

Exchanges - Area Code 604 - 1 of 2 (updated 27 November 1991)

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	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9				
20	(Van*)	(Van*)	-	-	-	(Van*)	-	-	-	-	20			
21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21			
22	<-----	Vancouver	----	Boswel	Van	Rionde	Vallic	Crawfo	Van	Balfou	22			
23	Van	-	-	ToadRi	McDame	Iskut	Telegr	Bearsk	TatsLk	Goldbr	Cassia	23		
24	Van	Richmo	Tumble	BeaveV	Richmo	Ladysm	Chemai	Gabrio	Parksv	Bouchi	24			
25	<-----	Vancouver	-----	Lilloo	Richmo	Van	Shalal	25						
26	-	-	Van	Attach	< Vancouver >	Nakusp	< Vancouver >	Van	Fauqui	26				
27	<-----	Richmond	-----	27										
28	Van	WossLk	PtAlic	GoldRi	PtAlic	Quadra	<Campbell Rv>	Holber	OceanF	28				
29	< Vancouver >	Hedley	< Vancouver >	Prcton	150Mil	McLees	< Vancouver >	29						
30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30			
31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31			
32	-	-	< Vancouver >	-	-	< Vancouver >	Kincol	< Vancouver >	-	-	32			
33	RedRoc	-	-	Kyuquo	Lasque	Courte	UnionB	Cumber	Mervil	Courte	Comox	33		
34	Donald	-	-	Inverm	Field	Golden	Fairmo	Spilli	Radium	Parson	CanalF	34		
35	Dougla	NewWes	Nelson	Kaslo	Nelson	Slocan	Vic	Salmo	NewDen	SSloca	35			
36	<- Victoria >	Rossla	Vic	Trail	Castle	DuncLk	Fruitv	Trail	TroutL	36				
37	Vic	<- Kamloops >	Savona	Kamloo	Westwo	NKamlo	-	-	Merri	Falkla	37			
38	<-----	Victoria	-----	38										
39	Lantzv	-	-	Willia	Hendri	Alexis	100Mil	LacHac	Forest	Willia	Thrums	39		
40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40			
41	-	-	[Diry]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41			
42	< Vancouver >	Skooku	Fernie	Yahk	Sparwo	Cranbr	Kimber	Cresto	Jaffra	42				
43	<-----	Vancouver	-----	43										
44	Alkali	Clucul	GrandF	< Vancouver >	Greenw	RockCr	ChriLk	TaklaL	Midway	44				
45	-	-	Van	Darcy	Ashcro	Nimpki	Lytton	70 Mil	CacheC	Spence	Clinto	45		
46	PittMe	PtMood	Whonno	Haney	PtCoqu	PittMe	Haney	Haney	Nanoos	PtMood	46			
47	-	-	FtWare	<-----	Victoria	-----	TatlaL	<--- Victoria ---	47					
48	-	-	Puntzi	-	-	Powell	Beavdl	Westvi	Vanand	BlacPt	-	-	Cranbr	48
49	Pentic	-	-	<-Penticton->	Summer	Osoyoo	Narama	OkFall	Oliver	Kereme	49			
50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50			
51	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51			
52	<--New Westminster->	LoganL	<-----	New Westminster	-----	Elko	52							
53	Langle	WhiteR	<--- Langley ---	<-White Rock>	Ganges	WhiteR	GulfIs	53						
54	NewWes	WhiteR	Vernon	-	-	WhiteR	Vernon	Armstr	Lumby	Oyama	Vernon	54		
55	-	-	-	-	-	NKamlo	[Diry]	-	-	PtClem	Vernon	QCCity	55	
56	Chilak	<-----	Prince George	-----	Valemo	Vander	Giscom	McBrid	56					
57	-	-	NewWes	Newton	Dallas	Clover	Highla	Clover	Pritch	AspenP	Westsy	57		
58	<-----	Whalley	-----	Blackp	<- Whalley ->	58								
59	<-- Newton ->	Vic	Bridge	Newton	Vic	<-- Newton ->	Vic	Newton	59					

