISHING | PUBG |
| QUARTER | QTR |
| RADIO | RAD |
| RAILROAD | RR |
| RAILWAY | RWY |
| RANGE | RGE |
| RANGE (Township) | R ** |
| REAR RANGE | RRGE |
| REFERENCE | REF |
| REFERENCE MARK | RM |
| REFERENCE MONUMENT (RM) | REF MON |
| REFERENCE POINT | RP |
| REFINING | REFG |
| REFORMED | REFM |
| REFRIGERATING | REFRIG |
| RESET | RST |
| RIGHT | RT ** |

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Geodetic control point abbreviations (con't.)

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| ROAD | RD |
| ROMAN | ROM |
| ROUTE | RTE |
| RUNWAY | RNWX |
| SAINT | ST |
| SANITARY | SANIT |
| SANITARIUM | SAN |
| SAVINGS | SVGS |
| SCHOOL | SCH |
| SCHOOLHOUSE | SCHSE |
| SCIENTIFIC | SCI |
| SECOND | 2ND |
| SECTION | SEC |
| SECTIONS | SECS |
| SEMINARY | SEM |
| SERVICE | SERV |
| SOCIETY | SOC |
| SOUTH | S |
| SOUTHEAST | SE |
| SOUTHWEST | SW |
| SPECIAL | SPL |
| SPECIAL MEANDER CORNER (SMC) | SPL MDR COR SPIRE |
| | SP |
| SQUARE | SQ |
| STACK | STK |
| STANDARD | STD |
| STANDARD CORNER (SC) | SC |
| STANDPIPE | SPIPE |
| STATION | STA |
| STEEPLE | STPE |
| STORAGE | STGE |
| STREET | STR |
| SUBURBAN | SUBR |
| SUPERINTENDENT | SUPT |
| TANK | TK |
| TANGENT | TAN |
| TANGENT OFFSET | TOS |
| TECHNICAL | TECH |
| TELEGRAPH | TELG |
| TELEPHONE | TEL |
| TEMP POINT A | TP A |
| TERMINAL | TERM |
| TERRITORY | TERR |
| THEOLOGICAL | THEO |
| THIRD | 3RD |
| TOWER | TWR |
| TOWNSHIP | TWP |
| TOWNSHIP (Tier) | T ** |
| TRACT | TR |
| TRANSCONTINENTAL | TRANSCON |
| TRANSMISSION | TRANSM |

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Geodetic control point abbreviations (Con't.)

| | |
|--------------------------|--------|
| TRANSPORTATION | TRANSP |
| TRAVERSE | TRAV |
| TRAVERSE STATION | TS |
| TRIANGLE | TRI |
| TURNPIKE | TPK |
| UNITARIAN | UNIT |
| UNIVERSITY | UNIV |
| VACUUM | VAC |
| VERTEX | VTX |
| VILLAGE | VIL |
| WATER | WT |
| WEST | W |
| WAREHOUSE | WHSE |
| WINDMILL | WMILL |
| WITNESS CORNER (WC) | WC |
| WITNESS POST (WP), wood | WP |
| WITNESS POST, metal | MWP |
| WITNESS POST, fiberglass | FWP |

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FORMATS

Only NGS employees and agents may set brass disks and aluminum flanges precast with NGS logo. Such marks must be stamped with designations supplied by the agency.

Each geodetic control point designation should be unique among all the designations located within a defined region.

Format

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Figures

[D.1](#) Layout of Standard Parallels and Guide Meridians
[D.2](#) T14N R23E SECS (1 - 36) as shown in Figure D.1
[D.3](#) Designations for East/West Boundary Corners
[D.4](#) Designations for North/South Boundary Corners

Geodetic control points

FORMAT: NAME SPECIAL

1. NAME

- A. The following method is generally used for naming vertical control points (bench marks). The first mark established in a state is designated "A", then "B" and so on through the alphabet, except the letters "I" and "O" which are not used because they are too easily confused with the numbers "1" and "0". The next series of marks is identified as "A 1", "B 1", etc.; then "A 2", "B 2", etc., and so on through the alphabet. In some cases, more than one letter is used to distinguish between bench marks that have accidentally been given the same name in the same state.

