



Geological Logging Codes
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Events

Code	Description
BOCO	Base of Complete Oxidation
TOFR	Top of Fresh Rock
TOSA	Top of Saprolite
BOA	Base of Transported Overburden
WT	Water Table
TOSR	Top of Saprock

Regolith

Code	Description
DU	Duricrust
FR	Fresh
LS	Lower Saprolite
MZ	Mottled Zone
SL	Soils
SR	Saprock
TN	Transition
TP	Transported
US	Upper Saprolite

Quaternary

Lithology Codes		
Code	Description	Class
Qa	Alluvium	regolith
Qc	Clay	regolith
Qg	Gravel/talus	regolith
Qh	Soil/loam	regolith
Ql	Laterite, Transported	regolith
Qm	Colluvium	regolith
Qp	Gypsiferous sand	regolith
Qs	Sand	regolith
Qsl	Pisolitic, lateritic sand/soil	regolith
Qsw	Sand, aeolian	regolith

Cainozoic

Cc	Clay	regolith
Ccl	Lower Saprolite Clay	regolith
Ccm	Mottled Clay	regolith
Ccu	Upper Saprolite Clay	regolith
Cg	Gossan	regolith
Cgr	Gravels	regolith
Clc	Calcrete	regolith
Clf	Ferricrete	regolith
Clh	Hardpan	regolith
ClI	Laterite (undiff)	regolith
Clm	Magnesite	regolith
Clp	Pisolitic	regolith
ClS	Silcrete	regolith
Cs	Sands	regolith

Permian

P	Permian undiff	sediment
Paf	Sandstone/Congl (fluvial)	sediment
Pag	Tillite (glacial)	sediment
Pal	Claystone/Siltstone (lac)	sediment

Sediment

Asb	Sedimentary Breccia	sediment
Asc	Chert	sediment
Ascl	Claystone	sediment
Asd	Dolomite	sediment
Asf	BIF	sediment
Asg	Gritstone	sediment
Ash	Shale	sediment
Ashb	Black shale	sediment
Asi	Intermediate sed	sediment
Asm	Mafic Sediment	sediment

Acid- Intermediate Rocks

Lithology Codes		
Code	Description	Class
Aae	Aplite	igneous
Aau	Felsite undifferentiated	felsic
Age	Pegmatite	igneous
Agm	Monzonite	felsic
Agmq	Quartz monzonite	felsic
Ago	Granodiorite	felsic
Agp	Porphyry	felsic
Agpf	Feldspar porphyry	felsic
Agpq	Quartz porphyry	felsic
Agpy	Quartz feldspar porphyry	felsic
Agr	Granite	felsic
Agm	Monzogranite	felsic
Ags	Syenite	felsic
Agsq	Quartz Syenite	felsic
Agt	Tonalite	felsic
Agu	Granitoid	felsic

Andesitic Rocks

Aia	Andesite	intermediate
Aiig	Ignimbrite	intermediate
Ait	Intermediate tuff	intermediate
Aita	Intermediate tuff, ash fall	intermediate
Aitc	Intermediate tuff, cherty	intermediate
Aitl	Intermediate lapilli tuff	intermediate
Aiu	Intermediate volcanic	intermediate
Aivc	Intermediate volcaniclastics	intermediate
Aivx	Intermediate volcanic breccia	intermediate
Aiy	Trachyte	intermediate

Rhyolite - Dacite Rocks

Aad	Dacite	felsic
Aaf	Felsic Volcanics undiff	felsic
Aafc	Felsic Volcaniclastics	felsic
Aaig	Ignimbrite, quartz-rich	felsic
Aar	Rhyolite	felsic
Aat	Felsic tuff	felsic
Aata	Felsic tuff, ash fall	felsic
Aatc	Felsic tuff, cherty	felsic
Aatl	Felsic Lapilli tuff	felsic
Aav	Felsic agglomerate	felsic
Aavx	Felsic volcanic breccia	felsic
Aitr	Crystal tuff	felsic