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60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	
61	-	-	[Repr]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61	
62	Horsef	Greenv	PrRupe	Van	PrRupe	PtSimp	Masset	PrRupe	PtEdwa	PendIs	62	
63	Prespa	Van	Kitima	Aiyans	Kemano	Terrac	Stewar	Sandsp	Terrac	Kitima	63	
64	<-Vancouver->	Sooke	<---- Vancouver ---->	Jordan	PtRenf	Tachie	Van				64	
65	Van	Atlin	Saanic	Fulfor	Van	<- Saanich ->	Van	Vic	RiskeC		65	
66	<-----			Vancouver							66	
67	Ahousa	Richmo	Barrie	BlueRi	Clearw	Sorren	Vavenb	Little	Avola	Chase	67	
68	<-----			Vancouver							68	
69	FtFras	Van	BurnsL	Genell	Grassy	Franco	Topley	Granis	Decker	Fraser	69	
70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70	
71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	71	
72	[Prty]	Vic	Cedar	<Port Alberni	Tofino	Ucluel	Vic	Bamfie	Keatin		72	
73	-	-	<-----		Vancouver					Van	73	
74	-	-	Nanaim	NimpoL	Cobble	Vic	Youbou	Duncan	Dragon	Duncan	LakeCo	74
75	McLeod	Wellin	Qualic	<---- Nanaimo ---->	Wellin	Bowser	Wellin	Rolla			75	
76	-	-	Zeball	<- Kelowna ->	OkMiss	Rutlan	Winfie	Peachl	Westba	Lakevi	76	
77	-	-	Deasel	Wonowo	Minake	FtNels	Van	Muncho	-	Cassia	LowerP	77
78	EastPi	FlatRo	Dawson	Hudson	Dawson	FtStJo	PouceC	FtStJo	Chetwy	Taylor	78	
79	Likely	108Mil	<Chilliwack >	Roseda	Chilli	Agassi	HemlkV	Lakels	BellaC		79	
80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	
81	-	-	[BCTB]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	81	
82	Missio	-	Van	Yarrow	Sardis	NNelso	Missio	Montne	Kamloo	Moyie	82	
83	Van	Kitsau	Salmon	-	MicaCr	Tappen	Sicamo	Revels	Enderb	Klemtu	83	
84	Mannin	Hartle	Hazelt	Willbk	Van	Housto	Telkwa	Smithe	Kitkat	Kitwan	84	
85	Abbots	-	<-----	Abbotsford		<-Aldergrove>	Sardis	Abbots			85	
86	<--- Kelowna --->	Yale	-	-	Elkfor	WynnDe	Boston	Kelown	Hope		86	
87	-	-	[T-??]	<-----		Vancouver					87	
88	-	-	-	FtLang	PendHb	PtMell	Sechel	Gibson	Grasme	FtLang	88	
89	-	-	Van	Squami	Britan	Pember	-	Britan	Woodfi	Bracke	89	
90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90	
91	-	-	[Emrg]	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	91	
92	WillFl	<West Vancvr>	WillPt	NorVan	<West Vancvr>	-	-	BeaveC	NorVan		92	
93	-	-	PtMood	Whistl	PtMood	Tahsis	Cortes	<-Port Moody>	Whistl	PtMood	93	
94	Ladner	PtCoqu	PtCoqu	BeachG	PtCoqu	(PtR?)	Ladner	BowenI	BeachG	PtHard	94	
95	[T-??]	-	-	-	-	-	Celist	PtMcNe	BellaB	[T-PT]	95	
96	Vanway	-	-	Hartwa	Pinevi	Vanway	Summit	Hansar	ChiefL	Dunste	Winter	96
97	[T-??]	SalVal	BearLk	Sointu	AlertB	FtBabi	(976S)	<--- Vancouver -->			97	
98	<N Vancouver>	Hagens	<-----		North Vancouver					Wildwo	98	
99	-	-	-	Quesne	Kersle	Wells	-	-	FtStJa	MackEn	Hixon	99