- B. The following method is generally used for naming a horizontal control point (triangulation or traverse). The name should serve not only to identify the station but to suggest the local geographic location or feature. The name should be used only once within a county and preferably a given state. Therefore, use sufficient variety to avoid duplication. A short name is desirable, but if a longer name is required to properly serve the purpose, it should be used. In those cases where a well-known geographical feature in the vicinity is used, or the name of a local landowner, the name should be spelled correctly.

2. SPECIAL USE

- A. These terms are used with vertical control points to distinguish between names used more than once in a state or to indicate disturbance of the original bench mark (e.g., "RESET").
- B. These terms are used with horizontal control points to explain a local use or disturbance to the original mark or its designation.

Examples:

Geodetic control points

| NAME | | SPECIAL |
|---------|---------|---------|
| Station | Number | Use |
| A | | |
| L | 690 | |
| L | 690 | RESET |
| YY | 1150 | |
| C | 1244 | X |
| LEON | | |
| LEON | | ECC |
| LEON | | RESET |
| LEON | RM 1 | |
| LEON | RM 2 | |
| LEON | AZ MK | |
| LEON | AZ MK | RESET |
| LEON | AZ MK | PTA |
| LEON | AZ MK 2 | |
| LEON 2 | | |
| LEON 2 | RM 3 | |
| LEON 2 | RM 4 | |
| LEON 2 | AZ MK | |
| LEON 2 | AZ MK 2 | |

Tide station bench marks

FORMAT: LOCATION OBJECT SPECIAL

1. LOCATION Code and Station

- A. The location has two parts, the first part, the CODE, is a 3-digit State code given for each geographical region.
- B. The second part of the location, the STATION NUMBER, is an unique 4-digit number assigned to a particular tide station within a given geographical area.

2. OBJECT Identification

- A. The MARK USE gives information on the nature of the object which was used.
- B. The PUBLICATION NAME is used to give the proper identification of the object. In most cases, this field should be based on the stamping. If there is no stamping, use the name given in the tidal publication. In either case, this field is subject to the guidelines given in this Annex.

3. SPECIAL Use

This term is used to explain a local use or disturbance to the original mark. NOTE: If other types of marks are used in tidal surveys, see other format rules for their primary designations; and add aliases according to the following examples:

| | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Mark type | DS (Triangulation Station Mark) |
| Stamping | BREACH |
| 1963 Primary designation | BREACH |
| Alias | 866 5552 TIDAL |
| | |
| Mark type | DB (Bench Mark Disk) |
| Stamping | V 163 RESET |
| 1984 Primary designation | V 163 RESET |
| Alias | 872 9871 |
| TIDAL | |

Examples

Tide station bench marks set before or about 1976

| -- LOCATION | | OBJECT SPECIAL | | |
|---------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Code State | Station No. | Mark use | Identification Publication name | Use |
| 866 | 1684 | TIDAL | HB 1 | |
| 857 | 4680 | TIDAL | BASIC | |

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|------|-------|------|
| TBM | 872 | 2029 | STAFF | 6 FT |
|-----|-----|------|-------|------|

Electric (or "zero electric") tape gage reading marks at tide stations

| TEMPORAL | LOCATION | | OBJECT | SPECIAL |
|-----------|------------|-------------|----------------|---------|
| Reference | Code State | Station No. | Identification | Use |
| TBM | 872 | 9678 | ETG READ MK | |

Staffs located at water level stations

| TEMPORAL | LOCATION | | OBJECT | SPECIAL |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------|
| Reference | Code Cutter | Station No. | Identification | Use |
| TBM | 906 | 3000 | STAFF | 6 FT |

Electric tape gage (ETG) reading marks at water level stations

| TEMPORAL | LOCATION | | OBJECT | SPECIAL |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------|
| Reference | Code Cutter | Station No. | Identification | Use |
| TBM | 907 | 5099 | ETG READ MK | |

Water level station bench marks

FORMAT: LOCATION OBJECT SPECIAL

1. LOCATION Code and Station

- A. The first part of the location is the 3-digit code for defining a part of a lake or channel within the CUTTER Code System.
- B. The second part of the location, the STATION NUMBER, is a unique 4-digit number assigned to the water level station within a given geographical area.

