

Amateur Service; Call Sign Plan for the Amateur Service in Germany

According to section 10 (3) of the Ordinance concerning the Amateur Radio Act (Amateur Radio Ordinance - AFuV) of 15 February 2005 (Federal Law Gazette Part I, p 242) the Regulatory Authority for Post and Telecommunications (Reg TP) is hereby publishing a Call Sign Plan for the amateur radio service in Germany. It comes into force the day after its publication.

**Call Sign Plan for the Amateur Service in Germany
According to Section 10 (3) of the Amateur Radio Ordinance of 15 February 2005
(Federal Law Gazette I Page 242)**

German amateur call signs consist of a 2-letter prefix (DA - DR without DE and DI), a single digit (0-9) and a mostly 2- or 3-letter suffix. For club stations there are also call signs with 1-letter or 4- to 7-character suffixes acc. to nos. 2 and 3. Call signs acc. to number 4 are used for short-term assignments. The call signs shall be assigned according to the Amateur Radio Act (AFuG) and the Amateur Radio Ordinance (AFuV) in accordance with this Call Sign Plan.

1. Call signs with 2- or 3-letter suffixes

Call sign series	Purpose of use	Class
DA0AA - DA0ZZZ	KS	A
DA1AA - DA1ZZZ	Personnel under SOFA ^{*)} : PZ, KS, RL, FB	A
DA2AA - DA2ZZZ	Expiring PZ, KS, RL, FB for personnel under SOFA ^{*)}	A
DA4AA - DA4ZZZ	SZ ¹⁾ , (expiring PZ class A for personnel under SOFA ^{*)})	E
DA5AA - DA5ZZZ	SZ ¹⁾	A
DA6AA - DA6ZZZ	Personnel under SOFA ^{*)} : PZ, KS, RL, FB	E
DB0AA - DB0ZZZ	RL, FB, (expiring KS)	A
DB1AA - DB9ZZZ	PZ	A
DC0AA - DC9ZZZ	PZ, (DC0AA - DC0ZZZ: Expiring KS)	A
DD0AA - DD9ZZZ	PZ, (DD0AA - DD0ZZZ: Expiring KS)	A
DF0AA - DF0ZZZ	KS, (expiring RL and FB)	A
DF1AA - DF9ZZZ	PZ	A
DG0AA - DG9ZZZ	PZ, (DG0AA - DG0ZZZ: Expiring KS)	A
DH0AA - DH9ZZZ	PZ, (DH0AA - DH0ZZZ: Expiring KS)	A
DJ0AA - DJ9ZZZ	PZ, (DJ0AA - DJ0ZZZ: Expiring KS)	A
DK0AA - DK0ZZZ	KS, (expiring RL and FB)	A
DK1AA - DK9ZZZ	PZ	A
DL0AA - DL0ZZZ	KS, (expiring RL and FB)	A
DL1AA - DL9ZZZ	PZ	A
DM0AA - DM0ZZZ	RL, FB, (DM0ZA - DM0ZZZ: RL ²⁾), (expiring KS)	A
DM1AA - DM9ZZZ	PZ	A
DN0AA - DN0ZZZ	KS, (expiring AB)	E
DN1AA - DN6ZZZ	AB ¹⁾	A
DN7AA - DN8ZZZ	AB ¹⁾	E
DO0AA - DO0ZZZ	RL, FB, (DO0ZA - DO0ZZZ: RL ²⁾), (expiring KS)	E
DO1AA - DO9ZZZ	PZ	E
DP0AA - DP1ZZZ	Exterritorial location: KS, RL, FB, SZ	A
DP2AA - DP2ZZZ	Exterritorial location: KS, RL, FB, SZ	E

^{*)} SOFA ... Status of Forces Agreement ¹⁾ Also for personnel under SOFA ²⁾ RL with new technology

Abbreviations:

PZ ... Personal call sign assignment(s) acc. to AFuG section 3 (1) and (3) no. 1

AB ... Call sign assignment(s) for training purposes acc. to AFuG section 3 (2) and (3) no. 2

RL ... Call sign assignment(s) for repeater station(s)

FB ... Call sign assignment(s) for radio beacon(s)

KS ... Call sign assignment(s) for club station(s)

SZ ... Call sign assignment(s) for special experimental studies acc. to AFuV section 16 (2)

Call sign assignments that are „expiring“ according to the above table will not be newly assigned; follow-up assignments remain unaffected. Expiring call sign assignments can be replaced on request prior to expiry of their time limit free of charge by an appropriate call sign assignment that is in conformity with the Call Sign Plan with the same class and with the same purpose of use.

