

MANUFACTURERS CODES

The British Post Office (BPO) purchased telephones and other apparatus from various manufacturers. On a lot of equipment the manufacturer can be identified by the use of a manufacturers code. Where a PO factory code is shown, that means that the equipment has been made or refurbished by one of the BPO factories. Quite often these codes are on labels stuck over the top of the original manufacturer's code.

It is clear that the original single-letter and later double-letter codes were allocated with fairly little regard to any logical meaning. Once all codes were expanded to at least three letters greater care was taken to make meaningful combinations. Existing two-letter codes were expanded by suffixing 'A' to the original code. The list also includes some non-BPO codes commonly found on telephones (AP, YA and Z).

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Code Manufacturer

A	Edison Swan Electric Ltd.
AA	Pinching & Walton
A9W	Trench & Manhole Covers Ltd
AAG	Mullards Ltd - London SW18
AB	A. C. Brown
ABE	Unknown (Stop Watches)
AC	Nalder Bros. & Thompson

ACL Advance Electronics Ltd. Hainault, Essex.

ACW AVO Ltd - London SW1

AD Spagnoletti (see CN)

AE Medical Supply Association

AEK GEC-AEI Telecommunications, Kirkcaldy, Fife, Scotland

AEG GEC-AEI Telecommunications, Glenrothes, Scotland

AEY AEI Telecomms Group - Worsley Bridge Rd, London, SE26

AEP Automatica Electrica Portuguesa (not a BPO code - found on phone - see Plessey)

AF Armstrong Bros.

AG H.W. Bolt

AH J.H. Tucker & Co.

AJ Consolidated Supply Co.

AK Peel-Conner Telephone Works Ltd - became GEC

AKA Sterling Telephone & Electrical Co. - Dagenham, Essex

AL W. Robinson & Co. Ltd.

AM Wrench Mfg. Co.

AN E.F. Moy Ltd.

ANS Ansaphone Ltd - Camberley, Surrey

AO Beck & Co.

AP	King & Scarborough
AP code.	Admiralty Pattern (British Navy). Not a BPO manufacturer
AQ	Gambrell Bros.
AR	Houghton Ltd.
AS	Noakes & Sons
ASW	Armstrong Stevens & Sons - Willenhall, Staffs.
AT	McMillan & Co.
ATB	Automatic Telephone & Electrical Co. Ltd - Bridgnorth
ATL	Austin Taylor Electrical Ltd - Bangor, N. Wales
ATK	Plessey Telecom Group - Kirby Industrial Estate, Liverpool
ATL	Austin Taylor Ltd - Bangor, N. Wales
ATW	Automatic Telephone & Electrical Co. Ltd - Wigan, Lancs.
AU	J. Russell & Co.
AUC	unknown
AV	Tylers Ltd.
AW	W. & F. Dennis & Co.
AX	H. White & Co.
AXA	H. White & Co. - Yarmouth

AY	R. Lambert
AZ	R. & J. Irving
B	T. Brittan Ltd
BAB	AEI Telecommunications, Bristol
BAU	Heuer (Stop Watches)
B2P	Inventec Electronics - Malaysia
BB	Brush Electrical Engineering Co.
BBK	Bakelite Ltd - Birmingham
BBL	Britannia Batteries Ltd.
BC	L. Herve Ltd.
BCC	Bristol Concrete Co. Ltd.
BCL	Bratt Colbran Ltd.
BD	W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co. Ltd.
BDA	unknown
BDB AEI)	W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co. Ltd - London (became AEI)
BE	Callenders Cable & Construction Ltd (later BEB)
BEB BE)	Callenders Cable & Construction Ltd - London E16 (previously BE)

BEL The British Electric Lamps Ltd.

BET The British Electric Transformer Co. Ltd.

BF E. Spencer & Co. Ltd.

BG Johnson & Phillips Ltd.

BH Newton Chambers & Co.

BJ Harcourts Ltd. - Birmingham

BJB Bayliss, Jones & Bayliss Ltd.

BK Magneta Time Co. Ltd (late Silent Electric Clock Ltd.)

