

National Numbering Plan Guidelines

1.0 Purpose and Scope of This Document

This document specifies guidelines for the assignment of numbering resources within the Guyana National Numbering System including central office (CO) codes or NXX, also referred to as billing area codes. The NXX is the first three digits of the seven digit National Telephone number (NXX XXXX), where N represents any digit 2 - 9 and X any digit 0 - 9.

Examples of uses for the number resources for which these guidelines apply include plain old telephone service (POTS), Centrex, Direct Inward Dialing (DID), cellular service, data lines, facsimile, coin phones, and customer owned pay phones

2.0 Assumptions and Constraints

Guyana Numbering Plan resources, including those covered in these guidelines are administered by the National Frequency Management Unit. The Guyana Numbering Plan is the basic numbering scheme for the Public Switched Telephone Network in Guyana.

The Numbering resources are considered a public resource and are not owned by the assignees. Consequently, the resources cannot be sold, brokered, bartered, or leased by the assignee for a fee or other consideration.

Audits of the code applicants/holders may be performed to:

- 1) ensure uniformity in application of these guidelines by the code applicant / holder
- 2) ensure consistent application of these guidelines by the number resource applicant / assignee
- 3) ensure compliance with these guidelines by number resource applicants/assignees and
- 4) ensure the efficient and effective use of number resources

3.0 Assignment Principles

The following assignment principles apply to all aspects of the National Numbering Guidelines:

The national number resource is a finite resource that should be used in the most effective and efficient manner possible. All applicants and potential users of the national number resource are required to provide to the National Frequency Management Unit, which is the National Numbering Plan Administrator, the technical and, for an additional code request, quantitative support for their code requests.

Numbering Resources shall be assigned in a fair and impartial manner to any applicant that meets the criteria for assignment as detailed in Section 4.0.

Applicants for any number resource including central office codes must comply with all applicable governmental regulations relative to the services they wish to provide.