Kodak Edge Codes

The following table has compiled by Robin Williams of the East Anglian Film Archive. Codes are located outside the perforations of Kodak motion picture film stock and refer to the date the film was manufactured. When possible, codes are taken from Eastman Kodak documentation. When Kodak lists are not available, alternative markings have been established by examining films with known dates.

When attempting to arrive at a plausible date for a given stock mark, bear in mind the following variable factors:

The dates refer only to the date the film was manufactured and may have been exposed at a later date.

Films are often not stored in their original boxes.

Films of different dates are often edited together at a later date

The "expose by" date on the original box is about two years after the date of manufacture.

Inscriptions on boxes are helpful but may be inaccurate.

This is a work in progress from the East Anglian Film Archive and should not be considered a definitive list.

8mm

	US	UK
1932	•	
1933 January to June		
1933 July to December	A	L
1934 January to June	• •	
1934 July to December		
1935 January to June	A A	LL
1935 July to December		
1936January to June	• •	⊸ L
1936 July to December		— L
1937 January to June	$\mathbf{A} \bullet$	L
1937 July to December		L-
1938 January to June		
1938 July to December	++	
1939 January to June	+●	+
1939 July to December	+	++
1940 January to June	+ 🛦	+-
1940 July to December	• +	+
1941 January to June	I +	+-
1941 July to December	A +	→ +

Date codes from 1942 to 1953 have been determined by cross-referencing ten film collections of the period, comparing them with symbol sequences from previous and subsequent decades. This list is not reliable for the purpose of absolute accuracy, but is intended for guidance only, in the absence of a definitive list from Kodak.

1942	★ (uncertain)	(possible)		
1943	(possible)			
1944	(uncertain)			
1945	—— (uncertain)	+ (possible)		
1946	▼ † (possible)	(possible)	(possible)	
1947	L — (probable)	▲ ● (probable)	(probable)	
1948	+ (probable)	++ (possible)	— (possible)	(possible)
1949	+ (probable)	+ (possible)	+● (possible)	
1950	+ (probable)	• + (possible)		
1951	+ (probable)	▲ + (possible)		
1952	+ (probable)			
1953	(probable)			

Kodak documentation exists for date codes from 1954 to 1954 but alternative marking systems have also been determined, based upon the examination of film collections.

	Established	Alternative
1954	• •	(probable)
1955	A A	(probable)
1956	•	(possible)
1957	A •	■ ● (probable)
1958		★ (possible)
1959	+●	+ ■ (possible)
1960	+▲	(possible)
1961	■ +	▲▲ (possible)
1962	+	(probable)
1963		• (probable)
1964	• •	(probable)

After 1964 symbols are the same as for 16mm NOTE: Super 8 production began in 1965

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1965	
1966	
1967	
1968	++
1969	+
1970	A +
1971	● +
1972	■ +
1973	+4
1974	+●
1975	+
1976	
1977	
1978	A
1979	
1980	
1981	
1982	\bullet
1983	XAX
1984	
1985	
1986	
1987	
1988	++4
1989	X+A
1990	A+A
1991	X + X
1992	■ + A
1993	+ 4 4

1994	+ • A
1995	+
1996	XOA
1997	X
1998	XAA
1999	$\bullet \times \blacktriangle$
2000	
2001	
2002	
2003	
2004	
2005	
2006	
2007	
2008	++•
2009	X + ●
2010	A+
2011	• +•
2012	■+●
2013	+40
2014	+••
2015	+●■
2016	ו•
2017	ו■
2018	XAO
2019	•••
2020	
2021	
<u> </u>	

16mm

	US	UK	CANADA	FRANCE	GERMANY
1925		_	• L		
1926	$\mathbf{A} \bullet$		•—		
1927		L—	•		
1928		L	L		
1929	+	+	—		
1930	A +	+-	-•		
1931	● +	+ L	•		
1932		+-	•		
1933	+4	•	♦ —		
1934	+•	L+	♦ L		
1935	+	-+	+ —		
1936			• L		
1937		L	•—		
1938	A		•		
1939			L		
1940			-		
1941			-		
1942			•		
1943			* •		
1944			.		
1945			♦ L		
1946		L-	+ —		
1947		L	• L		
1948		+	•—		
1949	+	+-	•		
1950	A +	L	L		

1951	• +
1952	+
1953	+4
1954	+•
1955	+
1956	
1957	
1958	A
1959	
1960	
1961	
1962	
1963	
1964	

1965	
1966	
1967	
1968	++
1969	+
1970	A +
1971	•+
1972	I
1973	+4
1974	+•
1975	+
1976	
1977	
1978	A

1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 ■■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■		
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1982 ■ X 1983 X X X 1984 ■ A 1985 ■ A 1986 ■ A 1987 ■ A 1988 + A 1989 X + A 1990 A + A 1991 X + X 1992 ■ A 1993 + A 1994 + A 1995 + B 1997 X B 1999 X A	1980	
1983	1981	A A
1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1991 1992 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 ■★ 1999	1982	\bullet
1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1989 1990 1991 1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 ■★ 1999	1983	XAX
1986 1987 1988 1989 1989 X+A 1990 A+A 1991 1991 X+X 1992 ■+A 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 ■ X	1984	
1987 1988	1985	
1988 1989 X+A 1990 A+A 1991 X+X 1992 ■+A 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 ■ X	1986	
1989	1987	
1990 1991 X+X 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999	1988	++4
1991	1989	×+A
1992 1993 1994 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999	1990	A+A
1993 +	1991	X+X
1994	1992	■ + ▲
1995 +	1993	+ 4 4
1996 X A A 1997 X A A 1999 • X A	1994	+•4
1997 X A A 1998 X A A 1999 • X A	1995	+ -
1998 X A A 1999 • X A	1996	XOA
1999 X	1997	X
	1998	XAA
2000	1999	•×A
	2000	

2001	A A .
2002	
2003	0.4.0
2004	A
2005	
2006	AOO
2007	
2008	++•
2009	X+•
2010	A+•
2011	• +•
2012	■ +●
2013	+40
2014	+••
2015	+
2016	$\times \bullet \bullet$
2017	ו•
2018	XAO
2019	•••
2020	
2021	