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Code System Names	ADA Universal Tooth Designation System
Introduction	<p>The American Dental Association (ADA) accepted the Universal/National Tooth Designation System and the ISO/ANSI/ADA Specification No. 3950 for Designation System for Teeth and Areas of the Oral Cavity as the human tooth and oral cavity enumeration schemas in 1994.</p> <p>The universal tooth designation or numbering system is accepted and approved by the ADA and is the most commonly used system used by dental professionals in America.</p> <p>Permanent teeth are numbered 1-32, starting with the third molar (1) on the right side of the upper arch, following around the arch to the third molar (16) on the left side, and descending to the lower third molar (17) on the left side, and following that arch to the terminus of the lower jaw, the lower right third molar (32).</p> <p>Supernumerary teeth in the permanent dentition are identified by the numbers 51 through 82, beginning with the area of the upper right third molar, following around the upper arch and continuing on the lower arch to the area of the lower right third molar (e.g., supernumerary #51 is adjacent to the upper right molar #1; supernumerary #82 is adjacent to the lower right third molar #32).</p> <p>Primary Teeth are lettered A-T, starting posterior part of the upper right quadrant where the right second molar tooth is assigned the name A, and follows around until letter J, the left second molar on the left posterior side of the dental arch. Tooth (K) is the mandibular right second molar tooth and lettering continues to deciduous mandibular right second molar tooth (T).</p> <p>Supernumerary teeth in the primary dentition are identified by the placement of the letter "S" following the letter identifying the adjacent primary tooth (for example, supernumerary "AS" is adjacent to "A"; supernumerary "TS" is adjacent to "T").</p> <p>The Universal Numbering System can be found in the ADA Dental Claim Form. For more information see here: ADA Dental Claim Form American Dental Association.</p> <p>The associated International Organization for Standardization (ISO) designation system for teeth (ISO/3950) is included to assist with mapping and should not be used on the ADA Claim Form.</p>

Tooth Number(s) or Letter(s)		
Include these codes as defined in ADA Dental Claim Form American Dental Association		
Code	Display	Definition
1	Permanent maxillary right third molar tooth	Permanent maxillary right third molar tooth; Universal designation 1; ISO designation 18
2	Permanent maxillary right second molar tooth	Permanent maxillary right second molar tooth; Universal designation 2; ISO designation 17
3	Permanent maxillary right first molar tooth	Permanent maxillary right first molar tooth; Universal designation 3; ISO designation 16
4	Permanent maxillary right second premolar tooth	Permanent maxillary right second premolar tooth; Universal designation 4; ISO designation 15
5	Permanent maxillary right first premolar tooth	Permanent maxillary right first premolar tooth; Universal designation 5; ISO designation 14
6	Permanent maxillary right canine tooth	Permanent maxillary right canine tooth; Universal designation 6; ISO designation 13
7	Permanent maxillary right lateral incisor tooth	Permanent maxillary right lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation 7; ISO designation 12
8	Permanent maxillary right central incisor tooth	Permanent maxillary right central incisor tooth; Universal designation 8; ISO designation 11
9	Permanent maxillary left central incisor tooth	Permanent maxillary left central incisor tooth; Universal designation 9; ISO designation 21
10	Permanent maxillary left lateral incisor tooth	Permanent maxillary left lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation 10; ISO designation 22
11	Permanent maxillary left canine tooth	Permanent maxillary left canine tooth; Universal designation 11; ISO designation 23
12	Permanent maxillary left first premolar tooth	Permanent maxillary left first premolar tooth; Universal designation 12; ISO designation 24
13	Permanent maxillary left second premolar tooth	Permanent maxillary left second premolar tooth; Universal designation 13; ISO designation 25
14	Permanent maxillary left first molar tooth	Permanent maxillary left first molar tooth; Universal designation 14; ISO designation 26
15	Permanent maxillary left second molar tooth	Permanent maxillary left second molar tooth; Universal designation 15; ISO designation 27

Code	Display	Definition
16	Permanent maxillary left third molar tooth	Permanent maxillary left third molar tooth; Universal designation 16; ISO designation 28
17	Permanent mandibular left third molar tooth	Permanent mandibular left third molar tooth; Universal designation 17; ISO designation 38
18	Permanent mandibular left second molar tooth	Permanent mandibular left second molar tooth; Universal designation 18; ISO designation 37
19	Permanent mandibular left first molar tooth	Permanent mandibular left first molar tooth; Universal designation 19; ISO designation 36
20	Permanent mandibular left second premolar tooth	Permanent mandibular left second premolar tooth; Universal designation 20; ISO designation 35
21	Permanent mandibular lower left first premolar tooth	Permanent mandibular left first premolar tooth; Universal designation 21; ISO designation 34
22	Permanent mandibular left canine tooth	Permanent mandibular left canine tooth; Universal designation 22; ISO designation 33
23	Permanent mandibular left lateral incisor tooth	Permanent mandibular left lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation 23; ISO designation 32
24	Permanent mandibular left central incisor tooth	Permanent mandibular left central incisor tooth; Universal designation 24; ISO designation 31
25	Permanent mandibular right central incisor tooth	Permanent mandibular right central incisor tooth; Universal designation 25; ISO designation 41
26	Permanent mandibular right lateral incisor tooth	Permanent mandibular right lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation 26; ISO designation 42
27	Permanent mandibular right canine tooth	Permanent mandibular right canine tooth; Universal designation 27; ISO designation 43
28	Permanent mandibular right first premolar tooth	Permanent mandibular right first premolar tooth; Universal designation 28; ISO designation 44
29	Permanent mandibular right second premolar tooth	Permanent mandibular right second premolar tooth; Universal designation 29; ISO designation 45
30	Permanent mandibular right first molar tooth	Permanent mandibular right first molar tooth; Universal designation 30; ISO designation 46
31	Permanent mandibular right second molar tooth	Permanent mandibular right second molar tooth; Universal designation 31; ISO designation 47
32	Permanent mandibular right third molar tooth	Permanent mandibular right third molar tooth; Universal designation 32; ISO designation 48
51	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right third molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right third molar tooth, Universal designation 51
52	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right second molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right second molar tooth; Universal designation 52

