

Pashto

No romanization system for Pashto (Afghan) has been approved at the United Nations conferences on the standardization of geographical names.

Pashto uses a Perso-Arabic script that is written from right to left. As in Arabic and Persian, vowels are marked only sporadically to indicate pronunciation, otherwise they are omitted.

System of romanization

The **BGN/PCGN 1968 System** gives the following romanization:

1	ا	- ^A	11	ح	ḥ	21	س	s	31	ق	q
2	ب	b	12	خ	kh	22	ش	sh	32	ک	k
3	پ	p	13	د	d	23	ښ	<u>sh</u>	33	گ (ځ)	g
4	ت	t	14	ډ	<u>d</u>	24	ص	ṣ	34	ل	l
5	ټ	<u>t</u>	15	ن	<u>n</u>	25	ض	<u>z</u>	35	م	m
6	ټ	<u>s</u>	16	ر	r	26	ط	<u>ṭ</u>	36	ن	n
7	ج	j	17	ړ	<u>r</u>	27	ظ	<u>ẓ</u>	37	ښ	<u>n</u>
8	چ	ch	18	ز	z	28	ع	‘	38	و	w
9	څ	ts	19	ژ	zh	29	غ	gh	39	ه	h
10	ځ	dz	20	ښ	<u>zh</u>	30	ف	f	40	ی (ی)	y

^A Not romanized, but see romanizations accompanying *alip* (l) in the table for vowels.

Vowel characters and diacritical marks (• stands for any consonant)

1	•	a	6	ئ•	ay	11	•	ê	16	ئوی•	ūy
2	ا•	ā	7	ئ•	ey	12	ئ•	êy	17	آ	ā
3	•	i	8	ئ	ey	13	•	u	18	•ء•	’
4	ئ•	ī	9	ڤ	ē	14	ئوی•	ū	19	•	(A)
5	ئ•	ī	10	ئوی•	ew	15	ئوی•	ow			

^A Doubling of consonant letter.