## **Abbreviations**

Abbreviation	Meaning	Explanation
a.d.	ante diem	prior day
A.D.	Anno Domini (= c.e.)	In the year of the Lord
A.H.	Anno Hegiræ	In the year of Mohammed's emigration to Medina
a.m.	ante meridiem	before noon
A.M.	Anno Mundi	In the year of the world since creation
	Anno Martyrum	Era of the Martyrs
A.P.	Anno Persico Anno Persarum	Persian year
A.S.	Anno Samaritanorum	Samaritan year
A.U.C.	Ab Urbe Condita	From the founding of the city of Rome
B.C.	Before Christ (= B.C.E.)	
B.C.E.	Before the Common Era (= B.C.)	
B.E.	Bahá'í Era	
C.E.	Common Era (= A.D.)	
E.E.	Ethiopic Era	
JD	Julian Day number	Elapsed days since noon on Monday, January 1, 4713 B.C.E. (Julian); sometimes J.A.D., Julian Astronomical Day
K.Y.	Kali Yuga	"Iron Age" epoch of the traditional Hindu calendar
m	meters	

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MJD	Modified Julian Day number	Julian day number minus 2400000.5
p.m.	post meridiem	after noon
R.D.	Rata Die	Fixed date—elapsed days since the onset of Monday, January 1, 1 (Gregorian)
S.E.	Śaka Era	Epoch of the modern Hindu calendar
U.T.	Universal Time	Mean solar time at Greenwich, England (0° meridian), reckoned from midnight; sometimes G.M.T., Greenwich Mean Time
V.E.	Vikrama Era	Alternative epoch of the modern Hindu calendar