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**AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES — ELECTRICAL
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FOREWORD

This Indian Standard was adopted by the Bureau of Indian Standards, after the draft finalized by the Automotive Electrical Equipment Sectional Committee had been approved by the Transport Engineering Division Council.

This standard specifies the colour code for the wiring used in Automotive Vehicles in order to facilitate easy distinction while wiring the different circuits.

In preparing this standard, assistance has been derived from DIN 72551 (Part 4) : 1951 'Electric cables for automobiles and motorcycles — Colour identification' issued by the Deutsches Institut für Normung, Germany. However, certain deviations and additional connections have been specified so as to avoid any confusion while wiring and also for quicker identification of the circuits.

Indian Standard

AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES — ELECTRICAL WIRING — COLOUR CODING

1 SCOPE

1.1 This standard specifies colour codes for automobile cables conforming to IS 2465 : 1984 'Cables for motor vehicles (*second revision*)' used for major electrical circuits in automobiles such as starting, charging, signalling, lighting, tell-tale warning and safety devices.

1.2 This standard does not cover such electrical circuits, as for airconditioning, electronic carburation, anti-skid braking, automatic transmission etc.

2 REFERENCE

2.1 The following Indian Standard is a necessary adjunct to this standard.

<i>IS No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
5 : 1978	Colours for ready mixed paints and enamels (<i>third revision</i>)

3 TERMINOLOGY

3.1 Main Colour — Bulk colour of insulating material of the cable.

3.2 Tracer Colour — A thin spiral or straight marking of a different colour/colours with respect to main colour.

3.3 In describing a colour code, the order to be followed is as follows:

Main/tracer 1/tracer 2; for example, Grey/Red/Blue will mean grey as the main colour and red and blue as the tracer colours.

4 TYPES OF COLOURS

4.1 The following colours may be used for main and tracer marking as per IS 5 : 1978.

<i>Colour</i>	<i>Shade No.</i>	<i>Colour</i>	<i>Shade No.</i>
Red	537	Blue	166
Black	—	Orange	557
Yellow	309	Brown	473
White	—	Grey	694
Green	280		

5 COLOUR CODES FOR DIFFERENT CONNECTIONS

5.1 The generally recommended colour codes are as follows:

All gauges (+ ve) supply points	Green
All ground/ Earth connections	Brown

5.1.1 For the other circuits, the colour codes are as follows:

<i>From</i>	<i>Cable</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Colour Code</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
<i>Starting Circuit</i>				
Battery (+ ve)		Starter (+ ve)	Red	
Battery (- ve)		Starter (- ve)	Black	
Starter switch		Starter solenoid	Black	
<i>Charging Circuit with Dynamo and Ammeter</i>				
Starter (+ ve)		Ammeter (B +)	Yellow	
Ammeter (L + ve)		Ignition switch/main line switch (30)	Green	
Ammeter (L + ve)		Regulator (B)	Green	
Regulator (D)		Dynamo (D)	Red	
Dynamo (- ve)		Earth	Brown	
Regulator (F)		Dynamo (F)	Orange	

