

**Equatorial Guinea** (country code +240)

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The *Oficina Reguladora de las Telecomunicaciones* (ORTEL), Malabo, announces Equatorial Guinea's new telephone national numbering plan since 9 April 2010, the format of which abandons its former 6-digit length in favour of 9 digits.

The telephone national numbering plan (NNP) adapts to the new legal framework for telephone numbering that replaces the six (6)-digit system used hitherto in Equatorial Guinea. It solely concerns telephone numbers, which will now have a uniform length of nine (9) digits throughout the national territory.

- Structure of national telephone number

Length

In accordance with ITU-T Recommendation E.164, the national (significant) number corresponding to the fixed and mobile telephone services will have a uniform length of nine (9) digits in the telephone national numbering plan.

The national (significant) number of the nine-digit plan will be formed in accordance with the following alphabetical sequence:

NJXPQMCDU

Distribution of first digit of N(S)N

The first digit (N) in the alphabetical sequence of the national (significant) number selects the network or operator, as well as codes for special services or value added services. The digit zero (0) will not be used as the first digit in the NNP.

- Distribution of numbering system on public switched telephone network (PSTN)

Structure of national (significant) number on fixed network

The telephone national numbering plan assigns numbers commencing with the digit N = 3, (N = 4) (with the exception of short codes) to the fixed telephone service (wired/wireless) available to the public. Those numbers are assigned in blocks, the size of which is determined by the needs to be met.

The structure of the numbering system of the public switched telephone network is geographic, with number portability, as follows:

DN + NDC + SN = N(S)N = NJ XPQ MCDU

NJ = DN (Network code),

NDC = XPQ (Numbering area),

SN = MCDU (Subscriber number)

3J XPQ MCDU, J ≠ 0

<i>DN</i>	<i>NDC + SN</i>		<i>Geographic numbering area</i>
NJ	XPQ	MCDU	
3J	XP9	MCDU	Bioko Island
3J	XP8	MCDU	Litoral, Annobón
3J	XP7	MCDU	Centro-Sur Kie-Ntem Wele-Nzás

<i>DN</i>	<i>NDC + SN</i>		<i>Geographic numbering area</i>
NJ	XPQ	MCDU	
Q = 6 and 4 for the CDMA network			

Reserved for future extensions:

Q = 1 and 3 for Bioko Island

Q = 2 for Litoral and Annobón

Q = 5 for Centro-Sur, Kié-Ntem and Wele-Nzás

- Distribution of numbering system on cellular mobile telephone network

Structure of national (significant) number on mobile network

The telephone national numbering plan assigns numbers commencing with digit N = 2 and/or 5 (N = 6 and 7) (with the exception of short codes) to services on the cellular mobile network. Those numbers are assigned in blocks, the size of which is determined by the needs to be met.

The structure of the numbering system of the cellular mobile telephone network is non-geographic, as follows:

DN + SN = N(S)N = NJ XPQ MCDU

DN = NDC = NJ (Network code),

SN (Subscriber number) = XPQMCDU

NJ XPQ MCDU, N # 0, 1, 3, 4, 8 and 9

- Numbering for special services

Numbering for basic special services

Short codes for the numbering of basic special services can comprise three (3) or four (4) digits. They are non-geographic numbers, with the first digit in the NNP being N = 1, with the following format:

1JX and 1JXP

Codes for emergency services will comprise three (3) digits, those for information requests four (4) digits, with J # 0 in the first case and P # 0 in the second.

Normally the NNP assigns these numbers to services serving the public. The same numbers will be used for all networks, thereby facilitating their use by subscribers. All licence-holders are obliged to provide access to these codes.

Numbering for optional special services

In the NNP, non-geographic codes for optional special services will comprise three (3) or four (4), digits, and will be selected by the licence-holders themselves from numbering blocks assigned by ORTEL.

Numbering for intelligent network services (value added)

For value-added services such as freephone numbers, shared cost numbers and personal numbers, numbers will comprise nine digits, with the following format:

80X PQMCDU, (P ≠ 0)

For valued-added services such as premium rate services for businesses, premium rate services that are leisure-related, and Internet access, numbers will comprise nine digits, with the following format:

90X PQMCDU (P ≠ 0)

Numbers for intelligent network services are non-geographic.

- Migration of fixed telephone network numbers

Migration to 9 digits: all national numbers on the public switched telephone network that currently comprise six (6) digits (PQMCDU) will increase in length to nine (9) digits (NJXPQMCDU), by adding three (3) new digits (NJ X, N ≠ 0, 2, 5, 6 or 7) before the existing six (6) digits.

- Migration of cellular mobile telephone network numbers

Migration to 9 digits: all cellular mobile service subscribers currently assigned six (6) digits (PQMCDU) for national dialling purposes will now have nine (9) digits (NJXPQMCDU), with the new number composed by adding three new (3) digits (NJX, N ≠ 0, 1 3, 4, 8 or 9) before the existing six (6) digits, with the first digit N identifying the operator.

Reserves for future extensions

For assignments in the future, numbers commencing with N = 4 are reserved for the fixed network (wired/wireless), and numbers commencing with N = 6 and 7 for the mobile network.

- Structure and functioning of telephone numbering plan

General rules: The national (significant) number (N(S)N) will be nine (9) digits long, with the following alphanumeric format:

N J X P Q M C D U

<i>First digit N</i>	<i>Comment</i>
0	None
1	Short codes/Special services
2	Mobile service
3	Fixed service
4	Reserved (fixed service)
5	Mobile service
6	Reserved (mobile service)
7	Reserved (mobile service)
8	Intelligent networks – value-added services
9	Intelligent networks – value-added services

Structure/Format

Fixed service, 3J XPQMCDU

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Format</i>	<i>Area</i>
GETESA	33 3P9 MCDU	Bioko
	33 3P8 MCDU	Litoral and Annobón
	33 3P7 MCDU	C.S., K.N. and W.N.

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Format</i>	<i>Area</i>
	33 XP4 MCDU	CDMA Bioko
	33 XP6 MCDU	CDMA Continental Region
HiTs G.E. S.A.	35 XP9 MCDU	Bioko
	35 XP8 MCDU	Litoral and Annobón
	35 XP7 MCDU	C.S., K.N. and W.N.

Mobile service, 2J XPQMCDU and 5J XPQMCDU

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Format</i>
GETESA	22 2PQMCDU
HiTs G.E. S.A.	55 1PQMCDU

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