

Abbreviation Table for Mayers Orts- und Verkehrslexikon des Deutschen Reichs (and some other general gazetteers)

Abbreviation	German	English
A.	Amt (Amtsbezirk)	government office, official district
Ab.(e)	Abbau(e) oder Ausbau(e)	surface mine (the "e" denotes plural)
Abt.	Abteilung	department
a/d	an der, auf der	at the, on the, like "Cologne on the Rhine"
Ag., ...ag.	Agentur, ...agentur	agency, ...agency (as part of a word)
AG.	Amtsgericht	lower court, county court
AH.	Amtshauptmannschaft	government district
AK.	Armeekorps	army corps
AktGes.	Aktiengesellschaft	corporation (an "Aktie"=a share of stock)
ä. L.	ältere Linie	older line (in relation to nobility)
AllGut	Allodialgut	allodial estate
Altkath.	Altkatholisch	Old Catholic
Altluth.	Altlutherisch	Old Lutheran
Anh.	Anhalt	Saxony-Anhalt (a former Prussian province)
Ansd.	Ansiedlung	settlement
Anst., ...anst.	Anstalt, ...anstalt	institute, institution (also as part of a word)
Arb.	Arbeiter	laborer, worker
Art.	Artillerie	artillery
Ausg.	Ausgedinge	life estate, retirement estate
Ausg.	Ausgaben	expenditures
B.	Bezirk	district or area
BA.	Bezirksamt	district office
Bad	Bad	spa, mineral waters
Badanst.	Badeanstalt	swimming baths, spa
Baptistenk.	Baptistenkirche	Baptist church
Bat.	Bataillon	batallion (military)
Batt.	Batterie	battery
Bay.	Bayern	Bavaria
BGrem.	Bezirksgremium	district council
Bgb, ...bgb.	Bergbau, ...bergbau	mine, mining, also with other word ... salt, coal, etc.
Bgw.	Bergwerk	mine
Bhf.	Bahnhof	railroad station
Bibl.	Bibliothek	library
Bk.	Bank	bank (financial institution)
BKdo.	Bezirkskommando	district command (military)

Blechw.	Blechwerk	metalworks (tin, sheet metal)
Bn, ...bn.	Bahn, ...bahn	train
Brandbg.	Brandenburg	Brandenburg (a former Prussian province)
Brau.	Brauerei	brewery
Braunschw.	Braunschweig	Braunschweig (a former duchy)
...bre.	...brüche	... quarry, ... quarries
Brenn.	Brennerei	distillery
Brgm.	Bürgermeister	town major
Bsch.	Bauernschaft	farming community
bz., bzw.	beziehungsweise	respectively
Chauseeh.	Chaußeehaus	toll house
D	Dampfer- oder Motorbootverbindung	station for a steamship or any ship with an engine
D., Dr.	Dorf, Dörfer	village, villages
das.	dasselbst	thereat
Deutsch ref.	Deutsch reformiert	German Reformed religion
Dir., ...dir.	Direktion, ...direktion	directorat, head office, management
Dom.	Domäne, dominium, domanial	state-owned estate
DomA.	Domäneamt	estate office (in Mecklenburg)
Drl.	Darlehen	loan
...dt.	...distrikt	...district
dsgl.	desgleichen	ditto
E	Eisenbahnstation oder Haltestelle	railroad station or stop
' E	Eisenbahnstation mit Bahntelegraph	railroad station or stop with a telegraph
Egt	Eisenbahnstation nur mit Güterbeförderung	railroad station or stop only with goods traffic
Eps	Eisenbahnstation nur mit Personenverkehr	railroad station or stop only with passenger traffic
E†	Eisenbahnstation mit Eisenbahnauskunftstelle	railroad station or stop with inquiry office
E.	Einwohner	Inhabitants (population count)
Ein.	Einöde	wilderness, lonely spot
Einn., einn.	Einnahme oder Einnehmerei	clerk's office such as taxes
Eis.	Eisenbahn	train
Eisenhdl.	Eisenhandel	iron trade
Elktr.	Ort hat Elektrizitätsquelle	place has electric power source
Elktrw.	Elektrizitätswerk	power plant
Els.	Elsaß	Alsace
Emaillierw.	Emaillierwerks	enamel works
Erziehanst.	Erziehungsanstalt	reform school
Esk.	Eskadron	squadron