Basic Rocks

Lithology Codes		
Code	Description	Class
Ab	Basic rock, undiff.	mafic
Abi	Basic rock, intermediate	mafic
Abk	Basalt, high mag	mafic
Abt	Basalt, tholeiitic	mafic
Abu	Basalt	mafic
Abvc	Mafic Volcaniclastics	mafic
Adl	Leucodolerite	mafic
Adm	Meladolerite	mafic
Ado	Dolerite	mafic
Adq	Quartz dolerite	mafic
Ala	Lamprophyre	mafic
Aoa	Anorthosite	mafic
Aoc	Chromite	mafic
Aod	Diorite	mafic
Aog	Gabbro	mafic
Aogm	Magnetite Gabbro	mafic
Aol	Leucogabbro	mafic
Aom	Melagabbro	mafic
Aon	Norite	mafic
Aoq	Quartz gabbro	mafic
Aot	Troctolite	mafic
Aou	Basic Intrusive, undiff	mafic
Aov	Massive Magnetite	mafic
Aoy	Granophyre	mafic
Atm	Mafic Tuff	mafic

Ultramafic Rocks

Aua	tremolite rock	ultramafic
Auac	tremolite-chlorite rock	ultramafic
Aud	dunite (>90% olivine)	ultramafic
Auh	harzburgite	ultramafic
Auk	komatiite	ultramafic
Aup	pyroxenite (ultramafic
Aupp	peridotite (40-90% olivine)	ultramafic
Aus	serpentinite	ultramafic
Aut	talc rock	ultramafic
Autc	talch-chlorite rock	ultramafic
Auu	undifferentiated	ultramafic

Agn	Gneiss	metamorphic
Amt	Migmatite	metamorphic

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Lithology Texture		
Code	Description	Class
ah	aphanitic	igneous
am	agglomerate	volcanic
ap	aplitic	igneous
ay	amygdaloidal	volcanic
bb	blebby	volcanic
bc	bleached	weathering
bd	banded	sedimentary
be	bedded	sedimentary
bk	blocky	structure
cb	cross bedded	sedimentary
cc	contact - chilled	igneous
ci	contact - imbricated	igneous
cs	clast supported	sedimentary
ct	clastic	sedimentary
cu	cumulate	igneous
cx	contact - transitional	structure
cz	contact - sheared	structure
et	eutaxitic	volcanic
fl	flame structure	sedimentary
fr	fragmental	structure
fu	fluidal	volcanic
fy	flaggy	sedimentary
gb	granoblastic	metamorphic
gd	graded bedding	sedimentary
gn	gneissic	metamorphic
go	gossanous	sedimentary
gr	granitic	igneous
gy	greasy	metamorphic
ho	homogeneous	general
ht	heterogeneous	general
ib	interbedded	sedimentary
id	indurated	weathering
iq	inequigranular	igneous
ja	jasperoidal	sedimentary
kn	knotted	metamorphic
la	lapilli	volcanic
li	lineation	structure
lm	laminated	sedimentary
ln	lenticular	sedimentary
lt	lithic	sedimentary
ma	massive	igneous

Lithology Texture		
Code	Description	Class
mo	monomictic	structure
ms	matrix supported	igneous
mt	migmatitic	metamorphic
nd	nodular	sedimentary
oo	oolitic	sedimentary
op	ophitic	igneous
or	orbicular	igneous
pb	porphyroblastic	metamorphic
pe	pegmatitic	igneous
pg	granophyric	igneous
pi	pillowed	volcanic
pm	polymictic	igneous
po	porphyritic	metamorphic
ps	pisolithic	sedimentary
py	pyroclastic	volcanic
qe	quartz eyed	metamorphic
re	recrystallized	metamorphic
s1	sorting - very poor	sedimentary
s2	sorting - poor	sedimentary
s3	sorting - moderate	sedimentary
s4	sorting - well	sedimentary
s5	sorting - very well	sedimentary
sb	slabby	volcanic
se	schlieren	igneous
sg	stringer	general
si	siliceous/silica flooded	igneous
sl	slatey	metamorphic
so	subophitic	igneous
sp	spotted	metamorphic
sr	stromatolitic	sedimentary
sx	spinifex texture	volcanic
sy	stylolitic	structure
tt	trachytic	volcanic
tu	tuffaceous	volcanic
va	variolitic	igneous
ve	vesicular	volcanic
vg	vuggy	general
vi	vitric	volcanic
vv	varved	volcanic
we	welded	volcanic
wf	weakly foliated	metamorphic
wx	waxy	general