2. OBJECT Identification

In most cases, this field should be based on the stamping. If there is no stamping, use the name given in the water level publication. In either case, this field is subject to the guidelines given in this annex.

3. SPECIAL Use

These character strings are used to explain some local use or disturbance to the original mark. NOTE: If other types of marks are used in water level surveys, see other format rules for their primary designation and add an alias according to the following example:

| | | |
|---------------------|------------|----------------------|
| Mark type | F | (flange-encased rod) |
| Stamping | C 234 1980 | (on logo cap) |
| Primary designation | C 234 | |
| Alias | 906 3087 | |

Examples

Water level station bench marks set before or about 1976

| LOCATION | | OBJECT | SPECIAL |
|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------|
| Code Cutter | Station No | Identification | Use |
| 907 | 5098 | ROAD A | |
| 907 | 5098 | ROAD A | RESET |

Water level station bench marks set after about 1976

| LOCATION | | OBJECT | SPECIAL |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------|
| Code Cutter | Station No. | Identification | Use |
| 907 | 5085 | F | |
| 907 | 5085 | F | RESET |

Airport runways

FORMAT: ALIGNMENT OBJECT LOCATION SPECIAL

1. ALIGNMENT Survey Name

Use the proper NAME of the town, city, or a geographic location within the area for the airport.

2. OBJECT Identification

Enter the type of alignment object, in this case it is the airport RUNWAY.

3. LOCATION Station (Runway Number) and Tangent Offset (TOS)

A. The location has two parts, the first part is called the runway number and should be a 2-digit numerical value. These two digits are taken from the first two digits of the 3-digit runway (measured from north) azimuth, i.e., 01, 13, 22, or 34 which were taken from the azimuths of 010, 130, 220, and 340 respectively.

B. The second part of the location, the tangent offset (TOS), is the location of the control point in question with respect to the center of the alignment, that is, the distance (in meters/feet) either left or right.

4. SPECIAL Use

Terms such as A PT, ECC, HUB, PTA, RESET, and TP A are used to explain a local use or disturbance to the original mark.

Examples

Airport

runways

| ALIGNMENT | OBJECT | LOCATION | | SPECIAL |
|---------------------|----------------|----------|--------|---------|
| Survey name | Identification | Station | TOS | Use |
| KENNEWICK AIRPORT | | | | |
| KENNEWICK AIRPORT | | | | ECC |
| KENNEWICK AIRPORT | | | | RESET |
| KENNEWICK APT AZ MK | | | | |
| KENNEWICK APT | RUNWAY | 00 | OFFSET | HUB |
| KENNEWICK APT | RUNWAY | 36 | CL | |
| KENNEWICK APT | RNWX | 02 | CL | |
| KENNEWICK APT | RNWX | 20 | CL | |

Political
boundaries

| | | | | | |
|---------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| FORMAT: | ALIGNMENT | OBJECT | DESIGNATE | POLITICAL | SPECIAL |
|---------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|---------|

1. ALIGNMENT Survey

The term BOUNDARY is used when two or more participants are in common or adjacent to an alignment.

2. OBJECT Identification

Enter the type of alignment object, such as name, station, miles, mileposts, monuments, reference points, etc.

3. DESIGNATE Reference

The designate reference is used to identify the unique number, letters, or symbols that describe the control point.

4. POLITICAL Participants

- A. All participants in common or adjacent to the alignment boundary are listed in alphabetical order.
- B. The political participants to be selected and entered first will be by the following order: international, federal, reservations, state, county, municipal, and private.
- C. The selection order will provide the correct entries for the country/state and county fields used within the NGS data base.