Etabl.	Etablissement	establishment
Ev., ev.	Evangelisch	Evangelical, Protestant (in Germany usually Lutheran)
Ev. Pfk.	Evangelisch Pfarrkirche	Protestant parish church
F		
F	Fernsprecher	telephone
' F	Fernsprecher und Telegraph	telephone and telegraph
Färb.	Färberei	dye works
Fbr., fbr.	Fabrik, Fabrikation	factory, manufacturing plant
FG	Forstgutsbezirk	forest land district
Fil.	Filiale	branch
Fl.	Flecken	country-town, inhabited small place
Först.	Försterei	forest ranger station (residence)
Forsth.	Forsthaus	forester's house
Franz.-ref.	Französisch reformiert	French Reformed religion (Protestant)
Fr.	früher	formerly
Frht.	freiheitlicher Ort, Freistadt	independent market-town (country-town), free city
Fürstt.	Fürstentum	principality
G		
G.	Gericht	court
G.	Gutsbezirk	land district
Garn.	Garnison	garrison
Gasw.	Gaswerk	gas works
GB.	Gerichtsbezirk	court district
Gef.	Gefängnis	jail
geh.	gehörig	belonging (to)
Gem.	Gemeinde	community (village)
Gen.	General...	general
Genoss.	Genossenschaft	cooperative
Gerb.	Gerberei	tannery
Ges.	Gesellschaft	society
Getreidehdl.	Getreidehandel	grain exchange, place for purchase of grain
Gew., gew.	Gewerbe, gewerblich(e)	trade, business, industry, industrial
Gieß.	Gießerei	foundry
Gipsw.	Gipswerk	gypsum factory
Glas.	Glasswerk	glassworks
glchn.	gleichnamig	of the same name
Gr...	Groß	Great, Big, Large (part of place name)
Gsth.	Gast-, Wirtshaus, Krug	inn, pub, tavern, overnight lodging
GTg.	Gerichtstag	court day
Gut	Gut	estate, farmstead

Gutsb.	Gutsbezirk	manorial district
Gymn.	Gymnasium	academically oriented high school
H., Hr.	Haus, Häuser	house, houses
...h ...haus, ...heim	...h ...haus, ...heim	(as part of a work)-house, -home
ha.	Hektar	hectare (2,471 acres)
Hann.	Hannover	Hanover (a former Prussian province)
Hdl.	Handel(s)	commerce, also business establishment
Heilanst.	Heilanstalt	nursing home, sanitorium
Heilst.	Heilstätte	sanitorium
Hersch.	Herrschaft	manor, estate, domain
Hessen	Hessen	Hesse (a former grand duchy)
Hessen-N.	Hessen-Nassau	Hessen-Nassau (a former Prussian province)
Hf.	Hafen	harbor, port
Hosp.	Hospital	hospital
Holzhdl.	Holzhandel	timber trade
Hpt.	Haupt...	main ...
HptSt.	Hauptstadt	capital city
Hrgr.(n)	Häusergruppe(n)	group of houses
Hüttenw.	Hüttenwerk	Foundry
hzl.	herzoglich	of the duke (pertaining to the duke's possession)
Hzt. (...hzt.)	Herzogtum (...herzogtum)	duchy
Ind.	Industrie	industry
Inf.	Infanterie	infantry
Insp.	Inspektion	inspection
Inst.	Institut	institute
Int., ...int.	Intendantur, ...intendantur	office of the steward of superintendent
J.	Juden, Israelitisch, Israeliten	Jews, Israelitic, Israelites
Jagdh.	Jagdhaus	hunting lodge
j. L.	jüngere Linie	younger line (in relation to nobility)
K.	Kirche	church
...k.	...kasse oder, ...kirche	bank, collecting agency, also -church
Kalksteinbr.	Kalksteinbruch	limestone quarry
Kalkw.	Kalkwerk	lime works
Kam.	Kammer	land register
Kap.	Kapelle	chapel
Kat.	Kataster	land register
kath., Kath.	katholisch, Katholiken	Catholic, Catholics