Abbreviations for towns and cities in the above chart

Abbots - Abbotsford	Cobble - Cobble Hill	Hagens - Hagensborg
Agassi - Agassiz	Comox - Comox	Haney - Haney
Ahousa - Ahousat	Cortes - Cortes Island	Hansar - Hansard
Aiyans - Aiyansh	Courte - Courtenay	Hartle - Hartley Bay
Alderg - Aldergrove	Cranbr - Cranbrook	Hartwa - Hartway
AlertB - Alert Bay	Crawfo - Crawford Bay	Hazelt - Hazelton
Alexis - Alexis Creek	Cresto - Creston	Hedley - Hedley
Alkali - Alkali Lake	Cumber - Cumberland	HemlkV - Hemlock Valley
Armstr - Armstrong	D'Arcy - D'Arcy	Hendri - Hendrix Lake
Ashcro - Ashcroft	Dallas - Dallas	Highla - Highland Valley
AspenP - Aspen Park	Dawson - Dawson Creek	Hixon - Hixon
Atlin - Atlin	DeaseL - Dease Lake	Holber - Holberg
Attach - Attachie	Decker - Decker Lake	Hope - Hope
Avola - Avola	Donald - Donald	Horsef - Horsefly
Balfou - Balfour	Dougla - Douglas Lake	Housto - Houston
Bamfie - Bamfield	Dragon - Dragon Lake	Hudson - Hudsons Hope
Barrie - Barriere	Duncan - Duncan	Inverm - Invermere
BeachG - Beach Grove	DuncLk - Duncan Lake	Iskut - Iskut
BearLk - Bear Lake	Dunste - Dunster	Jaffra - Jaffray
Bearsk - Bearskin Lake	EastPi - East Pine	Jordan - Jordan River
BeaveC - Beaver Cove	Elkfor - Elkford	Kamloo - Kamloops
BeaveV - Beaver Valley	Elko - Elko	Kaslo - Kaslo
Beavdl - Beaverdell	Enderb - Enderby	Keatin - Keating
BellaB - Bella Bella	Fairmo - Fairmont	Kelown - Kelowna
BellaC - Bella Coola	Falkla - Falkland	Kemano - Kemano
Blackp - Blackpool	Fauqui - Fauquier	Kereme - Keremeos
BlacPt - Black Point	Fernie - Fernie	Kersle - Kersley
BlueRi - Blue River	Field - Field	Kimber - Kimberley
Boston - Boston Bar	FlatRo - Flat Rock	Kincol - Kincolith
Boswel - Boswell	Forest - Forest Grove	Kitima - Kitimat
Bouchi - Bouchie Lake	FtBabi - Fort Babine	Kitkat - Kitkatla
BowenI - Bowen Island	FtFras - Fort Fraser	Kitsau - Kitsault
Bowser - Bowser	FtLang - Fort Langley	Kitwan - Kitwanga
Bracke - Brackendale	FtNels - Fort Nelson	Klemtu - Klemtu
Bridge - Bridge Lake	FtStJa - Fort St James	Kyuquo - Kyuquot
Britan - Britannia Beach	FtStJo - Fort St John	LacHac - Lac La Hache
BurnsL - Burns Lake	FtWare - Fort Ware	Ladner - Ladner
CacheC - Cache Creek	Franco - Francois Lake	Ladysm - Ladysmith
Campbell Rv - Campbell River	Fraser - Fraser Lake	LakeCo - Lake Cowichan
CanalF - Canal Flats	Fruitv - Fruitvale	Lakels - Lakelse
Cassia - Cassiar	Fulfor - Fulford Harbour	Lakevi - Lakeview Heights
Castle - Castlegar	Gabrio - Gabriola Island	Langle - Langley
Cedar - Cedar	Ganges - Ganges	Lantzv - Lantzville
Celist - Celistia	Genell - Genelle	Lasque - Lasqueti Island
Chase - Chase	Gibson - Gibsons	Likely - Likely
Chemai - Chemainus	Giscom - Giscome	Lilloo - Lillooet
Chetwy - Chetwynd	GoldRi - Gold River	Little - Little Fort
ChiefL - Chief Lake	Goldbr - Goldbridge	LoganL - Logan Lake
Chilak - Chilako	Golden - Golden	LowerP - Lower Post
Chilli - Chilliwack	GrandF - Grand Forks	Lumby - Lumby
ChriLk - Christina Lake	Granis - Granisle	Lytton - Lytton
Clearw - Clearwater	Grasme - Grasmere	MacKen - MacKenzie
Clinto - Clinton	Grassy - Grassy Plains	Mannin - Manning Park
	Greenv - Greenville	

