

# **Property Asset Numbering System**



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## 1. PURPOSE

The numbering of buildings, floors, and rooms is an important part of the University's built environment allowing students, faculty, staff and visitors to effectively navigate their way around campus. The numbering system is the framework that creates consistency across campus. Authority for the numbering of buildings, floors, and rooms lies with UCB Planning, Design & Construction. Design teams may use these guidelines to create initial floor and room numbering for a project.

## 2. GOALS

The numbering system has been purposefully designed with two goals in mind: **standardization** and **flexibility**.

#### Standardization

The primary goal of the system is to develop a means by which a person will be able to find their way through buildings on campus. These guidelines will also help when numbering buildings, floors, and rooms.

#### Flexibility

The numbering system is flexible enough to accommodate renovations and additions.

## **3. BUILDING NUMBERING**

The Boulder real estate portfolio is divided into geographic zones. Once a building number is established it remains permanent and does not change. There may be instances where a name or code change is required. CU policies will be followed for these cases. All property assets will be numbered. Some structures such as sheds, pavilions, etc. may warrant numbering. The 900 series is reserved for infrastructure entities.



Zone	Number Series		
Main Campus	200, 300 & 400		
Grandview	200		
North of Boulder Creek	100		
East Campus	500		
East Campus North	500		
Williams Village	600		

Zone (not shown)	Number	
	Series	
South Campus	700	
Mountain Research Station	000	
Off Campus	800	
Exterior to Building Assets (ex – Tunnels)	900	

## 4. FLOOR NUMBERING

Floors are numbered as shown below. The building's primary entrance is generally the first floor.

Floor Name	Floor Code	
Roof*	Roof	
Fifth	05	
Fourth	04	
Third	03	
Second Mezzanine	2M	
Second	02	
First Mezzanine	1M	
First	01	Above Grade
First Basement	1B	Below Grade
Second Basement Mezzanine	2BM	
Second Basement	2B	
Third Basement	3B	

\*NOTE: Roof plans are treated differently. They include all building roofs, regardless of floor.

## **5. ROOM NUMBERING**

#### Considerations

- Floor identification
- Main entrance/exit points
- Potential traffic flow paths
- General floor configuration
- Any unique features

#### System Elements

- Floor designation
- Number zones
- Rooms within rooms
- Wing identification
- Room identifiers
  - o Circulation
  - o Restrooms
  - o Shafts
  - o Structural Areas
  - o Roofs

## 5.1. Floor Designation

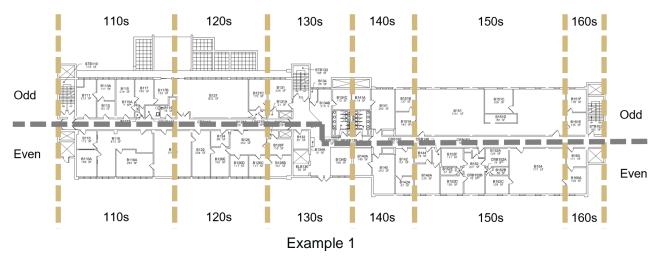
Floor Name	Floor Code	Room Prefix	Room Examples		
Roof*	Roof	RF	<b>RF4</b> 33, <b>RF3</b> 55		
Third	03	3	<b>3</b> 33, <b>3</b> 55		
Second	02	2	<b>2</b> 33, <b>2</b> 55		
First Mezzanine	1M	1M	1M33, 1M55		
First	01	1	133, 155	Above Grade	
First Basement	1B	1B	1 <b>B</b> 33, 1 <b>B</b> 55	Below Grade	
Second Basement Mezzanine	2BM	2BM	2BM33, 2BM55		
Second Basement	2B	2B	<b>2B</b> 33, <b>2B</b> 55		

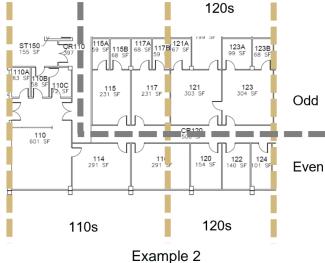
Each room number contains a prefix indicating its floor.

\*NOTE: Roof plans are treated differently. They include all building roofs, regardless of floor. Roof spaces receive a number based on the highest floor crossed and are prefixed with "RF".

