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**SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS FOR USE IN GEOLOGICAL MAPS, SECTIONS
AND SUBSURFACE EXPLORATORY LOGS**

PART 2 IGNEOUS ROCKS

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FOREWORD *(Formal Clause will be added later)*

In all spheres of engineering construction, data on the nature of the geological formations constituting the foundations are indispensable. Often, these data are given on maps or in geological sections using symbols and abbreviations. Geological maps and, sections are also required for other activities, such as mining and mineral prospecting. Such maps and sections are therefore being prepared by various agencies in the country. In the absence of any standard for the guidance of the engineering geologist or engineers, different symbols and abbreviations are being used by different agencies, resulting in entirely different representation of the same geological data. The data collected and presented by one agency for a particular purpose are often useful to other agencies investigating for related work. It, therefore, becomes essential for all agencies to follow the uniform practice.

This standard (Part 2) deals with igneous rocks for use in geological maps, sections and subsurface exploratory logs while other parts are as follows:

- Part 1 Abbreviations
- Part 3 Sedimentary rocks
- Part 4 Metamorphic rocks
- Part 5 Line symbols for formation contacts and structural features

The symbolization of rock types is based on the principles laid down by the International Organization for Standardization. For the rock types to be covered for symbolization, classification of igneous rocks as adopted by United States Bureau of Reclamation for engineering purposes has been used.

The standard was published in 1974. The first revision of this standard has been brought out to bring the standard in latest style and update with respect to the latest field practices. In revision of this standard, due weightage has been given to international co-ordination among the standards and practices prevailing in different countries in addition to relating it to the practices in the field in this country. In this first revision of standard, assistance have been derived from different parts of ISO 710 'Graphical symbol for use on detailed maps, plans and geological cross section'.

For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with, the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS 2 : 2022 '*Rounding off numerical values (Second revised)*'. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value should be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

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1 SCOPE

This standard (Part 2) covers symbols for igneous rocks for use in geological maps, sections and logs of bore holes, test pits, exploratory drifts and shafts for river valley projects. Rock types covered in the standard are restricted to those commonly met with in engineering practice.

2 BASIC PRINCIPLES OF SYMBOLIZATION

2.1 In order to represent a type of rock on a map or on a plan, the corresponding surface should be covered by the symbols representing the rock in question. The surfaces occupied by rocks of different types should be separated by a continuous thin line if in nature there is a clear demarcation between the different types.

2.2 The graphic symbols should be used in black and white for the representation of rocks and minerals. Additional letter symbols may be used to designate other characteristics like age.

2.3 There is a large variety of rocks and it is impossible to have an individual symbol for each of the rock types that are found in nature. For this reason the symbols are developed for the most important and frequently occurring rock types. For listing the rock types one of the simpler systems used for classification of rocks has been followed; however the tables of symbols for rock types are not meant to provide a standard system of classification. The symbolization is based on the following principles:

- a) In order to characterize the properties of rocks, elementary symbols are chosen, such that:
 - i) as simple as possible and, therefore, easily traceable;
 - ii) express the nature of the rock; and
 - iii) be of such a dimension that several elementary symbols can be placed next to each other.

- b) Principal rock types are represented by the juxtaposition of several identical elementary symbols; the variations of the above are shown by the addition of the elementary symbols which characterize the principal constituents.
- c) In order to characterize the loose form of rock, symbols should be arranged with no determined order; a systematic staggered arrangement should represent the consolidated form of a rock.
- d) The individual elements or the rows of symbols should be arranged either parallel to the stratification of foliation where applicable or parallel to the margin of the map or the geological formation under portrayal, as found convenient. The procedure adopted should be indicated on the plan.

2.3.1 The basic symbols given in this standard should not be used for other representations. Within the framework of these principles, symbols for other rocks not covered in this standard may be developed and similarly for any characteristic not represented by a symbol, a new symbol may be chosen.





3 GRAPHIC SYMBOLS FOR IGNEOUS ROCKS

3.1 Basic Symbols — The basic symbols of the principal types of igneous rocks are given in Table 1.

3.2 Symbols for Rock Types

3.2.1 For developing symbols for different rock types from these basic symbols the following points should be kept in view:

- a) A distinction in the grain size of rocks may be shown by the smaller or greater size of the basic symbols.
- b) To indicate porphyritic texture the basic symbol is replaced at intervals by a larger symbol of the same type.
- c) The symbols representing plutonic rocks are derived from a cross

 or the letter  ; for volcanic rocks, the basic symbol chosen is a right angle placed on its point  The symbols for feldspathoidal rocks are always asymmetrical 


















