## ISRR Soundex Code Usage Chart Simplified

## All codes consist of ONE (1) letter and THREE (3) numbers. E.G. Smith $=$ S530, Crosby $=$ C621

FIRST: Write the Capital Letter of the first letter of the name. NEXT: Code as follows:

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\(1=\mathrm{B} \mathrm{F} \mathrm{P} \mathrm{V}\)
\(2=\) C G J K Q S X Z
\(4=\mathrm{L}\)
\(5=\mathrm{M} \mathrm{N}\)
\(6=\mathrm{R}\)
\(5=\mathrm{M} \mathrm{N}\)
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- Ignore all vowels (A E I O U Y) and H \& W
- Ignore second letter of double consonant (CK, SZ) coded with same number (CK would be 2 not 22).
- Stop after 3 numbers.
- If name codes less than 3 numbers use zeros (0) to complete 3.

NOTE: The letters of the alphabet following the / (forward slash line) are never used. When letter pairs occur together in a name, they denote a double consonant. See examples below:

| A, | vowel -- never used | A = |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B, | consonant | $\mathrm{B}=1$ |
| C | consonant | $\mathrm{C}=2$ |
| C | C / K (K same \# as C, pair becomes double consonant) COMMON | CK $=2$ |
| D | consonant | D $=3$ |
| E | vowel - never used | E = |
| E/I | double vowel - never used | EI $=$ |
| F | consonant | $\mathrm{F}=1$ |
| G | consonant | $\mathrm{G}=2$ |
| H | consonant -- never used | $\mathrm{H}=$ |
| I | vowel - never used | E = |
| I/ E | double vowel - never used | IE = |
| J | consonant | $\mathrm{J}=2$ |
| J / Y | Y never used, as a pair becomes double consonant - never used | JY = 2 |
| L | consonant | $\mathrm{L}=4$ |
| M | consonant | $\mathrm{M}=5$ |
| N | consonant | $\mathrm{N}=5$ |
| O | vowel - never used | $\mathrm{O}=$ |
| P | consonant | $\mathrm{P}=1$ |
| Q | consonant | $\mathrm{Q}=2$ |
| R | consonant | $\mathrm{R}=6$ |
| S | consonant | $\mathrm{S}=2$ |
| S / Z | Z same as S, as a pair become double consonant - RARE | $\mathrm{SZ}=2$ |
| T | T, consonant | $\mathrm{T}=3$ |
| U | vowel - never used | $\mathrm{U}=$ |
| V | consonant | $\mathrm{V}=1$ |
| V/ W | W never used, as a pair becomes double consonant - RARE | VW = 1 |
| W | never used | W = |
| X | consonant | $\mathrm{X}=2$ |
| Y | vowel - never used | $\mathrm{Y}=$ |
| Z | consonant | $\mathrm{X}=2$ |

## Samples:

$\underline{\text { Sutton }}=$ S350 $\quad \underline{\text { Artz }}=$ A632
$\underline{\text { Scott }}=\mathbf{S} 230$
Apple $=$ A140
$\underline{\text { Becker }}=\mathrm{B} 260$
Vilardi $=$ V463 $\quad$ Brick $=$ B620
Denny = D500
Hawkass = H220
Cowell = C400
Thompson $=$ T512
$\underline{\text { Paltz }}=$ P432 $\quad \underline{\text { Lee }}=$ L000
$\underline{\text { Chow }}=\mathrm{C} 000 \quad \underline{\text { Pilcher }}=\mathrm{P} 426$