2. Call signs with 1-letter suffixes

Call sign series	Purpose of use	Class
DA0A - DA0Z	KS	A
DA1A - DA1Z	KS for personnel under SOFA	A
DA2A - DA3Z	KS	A
DA4A - DA4Z	SZ as club station	E
DA5A - DA5Z	SZ as club station	A
DA6A - DA6Z	KS for personnel under SOFA	E
DA7A - DA9Z	KS	E
DB0A - DD9Z	KS	A
DF0A - DH9Z	KS	A
DJ0A - DM9Z	KS	A
DN0A - DN0Z	KS	E
DO0A - DO9Z	KS	E
DP0A - DP1Z	KS with exterritorial locations	A
DP2A - DP2Z	KS with exterritorial locations	E
DP3A - DP9Z	KS	A
DQ0A - DR9Z	KS	A

Abbreviations as described under no. 1. If the number of applications received for call sign assignments with a 1-letter suffix up to commencement of the assignment according to no. 10 exceeds the available number of call signs, they will be assigned by drawing lots.

3. During special events of public nature also club station call signs fitted with a 4- to 7-character suffix instead of the 1-letter suffix can be assigned for a limited period of time according to the table in no. 2. The last character in the suffix must always be a letter. For the purpose of this Administrative Order means “characters” the digits and letters according to no. 8.
4. Call signs for short-term assignments for foreign radio amateurs without permanent residence in Germany consist of the national call sign preceded by „DL/“ for class A or of the national call sign preceded by „DO/“ for class E or of an appropriate personal call sign according to no. 1.
5. Permitted identifications for operating low-power amateur transmitters for purposes of direction finding according to AFuV section 11 (2) are: MO, MOE, MOI, MOS, MOH and MO5.
6. Call signs conflicting with AFuG section 2 no. 1 or 2 or which could be misleading shall not be assigned; for example call signs that include internationally agreed emergency, urgency or safety signs (SOS, XXX, TTT, YYY, DDD, JJJ, MAYDAY, PAN) or Q codes (QOA to QUZ).
7. Internationally used call sign add-ons in terms of AFuV section 11 (3) that may be added to the end of a call sign are:
 - a) the add-on “/m“, in radiotelephony the word “mobile“ for mobile amateur stations operated in a ground vehicle or aboard a watercraft on inland waters,
 - b) the add-on “/mm“, in radiotelephony the words “maritime mobile“ for amateur stations operated aboard a watercraft at sea,
 - c) the add-on “/am“, in radiotelephony the words “aeronautically mobile“ for amateur stations operated aboard an aircraft,
 - d) the add-on “/p“, in radiotelephony the word “portable“ for portable or temporarily stationary amateur stations,
 - e) add-ons needed for operational reasons that are separated from the call sign by a hyphen “-“ or a slash “/“.
8. Characters used for forming call signs are the digits 0 to 9 and the 26 alphabetic letters A to Z (without Ä, Ö, Ü and ß).

9. Call sign assignments can be subject to a time limitation according to AFuV section 10 (2). The following call signs are assigned only for a limited period of time:

Call sign assignment	Limitation in time
RL, FB, SZ KS with 1-letter suffix KS with call signs of series DAØ	Up to 5 years
KS with 4- to 7-character suffix	Up to 1 year (cannot be extended)
PZ, KS, RL, FB, AB, SZ for personnel under SOFA	Up to 1 year
PZ for short-term assignments for foreign radio amateurs without permanent residence in Germany	3 months or 7 days
PZ, KS, RL, FB, AB, SZ for non-German citizens with permanent residence in Germany	Depending on purpose, not exceeding the validity period of the residence permit

Abbreviations as described under no. 1.

Existing call sign assignments for training purposes from the call sign series DN1 to DN8 are converted free of charge during their validity period, on request, into assignments for an unlimited period of time or are extended according to the above table. Call sign assignments for training purposes that have become invalid after 19 February 2005 due to the expiration of the validity period can be re-issued free of charge on request until 31 July 2005.

10. Call signs with 1-letter suffix according to no. 2 can only be assigned following a specific publication in the Official Gazette.

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