5. SPECIAL Use

Terms such as A PT, ECC, HUB, PTA, RESET, and TP A are used to explain a local use or disturbance to the original mark.

Examples

Political
boundaries

| - ALIGNMENT | OBJECT SPECIAL | DESIGNATE | POLITICAL | |
|-------------|-------------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| Survey | Identification | Reference | Participants | Use |
| BOUNDARY | MONUMENT | 84 A | MX US | RESET |
| BOUNDARY | MILEPOST | 360 | ND SD | |
| BOUNDARY | TRAVERSE STATION | 110 A | CD US | ECC |
| BOUNDARY | ARC STONE | 14 | DE PA | RESET |
| BOUNDARY | CORNER STONE | 2 | MD PA | |
| BOUNDARY | TANGENT STONE | 1 | DE MD | |

| | | | | |
|----------|-----------------|--------|-------|--|
| BOUNDARY | INTERSECT STONE | OFFSET | DE PA | |
| BOUNDARY | POINT | 24 | CD US | |
| BOUNDARY | REFERENCE POINT | 22 | AZ CA | |

Highways and
roads

| | | | | |
|---------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| FORMAT: | ALIGNMENT | OBJECT | LOCATION | SPECIAL |
|---------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|

1. ALIGNMENT Survey Name

- A. Use the term Ixxx for all Interstate highways.
- B. Use the term HIGHWAY for all Federal highways.
- C. Use the term ROUTE for all State highways.
- D. Use the term ROAD for all county roads.
- E. Use the municipality name for all local streets, avenues, boulevards, pikes, roads, etc.

2. OBJECT Identification

- A. Enter the type of alignment object, such as the name and station, miles, mileposts, monuments, reference points, etc.
- B. Or enter the proper name of the alignment, such as the name of the city street.

3. LOCATION Station and Tangent Offset

- A. The location uses two parts, the first part is called the stationing. This part should be, for most cases, a numeric value.
- B. The second part of the location, the tangent offset (TOS), is the location of the point in question with respect to the center of the alignment, that is, the distance (in meters/feet) either left or right.

4. SPECIAL Use

Terms such as A PT, ECC, HUB, PTA, RESET, and TP A are used to explain a local use or disturbance to the original mark.

Examples
Highways and Roads

| - ALIGNMENT | OBJECT | LOCATION | SPECIAL |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|---------|
| Survey name | Identification | Station | TOS Use |
| I495 | MILEPOST | 99.387 | ECC |
| HIGHWAY 50 | STATION | 1234+00 | CL |
| ROUTE 355 | STATION MARK | 233+16 | 50LT |
| ROUTE 193 | REFERENCE POINT | 21+00 | POC |
| ROAD 2786 | MILEPOST | 37.3 | RESET |
| ROCKVILLE | MAPLE AVE STA | 1+32 | 39RT |
| ROCKVILLE | MAPLE AVE STA | 2+50 | POT |
| PASCO | MAIN STREET | PI 9 | |

Railroads, canals and rivers

FORMAT: ALIGNMENT OBJECT LOCATION SPECIAL

1. ALIGNMENT Survey

- A. The terms RAILROAD or RAILWAY for alignments which follow these right-of-ways.
- B. Use the characters CANAL or REACH for those man made waterways.
- C. Use the characters RIVER for all natural waterways.

2. OBJECT Identification

Enter the type of alignment object, such as name, station, miles, mileposts, monuments, reference points, etc.

3. LOCATION Station and Tangent Offset

- A. The location uses two parts, the first part is called the stationing. This part should be, for most cases, a numeric value.
- B. The second part of the location, the tangent offset (TOS), is the location of the point in question with respect to the center of the alignment, that is, the distance (in meters/feet) either left or right.

4. SPECIAL Use

Terms such as A PT, ECC, HUB, PTA, RESET, and TP A are used to explain a local use or disturbance to the original mark.

