



MetroAir Virtual Airlines

ATC GUIDE: PHONETIC ALPHABET V 1.0



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GETTING STARTED

When communicating with ATC, we have to change the way we say some of the basic things we learned at an early age, like how to pronounce letters and numbers. There are a few numbers that stand out as being different. It may be a little strange to say tree when you mean three, but it is the proper way when communicating.

The reason for the phonetic alphabet is to ensure that combinations of letters and numbers can be pronounced and understood by those transmitting and receiving voice messages.

Number	Word	Pronunciation
0	Zero	ZE-RO
1	One	WUN
2	Two	TOO
3	Three	TREE
4	Four	FOW ER
5	Five	FIFE
6	Six	SIX
7	Seven	SEV EN
8	Eight	AIT
9	Nine	NIN ER

Character	Word	Pronunciation
A	Alfa	AL FAH
B	Bravo	BRAH VOH

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C	Charlie	CHAR LEE
D	Delta	DELL TAH
E	Echo	ECK OH
F	Foxtrot	FOKS TROT
G	Golf	GOLF
H	Hotel	HO TELL
I	India	IN DEE AH
J	Juliett	JEW LEE ETT
K	Kilo	KEY LOH
L	Lima	LEE MAH
M	Mike	MIKE
N	November	NO VEM BER
O	Oscar	OSS CAH
P	Papa	PAH PAH
Q	Quebec	KEH BECK
R	Romeo	ROW ME OH
S	Sierra	SEE AIR AH
T	Tango	TANG GO

Character	Word	Pronunciation
U	Uniform	YOU NEE FORM
V	Victor	VIK TAH
W	Whiskey	WISS KEY
X	X-ray	ECKS RAY
Y	Yankee	YANG KEY
Z	Zulu	ZOO LOO