## Outline of the use of Roman Alphabet Characters in Securities Codes (Reference)

May 31, 2022 Securities Identification Code Committee

Item	Content		Note
Digits for which Roman	Roman alphabet characters are used for either or both	•	The stock codes consist of a four-character
alphabet characters	of the 2nd and 4th digits of four-character specific		specific name code and a one-character reserved
are used	name codes for stocks (used for stocks, ETFs, REITs,		code used for new stock and classified stock,
	etc.)		etc. There is no change in the composition of the
	Ex) 9A76, 987A, 9A7A		stock codes, such as the number of digits.
		•	As for the reserved code, roman alphabet
			characters may be used when a listed company
			issues a large number of different types of stock
			and a number only code is insufficient. In this
			case, a sufficient period of dissemination will
			be provided.
		•	The Securities Identification Code Committee
			will separately determine how to assign letters
			and numbers such as the order in which they are
			used.
Range of English	19 uppercase letters, excluding "B", "E", "I", "O",	•	The use of letters is limited in order to prevent
characters used	"Q", "V", and "Z" are used.		errors in oral communication and confusion with
			numbers and scientific notation.
Date of Implementation	Roman alphabet characters will be used in the specific	•	Roman alphabet characters will be used in the
	name codes for stocks set after January 1, 2024.		specific name codes of stocks for which approval
			for new listing has been announced after January

			1, 2024, regardless of the number of remaining specific name codes for stocks with only numbers.  There is no change in the stock codes already set by December 31, 2023, such as for listed companies.
Effect on other codes	Since part of bond codes and identification codes for	•	Only numbers will continue to be used for codes
	security options transactions include specific name		for government bonds, local government bonds,
	codes for stocks as part of the code, Roman alphabet		special bonds, and the like.
	characters may be included in the specific name codes		
	for stocks on and after January 1, 2024.		

(Note) This document is an outline of the inclusion of Roman alphabet characters in the securities code due to the revision of the "Guideline of Setting, Change, and Deletion of Stock and Bond Codes" announced by the Securities Identification Code Committee on May 31, 2022. Although every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information posted, the Securities Identification Code Committee does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, or scope of the content.