Examples

Railroads, canals and rivers

| ALIGNMENT | OBJECT | LOCATION | SPECIAL | |
|-----------|----------------|----------|---------|-------|
| Survey | Identification | Station | TOS | Use |
| RAILROAD | MILEPOST | 347.8 | CL | RESET |
| RAILWAY | MILEPOST | 216.455 | OFFSET | |
| REACH | 1 | 22+00 | 400LT | ECC |
| REACH | 1 | PI 2 | | |
| REACH | 3 | 295+00 | 400LT | |
| RIVER | SNAKE MILEPOST | 37.3 | | |

Landmarks

FORMAT: LOCATION OWNERSHIP OBJECT SPECIAL

1. LOCATION

- A. The general area in which the landmark is located should be used, such as the nearest city, town, or local geographic area.
- B. However, some landmarks by the nature of their name alone will be enough to give a general location, e.g. STATUE OF LIBERTY (New York), SEARS TOWER (Chicago), and SEATTLE SPACE NEEDLE (Seattle).

2. OWNERSHIP

- A. The ownership should be the proper name of the existing owner at the time the landmark was positioned. Later recovery information will reflect the changes of ownership.
- B. If the ownership is a political group, such as a state or county, do not include the name of the state or county.

3. OBJECT Identification

For a landmark, enter a general name in order to identify it.

4. SPECIAL Target

The special target is used to uniquely identify the exact object sighted as the landmark.

| --- LOCATION SPECIAL | | OWNERSHIP | OBJECT |
|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| | | Identification | Target |
| ASHLAND | MUNICIPAL | AIRPORT | BEACON |
| BETHESDA | GREEK ORTHODOX | CHURCH | CROSS |
| CARSON CITY | STATE POLICE | RADIO STATION | MAST |
| FRANKLIN | COUNTY | HOSPITAL | FLAGPOLE |
| KEY WEST | FORT MONROE | BATTERY | RED LIGHT |
| LAS VEGAS | | TV STATION KLAS | MAST |
| LOVELOCK | | RADIO STATION KOB 893 | MAST |
| NEW YORK | PORT AUTHORITY | BUILDING | FLAGPOLE |
| PASCO | COUNTY | COURTHOUSE | DOME |
| POTOMAC | ST MARKS CATHOLIC | CHURCH | SPIRE |
| ROCKVILLE | HUGHES AIRCRAFT | BUILDING | APEX |
| ROCKVILLE | MUNICIPAL | GAS TANK | FINIAL |
| ROCKVILLE | MUNICIPAL | WATER TANK | BALL |
| ROCKVILLE | MUNICIPAL | STANDPIPE | FINIAL |
| SALEM | 1ST METHODIST | CHURCH | WEST SPIRE |
| SALEM | STATE | HOSPITAL CLOCK | APEX |
| WINNEMUCCA | | RADIO STATION KWNA | MAST |

Township and range control point information

FORMAT: TOWNSHIP RANGE SECTION LOCATION

Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management disks are always marked by stamping them so as to be read looking north while standing on the south side. This relationship gives the viewer a pictorial or graphical representation of the physical relationship of the existing subdivision of the land under survey.

The south and east boundaries of each township, for the most part, are the controlling sides, whereas north and west township boundaries will close onto the controlling standard parallel to the north and the guide meridian to the west of it respectively.

1. TOWNSHIP

- A. One Township #
Indicate the Township containing the identified survey monument.
- B. Two Townships ## (read from south to north)
 - (1) List southernmost FIRST (one with lowest latitude)
 - (2) List northernmost SECOND (one with higher latitude)

2. RANGE

- A. One Range #
Indicate the Range containing the identified survey monument.
- B. Two Ranges ## (read from west to east)
 - (1) List Range on the left FIRST (western most)
 - (2) List Range on the right SECOND (eastern most)

3. SECTION

- A. Arrange and list all sections to be included, in a string of increasing section numbers.
- B. For Township surveys which are incomplete, show the identification (see part 4) as a Cardinal Corner of the "One" lowest section where the subdivision survey has been completed.

