BC Hydro distribution pole tags

Every pole is tagged with an identification number. The method for recording a pole's height, age, ownership and location has changed throughout the years, which is reflected in the information visible on the pole tag. Presently there are three types of tags that may be in use.

1) Current pole tags

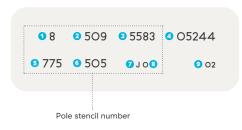
- Have a 7-digit identification number
- Were installed in 1992 to replace the metric tags
- Have numbers pre-populated at the plant of origin, and pole attributes including size, class, treatment of pole, and manufacturer's information (includes year and location of manufacture)



2) Metric pole tags

- O Have a 14-digit identification number
- Were installed in 1979 to replace imperial tags
- Have numbers that are segmented to identify various factors including location, pole ownership, the date the pole was installed, the joint venture map number, and the printer's control number (for tag printing purposes)

METRIC POLE (POST 1979)



- UTM zone number
- 2 N/S grid line 509 000
- E/W grid line 5 583 000
- Joint venture map number (imperial)
- 3 775 metres east of UTM grid line 509 000
- 3 505 metres north of UTM grid line 5 583 000
- Date set
- 3 Owner of pole
- 9 Printer's control number

3) Imperial pole tags

- O Have a 14-digit identification number
- O Were installed prior to 1979
- Have numbers that are segmented to identify various factors including location, pole ownership, the date the pole was installed, the number of anchors, the joint venture map number, and the printer's control number (for tag printing purposes)

IMPERIAL POLE (PRE 1979)



- 1 Longitude -122° 39° N
- 2 Latitude -49° 14° W
- 3 Joint venture map number
- Distance west of 122° 39° W long in tens of feet (590)
- 5 Distance west of 49° 14° N long in tens of feet (590)
- Date set
- Owner of pole
- 8 Number of anchors on pole
- Printer's control number