- d) In the symbols for alkaline rocks with the exception of feldspathoidal rocks, an open space is always left at the point of intersection of the lines for example  and 
- e) To indicate the very acid character of a rock, a point is placed at the centre of the symbol, the lines being interrupted around the point of intersection 
- f) With increasing basicity, the lines are thickened so that the darker appearance of the rock is reflected in the symbol.
- g) The various types of ultrabasic rocks may be represented by the greater or lesser length of lines in relation to the black square  

TABLE 1 BASIC SYMBOLS OF THE PRINCIPAL TYPES OF IGNEOUS ROCKS
(Clause 3.1)

SI No.	PLUTONIC ROCKS				VOLCANIC ROCKS			
	Rock Group	Group Symbol	More Differentiated Rock Types	Symbol	Rock Group	Group Symbol	More Differentiated Rock Types	Symbol
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1	Alkali-granite				Alkali-rhyolite			
2	Very acid granite				Leucorhyolite			
3	Granite		Normal granite		Rhyolite		Rhyolite	
			Granodiorite				Rhyodacite	
			Quartz-diorite				Dacite	
4	Syenite		Alkali-syenite		Trachyte		Alkali trachyte	
			Syenite				Trachyte	
			Monzonite				Latite	
5	Diorite				Andesite			
6			Gabbro					

	Gabbro		Norite		Basalt			
			Anorthosite					
7	Feldspathoidal plutonic rocks		Nepheline- syenite		Feldspathoidal volcanic rocks		Phonolite	
			Essexite/Theralite					
			Ijolite					Feldspathoidal basalt
8	Ultra basic rock				Picrite, Picrite -basalt			

3.2.2 The symbols for different rock types commonly met with in engineering practice are given in Table 2. Symbols for rock types not given in Table 2 may be developed using the basic symbols given in Table 1 on the basis of the principles laid down in 2 and 3.2.1.

3.2.3 Where features are too small for graphical representation either an asterisk may be given against the feature and explained in the legend or the name of the rock written out.

TABLE 2 SYMBOLS FOR IGNEOUS ROCKS
(Clause 3.2.2)