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BL A. Bocchi

BLD Birkby's Ltd - Liversedge, Yorks.

BM H. Wallis

BN Karabon Co. (see EJ)

BNSF British NSF Co. Ltd.

BO Standard Woodwork Co.

BQ Stockall Marples & Co.
BQB Stockall Marples & Co.

BS Everett, Edgcumbe & Co.

BSD Mullard Radio Valve Co. - Mitcham, Surrey

BT Prescot Clock & Mechanical Co.

BTR Blick Time Recorders Ltd.

BU C.H. Glover & Co.

BUL Bullers Ltd. - Stoke on Trent

BV Brown & Co.

BW Cossor Ltd.

BX Williamson Clock Co. Ltd.

BY G. Welch & Sons

C General Electric Co. - Coventry, originally Peel Conner Ltd.
(later GEC)

C Found near a screw terminal - means Carbon and is the
positive connection of a primary battery

CA Blunden

CB Chubb & Sons Lock & Safe Co. Ltd.

CCA Carron Co (previously CC)

CCB Creed & Co. Ltd - Brighton, Surrey

CCD Creed & Co. Ltd - Croydon, Surrey

CCL Cathodian Crystals Ltd - Needs confirmation may be incorrect
or an in house code.

CD Malcolm & Co.

CE	Boulton & Paul Ltd.
CF	H.W. Sullivan
CG	Grimshaw, Baxter & Elliott
CG	Minerva/Heuer (Stop Watches)
CH	Alfred Graham & Co.
CJ	Ingram Bros.
CK	H. White & Co. Ltd. (Watchmakers) - London EC1.
CL	Prison Commissioners of Scotland
CLS	Concrete Ltd.
CLV	Colvern Ltd.
CM	Mitchell
CN (see AD)	Park Royal Engineering Co. Ltd, successors to Spagnoletti
CO	D.H. Bonnella & Son Ltd.
CP	Weston Electrical Instrument Co. Ltd.
CPL	Crompton Parkinson Ltd.
CR	Crystalate Co. Ltd.
CS	E.F. Gurnett
CSB	E.S. Gurnett
CT	Record Elec. Co.

CTP Creed & Co. Ltd - Pontypridd, Glamorgan

CU G.L. Beasley

CV T.H. Brooker & Co. Ltd.

CW Comyn Ching & Co. Ltd.

CWL Pye Telecommunications - Cambridge. CW actually comes from Cambridge Works originally in Haig Road, Cambridge

CWP The Caxton Wood Turnery Co.

CX E. Brook Ltd.

CY Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. Ltd.

CYA Marconi Co. Ltd - Chelmsford, Essex

CZ A.P. Buchanan

D India-Rubber and Gutta-Percha Telegraph Works Ltd,
Silvertown

DA W. Cowill & Sons

DAE A.P. Besson Ltd - Hove, Sussex

DAW Duct & Access Covers PLC - Wales

DB J. Gell

DBA John Gell Ltd

DBK Bakelite Ltd - Durham

DC	The Synchronome Co.
DCA	Synchronome Co. Ltd - Wembley, Middx.
DD	William, Duncan, Tucker & Sons Ltd.
DE	Muirhead & Co.
DEA	Muirhead & Co. - Beckenham, Kent
DEK	Dover Engineering Co. - Dover, Kent
DF	British Telegraph Instrument Co.
DFM	Denis Ferranti Meters Ltd - Bangor, N. Wales
DG	T.O. Blake
DH	Willing & Co.
DJ	The Telegraph Construction & Maintenance Co. Ltd.
DJA	Telegraph Construction & Maintenance Co. - London SE10 (see S and SEG)
DK	Buck & Hickman
DL	Drury Bros.
DM	Vaughtons Ltd.
DMR	Dynamo & Motor Repairs Ltd.
DN	H.J. Dawes
DNT	E. Dent & Co.

DO Grant, Cameron & Curle
DP Cheshire, Pooley & Co.
DR Berry Skinner
DS S.G. Jones
DT J. Gerrard & Sons
DU Cutlans
DV Creed & Co.
DW Repetition Woodwork Co.
DY Staples & Co.
DZ Relay Automatic Telephone Co.
DZA Relay Automatic Telephone Co.