Kath. Pfk.	Katholische Pfarrkirche	Catholic parish church
Kav.	Kavallerie	cavalry
Kdo.	Kommando	command
kgf.	königlich	royal
...khlbgb.	..kohlenbergbau	coal mine
Kl.	Klein	Little, Small (part of place names)
Klbn.	Kleinbahn	narrow-gauge railway
km	Kilometer	kilometer 1,000 meters=3,280.8 ft. or 5/8 mile
Kol.	Kolonie, Kolonat	colony (usually of small houses)
Koln.	Kolonien	colonies
Kom.	Kommandantur	office and/or residence of commandant
Komm.	Kommission, Kommissariat	commission, commissioner's office
Kr.	Kreis	district
KredVer.	Kredit-und (oder) Vorschußverein	loan association
Krankenh.	Krankenhaus	hospital
Kr.H	Kreishauptmannschaft	government district (term used mainly in Saxony)
KrSt.	Kreisstadt	capital of the district
Ksp.	Kirchspiel	parish district
Kt.	Kanton	county (state), canton
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L.	Land(es)	land, belonging to land
L.	Land	state (like Baden or Lippe)
l.	links	left (directional)
LB.	Landbezirk, Landesbezirk	rural district
Ldepl.	Ladeplatz	loading place or dock
Ldkr.	Landkreis	administrative district
Lederhdl.	Lederhandel	leather trade
Lehngut	Lehngut	estate of feudal lord, fief
Lehrersem.	Lehrerseminar	teacher training college
LG.	Landgericht	court (next higher court after Amtsger.)
LGem.	Landgemeinde	rural community
LHerr(en)Sch.	Landherr(en)schaft	possessions of the sovereign
LKr.	Landkreis	district
Loth.	Lothringen	Lorraine (part of Alsace-Lorraine)
LrA.	Landratsamt	office of the landrat or county commissioner
Lw., lw.	Landwirtschaft, ...liche	farm, farming operation
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m	Meter über dem Meer	meters above sea level
Mag.	Magazin	storage room, warehouse
Masch.	Maschine(n)	machine(s)

Mdg.	Mündung	mouth, estuary
Meckl.-Schw.	Mecklenburg-Schwerin	Mecklenburg-Schwerin (former grand duchy)
Meckl.-Str.	Mecklenburg-Strelitz	Mecklenburg-Strelitz (former grand duchy)
Mettalw.	Metallwaren	hardware
Mil.	Militär	military
Mktfl.	Marktflecken	small market-town
Mkt.Gk.	Marktgerechtigkeit	market jurisdiction
MI. (...ml.)	Mühle (...mühle)	mill (or –mill as part of a word)
Molk.	Molkerei	dairy
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N. (n)	Norden (nördlich), neben	north, to the north, next to
...n.	...nebenstelle	branch
Neum.	Neumark	Neumark (eastern part of the province of Brandenburg)
Nd..	Nieder..	Lower (as in Lower Saxony)
NO. (nö)	Nordosten (nordöstlich)	northeast (northeasterly)
NW. (nw)	Nordwestern (nordwestlich)	northwest (northwesterly)
NZA.	Nebenzollamt	branch custom office
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O. (ö.)	Osten (östlich)	east (easterly)
O...	Ober...	Upper (as in Upper Silesia)
O.	Ortschaft	inhabited place
OA.	Oberamt	next higher authority after the Amt or (government) office, districts in Württemberg
OFörst.	Oberförsterei	forest service administration office, head forester's office
Oldenb.	Oldenburg	Oldenburg (former grand duchy)
OLG.	Oberlandesgericht	highest court in a Prussian province
OPDir.	Oberpostdirektion	higher postal authority
Ortsch.	Ortschaft	village, (inhabited) place
Ostpr.	Ostpreußen	East Prussia (former Prussian province)
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P	Postanstalt	post office
P	Post und Fernsprecher	post office with telephone
'P	Post und Telegraph	post office with telegraph
' P	Post, Fernsprecher und Telegraph	post office with telephone and telegraph
Papierw.	Papierwerk	paper mill
PDir.	Postdirektion	district postal authority
Pf...	Pfarr...	parish- (coupled with another word)
Pf.	Pfarrei	parish
Pferdehdl.	Pferdehandel	horse trade
Pfk.	Pfarrkirche	parish church
Pomm.	Pommern	Pomerania