Clover - Cloverdale
Clucul - Cluculz Lake

Greenw - Greenwood
GulfIs - Gulf Island

Masset - Masset
McBrid - McBride

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Abbreviations for towns and cities in the above chart (continued)

McDame - McDame Lake	PtMell - Port Mellon	Telegr - Telegraph Creek
McLees - McLeese Lake	PtMood - Port Moody	Telkwa - Telkwa
McLeod - McLeod Lake	PtRenf - Port Renfrew	Terrac - Terrace
Merrit - Merritt	Puntzi - Puntzi Mountain	Thrums - Thrums
Mervil - Merville	PtSimp - Port Simpson	ToadRi - Toad River
MicaCr - Mica Creek	QCCity - Queen Charlotte	Tofino - Tofino
Midway - Midway	City	Topley - Topley
Minake - Minaker	Quadra - Quadra Island	Trail - Trail
Missio - Mission	Qualic - Qualicum	TroutL - Trout Lake
Montne - Montney	Quesne - Quesnel	Tumble - Tumbler Ridge
Moyie - Moyie	Radium - Radium Hot	Ucluel - Ucluelet
Muncho - Muncho Lake	Springs	UnionB - Union Bay
Nakusp - Nakusp	RedRoc - Red Rock	Valemo - Valemount
Nanaim - Nanaimo	Revels - Revelstoke	Vallic - Vallican
Nanoos - Nanoose Bay	Richmo - Richmond	Vanand - Vananda
Narama - Naramata	Rionde - Riondel	Vander - Vanderhoof
Nelson - Nelson	RiskeC - Riske Creek	Vanway - Vanway
NewDen - New Denver	RockCr - Rock Creek	Vavenb - Vavenby
NewWes - New Westminster	Rolla - Rolla	Vernon - Vernon
Newton - Newton	Roseda - Rosedale	Van - Vancouver
Nimpki - Nimpkish Lake	Rossla - Rossland	Vic - Victoria
NimpoL - Nimpo Lake	Rutlan - Rutland	Wellin - Wellington
NKamlo - North Kamloops	Saanic - Saanich	Wells - Wells
NNelso - North Nelson	Salmo - Salmo	Westba - Westbank
NorVan - North Vancouver	Salmon - Salmon Arm	Westsy - Westsyde
OceanF - Ocean Falls	SalVal - Salmon Valley	WestVa - West Vancouver
OkFall - Okanagan Falls	Sandsp - Sandspit	(also as West Vancvr)
OkMiss - Okanagan Mission	Sardis - Sardis	Westvi - Westview
Oliver - Oliver	Savona - Savona	Westwo - Westwold
Osoyoo - Osoyoos	Sechel - Sechelt	Whalley
Oyama - Oyama	Shalal - Shalalth	Whistl - Whistler
Parksv - Parksville	Sicamo - Sicamous	WhiteR - White Rock
Parson - Parson	Sidney - Sidney	Whonno - Whonnock
Peachl - Peachland	Skooku - Skookumchuck	Whytec - Whytecliffe
Pember - Pemberton	Slocan - Slocan	Wildwo - Wildwood
PendHb - Pender Harbour	Smithe - Smithers	Willbk - Willowbrook
PendIs - Pender Island	Sointu - Sointula	WillFl - Willow Flats
Pentic - Penticton	Sooke - Sooke	Willia - Williams Lake
PittMe - Pitt Meadows	Sparwo - Sparwood	WillPt - Willow Point
Pinevi - Pineview	Sorren - Sorrento	Winfie - Winfield
Port Alberni	Spence - Spences Bridge	Winter - Winter Harbour
PouceC - Pouce Coupe	Spilli - Spillimacheen	Wonowo - Wonowon
Powell - Powell River	Squami - Squamish	Woodfi - Woodfibre
Prespa - Prespatou	SSloca - South Slocan	WossLk - Woss Lake
Prince George	Stewar - Stewart	Wynnde - Wynndel
PrRupe - Prince Rupert	Summer - Summerland	Yale - Yale
Prcton - Princeton	Summit - Summit Lake	Yarrow - Yarrow
Pritch - Pritchard	Tachie - Tachie	Youbou - Youbou
PtAlic - Port Alice	Tahsis - Tahsis	Zeball - Zeballos
PtClem - Port Clements	TaklaL - Takla Landing	70 Mil - 70 Mile House
PtCoqu - Port Coquitlam	Tappen - Tappen	100Mil - 100 Mile House
PtEdwa - Port Edward	TatlaL - Tatla Lake	150Mil - 150 Mile House
PtHard - Port Hardy	TatsLk - Tats Lake	108Mil - 108 Mile House