E Ericsson Telephones Ltd (British Ericsson) - later Plessey,
then GPT and then Siemens

EA N. Berry & Sons
EB Francis & Sons
EB Found near screw terminals - means Extension Bell
EBL Edison Bell Ltd.
EC C. Lange
ECS English Clock Systems

ED The Waltham Cross Joinery Co. Ltd.

EE Isenthal & Co.

EEC Elliott Ltd - West Midlands

EET Plessey - Beeston, Notts. (formerly Ericsson, see E)

EEX Plessey - Sunderland (formerly Ericsson)

EF Albion Iron & Wire Work Co. Ltd.

EFW F.W. Elliott Ltd.

EG S.E. Norris & Co.

EH Cambridge Instrument Co. Ltd.

EHA Cambridge Instrument Co. - London SW1

EJ C.A. Apperley (Karabon)

EK Clacton Joinery & Engineering Co. Actually part of E. K. Cole

EL Davis & Timmins

EM The BKB Electric Motors Ltd.

EMI EMI (Valve Division) - Ruislip, Middx.

EN The British Time Recorder Co. Ltd.

ENA British Time Recorder Ltd - London EC1 (previously EN)

EP Potter & Co.

EQ Anode Ltd.

ER	Bonnella Bros.
ERM	Epoch Radio Manfg. Co. Ltd.
ES	Wm. Sanders & Co.
ESC	Enfield Stone Co. Ltd.
ET	Baxendale & Co. Ltd.
EU	Burnham & Co.
EV	G.W. Evans & Co.
EW	Baxter & Caunter
EX	C.A. Carter & Co.
EY	Buckleys (London) Ltd.
EZ	Zenith Manfg. Co. Ltd.
F	GEC Ltd.
FAC	Fuller Accumulator Co. (1926) Ltd.
FB	GPO Factory, Birmingham
FBR	GPO Factory, Fordrough Lane, Birmingham (repaired apparatus, special cases only)
FC	Alex. Bruce & Co.
FD	Messrs. Hailwood & Ackroyd Ltd.

FE Dubilier Condenser Co. (1921) Ltd.

FEL Fidelity Ltd (see FID)

FEN unknown

FF Eclat Electric Lamp Manufactory

FG Burt, Boulton & Haywood Ltd.

FGB Sontronic Ltd - Edgware, Middx.

FH GPO Factory - Holloway

FHA GPO Factory - Holloway, London (Assembly)

FHB GPO Factory - Holloway, London (Construction)

FHR GPO Factory - Holloway, London (repaired apparatus, special cases only)

FID Fidelity Radio Ltd (see FH)

FJ The D.P. Battery Co. Ltd.

FJM F.J. Moore Ltd.

FK The Alton Battery Co. Ltd.

FL The Accumulators of Woking

FM Foster's Machine Tool & Engine Co.

FMC Calne Electronics - Calne

FNB GPO Factory - Edinburgh (Construction) (the N stood probably for 'North Britain')

FNR	GPO Factory - Edinburgh (Refurbish)
FR	Ferranti Ltd.
FRA	Ferranti Ltd - Hollinwood
FRG	unknown
FS	The Foster Engineering Co. Ltd.
FT	Messrs. F. Tray & Co. Ltd.
FW	GPO Factory - Wales (Cwmcarn)
FWG	STC Consumer Electronics - Cwmcarn (formerly BT factory)
FWR	GPO Factory - Cwmcarn, Wales (Refurbish)
G	General Electric Co (GEC) - see C
GAB	Greenwood and Butler - Leeds
GB	Jas. Gibb & Co. Ltd.
GC	East & Son Ltd.
GE	G. Bruce
GEC	GEC Telephones - Coventry
GEG	Osram Lamp and Lighting Co. Ltd - Gateshead, Co. Durham
GEH	GEC - Middlesbrough
GEL	GEC-AEI Telecommunications - Accrington, Lancs.

