

The Alphabets of Europe

Scottish Gaelic Gàidhlig na h-Alba

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Alphabet:

A a (À à), B b, C c, D d, E e (È è, É é), F f, G g, H h, I i
(Ì ì), [J j], [K k], L l, M m, N n, O o (Ò ò, Ó ó), P p, [Q q],
R r, S s, T t, U u (Ù ù), [V v], [W w], [X x], [Y y], [Z z]

An orthographic reform in 1985 by the Scottish Examination Board abolished the distinction between the grave and the acute accent by proscribing the use of the latter. Whatever the practice used in examination papers, the phonetic distinction traditionally marked by the different diacritics remains important, and in good Scottish Gaelic orthography that distinction should be maintained, in the opinion of the editor, as the two diacritics differentiate usefully between the two sounds of the letter e.

Quotation marks: ‘single’, “double”

UCS ranges for the characters on this page:

0040-005A, 0060-007A, 00C0, 00C7-00C9, 00CC, 00D2-00D3, 00D9, 00E0,
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