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BANA Codes Update 2007

In a continuing effort to be as responsive as possible to braille readers and braille transcribers, the Braille Authority of North America (BANA) has created a new publication entitled *BANA Braille Codes Update 2007*. It is a compilation of braille code changes approved by BANA over the past few years.

This publication contains updates to the following three codes:

- English Braille American Edition 1994, Revised 2002
- Braille Formats: Principles of Print to Braille Transcription, 1997
- Nemeth Code for Mathematics and Science Notation, 1972 Revision

BANA is currently undertaking a comprehensive revision of *English Braille American Edition* and of *Braille Formats: Principles of Print to Braille Transcription*. This update is a preliminary release of specific changes prior to the complete revision and publication of new editions of each of the codes. The Nemeth portion of this update is a compilation of all changes and errata to the 1972 edition of the Nemeth Code. It is intended that subsequent BANA Braille Codes Updates will be published as necessary and will contain code changes adopted following the release of this Update.

The Update is being distributed in several electronic formats through the BANA web site (www.brailleauthority.org). Users can easily create print and/or braille versions from the provided files. Hard copy print or braille versions will be available free of charge upon request to the BANA Chair using the contact information above.

These code changes take effect on January 1, 2008.