GEM	Garrard Ltd.
GEN Durham	GEC-AEI Telecommunications - Newton Aycliffe, County Durham
GEP	GEC Telecommunications Ltd - Treforest, Pontypridd
GF	Girlings Ferro Concrete Ltd.
GGW	Nero Lamania - Guignard and Gollay (Stop Watches)
GJ	Gillett & Johnston
GKT	GKN PLC - Telford, Shropshire
GM	G. Mugford
GM	Unknown (stop watches)
GMA	Unknown (stop watches)
GNA	Pye, Aidrie (TMC from 1970) - see TMA
GNT	The Great Northern Telegraph Co. Ltd. of Denmark
GS	Gillson Syndicate
GTE	Ferranti joint venture with GTE (USA)
GZ	Doulton & Co.
H	Automatic Telephone & Electric Co (ATE) (formerly ATM, H stands for Helsby)
HA	Hall Telephone Accessories Ltd. (later HAS)

HAA Automatic Telephone & Electrical Co. - Liverpool (later Plessey)

HAS Hall Telephone Accessories Ltd (formerly HA)

HB Houghton Butcher Manfg. Co. Ltd.

HC British Insulated Cables Ltd.

HCA BICC Cables - Warrington

HCC BICC - Liverpool (ex Helsby Cables)

HCL BICC - Leigh (ex Helsby Cables)

HCP BICC - Prescot (ex Helsby Cables)

HD C.A & A.W. Hayward

HDL Hudson's Electrical Devices Ltd - London SW2

HE H. Sloog (makers of Hennite)

HEA H.E. Ashdown (Birmingham) Ltd.

HF Eames Bros.

HG Hart Accumulator Co. Ltd.

HH J.E. Hough Ltd.

HJ C. Hodges & Co. Ltd. (business purchased by J.L. Gottlieb & Co. Ltd.)

HK Hillcrete Ltd.

HL Holland & Sons Ltd.

HM Chamberlain & Hookham Ltd.

HN	J. Hannan
HND	Highton & Sons - Dalston, London, E8
HR	Henry Brown & Sons
HS	Howells & Co.
HT	A.W. Hart
HVA	Plessey Hivac Division - Ruislip, Middx (ex Hivac Ltd)
HY	G.A. Harvey & Co. Ltd.
I	(originally) International Electric Ltd.
I	(later) Ibex, London (later IBX)
IA	British Die Casting & Engineering Co. Ltd.
IB	G.H. Bartlett
IBX	Ibex Telephones - Harrow, London (formerly I)
IM	Imperial Typewriter Co. Ltd.
IMP	Imperial Typewriter Co.
INL	Ingersoll (Watches)
IT	International Time Recorder Ltd
JA	J.A. Crabtree & Co. Ltd.

JB	B.W. Johnson
JC	J. Chesterman & Co. Ltd.
JEK	unknown
JGS	Switchgear Co.
JK	Brooker and Jackson Ltd.
JKA	Brooker and Jackson Ltd. - London N1
JM	J. McKenzie & Co.
JN	John Norman Ltd.
JR	Joseph Reynolds
JS	J. & E. Bates
JX	Julius Sax & Co. Ltd.
JXA	Julius Sax & Co. Ltd.
K	Kelvin, Bottomley & Baird Ltd.
KA	Calders Ltd.
KB	K. E. Beswick - Frome, Somerset
KC	E.A. Combs
KCP	Kent Concrete Products
KD	J. Cadman & Co. Ltd.

KE Chloride Electrical Storage Co. Ltd.

KEC E. K. Cole Ltd - Rochford, Essex (later EKCO Avionics)

KJ J. Crombie & Son

KKA E. K. Cole Ltd - Southend, Essex

KL The Crypto Electrical Co. Ltd.

KM The Camelinat Co.

KNE K & N Electronics Co. Ltd - Maidenhead, Berks.

KQ Craig Lelo Quarry Co. Ltd.

KR Cryselco Ltd.

KRN Krone - Cheltenham

KS Carver & Son

KT The Croft Granite, Brick & Concrete Co. Ltd.

KU The Concrete Unit Co. Ltd.