## 5.2. Number Zones

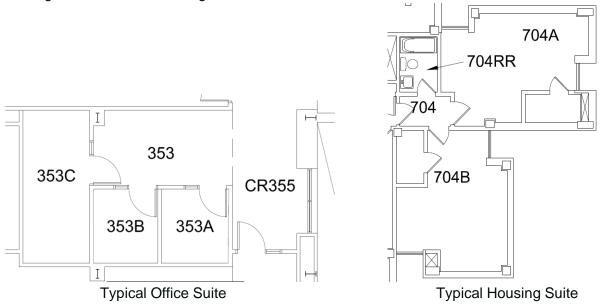
Floors should be subdivided into groupings of tens to create room number zones. These zones form the general structure. Which zone a room falls within is defined by the placement of the primary entrance. Use this strategy to provide sufficient capacity to add additional rooms. Use even numbers on one side of the corridor and use odd numbers on the other.





### 5.3. Rooms Within Rooms

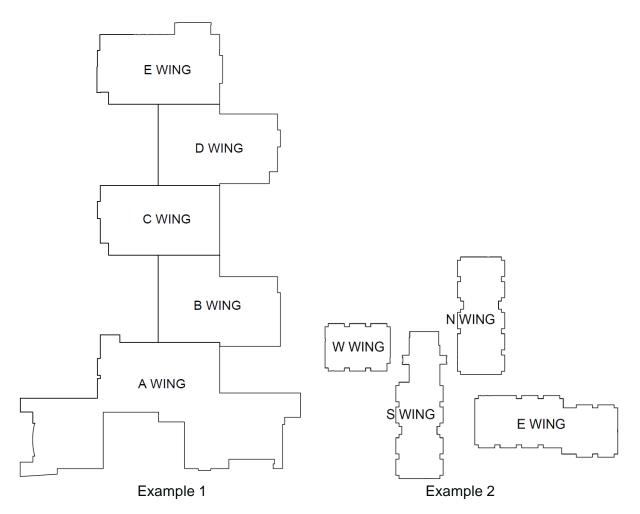
Rooms within rooms are spaces accessed through a primary or entrance space. These spaces are identified with an alpha-character\* suffix. Multiple rooms shall be lettered sequentially starting left-of-entrance moving in a clockwise direction.



\*NOTE: Certain letters should not be included in suffixes to avoid confusion with numbers, such as: I, 0, and Q.

## 5.4. Wing Identification

Wing identification may be necessary in large buildings or to accommodate an addition. An alpha-character prefix is added to each room number within the wing.



Wing	Room Prefix	Room Examples
North	Ν	N133, N155A, CRN130, RRMN125
West	W	W233, W255A, CRW250, RRWW225
A	А	<b>A</b> 312, <b>A</b> 354A, CR <b>A</b> 395, RRU <b>A</b> 360
В	В	<b>B</b> 415, <b>B</b> 423B, CR <b>B</b> 468, RRM <b>B</b> 433

## 5.5. Room Identifiers

Room identifiers exist to identify service rooms and spaces. Several of these space types are described below; a) circulation, b) restrooms, c) shafts, d) structural areas, and e) roofs.

### 5.5.1. Circulation Areas

Rooms such as public corridors, stairs, and elevators are considered to be circulation areas. Room numbers for these spaces should be vertically stacked within a building. Circulation areas that might not be considered public or are in an enclosed suite of offices for example, should still use the prefixes below.

Circulation Area	Room Prefix	Room Examples	
Corridor	CR	<b>CR</b> 130, <b>CR</b> 230	
Stairwell	ST	<b>ST</b> 130, <b>ST</b> 230	
Elevator	EL	<b>EL</b> IB30, <b>EL</b> I30	
Loading Dock	LD	LD130, LDW1B30	

### 5.5.2. Restrooms

Each type of restroom receives a unique prefix.

Restroom Type	Restroom Prefix	Room Examples
Men's	RRM	<b>RRM</b> 133, <b>RRM</b> 155
Women's	RRW	<b>RRW</b> 233, <b>RRW</b> 255
Unspecified/Gender Neutral/All User	RRU	<b>RRU</b> 1B33, <b>RRU</b> 1B55

Residence hall restrooms are treated differently. Resident-only restrooms entered from a corridor receive a room identifier prefix. Dorm suite restrooms receive a room identifier suffix.

Residence Hall Restroom Type	Restroom Prefix	Restroom Suffix	Room Examples
Unspecified Restrooms	RR	-	<b>RR</b> 325, <b>RR</b> 467
Dorm Suite Restroom	-	RR	349 <b>RR</b> , 462 <b>RR</b>

### 5.5.3.Shafts

Ventilation shafts, as defined by the Postsecondary Education Facilities Inventory and Classification Manual (FICM), should receive a "Y" prefix. No signage is necessary for these types of spaces. Numbers for these spaces should be vertically stacked within a building. These spaces can be numbered sequentially rather than related to nearby room numbers.

