## **ROMANIZATION OF KYRGYZ**

## BGN/PCGN 1979 System

The BGN/PCGN system for Kyrgyz<sup>1</sup> Cyrillic was designed for use in romanizing names written in the Kyrgyz Cyrillic alphabet. The Kyrgyz Cyrillic alphabet contains three characters not present in the Russian alphabet: H,  $\Theta$ , and Y.

		Ку	rgyz		Cyrillic Unicode	Romanization		Kyrgyz				Cyrillic Unicode	Romanization
1.	Α	а	Α	а	0410; 0430	а	19.	П	п	П	П	041F; 043F	р
2.	Б	б	Б	б	04D8; 04D9	b	20.	Р	р	Р	р	0420; 0440	r
3.	В	В	В	в	0412; 0432	V	21.	С	С	С	С	0421; 0441	S
4.	Γ	г	Γ	г	0413; 0433	g	22.	Т	Т	Т	m	0422; 0442	t
5.	Д	Д	Д	д	0414; 0434	d	23.	У	У	У	у	0423; 0443	u
6.	E	e	Ε	е	0415; 0435	е	24.	Y	У	Υ	у	04AE; 04AF	ü
7.	Ë	ë	Ë	ë	0401; 0451	уо	25.	Ф	ф	Φ	ф	0424; 0444	f
8.	ж	ж	Ж	ж	0416; 0436	j	26.	Х	х	Х	х	0425; 0445	kh
9.	3	3	3	3	0417; 0437	Z	27.	ц	ц	Ц	ц	0426; 0446	ts
10.	И	И	И	и	0418; 0438	i	28.	Ч	Ч	Ч	Ч	0427; 0447	ch
11.	Й	й	Й	й	0419; 0439	У	29.	Ш	ш	Ш	ш	0428; 0448	sh
12.	К	к	К	к	041A; 043A	k	30.	Щ	щ	Щ	щ	0429; 0449	shch
13.	Л	Л	Л	л	041B; 043B	I	31.	Ъ	ъ	Ъ	ъ	042A; 044A	n
14.	М	М	М	М	041C; 043C	m	32.	Ы	Ы	Ы	Ы	042B; 044B	y²
15.	Н	н	Н	н	041D; 043D	n	33.	Ь	Ь	Ь	Ь	042C; 044C	,
16.	ң	ң	H,	H,	04A2; 04A3	ng	34.	Э	Э	Э	э	042D; 044D	e
17.	0	0	0	o	041E; 043E	0	35.	Ю	Ю	Ю	ю	042E; 044E	yu
18.	θ	θ	θ	θ	04E8, 04E9	Ö	36.	Я	Я	Я	Я	042F; 044F	уа

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Both Kyrgyz and Kirghiz may frequently be seen as the language name; both these spellings are used in the ISO 639 Standard on the representation of names for languages.

## **NOTES**

- 1. The character sequence  $\mathbf{H}$   $\mathbf{r}$  may be romanized  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{g}$  in order to differentiate that romanization from the digraph  $\mathbf{ng}$ , which is used to render the character  $\mathbf{H}$ .
- 2. The character **b** may be romanized **r** (Unicode encoding 0069+0335) instead of **y**, if so desired.
- 3. An inventory of letter-diacritic combinations, with their Unicode encoding, in addition to the unmodified letters of the basic Roman script is:

All apostrophes appearing in romanization are U+2019

Ö (U+00D6)	ö (U+00F6)				
Ü (U+00DC)	ü (U+00FC)				

4. The Romanization column shows only lowercase forms but, when romanizing, uppercase and lowercase Roman letters as appropriate should be used.