KZ L. Keizer & Co. Ltd.

L Elliott Brothers Ltd

LDA Cossor Communications Co. Ltd - Stanmore, Middx.

LDB Tenexact (stop watches)

LE Litholite Insulators Ltd.

LEA Litholite Mouldings Ltd - Leicester (ex-Watford)

LEB Elliott Bros. (London) Ltd - London SE13 (previously L)

LER Lero Engineering Company - Coventry

LF Lion Foundry Co. Ltd. - Kirkintilloch, Glasgow (later LFA)

LFA Lion Foundry Co. Ltd. - Kirkintilloch, Glasgow (previously LF)

LK W. & T. Lock

LN Lissen Ltd.

LP Lindsay, Parkinson & Co. Ltd.

LR Thomas De La Rue

LS Lang & Squire Ltd.

LUS Lustraphone Ltd.

LWA Lightwood & Son - Birmingham

M (originally) P.O. Factory, St Johns Road, Dublin
(derived from the Irish word for factory 'Monarca')

M (later) W. Maxwell & Co. Ltd.

MA Males & Andrews

MCA P. McAinch Ltd.

MD B.D. & Co. (Edward A. Boynton)

ME	F.W. Male & Son Ltd.
MF	Walter Macfarlane & Co. - Glasgow (later MFA)
MFA	Walter Macfarlane & Co. - Glasgow (previously MF)
MH	A.G. Matthews
MJX	Minerva (watches)
MK	Marconi Scientific Instrument Co.
ML	C.A. Middleton Ltd.
MM	The Condenser & Electric Co. (originally)
MM	Murphy Radio Ltd - Welwyn Garden City, Herts. (later)
MN	Metropolitan Vickers Electrical Co. Ltd.
MOV	M.O. Valve Co. Ltd - London W6
MP	Moulded Products Ltd.
MRL	McMichael Ltd.
MS	Mead Ltd (originally)
MS	McDowell Steven & Co. - Falkirk (afterwards, later MSL)
MT	Moore & Wright Ltd.
MTW	Modern Telephones Ltd - Wimbledon, London SW19
MTJO	Mullard Ltd - London WC1
MTC	Millars' Timber & Trading Co. Ltd.

MU Murray (c/o Reid Bros., see R)

MV Mullard Radio Valve Co. Ltd.

MW Micklewright Ltd.

MWB Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. - Basildon, Essex

MXB Motorola - Basingstoke, Hants.

N Nalder Bros.

NB Newton Bros (Derby) Ltd.

NE North of England School Furnishing Co.

NJ British Nigerian Timber Co.

NS Neill, Small & Sons

NTS The Norton Boys' Home

NW Norwest Construction Co. Ltd.

O Gent & Co. (later OAA)

OAA Gent & Co. - Leicester (previously O)

OD D.M. Davies

OE unknown

OM Oldham & Son

P R.W. Paul Ltd

PA Parkes, Samuel & Co. Ltd.

PBI Plessey – Ballynahinch, N. Ireland

PC H.M. Prison Commission

PCB Plessey - Whiteside Works, Bathgate, West Lothian (see PLF)

PE The Power Equipment Co. Ltd.

PEH Pye - Hastings

PER Plessey Electrical Equipment Division - Romford, Essex

PG The Pitter Gauge & Precision Tool Co.

PGH Pirelli - Eastleigh, Hants.

PGL Pirelli - Southampton

PH W.G. Pye & Co. Not actually part of PYE Group after the sale of PYE Radio to C. O. Stanley, it was a separate company producing Scientific Instruments

PK Chas. Peacock & Co. Ltd.

PL The Plessey Co. Ltd. - Ilford, Essex (later PLA)

PLA Plessey - Ilford, Essex (also TLA, previously PL)

PLF Plessey - Whiteside Works, Bathgate, West Lothian

PLS Plessey - Kemberry Rd, Swindon, Wilts.

PLJ Plessey - Upminster, Essex

PLV Plessey - Havant, Hants.

PLW Plessey - Cheney Manor, Swindon, Wilts.

