

(012L) Japanese Standard Receiving Tube Numbering System				
Example (12G-B3A)				
12	G	- B	3	A
Number	Letter	Letter	Number	Letter
Heater Rating	Base	Construction	Classification by Usage	Variation
Same as RETMA (Voltage in V)	X: 4-Pin (UX)	L: Triode (μ : lower than 30)	Same as RETMA	Same as RETMA
	Y: 5-Pin (UY)	H: Triode (μ : 30 or higher)		
	Z: 6-Pin (UZ)	A: Power Triode		
	W: 7-Pin (Ut)	R: RF Tetrode/Pentode		
	T: 7-Pin (UT)	V: Var. μ Tetrode/Pentode		
	G: 8-Pin (GT)	B: Beam Power		
	M: 7-Pin MT	P: Power Pentode		
	R: 9-Pin MT	D: Detecting Diode		
	L: Lock-in	K: High Vacuum Rectifier		
	B: Others	G: Gas, H2 Filled Rectifier		
		C: Frequency Converter		
		E: Tuning Indicator		

Note: 1) Specified by JIS (Japan Industrial Standard) No. C-7001 in Dec., 1956.

2) RETMA: U.S.System

3) In the "Base" column, following letters were used later (but there are some exceptions)

B: Magnoval (large 9-pin)

C: Compactron (12-pin)

D: Smaller version of MT (mostly 8- or 7-pin)

E: Sub-MT

H: 9-Pin (Novar or 9T9??)

N: Nuvistor

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