

# **UEB Code**

## **UEB with Nemeth Code**

# Official Codes - United States

The official codes for use in the U.S., as approved by the Braille Authority of North America (BANA):

- Unified English Braille (UEB);
- Nemeth Code for Mathematics and Science Notation, 1972 Revisions and published updates;
- Music Braille Code, 1997;
- International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) Braille Code, 2008.

# UEB Code

- UEB is one code for literary, mathematics, and computer science text elements.
- UEB technical code for math and science is part of the UEB and is used in all grade levels.
- The UEB replaces the EBAE literary code.

# Nemeth Code

- The Nemeth Braille Code is a technical code for mathematics and science.
- It has been used for decades in the United States.
- It will continue to be used within the context of the UEB for technical materials in all grade levels.

# UEB Guidelines

- *UEB Guidelines for Technical Materials* provides producers of braille with information and examples to produce Mathematics, Science and Computer notation in UEB for instructional materials.
- The *UEB Guidelines for Technical Materials* are available on the BANA website at <https://www.brailleauthority.org/unified-english-braille-codebooks>.

# Nemeth Guidelines

- *The Nemeth Code for Mathematics and Science Notation, 1972 Revision* provides producers of braille with rules and format guidance for producing mathematics and science instructional materials.
- *The Nemeth Code for Mathematics and Science Notation, 1972 Revision* are available for purchase.  
<https://www.brailleauthority.org/bana-publications-available-purchase>

# UEB Code Switching

- The use of specific symbols to indicate that UEB technical code is beginning and ending, when used with Nemeth, Music or IPA braille codes, is called code switching.
- The purpose of code switching is to indicate text which is transcribed in a braille code other than UEB.
- Specific guidelines for Code Switching are provided in Section 14 of *The Rules of Unified English Braille*. These rules are available on the BANA website at <https://www.brailleauthority.org/unified-english-braille-ueb>.

# Nemeth Code Switching

*Guidance for Transcription Using the Nemeth Code within UEB Contexts, Revised April 2018*

- Provides producers of braille with information regarding the use of the Nemeth Code within UEB text.
- Outlines the use of opening and closing Nemeth indicators used to indicate the switch in and out of Nemeth code.
- Provides examples of Code Switching using opening and closing Nemeth indicators.
- Gives additional guidelines and formatting directives.
- Available on the BANA website at <https://www.brailleauthority.org/nemeth-code>.



# Web Resources

- [Nemeth or UEB: Factors and Considerations for Math Code](#)
- [UEB Transition and Implementation in Indiana, Indiana Educational Resource Center/ICAM Position Statement for the Provision of Materials](#)
- [Unified English Braille Timeline for Implementation in Indiana](#)

# Web Resources

- Indiana Educational Resource Center  
[www.patinsproject.org/icom/ierc](http://www.patinsproject.org/icom/ierc)
- Braille Authority of North America (BANA)  
[www.brailleauthority.org](http://www.brailleauthority.org)
- International Council on English Braille (ICEB)  
[www.iceb.org](http://www.iceb.org)