Pr., pr.	Preußen (Preußisch), preußisch	Prussia (German Confederation), Prussian
Präs.	Präsidium	presidium
Prov.	Provinz ...(ial)	Province (provincial) (state in Prussia)
Puderw.	Puderwerk	powder works
Pw.	Personenpostwagen oder Autoverkehr	stage-coach or automobile traffic
Pz. (...dt.)	Polizei (distrikt)	police (district)
R.	Regierung(s)	government(al)
r.	rechts	right
Rangierbhf.	Rangierbahnhof	railroad switch yard
Raiffbk.	Raiffeisenbank	rural loan institution named after Raiffeisen, the founder
RB.	Regierungsbezirk	administrative district (term used mainly in Bavaria and Prussia)
Realsch.	Realschule	secondary school (high school)
Ref.	Reformierte	Reformed (church), Calvinists
Reg.	Regiment	regiment (military)
ResidenzSt	Residenzstadt	capital city
Rg.	Rittergut	land estate (of lower nobility)
Rheinl.	Rheinland, -provinz	Rhineland, Rhine province (former Prussian province)
Ritt.	Ritterschaft(s)	knighthood, knightly
RittA.	Ritteramt	estate office
S., St., Skt.	Sankt	Saint (St.) in connection with place names, churches and foundations
s. (a.)	siehe (auch)	see or look for (also) meaning, look under a second reference
S. (s)	Süden (südlich)	south (southern)
Sa.	Sachsen (Staat)	Saxony (former kingdom)
Sa.-A.	Sachsen-Altenburg	Saxony-Altenburg
Sa.-C.-G.	Sachsen-Coburg-Gotha	Saxony-Coburg-Gotha (a former duchy)
Sägew.	Sägewerk	sawmill
Sa.-M.	Sachsen-Meiningen	Saxony-Meiningen (a former duchy)
Sa.-W.-E.	Sachsen-Weimar-Eisenach	Saxony-Weimar-Eisenach (a former duchy)
Sanat.	Sanatorium	sanitorium
s. auch	siehe auch	see also or look under a second reference
Sch.,...sch.	Schule, ...schule	school, -school
Schaumb.-L.	Schaumburg-Lippe	Schaumburg-Lippe (a former principality)
Schiff.	Schiffahrt(s)	naval, maritime
Schl.	Schleuse	sluice (lock)
Schlachth.	Schlachthaus	slaughterhouse
Schles.	Schlesien	Silesia (former Prussian and before also Austrian province)
Schlesw.-Holst.	Schleswig-Holstein	Schleswig-Holstein (former Prussian province)
Schl	Schloß	knight's castle

Schuhm.	Schuhmacherei	shoemaking
Schwarzb.-Rud.	Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt	Schwarzburg-Rudolstadt (a former principality)
Schwarzb.-Sond.	Schwarzburg-Sondershausen	Schwarzburg-Sondershausen (a former principality)
SchwG.	Schwurgericht	court with a jury
Sem.	Seminar	seminary (not always religious)
Slg.	Sammlung	collection
SO. (sö.)	Südosten (südöstlich)	southeast, southeastern (-easterly)
Soz.	Sozietät	society, (usually commercial) corporation
sow.	soviel wie	as much as
Spinn.	Spinnerei	spinning factory
SpDrk.	Spar- und Darlehnskassenverein	credit union for larger loans
Spk.	Sparkasse	credit union
St.	Stadt	city (municipality)
Stahw.	Stahlwerk	steelworks
Stat.	Station	station
StdA.	Standesamt	civil registrar's office
StKr.	Stadtkreis	area included in municipal administration district, as opposed to rural or county government which would be "Landkreis"
StPlan	Stadtplan	city map
Strbn. (...verz.)	Straßenbahn (...verzeichnis)	tramway (...register)
Strickw.	Strickwerk	rope works
StTeil	Stadtteil	part of a city, ward
St.Verz.	Strassenverzeichnis	street index
Syn.	Synagoge	synagogue
T	Posttelegraph	telegraph office
Thür.	Thüringen	Thuringia
Thür. Wald	Thüringer Wald	Thuringia Forest
u...	und	and
u...	Unter...	under, but here pertaining to terrain or territory, like Unterfranken =Lower Franconia, as opposed to Oberfranken =Upper Franconia
usw.	und so weiter	and so forth
USt.	unmittelbare Stadt	free city (independent from the surrounding kingdom or province)
v.	von	of, at, also nobility title (knighted lower nobility)
Ver.(e)	Verein, Vereine	association, society
Vers.	Versicherung	insurance agency
Verw.	Verwaltung	administration, government
VerwA.	Verwaltungsamt	administrative office

Viehhdl.	Viehhandel	livestock trade
Viehmarkt	Viehmarkt	livestock market
Vw.	Vorwerk	residence and/or farm of the administrator of a landed estate on an outlying tract of land
Waisenh.	Waisenhaus	orphanage
...w.	..waren	goods (part of the word in connection with a factory)
W. (w.)	Westen, westlich	west (westerly)
Wasserw.	Wasserwerk	waterworks
Weinhdl.	Weinhandlung	wine shop, tavern
Wst. (...wst)	Werkstätte (...werkstätte)	repair shop
Westf.	Westfalen	Westphalia
Westpr.	Westpreußen	West Prussia (former Prussian province)
Wlr.	Weiler	hamlet
Wp.	Wohnplatz	residence
Württ.	Württemberg	Württemberg (former kingdom)
Z.	Zollhaus	customs
Zementw.	Zementwerk	cement works
Zgl.	Ziegelei	brick works, tile works
Zh.	Zollhaus	custom house
Zigarrenfbr.	Zigarrenfabrik	cigar factory
Zk.	Zinken	outlying farm (hamlet)
zw.	zwischen	between