

ARMENIAN

Armenian script

			H-M 1913 ^(1.0)	ISO 9985 1996 ^(2.0)	ALA-LC 1997 ^(3.0)	BGN/PCGN 1981 ^(4.0)	KNAB 1993 ^(5.0)
01	Ա	ա	a	a	a	a	a
02	Բ	բ	b	b	b (p)	b	b
03	Գ	գ	g	g	g (k)	g	g
04	Դ	դ	d	d	d (t)	d	d
05	Ե	ե	e	e	e, y ^(3.1)	e, ye ^(4.1)	e
06	Զ	զ	z	z	z	z	z
07	Է	է	ē	ē	ē	e	è
08	Ը	ը	ə	ë	ě	y	y
09	Թ	թ	tʻ	tʻ	tʻ	tʻ	th
10	Ճ	ճ	ž	ž	zh	zh	ž
11	Ի	ի	i	i	i	i	i
12	Լ	լ	l	l	l	l	l
13	Խ	խ	x	x	kh	kh	x
14	Ծ	ծ	c	ç	ts (dz)	ts	c
15	Կ	կ	k	k	k (g)	k	k
16	Հ	հ	h	h	h	h	h
17	Ձ	ձ	j	j	dz (ts)	dz	dz
18	Ղ	ղ	ł	ġ	gh	gh	ğ
19	Ճ	ճ	č	č	ch (j)	ch	č
20	Մ	մ	m	m	m	m	m
21	ԅ	յ	y	y	y, h ^(3.2)	y	j
22	Ն	ն	n	n	n	n	n
23	Շ	շ	š	š	sh	sh	š
24	Ո	ո	o	o	o	o, vo ^(4.2)	o
25	Չ	չ	čʻ	č	chʻ	chʻ	čh
26	Պ	պ	p	p	p (b)	p	p
27	Ջ	ջ	ǰ	ǰ	j (ch)	j	dž
28	Ռ	ր	ř	ř	r	rr	ř
29	Ս	ս	s	s	s	s	s
30	Վ	վ	v	v	v	v	v
31	Տ	տ	t	t	t (d)	t	t
32	Ր	ր	r	r	r	r	r
33	Յ	յ	cʻ	cʻ	tsʻ	tsʻ	ch
34	Ի	լ	w	w	w	—	w
35	ՈՒ	ու	u	ow	u	u	u
36	Փ	փ	pʻ	pʻ	pʻ	pʻ	ph
37	Ք	ք	kʻ	kʻ	kʻ	kʻ	kh
38	Օ	օ	ō	ò	ō	o	ò
39	Ֆ	ֆ	f	f	f	f	f
40		և	ew	ew	ew	ev, yev ^(4.3)	ew

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Ligatures						
41	ւֆ	mn	mn	mn	mn	—
42	ւե	me	me	me	me	—
43	ւի	mi	mi	mi	mi	—
44	ւո	vn	vn	vn	vn	—
45	ւխ	mx	mx	mkh	mkh	—

Punctuation

46	:	.
47	\	,
48	˘	-
49	˙	,
50	˚	?
51	˛	!
52	˜	<i>Abbreviation mark</i>
53	ˆ	<i>Emphasis mark</i>

Notes

1.0 *Hübschmann-Meillet*. This system is based on the works by the linguists Heinrich Hübschmann and Antoine Meillet as described in A. Meillet: *Altarmenisches Elementarbuch*, Heidelberg, 1913 (2nd edition, 1980). Here as referenced in *The World's Writing Systems*.

The original system developed by Hübschmann is a bit different from the later editions: ճ' is represented by ջ, c' by ç and օ by ô. ô is reserved for the combination ուլ in words of Greek origin instead of ov.

In addition there's the *Hübschmann-Meillet-Benveniste (HMB) system*, as used in "Revue des Études Arméniennes". As I currently do not have access to this journal I cannot comment on any differences between the system displayed here and HMB.

2.0 *International Standards Organisation*. (<http://www.iso.ch>).

3.0 *American Library Association/Library of Congress*.

General notes:

i. Standard is East Armenian. West Armenian values in parentheses.

ii. A prime (') is placed between two letters representing two different sounds when the combination might otherwise be read as a digraph, e.g., Դզնունի *D'znuni*).

3.1 *y* is used only in initial position when followed by a vowel.

3.2 *h* is used only in initial position of a word or stem.

4.0 *United States Board on Geographic Names/The Permanent Committee on Geographical Names for British Official Use*.

4.1 *ye* is used initially and after *u a, ւ e, է e, ը y, ի i, ո o, ն u,* and *o o*.

4.2 *vo* is used initially except in ուլ *ov*.

4.3 *yev* is used initially, in isolated form, and after *u a, ւ e, է e, ը y, ի i, ո o, ն u,* and *o o*.

5.0 *Kohanimeandmebaas (Place Names Database) of Eesti Keele Instituut (Institute of the Estonian Language)*. (<http://www.eki.ee>).

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