Structure Type	
Code	Description
ad	anticline downhole
au	anticline upole
bd	banded
be	bedded
bk	blocky
bu	boudinaged
bx	brecciated
ca	cataclastic
cb	cross bedded
cc	contact - chilled
ci	contact - imbricated
cr	crenulated/folded
cx	contact - transitional
cz	contact - sheared
fa	fold axis
fc	fractured
fd	folded
fl	flame structure
fo	foliation
gd	graded bedding
gn	gneissic
jo	jointed
li	lineation
ll	lit par lit
lm	laminated
my	mylonitic
qz	quartz veined
sb	slabby
sc	schistose
se	schlieren
sh	sheared
sk	slickensides
sl	slatey
sw	stockwork veined
va	actinolite vein
vb	carbonate vein
vc	quartz carbonate vein
vh	hematite altered vein
vp	pegmatite vein
vv	varved

Vein Morphology	
Code	Description
bd	banded
bk	blocky
bu	boudinaged
bx	brecciated
cr	crenulated/folded
cx	contact - transitional
cz	contact - sheared
fc	fractured
fd	folded
lm	laminated
ln	lenticular
ma	massive
nb	nebulitic
sc	schistose
sh	sheared
sk	slickensides
sm	stromatic
sw	stockwork veined
sy	stylolitic
tb	tabular
vg	vuggy

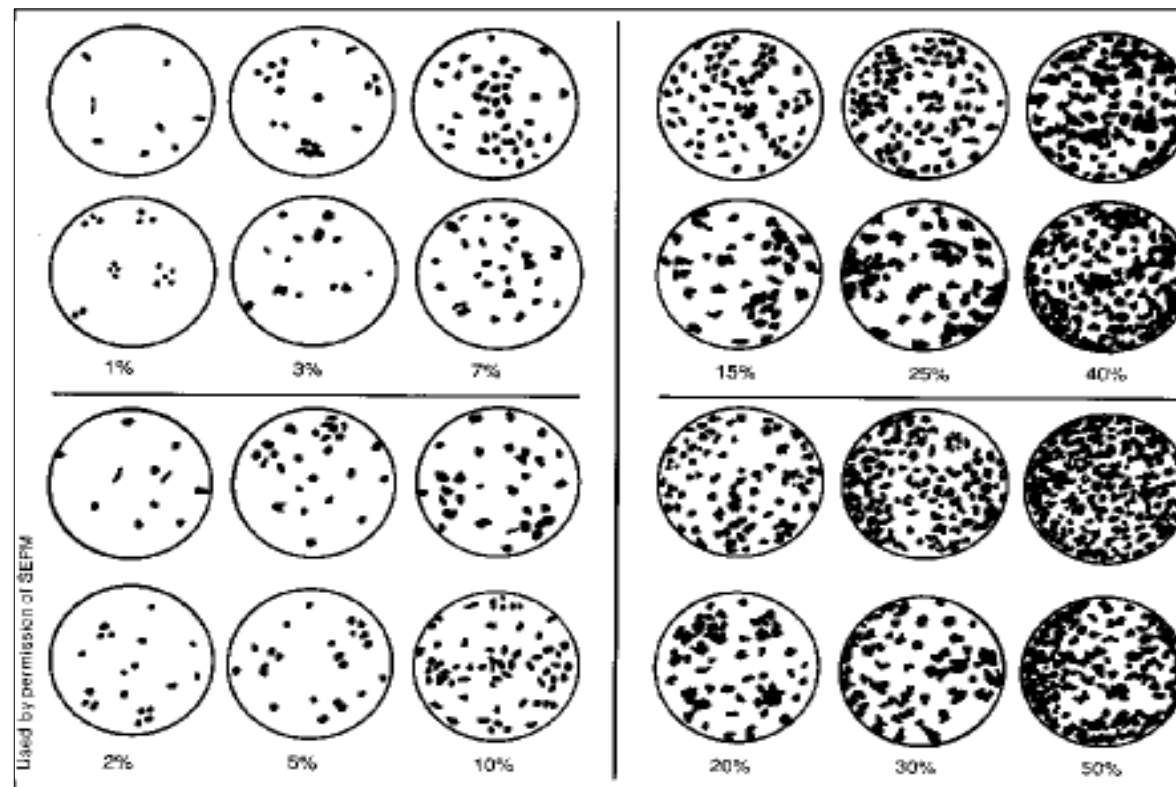
Vein Style	
Code	Description
ac	acicular
an	anhedral
ap	aplitic
bl	bladed
bo	botryoidal
cl	chalcedonic
cn	conchoidal
dr	drusy
ds	disseminated
eg	equigranular
el	elongated
eu	euedral
ic	inclusions
in	interstitial
mg	medium grained
mx	matrix
nb	nebulitic
oc	ocelli
pp	pseudomorphous
qz	quartz veined
r1	roundness - very angular
r2	roundness - angular
r3	roundness - subangular
r4	roundness - subrounded
r5	roundness - rounded
r6	roundness - very rounded
ra	radiating/stellate
rd	rounded
sa	saccaroidal
sg	stringer
sw	stockwork veined
tb	tabular
tr	translucent
vn	veined

