Beneficiary Identification Codes

The Medicare number is followed by an identifying suffix. When a claim is submitted to the Medicare Intermediary or Carrier the Medicare number must include the identify suffix for the system to recognize the Medicare number. The suffix identifies whose social security record entitles the beneficiary to Medicare benefits.

Α	Wage Earner	DR	Fourth remarried widower
В	Wife drawing on a husband's record	DS	Third surviving divorced husband
B1	Husband drawing on a wife's record	DT	Fifth remarried widower
B2	Wife drawing benefits under age 62	DV	Third surviving divorced husband
B3	Second wife	DW	Fourth surviving divorced wife
B4	Second husband	DX	Fourth surviving divorced husband
B5	Second wife under age 62	DY	Fifth surviving divorced wife
B6	Divorced wife	DZ	Fifth surviving divorced husband
B7	Third wife under age 62	E	Mother (widow)
B8	Third wife	E1	Surviving widowed mother
B9	Second divorced wife	E2	Second widowed mother
BA	Fourth wife	E3	Second surviving divorced mother
BD	Fifth wife	E4	Widowed father
BG	Third husband	E5	Surviving divorced father
BH	Fourth husband	E6	Second widowed father
BJ	Fifth husband	E7	Third widowed mother
BK	Fourth wife under age 62	E8	Fourth widowed mother
BL	Fifth wife under age 62	E9	Second surviving divorced father
BN	Third divorced wife	EA	Fifth widowed mother
BP	Fourth divorced wife	EB	Third surviving divorced mother
BQ	Fifth divorced husband	EC	Fourth surviving divorced mother
BR	Divorced husband	ED	Fifth surviving divorced mother
BT	Second divorced husband	EF	Third widowed father
BW	Husband drawing father's benefits	EG	Fourth widowed father
BY	Second husband drawing father's benefits	EH	Fifth widowed father
C1	Youngest disabled child	EJ	Third surviving divorced father
C2-C9	Disabled child, number denotes which child	EK	Fourth surviving divorced father
CA	Tenth disabled child, CB-eleventh, etc.	EM	Fifth surviving divorced father
D	Wife drawing on a deceased husband's record	F1	Father
D1	Husband drawing on a deceased wife's record	F2	Mother
D2	Second widow	F3	Stepfather
D3	Second widower	F4	Stepmother
D4	Widow remarried	F5	Adopting Father
D5	Widower remarried	F6	Adopting Mother
D6	Surviving divorced wife	F7	Second alleged father
D7	Second surviving divorced wife	F8	Second alleged father
D8	Third widow	14 14	At age 72, the beneficiary under T suffix becomes
D9	Second wife remarried	J1 – J4	eligible for special benefits, the suffix becomes J1-J4.
DA	Third remarried widow	K1-KM	Wife of J1-J4
DC	Surviving divorced husband	M	SMI entitlement only
DD	Fourth widow	M1	SMI entitlement only – refused Part A
DG	Fifth Widow	T	Drawing no Social Security Benefits
DH	Third widower	W	Disabled Widow
DJ	Fourth widower	W1	Disabled Widower
DK	Fifth widower	W2	Second disabled widow
DL	Fourth remarried widow	W3	Second disabled widower
DM	Second surviving divorced husband	W4	Third disabled widow
DN	Fifth remarried widow	W5	Third disabled widower
DP	Second remarried widower	W6	Disabled surviving divorced wife
DQ	Third remarried widower	WR	Disabled surviving divorced husband
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