

**COMMON LANGUAGE®
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PRIORITY (TSP) CODES**

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1. SCOPE

1.01 This practice identifies the allowable code values of the Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) System as they are represented in the Federal Communications Commission TSP Order of November 17, 1988. The code values presented in this practice are in agreement with the proposed American National Standards Institute's (ANSI) "T1" standard for the representation of TSP codes.

1.02 Exchange carrier centers for customer service, special service provisioning, loop plant and interoffice facility assignment, and maintenance will be called upon to interpret the provisioning and restoration priorities of services having TSP priority designations.

2. PURPOSE

2.01 This practice identifies the codes of the TSP System for Bellcore Client Companies (BCCs). TSP codes will be presented to exchange and interexchange carriers within service requests, whenever a requester considers a service need to be important to national security.

3. GENERAL

3.01 Questions concerning these codes should be directed to the Division Manager, Language Standards Division, Bellcore, through the appropriate BCC.

3.02 The Bellcore Language Standards Division provides the technical expertise to maintain the General Code Sets. Input to this procedure is provided by the General Codes Technical Advisory Group, in accordance with the procedure outlined in BR 751-000-102, "COMMON LANGUAGE® Abbreviation and Code Request Procedures."

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4. REASON FOR ISSUE

4.01 This practice is re-issued to identify the codes of the current National Security Emergency Preparedness (NSEP) System for telecommunications priorities.

5. TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PRIORITY (TSP) SYSTEM

5.01 A Telecommunications Service Priority System has been established by federal regulation. This system ensures that services important to national security receive priority classification and service treatment in agreement with assigned priorities. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the National Communications System (NCS) are responsible for the assignment of priorities to NSEP Services.

5.02 A TSP Code is a two-character alphanumeric code that identifies a provisioning and restoration priority of an NSEP Service.

5.03 Services having NSEP TSP priorities are sequenced for provisioning or restoration according to procedures for NSEP Emergency or Essential Service.

5.04 A code of 00 (Zero-Zero) indicates no priority, and revocation of a previous priority.

5.05 Table A depicts allowable TSP System Codes.

Table A. Allowable TSP Codes

E1	11	21	31	41	51	01
E2	12	22	32	42	52	02
E3	13	23	33	43	53	03
E4	14	24	34	44	54	04
E5	15	25	35	45	55	05
E0	10	20	30	40	50	

5.06 Table B depicts, for each character of the TSP Code, the relationship of each representation among the choices available.

Table B. Character Representation Relationships

PROVISIONING CHARACTER	RESTORATION CHARACTER
E Highest	1 Highest
1	2
2	3
3	4
4	5 Lowest
5 Lowest	0 (Zero) or (Blank) Means No Priority
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6. OBSOLETE RESTORATION PRIORITY (RP) SYSTEM

6.01 The Restoration Priority (RP) System has been superseded by the TSP System.

6.02 Table C depicts obsolete RP Codes.

Table C. Obsolete RP Codes

DATA VALUE	CODE
No Priority	00 (Zeros)
Priority 1A	1A
Priority 1B	1B
Priority 1C	1C
Priority 1D	1D
Priority 1E	1E
Priority 1F	1F
Priority 1G	1G
Priority 2A	2A
Priority 2B	2B
Priority 2C	2C
Priority 2D	2D
Priority 2E	2E
Priority 2F	2F
Priority 2G	2G
Priority 3A	3A
Priority 3B	3B
Priority 3C	3C
Priority 4A	4A