Colour	
Code	Description
bf	buff
bg	brown-green
bl	black
br	brown
bu	blue
cr	cream
gb	green-blue
gg	grey-green
gr	green
gy	grey
kh	khaki
mo	mottled
mv	mauve
ob	orange-brown
oc	ochre
or	orange
pb	pink-brown
pi	pink
pu	purple
rb	red-brown
rd	red
tn	tan
tw	tan-white
wb	white-brown
wh	white
yb	yellow-brown
ye	yellow

Miscellaneous	
Code	Description
LODE	Lode
MSU	Massive Suphides
NC	No core
NL	Not logged
NR	Not Recorded
NS	No sample
Pd	Proterozoic Dolerite Dyke
SHZ	Shear Zone
UNKN	Unknown Code
Vac	Actinolite vein
Vc	Carbonate Vein
Vq	Quartz Vein
Vqc	Quartz-Carbonate Vein
WKG	Stope/workings

Colour Tone	
Code	Description
d	dark
l	light
m	medium
mo	mottled

Grainsize	
Code	Description
cg	coarse-grained
fg	fine-grained
mg	medium-grained
vcg	very coarse-grained
vfg	very fine-grained



Adapted from BAKER HUGHES INTEQ - for use in field - © CPGS 2003	Very Coarse Sand: 2 to 1 millimetre			
	Coarse Sand: 1 to ½ millimetre			
	Medium Sand: ½ to ¼ millimetre			
	Fine Sand: ¼ to ⅛ millimetre			
	Very Fine Sand: ⅛ to 0.062 millimetre			
Very Poorly Sorted	Poorly Sorted	Moderately Sorted	Well Sorted	Very Well Sorted
ANGULAR	SUB-ANGULAR	SUB-ROUNDED	ROUNDED	WELL ROUNDED

Above: Chart for estimating mineral grain percentage composition of rocks and sediments

Left: Grain size estimation chart

Alteration Code	
Code	Description
aa	advanced argillic
ab	albite
an	altered, type not recognized
ar	argillic
ascb_m	albite±sericite±chlorite±biotite
ascb_s	albite±sericite±chlorite±biotite
ascb_w	albite±sericite±chlorite±biotite
bi	biotite
bl	bleached
ca	calcite
cb	carbonate
ch	chlorite
cl	chalcedony
do	dolomite
ep	epidote
fe	ferruginous
fu	fuchsite
go	goethite
gr	garnierite
he	h�ematite
hemag	hematite ± magnetite
hs	specular h�ematite
il	illite
ka	kaolin
mi	mica
mm	montmorillonite
mt	magnetite
mu	muscovite
pc	phyllic
pp	propylitic
pr	pyrophyllite
pt	potassic
qc	quartz-carbonate
qf	quartzofeldspathic
qt	quartz-tourmaline
qz	quartz
sacb	sericite±albite±chlorite±biotite
se	sericite
si	sillimanite
sl	silica
ta	talc
tr	tourmaline