ESSENTIAL MINERALS	FELDSPARS		ALKALI FELDSPARS PREDOMINATE			ALKALI AND SODA-LIME FELDSPARS ABOUT EQUAL		SODA-LIME FELDSPARS PREDOMINATE				Some alkali feldspar may occur	FELDSPARS ABSENT			
	CHIEF FELDSPARS IN ROCK	SODA-LIME FELDSPARS IN NORMAL ROCK	OLIGOCLASE TO ANDESINE (WHERE ALBITE IS PRESENT, PREFIX "ALKALI" IS USED)		ALBITE	OLIGOCLASE TO ANDESINE		OLIGOCLASE AND ANDESINE		LABRADORITE, BYTOWNITE AND ANORTHITE		ANDESINE TO BYTOWNITE	SOME SODA-LIME FELDSPAR MAY BE PRESENT	SOME SODA-LIME FELDSPAR MAY CONSTITUTE UPTO 10% OF ROCK LABRADORITE TO ANORTHITE		
Other minerals whose presence is necessary or whose virtual absence is characteristic + Signifies presence in significant amounts - Signifies virtual absence			+ QUARTZ (> 5%)	- QUARTZ (< 5%)	NEPHELINE OR LEUCITE (-QUARTZ)	+ QUARTZ (> 5%)	- QUARTZ (< 5%)	+ QUARTZ (> 5%)	- QUARTZ (< 5%)	- OLIVINE	+ OLIVINE	+ LEUCITE OR NEPHELINE	+ NEPHELINE OR LEUCITE OR ANALCITE	- NEPHELINE - LEUCITE - OLIVINE + PYROXENE OR HORNBLLENDE	- NEPHELINE - LEUCITE + OLIVINE + PYROXENE	
TYPICAL MODES OF OCCURRENCE																
C	Uniform or irregular beds, deposits or accumulations of volcanic ejectamenta	RHYOLITE ASH	TRACHYTE ASH	PHONOLITE OR LEUCITE PHONOLITE ASH	QUARTZ LATITE (DELLENITE) ASH	LATITE (TRACHYANDESITE) ASH	DACITE ASH	ANDESITE ASH	BASALT ASH	OLIVINE BASALT ASH	TEPHRITE OR BASANITE ASH					
		RHYOLITE BRECCIA	TRACHYTE BRECCIA	PHONOLITE OR LEUCITE PHONOLITE BRECCIA	QUARTZ LATITE (DELLENITE) BRECCIA	LATITE (TRACHYANDESITE) BRECCIA	DACITE BRECCIA	ANDESITE BRECCIA	BASALT BRECCIA	OLIVINE BASALT BRECCIA	TEPHRITE OR BASANITE BRECCIA					
		RHYOLITE TUFF	TRACHYTE TUFF	PHONOLITE OR LEUCITE PHONOLITE TUFF	QUARTZ LATITE (DELLENITE) TUFF	LATITE (TRACHYANDESITE) TUFF	DACITE TUFF	ANDESITE TUFF	BASALT TUFF	OLIVINE BASALT TUFF	TEPHRITE OR BASANITE TUFF					
		RHYOLITE AGGLOMERATE	TRACHYTE AGGLOMERATE	PHONOLITE OR LEUCITE PHONOLITE AGGLOMERATE	QUARTZ LATITE (DELLENITE) AGGLOMERATE	LATITE (TRACHYANDESITE) AGGLOMERATE	DACITE AGGLOMERATE	ANDESITE AGGLOMERATE	BASALT AGGLOMERATE	OLIVINE BASALT AGGLOMERATE	TEPHRITE OR BASANITE AGGLOMERATE					
V	Surface flows ; shallow small intrusives	ACIDIC GLASSES AND RARE PHONOLITIC GLASSES				INTERMEDIATE GLASSES				BASIC GLASSES			ULTRA BASIC GLASSES			
		OBSIDIAN	PRELITE	PUMICA	PITCHSTONE	OBSIDIAN	PUMICA	SCORIA	SCORIA	VARIOLITE	TACHYLITE					
B	Surface flows ; shallow dykes, sills, sheets, marginal zones of hypabyssal intrusives	RHYOLITE	TRACHYTE	PHONOLITE OR LEUCITE PHONOLITE	QUARTZ LATITE (DELLENITE)	LATITE (TRACHYANDESITE)	DACITE	ANDESITE	BASALT	OLIVINE BASALT	TEPHRITE	NEPHELINE LEUCITITE	AUGITITE	LIMBURGITE		
		FELSITE										NEPHELINE BASALT LEUCITE BASALT		PICRITE BASALT	MELILITE BASALT	
H	Hypabyssal and shallow dykes, sills, laccoliths, interiors of thick surface flows	RHYOLITE PORPHYRY	TRACHYTE PORPHYRY	PHONOLITE OR LEUCITE PHONOLITE PORPHYRY	QUARTZ LATITE PORPHYRY (DELLENITE PORPHYRY)	LATITE PORPHYRY (TRACHYANDESITE PORPHYRY)	DACITE PORPHYRY	ANDESITE PORPHYRY	DIABASE	OLIVINE DIABASE	THERALITE ESSEXITE					
		GRANITE PORPHYRY	SYENITE PORPHYRY	NEPHELINE SYENITE PORPHYRY OR LEUCITE SYENITE PORPHYRY	QUARTZ MONZONITE PORPHYRY (ADAMELLITE PORPHYRY)	MONZONITE PORPHYRY	QUARTZ DIORITE PORPHYRY (TONALITE PORPHYRY)	DIORITE PORPHYRY	DIABASE	OLIVINE DIABASE	THERALITE ESSEXITE	IJOLITE	PYROXENITE HORNBLLENDE	PERIDOTITE DUNITE		
	D O L E R I T E											MISSOURITE				
	Deep-seated dykes and laccoliths as well as border zones of larger intrusive masses. Composition same as that of related granitic rock	APLITE	SYENITE APLITE BOSTONITE	NEPHELINE SYENITE APLITE	QUARTZ MONZONITE APLITE (ADAMELLITE APLITE)	MONZONITE APLITE	MALCHITE	DIORITE APLITE	GABBRO APLITE	OLIVINE GABBRO APLITE						
P	Deep-seated dykes and irregular masses of all sizes, related to large intrusive bodies, where concentrations of gases and vapours were present during solidification	LAMPROPHYRES (acidic segregations)														
		LAMPROPHYRES (basic segregations)														
L	Large deep-seated intrusive, such as ; batholiths, stocks, laccoliths and dykes	GRANITE	SYENITE	NEPHELINE SYENITE (FOYAITTE) OR SODALITE SYENITE	QUARTZ MONZONITE (ADAMELLITE)	MONZONITE	DIORITE	GABBRO	OLIVINE GABBRO	THERALITE ESSEXITE	IJOLITE	PYROXENITE HORNBLLENDE	PERIDOTITE DUNITE			
		CHARNOCKITE					QUARTZ DIORITE (TONALITE)	ENSTATITE NORITE	OLIVINE NORITE TROCTOLITE		MISSOURITE					

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