4. LOCATION - Identification of a Subdivision Survey Point

- | | |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| A. Standard Corner | S C |
| B. Closing Corner | C C |
| C. Meander Corner | M C |
| D. Quarter-Section Corner | 1/4COR |
| E. Location Monument | L M |
| F. Angle Point | A P |
| G. Witness Corner | W C |
| H. Cardinal Corner | *** |
| I. Identification as Found | NIR S180 MP31 |

***Use Lowest Section Number Completed.

| | 36 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 3 |
|--------------|----|----|----|--------------|----|----|----|--------------|
| 1 | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| 1 | * | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| 12 | * | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 7 |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| 13 | * | 18 | 17 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 18 |
| T14N R22E | * | | | T14N R23E | | | * | T14N R24E |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| 24 | * | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 19 |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| 25 | * | 30 | 29 | 28 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 30 |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| 36 | * | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 31 |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| | * | | | | | | * | |
| 1 | * | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| T13N R22E | * | | | T13N R23E | | | * | T13N R24E |

Figure D.2 - T14N R23E SECS (1 - 36) as shown in Figure D.1.

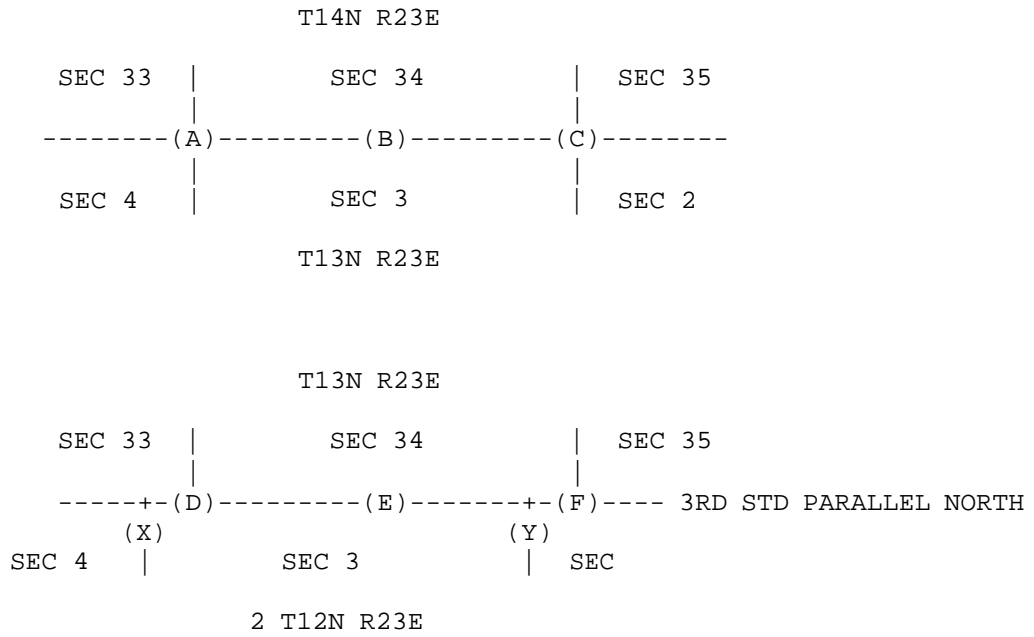


Figure D.3 - Designations for East/West Boundary Corners.

Examples

| --- TOWNSHIP | | RANGE | SECTION |
|--------------|---------|-------|----------------|
| LOCATION | | | |
| A | T13 14N | R23E | SECS 3 4 33 34 |
| B | T13 14N | R23E | SECS 3 34 |
| C | T13 14N | R23E | SECS 2 3 34 35 |
| D | T13N | R23E | SECS 33 34 |
| or D | T13N | R23E | SEC 33 |
| E | T13N | R23E | SEC 34 |
| F | T13N | R23E | SECS 34 35 |
| or F | T13N | R23E | SEC 34 |
| X | T12N | R23E | SECS 3 4 |
| Y | T12N | R23E | SECS 2 3 |