Alteration Style	
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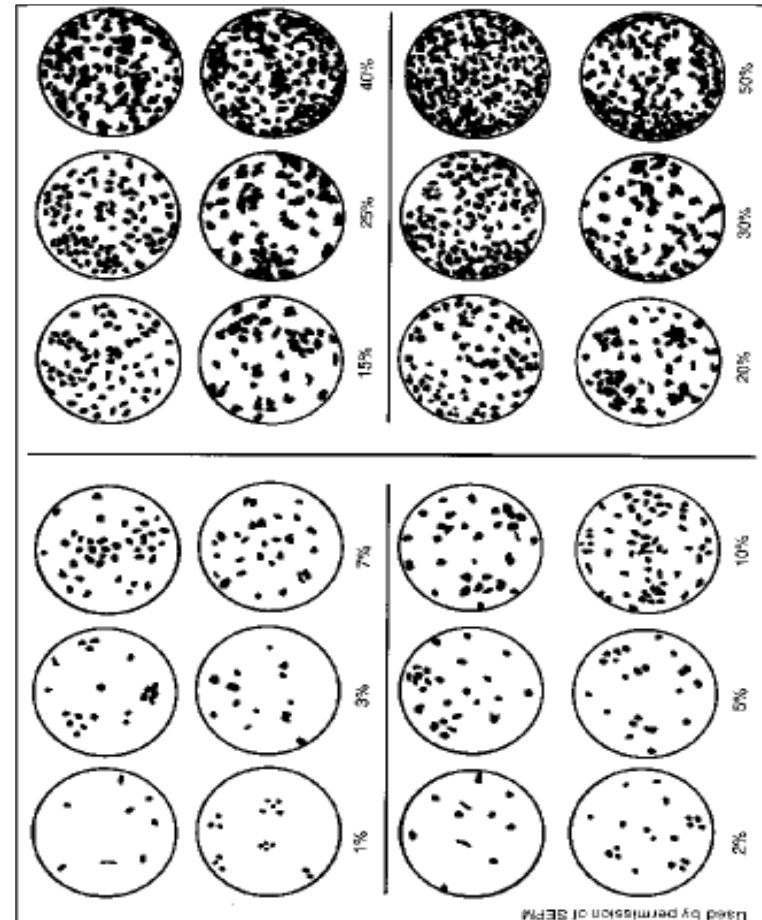
Alteration Intensity	
Code	Description
m	moderate
s	strong
v	variable
w	weak

Sulphides	
Code	Description
as	arsenopyrite
bo	bornite
cc	chalcocite
cp	chalcopyrite
cv	covellite
ga	galena
mo	molydenite
mr	marcasite
pn	pentlandite
po	pyrrhotite
py	pyrite
sb	stibnite
sp	sphalerite
su	sulphide
td	tetrahedrite-tennantite

Sulphide Style	
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Minerals	
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ab	albite
ac	actinolite
ad	andalusite
af	alkali feldspar
ag	silver
ah	anhydrite
ak	ankerite
al	aluminous
am	amphibole
ao	asbestos
ap	apatite
as	arsenopyrite
at	alunite
au	gold
ay	anthophyllite
az	azurite
ba	barite
be	beryl
bi	biotite
bo	bornite
ca	calcite
cb	carbonate
cc	chalcocite
cd	cordierite
ce	cerrusite
ch	chlorite
cl	chalcedony
cm	cumingtonite
co	copper secondary minerals
cp	chalcopyrite
cr	chromite
cs	cassiterite
ct	chloritoid
cv	covellite
cx	clinopyroxene

Minerals	
Code	Description
cy	clay
di	diopside
do	dolomite
ep	epidote
fd	feldspar
fl	fluorite
fu	fuchsite
ga	galena
gf	graphite
gh	gahnite
go	goethite
gr	garnierite
gs	gaspeite
gt	garnet
gu	grunerite
gy	gypsum
hb	hornblende
he	hæmatite
hs	specular hæmatite
il	illite
ja	jarosite
ka	kaolin
ky	kyanite
le	lepidolite
li	limonite
lo	lead secondary minerals
lx	leucoxene
ma	malachite
mf	mafic minerals
mi	mica
mm	montmorillonite
mn	manganese minerals
mo	molybdenite
mr	marcasite
ms	magnesite
mt	magnetite
mu	muscovite
nn	nontronite
ol	olivine

Minerals	
Code	Description
ox	orthopyroxene
pe	prehnite
pg	phlogopite
ph	phosphate
pi	pitchblende
pl	plagioclase
pn	pentlandite
po	pyrrhotite
pp	propylitic
pr	pyrophyllite
px	pyroxene
py	pyrite
qc	quartz-carbonate
qt	quartz-tourmaline
qz	quartz
rh	rhodocrosite
sa	saussurite
sb	stibnite
sc	scheelite
sd	siderite
se	sericite
si	sillimanite
sl	silica
sn	stannite
sp	sphalerite
sr	serpentine
st	staurolite
su	sulphide
ta	talc
td	tetrahedrite-tennantite
tm	tremolite
tr	tourmaline
tz	topaz
uo	uranium secondary minerals
up	uranophane
ur	uraninite
vl	violarite
zn	zinwaldite
zo	zinc secondary minerals

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Terminology of weathered profile