PtMcNe - Port McNeil

Taylor - Taylor

Other abbreviations and notes

- ??? - active as local to Vancouver
- ?L? - active; long distance to Vancouver

- [BCTB] - BC Tel business office numbers
- [Diry] - Directory Assistance Exchange
- [Emrg] - Emergency service code
- [Prty] - Partyline - special toll conference service
- [Repr] - Repair service code
- [T-PT] - Used for phone test
- [T-??] - Unknown type of test
- (Van*) - formerly a Vancouver-based exchange, unknown purpose

- (950S) - reserved for future long distance services
- (976S) - reserved for special announcements services
- (T-PT) - Reserved for phone testing

- (Ptr?) - Point Roberts was a Washington state (area 206) prefix which was once dialable from Vancouver. This is now fully in 206 area code and no longer local to Vancouver or other BC Tel points.

Note and Comment

This is the March 1991 edition of the BC exchange chart. A number of omissions from the previous editions have been resolved. Any further additions, corrections, findings, etc would be welcome.

New listings for 1991 include Vancouver (230, 268, 739, 822), Richmond (244), New Westminster (351), Vernon (558). There seem to be new dialable locations opening up: Takla Landing (448), Hartley Bay (841), Kitkatla (848), Winter Harbour (969) and Fort Babine (975).

The 200, 201 and 205 were at one point apparently dialable, active exchanges. 604 is not formally using the "interchangeable" prefix format where exchanges can have 0 or 1 as the middle digit. However, the 200, 201 and 205 numbers would terminate in such locations as the "Mutual" central office and the "22 exchange" office. These are no longer active from the looks of things. However, BC Tel has started up business office numbers on an "811" prefix (such as 811.xxxx) which is accessible, but seems to be a special hack and not an official start of interchangeable prefixes as such. 604 is close to the point where something will need to be done to expand prefix capacity, though.

Of note are some exchange names: the "Mutual" office, sometimes referred to in recorded error/problem announcements as "Mutual DS4" is the big downtown Vancouver exchange. The "Mutual" includes some 66x and 68x exchanges, among others; the letters MU of Mutual represent 68, a holdover from the days when letters were used for exchange names.

Another popular exchange out in the University of British Columbia area is the "22" or "Castle" (CA) exchange.

363 was listed in one source for Vernon Lake; 363 has now become a Victoria number, but 363 might have represented an exchange that was used before being discontinued or amalgamated with another service.

Thanks to Dan Fandrich (shad04@ccu.umanitoba.ca), here are other items of interest about the Vancouver area:

- 228 prefix (Vancouver) is used for University of British Columbia numbers; this may indeed be on their own exchange
- There is evidence that 280 (Vancouver) is a choke exchange, as the common use of this exchange among radio stations, ticket agencies, etc. indicates.
- 291 (Vancouver) is used by Simon Fraser University administration; as other businesses, etc. use 291, it is unlikely that SFU has exclusive use of 291, but perhaps a block of numbers in that prefix

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