PLX Plessey - Newport, Gwent

PLY Plessey - Titchfield

PM Reliance Telephone Co. Ltd - Birmingham

PMC A.T.E. (Wigan) Ltd - Pioneer Works, Wigan, Lancs. (see PML)

PML A.T.E. Ltd - Chorley, Lancs.

PN Radio, Phonopore and Electricals Ltd.

PR The Premier Accumulator Co. (1921) Ltd.

PS The Parkside Engineering Co. Ltd.

PSD Plessey - Dublin, Ireland

PSL Poulton Selfe & Lee Ltd - Wickford, Essex

PTB Pye Thermal Bonders

PTE Pye Telecommunications Ltd - Ekco Works, Southend, Essex
(see KKA)

PTL Pye Telecommunications Ltd - PTL was the designation of
PYE, Ditton works, Newmarket Road, Cambridge. Later it was St Andrews
Road new Factory which replaced Ditton Works and Quy Mill research
centre.

PW Palmer & Waumsley

PX Phoenix Telephones & Electrical Works Ltd. - London NW9
(later PXA)

PXA Phoenix Telephones & Electrical Ltd. - London NW9 (formerly
PX)

PYE Pye Telecommunications. Ltd. - Cambridge (see CWL)

PYI Pye Radio Ltd. - Cambridge

PYL Pye Radio Ltd. - Leicester

PYT Plessey - Taplow, Maidenhead, Berks.

PZ Pritchett & Gold and E.P.S. Co. Ltd.

R Reid Bros.

RA Radio Instruments Ltd.

RAA Landis & Gyr (formerly Aeronautical & General)

RAW Roberts & Armstrong (Engineers) Ltd - Wembley, Middx.

RBA Reid Brothers (Same as W Reid & Co.?)

RC Ross, Courtney & Co.

RD W. & M. Richmond & Co.

RE Reliable Engineering Co.

RF Royal Gun & Carriage Factories

RH Ruston & Hornsby Ltd.

RIA Rathdown Industries Ltd - Ascot, Berks.

RLA Ryford Ltd - Aldridge, Staffs.

RLE Ripaults Ltd - Enfield, Middx.

RML Rotheroe & Mitchell Ltd - Greenford, Middx.

RNA Radio, Phonopore & Electricals Ltd (Sterling took over)

RR R. Robertson

RS Radio Supplies

RT Robert Edwards

RTL Racal Transcom Ltd - Salisbury, Wilts.

RTN Reliance Telephone Co. Ltd - Birmingham

RV Revo Electric Co. Ltd.

S Siemens Bros. & Co. Ltd. - Woolwich, London SE15 (later
SEG)

SA The Saunders Electrical Co.

SAV W. Bryan Savage

SB S.G. Brown Ltd.

SBD Stonebridge Electrical Co. Ltd.

SBM Salford Electrical Instruments - Manchester

SC L.C. Smith & Corona Typewriters Ltd.

SCP	Surrey Concrete Products Ltd.
SD	S. Davall & Sons
SE	Small Electric Motors Ltd.
SEA	Siemens-Edison Swan - London N17 (became part of AEI)
SEC GEC)	Salford Electrical Instruments - Heywood, Lancs. (part of
SEG	AEI Ltd - Woolwich, London SE18 (ex Siemens, see S)
SER	AEI Ltd - West Hartlepool, Co. Durham (ex Siemens)
SEW	Siemens Edison Swan - Woolwich, London SE15 (see SEA)
SF	Scofield & Flexton
SFC	Standard Fuse Co.
SG	G. Salter & Co. Ltd.
SID	Salmon Industries Ltd - Northern Ireland
SL	S.G. Leach & Co. Ltd.
SLW	Speke Telephones Ltd - Wilmslow, Middx. (see SPK)
SM	Stuart & Moore (taken over by G. Longfield-Beasley)
SN	Solidite & Synthetic Mouldings Ltd.
SP	Small Power Dynamo & Motor Co. Ltd.
SPK SLW)	Plessey - Speke, Liverpool (ex Speke Telephones Ltd., see

