

- e. Plan what you are going to say before you say it – think about structure
- f. Repeat back what has been said

5.6 The phonetic alphabet

5.6.1 The phonetic alphabet shall be used when transmitting location or equipment identifiers such as the prefix of the signal, points (turnouts) locations, kilometre points, etc.. The key words have been carefully chosen so that they clearly represent each letter and don't sound at all like each other (**e.g. proceed to signal RSR 1234 – this should read as follows – proceed to signal Romeo Sierra Romeo 1234**).

5.6.2 Where required, the phonetic alphabet must be used to pronounce any letter to avoid possible confusion. The phonetic alphabet, word used and its pronunciation is as follows:

A	Alpha: AL-fah	N	November No VEM ber
B	Bravo: BRAH-voh	O	Oscar: OSS-cah
C	Charlie: CHAR-lee	P	Papa: pah PAH
D	Delta: DELL-tah	Q	Quebec: key-BECK
E	Echo: ECK-oh	R	Romeo: ROW-me-oh
F	Foxtrot: FOX-trot	S	Sierra: see-AIR-RAH
G	Golf: GOLF	T	Tango: TANG-go
H	Hoh:TELL	U	Uniform: YOU-nee-form
I	India: IN-DEE-ah	V	Victor: VIC-tah
J	Juliet: JEW-lee-ETT	W	Whiskey: WISS-key
K	Kilo: KEY-loh	X	X ray: ECHS-RAY
L	Lima: LEE-mah	Y	Yankee: YANK-key
M	Mike: MIKE	Z	Zulu: ZOO-loo

5.7 Numbers

5.7.1 Standard spoken figures shall be pronounced in individual digits when relaying VSCC messages as described in in clause 5.6.1 above, to avoid possible confusion. (for example, **proceed to signal RSR 01234 – should be relayed as follows – proceed to signal Zero, Romeo Sierra Romeo ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR**).