

ROMANIZATION OF BELARUSIAN

BGN/PCGN 1979 System

The BGN/PCGN system for Belarusian (formerly referred to as Byelorussian) was designed for use in romanizing names written in the Belarusian Cyrillic alphabet. The Belarusian alphabet contains three characters not present in the Russian alphabet: *i*, *ŷ*, and *'*.

	Belarusian	Belarusian italics/ handwriting	Cyrillic Unicode	Romanization
1.	А а	<i>А а</i>	0410; 0430	a
2.	Б б	<i>Б б</i>	0411; 0431	b
3.	В в	<i>В в</i>	0412; 0432	v
4.	Г г	<i>Г г</i>	0413; 0433	h
5.	Д д	<i>Д д</i>	0414; 0434	d
6.	Е е	<i>Е е</i>	0415; 0435	ye
7.	Ё ё	<i>Ё ё</i>	0401; 0451	yo
8.	Ж ж	<i>Ж ж</i>	0416; 0436	zh
9.	З з	<i>З з</i>	0417; 0437	z
10.	І і	<i>І і</i>	0406; 0456	i
11.	Ў ў	<i>Ў ў</i>	0419; 0439	y
12.	К к	<i>К к</i>	041A; 043A	k
13.	Л л	<i>Л л</i>	041B; 043B	l
14.	М м	<i>М м</i>	041C; 043C	m
15.	Н н	<i>Н н</i>	041D; 043D	n
16.	О о	<i>О о</i>	041E; 043E	o
17.	П п	<i>П п</i>	041F; 043F	p
18.	Р р	<i>Р р</i>	0420; 0440	r
19.	С с	<i>С с</i>	0421; 0441	s
20.	Т т	<i>Т т</i>	0422; 0442	t
21.	У у	<i>У у</i>	0423; 0443	u

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22.	Ў ў	Ў ў	040E; 045E	w
23.	Ф ф	Ф ф	0424; 0444	f
24.	Х х	Х х	0425; 0445	kh
25.	Ц ц	Ц ц	0426; 0446	ts
26.	Ч ч	Ч ч	0427; 0447	ch
27.	Ш ш	Ш ш	0428; 0448	sh
28.	Ы ы	Ы ы	042B; 044B	y
29.	Ь ь	Ь ь	042C; 044C	'
30.	Э э	Э э	042D; 044D	e
31.	Ю ю	Ю ю	042E; 044E	yu
32.	Я я	Я я	042F; 044F	ya
33.	’ ’	’ ’	02BC	”

NOTES

1. The Romanization column shows only lowercase forms but, when romanizing, uppercase and lowercase Roman letters as appropriate should be used.
2. The character sequences зг, кг, сг, тс and цг and may be romanized **z·h**, **k·h**, **s·h**, **t·s** and **ts·h** in order to differentiate those romanizations from the digraphs **zh**, **kh**, **sh**, **ts**, and the letter sequence **tsh**, which are used to render the characters ж, х, ш, ц, and the character sequence тш.
3. All apostrophes appearing in romanization are Unicode encoding 2019.
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