SR	Estler Bros.
SS	Ebonestos Insulators Ltd.
SSA	Ebonestos Industries Ltd - London SE15 (previously SS)
SSG	Splintex Safety Glass Co - London W7
SSL	Siemens-Schuckert (Gt. Britain) Ltd.
SSS	S. Smith & Sons (Motor Accessories) Ltd.
SSS	Smith's Industrial Instruments Ltd - London NW1
ST	Stuart Turner Ltd.
STC	STC - New Southgate, London N11
STD	STC - Footscray
STE	STC (Valve Division) - Paignton, Devon
STJ	STC- Harlow
STK	STC – Boreham Wood
STM	STC - Monkstown, N. Ireland
STO	STC – East Kilbride
STU	STC – Enfield
STW	STC - Taunton
SU	The Educational Supply Association Ltd.
SUE	Submarine Cables Ltd - Erith, Kent

SUG S)	Submarine Cables Ltd - Greenwich, London SE3 (see DJA and S)
SUR	Siemens Halske - Germany
SV	D.G. Somerville & Co. Ltd.
SY	H.C. Slingsby
T	Tyer & Co.
TA	Thermega Ltd.
TB	Turner Bros. Ltd.
TBE	Telerelays Sales Ltd -Braintree, Essex
TCC	Telegraph Condenser Co.
TCD	Telephone Cables Ltd - Dagenham, Essex
TCE	STC - Enniskillen, N. Ireland
TCH	STC - Larne, N. Ireland
TCJ	STC – Jenny Mount (Belfast), N. Ireland
TCL	Trent Concrete Ltd.
TCON	Team Concepts International Ltd (Hong Kong)
TCT	STC – Treforest
TCW	STC – Rhyl

TCS	STC – Chase Side
TD	H.J. Townsend
TE	Telephone Manufacturing Company (formed 1915, later TEA)
TEA	TMC - Dulwich, London SE21
TES	TMC - St Mary Cray, Kent (from 1939)
TEW	TMC - Winsford, Cheshire
TF	Timber Fireproofing Co. Ltd.
TG	Tungstone Accumulator Co. Ltd.
TGR	Thorn Ericsson - Rochester, Kent
TGW	Thorn Ericsson - Scunthorpe
TH	The British Thomson-Houston Co.
TK	The Bradford Patent Truck & Trolley Co.
TL	Eastern Telegraph Co. Ltd.
TLA	Plessey - Ilford, Essex (also PLA)
TM	Telephone & Microphone Co.
TMA	TMC - Airdrie, Lanarkshire (see GNA)
TMC	Telephone & Microphone Co.
TMK	TMC - King's Lynn, Norfolk
TM	TMC - Malmesbury, Wilts.

TN	J.W. Thomson
TP	Thornton Pickard Manfg. Co.
TPC	TMC Transmission Division - St. Mary Cray, Kent
TR (later TPA)	Ernest Turner Electrical Instruments Ltd. - High Wycombe
TRA (formerly TR)	Ernest Turner Electrical Instruments Ltd. - High Wycombe
TS	The Thames Manfg. Co. Ltd.
TSD	Telephone Supplies Ltd - Aycliff, Co. Durham
TT	Taylor, Tunncliffe & Co. Ltd.
TTC	Taylor Tunncliffe & Co. Ltd. - Lastwood, Hanley, Staffs.
TTH	TMC - Canterbury, Kent
TTL	TMC - Livingstone, Bathgate, West Lothian (from 1969)
TU	The Tudor Accumulator Co. Ltd.
TW	Tate & Wilkinson
TY	H. Tinsley & Co.
TYA	H. Tinsley & Co.
U	Walters & Co.
UAA U)	Walters Electrical Manufacturing Co. Ltd - London (previously U)

UG United Woodworking Co. Ltd.

UME Multitone Ltd.

UW Underwood Portable Typewriters Ltd.

V T. Watson

VA The Varley Magnet Co.

VD The Ever Ready Co. (Gt. Britain) Ltd.

VG Evershed & Vignoles Ltd. - London W4. Later VGA

VGA Evershed & Vignoles Ltd. - London W4 (previously VG)

VK Vickers Ltd.

