### Sanborn Map Abbreviations

**Abbreviation** | **Meaning**
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A | Automobile (usually designates the location of a garage)
A in B | Automobile located in basement
A S | Automatic sprinkler
Acs | Automatic chemical sprinkler
AFA | Automatic fire alarm
Agr | Agricultural
Appr | Apparatus
Aprt | Apartments
Asb Cl | Asbestos clad
Aud Cl | Auditorium
Auto Ho | Automobile house, or garage
B | Basement, boiler or occasionally brick
B & C | Boots and shoes
Bldg | Building
B'st | Basement
Bak'y | Bakery
Bbl | Barrel
Bbls | Barrels
BE | Brick enclosed elevator
Bill'ds | Billiards
Bl | Blacksmith
Bst | Basement
C | Cement brick or concrete block construction
C Br | Concrete brick or cement block construction
Cap'ty | Capacity
Carp't | Carpenter
Caret | Carport
Caret'y | Caretary
Constr'n | Construction
Corp'n | Corporation
D | Dwelling
DH | Double (fire) hydrant
DG | Dry goods
Dr | Doctor's office
Dwg | Dwelling
E | Elevator
E H | Each Floor
El | Electric
Elec | Electrical
Eng | Engine
Ent | Entertainment
Episc'l | Episcopal
ESC | Elevator with self-closing traps
ET | Elevator with traps
Exch | Exchange
Exp | Exposure (as used to designate a delivery service)
F | Farm (as used to designate a delivery service)
FA | Fire alarm
FE | Fire escape
F P | Fire pump
Filling station, or gas station
F | Floor
Fr Ani | Frame constructed attic
Frat | Fraternity
Fur | Furnishings
Furn'g | Furnishing
Furne | Furniture
GAR | Grand Army of the Republic
GT | Gas engine
Ge | Gallery
Gal'y | Gallery
Gen'l | General (as used to designate a general store)
Gen'ls | General's
Grog'g | Groggery
Gro | Grocery or groceries
H | Hotel or house (as used to designate a warehouse)
He | Heart
Hy | Hydrant
ICRR | Illinois Central Railroad
Imp | Implements
Ins | Insurance
Intr'm | Instruments
I & C | Iron clad
K of C | Knights of Columbus
Lb | Laboratory
Lab | Laboratory
Lodg'g | Lodging
Luth | Lutheran
Luth'n | Lutheran
ME | Methodist Episcopal
Mach'y | Machinery
Mak's | Maker
Manuf'y | Manufacturer or factory
Mkln'd | Mercantile
Mfg | Millinery
Mfg'g | Making
Mr | Motor
NS | Not sprinkled
QH | Quadruple (fire) hydrant
RC | Roman Catholic
Rt | Roof
Rm | Room
Rep | Repair
Rep'g | Reparing
Rep'st | Repository
Reta' | Restaurant
Roy | Roof
Room
S | Store
SA | Spark arrester
S Vac | Some portion of building is vacant
Sal | Saloon
Sky'l | Skylights
Sm | Smith, as in gunsmith or blacksmith
Sm Ho | Smokehouse
Sprk'ts | Sprinklers
Stg | Storage
St'y | Story
Sta | Station
Sta'y | Stationary
TH | Triple (fire) hydrant
Tel | Telephone
Tenn's | Tenements
TESC | Tile enclosed elevator with self-closing traps
Tm | Time
Trim'mg | Trimming
U | Upright
Up | Upright
V | Vertical pipe
Vac | Vacant
Ves'd | Ventsed
Ves'dd | Ventsed
W | Ware, as in warehouse or warehouse
WC | Water closet or toilet
W CG | Water glass skylights
W Ho | Warehouse
WPA | Works Progress Administration
Wks | Works
Wheel | Wheel
W'g | Working
Woodwkg | Woodworking