

This page documents the spelling choices that the Go project has made for English words.

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Policy:

- American spellings over British spellings
- **iff** means “if and only if” (<https://en.wiktionary.org/wiki/iff>), but don’t use it in public-facing docs (don’t use in comments on exported identifiers that would show up in godoc)
- avoid Latin abbreviations in godoc
- use **cancellation** (two ells), not cancelation. See <https://go.dev/cl/170060>
- use **canceled** (one ell), not cancelled.
- use **canceling** (one ell), not cancelling.
- use **marshaling**, **marshaled** etc (single ell). See <https://go.dev/cl/33017>