VLC Varta Ltd - Crewkerne, Somerset

VN Vanesta Ltd.

VS Evans Bros. Ltd.

VT Venner Time Switches - New Malden, Surrey

VV C.A. Vandervell & Co. Ltd.

VW Visible Writing Machine Co. Ltd.

W STC - North Woolwich, London (Western Electric pre-1925,
see WAA)

WAA	STC - North Woolwich, London E
WAB	STC - Newport, S. Wales
WAE	STC - Basildon, Essex
WAF	STC - Southampton
WAS	STC - Southampton
WB	Westinghouse Brake & Saxby Signal Co. Ltd.
WC	Walsall Conduits Ltd.
WEA	Weatherlite Ltd.
WEE	W.E. Eaton
WER	Whiteley Electrical Radio - Mansfield, Notts.
WF	W.H. Foster & Sons Ltd.
WG	Ward & Goldstone Ltd.
WH	Wm. White & Co.
WI	Webb & Wells - Ilford, Essex
WJ	Walter Jones & Co. Ltd.
WK	L. Weekes Ltd.
WS	M.W. Woods
WW	The Wilson Wolf Engineering Co. Ltd.

X	Wilcox
Y	W. Wilson
YA	British Army line stores prefix (not a BPO manufacturer code)
Z	Negretti & Zambra Ltd.
Z	Found near a screw terminal - means Zinc and is the negative pole of a primary battery
ZA	British Army wireless stores (not a BPO manufacturer code)
ZEA	Zenith Watch Co. Ltd (GB) (Previously ZE)
ZE	Zenith Watch. Co. Ltd. *Gt. Britain)

Moulding marks

BLD or BLtd Birkby's of Liversedge (W. Yorks.), the plastics moulding division of Plessey.

C	GEC Ltd (Telephone Works, Coventry)
G	GEC Ltd
LR	Thomas De La Rue Ltd,
MPL	Moulded Products Ltd
S	Siemens Brothers Ltd.

Title numbers

All BPO telephone sets (also equipment large and small) carried a 'title number', in which table telephones, portable telephones and piece parts such as handsets carried even numbers whilst wall telephones had odd numbers. Special and experimental telephones had numbers prefixed SA (Subscribers' Apparatus), whilst designs inherited from the former National Telephone Company were prefixed NT.

As well as the title number, telephones normally carried a mark number and the date of manufacture. The original design is known as Mark 1, the first modification as Mark 2 and the second as Mark 3 (and so on). Earlier on original designs and modifications were identified by three digits, starting with 234, for the original design, then 235 for the first modification, 236 for the second modification and so on.

Examples: Telephone 162 C34/1 indicates title number 162, made by GEC in 1934 to the Mark 1 design. Under the older scheme of marking this would have been shown as

C34 No. 162
234

Moulded items carried a letters and number code in which the upper two letters indicated the item manufacturer, the lower two letters the moulding subcontractor and the numeral the type of moulding material.

Non-BPO codes

British Codes

Note that type numbers of telephones beginning AP or Z are not BPO codes. AP stands for Admiralty Pattern, denoting a Royal Navy design, and YA and ZA are British Army prefixes. A pattern number starting 10A (or 10 followed by another letter) is Ministry of Defence. Type numbers beginning H are generally ATE products (the company originated at the place of Helsby), N denotes British Ericsson products, S are Siemens Brothers or

AEI numbers, TEL is normally GEC, whilst a number beginning SA on BPO instruments denotes Subscribers' Apparatus, generally a pre-release prototype or an item made specially for a particular customer.

Australian PMG manufacturer codes

Manufacturer codes were allocated by the Postmaster General are generally as for the BPO, with the addition of B.I. and B.I.H., which both indicate British Insulated Cables Ltd, located at Helsby. The ATM company was a spin-off of B.I. which itself merged with Callander's Cables Ltd and became BICC.

New Zealand

Some telephones made for the New Zealand Post Office carried the initials HCUNZ, standing for H.C. Urlwin of Christchurch, New Zealand.