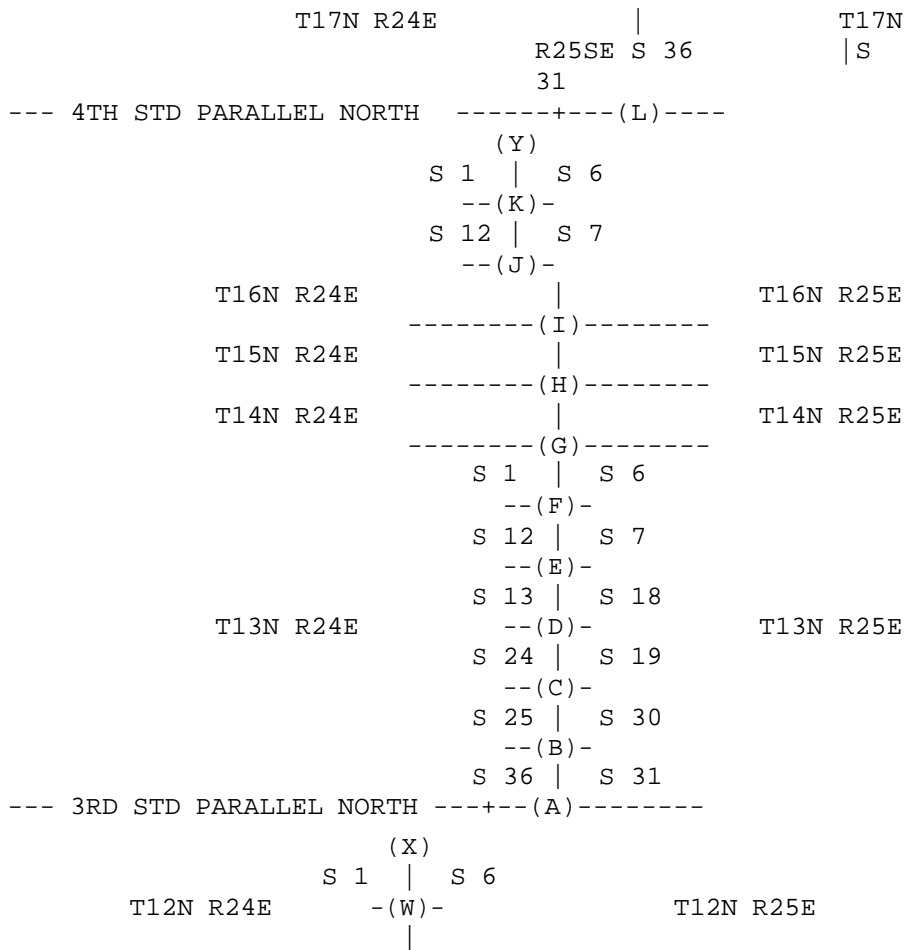


Figure D-4 - Designations for North/South Boundary Corners.

Examples

| | TOWNSHIP | RANGE | SECTION | LOCATION |
|---|----------|---------|------------------|----------|
| W | T12N | R24 25E | SECS 1 6 7 12 | |
| X | T12N | R24 25E | SECS 1 6 | CC |
| A | T13N | R24 25E | SECS 31 36 | SC |
| B | T13N | R24 25E | SECS 25 30 31 36 | |
| C | T13N | R24 25E | SECS 19 24 25 30 | |
| D | T13N | R24 25E | SECS 13 18 19 24 | |
| E | T13N | R24 25E | SECS 7 12 13 18 | |
| F | T13N | R24 25E | SECS 1 6 7 12 | |
| G | T13 14N | R24 25E | SECS 1 6 31 36 | |
| H | T14 15N | R24 25E | SECS 1 6 31 36 | |
| I | T15 16N | R24 25E | SECS 1 6 31 36 | |
| J | T16N | R24 25E | SECS 7 12 13 18 | |
| K | T16N | R24 25E | SECS 1 6 7 12 | |
| Y | T16N | R24 25E | SECS 1 6 | CC |
| L | T17N | R24 25E | SECS 31 36 | SC |