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| **ANSI/ISO Shape** | **Name** | **Description** |
| [lowchart Line.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Line.svg) | Flowline (Arrowhead)[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) | Shows the process's order of operation. A line coming from one symbol and pointing at another.[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) Arrowheads are added if the flow is not the standard top-to-bottom, left-to right.[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) |
| [lowchart Terminal.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Terminal.svg) | Terminal[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) | Indicates the beginning and ending of a program or sub-process. Represented as a [stadium](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stadium_(geometry)),[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) oval or rounded (fillet) rectangle. They usually contain the word "Start" or "End", or another phrase signaling the start or end of a process, such as "submit inquiry" or "receive product". |
| [lowchart Process.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Process.svg) | Process[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) | Represents a set of operations that changes value, form, or location of data. Represented as a [rectangle](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rectangle).[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) |
| [lowchart Decision.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Decision.svg) | Decision[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) | Shows a conditional operation that determines which one of the two paths the program will take.[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) The operation is commonly a yes/no question or true/false test. Represented as a diamond ([rhombus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rhombus)).[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) |
| [lowchart IO.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_IO.svg) | Input/Output[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) | Indicates the process of inputting and outputting data,[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) as in entering data or displaying results. Represented as a [parallelogram](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Parallelogram).[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) |
| [lowchart Annotation.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Annotation.svg) | Annotation[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) (Comment)[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) | Indicating additional information about a step in the program. Represented as an open rectangle with a dashed or solid line connecting it to the corresponding symbol in the flowchart.[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-Myler1998-15) |
| [lowchart Predefined Process.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Predefined_Process.svg) | Predefined Process[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) | Shows named process which is defined elsewhere. Represented as a rectangle with double-struck vertical edges.[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) |
| [lowchart Connector.svg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Connector.svg) | On-page Connector[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) | Pairs of labeled connectors replace long or confusing lines on a flowchart page. Represented by a small circle with a letter inside.[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14)[[18]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-RFF-18) |
| [ff page connector.png](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Off_page_connector.png) | Off-page Connector[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14) | A labeled connector for use when the target is on another page. Represented as a [home plate](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Baseball_field#Home_plate)-shaped [pentagon](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pentagon).[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-ShellyVermaat2011-14)[[18]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-RFF-18) |

**Other symbols**[[edit](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Flowchart&action=edit&section=6)]

The ANSI/ISO standards include symbols beyond the basic shapes. Some are:[[17]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-IBM1970-17)[[18]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flowchart#cite_note-RFF-18)

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| **Shape** | **Name** | **Description** |
| [lowchart database](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_database.svg) | Data File or Database | Data represented by a cylinder (disk drive). |
| [lowchart Document](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Document.svg) | Document | Single documents represented a [rectangle](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rectangle) with a wavy base. |
| [lowchart Document multiple](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Document_multiple.svg) | Multiple documents represented stacked [rectangle](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rectangle) with a wavy base. |
| [lowchar Manual input](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchar_Manual_input.svg) | Manual operation | represented by a [trapezoid](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trapezoid) with the longest parallel side at the top, to represent an operation or adjustment to process that can only be made manually. |
| [lowchart manual input](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_manual_input.svg) | Manual input | Represented by [quadrilateral](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quadrilateral), with the top irregularly sloping up from left to right, like the side view of a keyboard. |
| [lowchart Preparation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Flowchart_Preparation.svg) | Preparation or Initialization | Represented by an elongated [hexagon](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hexagon), originally used for steps like setting a switch or initializing a routine. |