Code	Display	Definition
53	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right first molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right first molar tooth; Universal designation 53
54	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right second premolar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right second premolar tooth; Universal designation 54
55	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right first premolar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right first premolar tooth; Universal designation 55
56	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right canine tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right canine tooth; Universal designation 56
57	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right lateral incisor tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation 57
58	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right central incisor tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary right central incisor tooth; Universal designation 58
59	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left central incisor tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left central incisor tooth; Universal designation 59
60	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left lateral incisor tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation 60
61	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left canine tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left canine tooth; Universal designation 61
62	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left first premolar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left first premolar tooth, Universal designation 62
63	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left second premolar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left second premolar tooth; Universal designation 63
64	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left first molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left first molar tooth; Universal designation 64
65	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left second molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left second molar tooth; Universal designation 65
66	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left third molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent maxillary left third molar tooth; Universal designation 66
67	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left third molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left third molar tooth; Universal designation 67
68	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left second molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left second molar tooth; Universal designation 68
69	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left first molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left first molar tooth; Universal designation 69
70	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left second premolar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left second premolar tooth; Universal designation 70
71	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left first premolar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left first premolar tooth ; Universal designation 71

Code	Display	Definition
72	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left canine tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left canine tooth; Universal designation 72
73	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left lateral incisor tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation 73
74	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left central incisor tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular left central incisor tooth; Universal designation 74
75	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right central incisor tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right central incisor tooth; Universal designation 75
76	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right lateral incisor tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation 76
77	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right canine tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right canine tooth; Universal designation 77
78	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right first premolar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right first premolar tooth; Universal designation 78
79	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right second premolar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right second premolar tooth; Universal designation 79
80	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right first molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right first molar tooth; Universal designation 80
81	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right second molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right second molar tooth; Universal designation 81
82	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right third molar tooth	Supernumerary permanent mandibular right third molar tooth; Universal designation 82
A	Deciduous maxillary right second molar tooth	Deciduous maxillary right second molar tooth; Universal designation A; ISO designation 55
B	Deciduous maxillary right first molar tooth	Deciduous maxillary right first molar tooth; Universal designation B; ISO designation 54
C	Deciduous maxillary right canine tooth	Deciduous maxillary right canine tooth; Universal designation C; ISO designation 53
D	Deciduous maxillary upper right lateral incisor tooth	Deciduous maxillary right lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation D; ISO designation 52
E	Deciduous maxillary right central incisor tooth	Deciduous maxillary right central incisor tooth; Universal designation E; ISO designation 51
F	Deciduous maxillary left central incisor tooth	Deciduous maxillary left central incisor tooth; Universal designation F; ISO designation 61
G	Deciduous maxillary left lateral incisor tooth	Deciduous maxillary left lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation G; ISO designation 62
H	Deciduous maxillary left canine tooth	Deciduous maxillary left canine tooth; Universal designation H; ISO designation 63

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I	Deciduous maxillary left first molar tooth	Deciduous maxillary left first molar tooth; Universal designation I; ISO designation 64
J	Deciduous maxillary left second molar tooth	Deciduous maxillary left second molar tooth; Universal designation J; ISO designation 65
K	Deciduous mandibular left second molar tooth	Deciduous mandibular left second molar tooth; Universal designation K; ISO designation 75
L	Deciduous mandibular left first molar tooth	Deciduous mandibular left first molar tooth; Universal designation L; ISO designation 74
M	Deciduous mandibular left canine tooth	Deciduous mandibular left canine tooth; Universal designation M; ISO designation 73
N	Deciduous mandibular left lateral incisor tooth	Deciduous mandibular left lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation N; ISO designation 72
O	Deciduous mandibular left central incisor tooth	Deciduous mandibular left central incisor tooth; Universal designation O; ISO designation 71
P	Deciduous mandibular right central incisor tooth	Deciduous mandibular right central incisor tooth; Universal designation P; ISO designation 81
Q	Deciduous mandibular right lateral incisor tooth	Deciduous mandibular right lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation Q; ISO designation 82
R	Deciduous mandibular right canine tooth	Deciduous mandibular right canine tooth; Universal designation R; ISO designation 83
S	Deciduous mandibular right first molar tooth	Deciduous mandibular right first molar tooth; Universal designation S; ISO designation 84
T	Deciduous mandibular right second molar tooth	Deciduous mandibular right second molar tooth; Universal designation T; ISO designation 85
FS	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary left central incisor tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary left central incisor tooth; Universal designation FS
IS	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary left first molar tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary left first molar tooth; Universal designation IS
GS	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary left lateral incisor tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary left lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation GS
JS	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary left second molar tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary left second molar tooth; Universal designation JS
CS	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right canine tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right canine tooth; Universal designation CS
ES	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right central incisor tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right central incisor tooth; Universal designation ES
BS	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right first molar tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right first molar tooth; Universal designation BS
DS	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right lateral incisor tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right lateral incisor tooth; Universal designation DS

Code	Display	Definition
AS	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right second molar tooth	Supernumerary deciduous maxillary right second molar tooth; Universal designation AS

Tooth Surface

Include these codes as defined in [2024 ADA Dental Claim Form Completion Instructions](#).

Code	Surface
B	Buccal
D	Distal
F	Facial (or labial)
I	Incisal
L	Lingual
M	Mesial
O	Occlusal