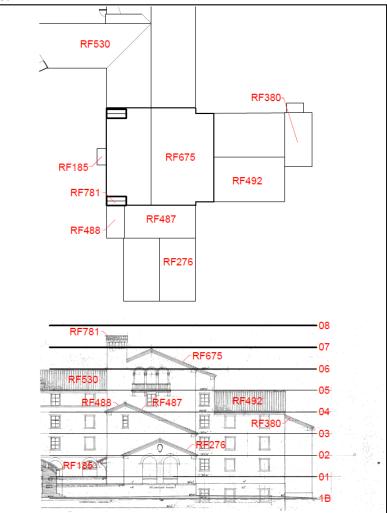
Floor	Shaft Room Prefix	Room Examples	
Fourth	Y	<b>Y</b> 401	
Third	Y	<b>Y</b> 301	
Second	Y	<b>Y</b> 201	

### 5.5.4. Structural Areas

Structural areas receive a "Z" prefix. These space numbers are used for tracking data only. Examples include a) unexcavated spaces, b) all spaces with <=3' vertical space, c) exterior spaces as needed. No signage is necessary for these types of spaces.

#### 5.5.5.Roofs

Roof areas receive an 'RF' prefix and are numbered according to the highest floor crossed. Roof plans include all building roofs, regardless of floor. See plan, elevation, and chart below. Open air spaces (with building below), such as mechanical spaces, terraces, etc. should receive a roof prefix and number. Numbering should follow the numbers from the rooms below if possible and sensible (RF550 above room number 450). This includes carrying up any wing pre-fixes. Otherwise, use of the Number Zones (5.2) strategy shown in "Floor Plan -Example 1" is recommended



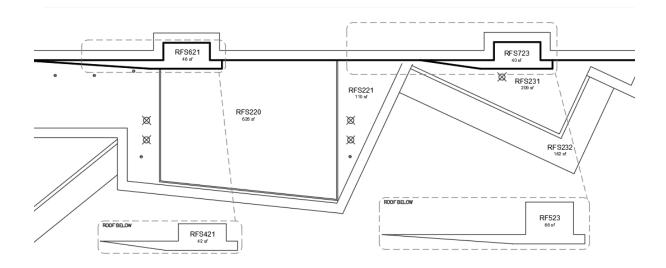
Roof Crossed	Roof Prefix	Room Examples	
Sixth	RF	<b>RF</b> 675	
Third	RF	<b>RF</b> 380	

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Some flat roofs contain area dividers that separate roof planes into smaller sections. Each distinct area shall receive its own identification number. The section with the largest square footage receives a typical roof number (e.g. RF350). Any other area within the same roof plane, but separated by an area divider, receives the primary roof number and an alpha character suffix (e.g. RF350A). Multiple areas within a single roof plane should be lettered sequentially in a clockwise direction. Area dividers shall be represented with a dashed line.

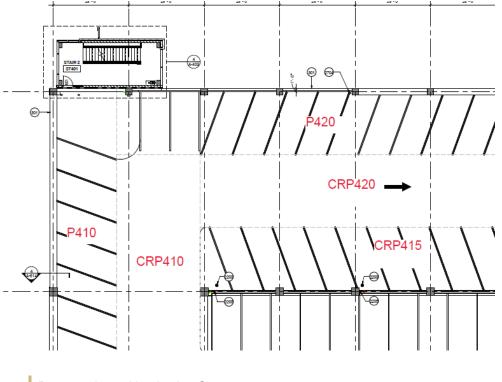


When one roof is directly above another (occluding it in plan view) the occluded roof shall be drawn nearby on the plan and referenced with a leader. (RES1 example below)



### 5.5.6. Parking Structures

Parking garages and other covered (or top floor) parking is considered assignable space. Parking space areas should have a 'P' prefix, and can be grouped together into one room where they are continuously touching. Parking drive lanes are denoted like corridors and should have a 'CRP' prefix.





## 5.6. Master Format Summary

Room Identifier Type	Room Identifier +	Wing +	Floor +	Room Number =	Result
-	-	-	2	65	265
-	-	A	1B	87	A1B87
Corridor	CR	N	1	55	CRN155
Restroom	RRU	-	3	76	RRU376
Shaft	Y	-	4	07	Y407
Structural & Exterior Space	Z	-	5	01	Z501
Roof Space	RF	W	6	05	RFW605
Vertical Penetration	VERT	-	1	01	VERT01 (floor ignored)
Parking Spaces	Р	-	1B	09	P1B09
Parking drive lanes	CRP		3	12	CRP312

Master format summary featuring room number components and examples.