From	Cable	To	Colour Code	Remarks
<i>Charging Circuit with Alternator and Ammeter</i>				
Starter (+ ve)		Ammeter 'B' (+ ve)	Yellow	
Ammeter 'L' (+ ve)		Alternator (+ ve)	Green	
Ammeter 'L' (+ ve)		Ignition switch/main line switch (30)	Brown	
Alternator (- ve)		Earth	Brown	
<i>Charging Circuit with Dynamo but without Ammeter</i>				
Starter (+ ve)		Regulator (B)	Yellow	
Regulator (B)		Ignition switch/main line switch (30)	Yellow	
Regulator (D)		Dynamo (D)	Red	
Alternator (- ve)		Earth	Brown	
<i>Charging Circuit with Alternator but without Ammeter:</i>				
Starter (+ ve)		Alternator (+ ve)	Yellow	
Alternator (+ ve)		Ignition switch/main line switch (30)	Yellow	
Alternator (- ve)		Earth	Brown	
Ignition switch/main line switch (30)		Inspection lamp/handlamp	Red	
Ignition switch		Ignition coil (+ ve)	Black	
Ignition coil (- ve)		Distributor/contact breaker point	Grey	
Ignition switch (15/54)		Charging indicator lamp	Blue	Charging indicator to Dynamo/Regulator may also be blue
Charging indicator		Dynamo/Regulator/ Alternator (WL)	Blue	
Ignition switch(15/54)		Fuse box	Red/Yellow	
Ignition switch (30)		Fuse box	Red	
<i>Relays and Switches</i>				
Flasher relay (L)		Direction indicator switch	Red/Green	
Direction indicator switch		LHS indicator	Black/White	LHS—Left hand side RHS—Right hand side
Direction indicator switch		RHS Indicator	Black/Green	
Flasher switch		LH flasher indicator on the dashboard	Black/White	
Flasher switch		RH flasher indicator on the dashboard	Black/Green	
Brake light switch		stop lamp	Red/White	
Horn switch		Ground	Brown	
Horn switch		Horn	Brown/Green	
Oil pressure switch		Warning indicator	Blue/Green	

<i>Cable</i>		<i>Colour Code</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>		
Ignition/Main line switch	Dip/Main switch	White/Black	
Light switch	Dip/Main switch	White/Black	
Light switch (58)	Fuse	Grey	
Dip/Main switch connection for driving beam	Fuse	White	
Dip/Main switch for passing beam	Fuse	Yellow	
Fog lamp switch	Fog lamp LH & RH	Red/Brown	
Panel light switch	Panel lamps	Grey/Red	
Parking brake switch	Earth	Brown	
Parking brake switch	Parking brake indicator on dashboard	Orange/White	
Reverse lamp switch	Reverse lamp	Orange/Green	
Fog lamp switch	Fuse box	Red/blue	
<i>Wiper Circuit</i>			
Wiper fuse	Wiper switch	Blue	
Wiper switch	Wiper motor	Blue/Brown	
Wiper switch	Wiper stop function	Blue/Yellow	
Wiper motor	Wiper reset	Blue/Brown	
Wiper (- ve)	Earth	Brown	
<i>Fuses in Circuit</i>			
Fuse box	Brake light switch	Red/White	To avoid confusion with direction indicator cable and also to identify that this cable is from switch (15/54) through fuse.
Fuse box	Reverse lamp switch	Orange/Green	
Fuse box	Flasher relay (+ ve)	Red/Black	
Fuse box	Fog lamp switch	Red/Blue	
Fuse box	Horn	Black/Yellow	
Fuse	High beam indicator	Blue/Green	
Fuse	Head lamp (LH)	White/Red	To avoid confusion with the supply line from dip/main switch to fuse. Interchanging of LHS and RHS head lamp connections may not make any difference.
Fuse	Head lamp (RH)	White/Red	— do —

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<i>Cable</i>		<i>Colour Code</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>		
Fuse	Head lamp (LH)	Yellow/Green	To avoid confusion with supply line from dip main switch to fuse. Interchanging to LH and RH head lamp connection will not make any difference.
Fuse	Head lamp (RH)	Yellow/Green	— do —
Fuse	End/Side/Park LH Front lamp	Grey/Black	
Fuse	End/Side/Park RH Front lamp	Grey/Red	
Fuse	End/Side/Park LH Rear lamp	Grey/Black	
Fuse	End/Side/Park RH Rear lamp	Gery/Red	
Fuse	Cab lamp	Red	
Fuse	Panel light switch	Grey/Red	
Fuse	Wiper motor	Brown/Blue	
<i>Sensors and Gauges</i>			
Temperature sensor	Temperature gauge (G)	White	
Electrical oil pressure sensor	Oil pressure gauge (G)	Orange/Blue	
Electrical air pressure gauge (G)	Air pressure sensor	Orange/Yellow	
Fuel gauge	Fuel tank unit	Blue/Red	To avoid confusion with oil pressure warning indicator.
RPM Sensor	RPM Meter	Orange/Grey	
Fuse box	Parking brake indicator	Green	

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