



## ELSA White Stork Rings Inscriptions



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### Fast identification key

Black ring with white inscription; general type as shown above. The large ring number is shown on 4 sides, three sides indicate the ringing centre and one side holds address and e-mail information for ring finders. Any ELSA ring with only small inscription (minimum 2 lines) and no large 3 letter code for a ringing scheme on either side has been used in a zoo or a bird care centre and was only used on birds who were not intended to be released into nature.

The following fast key only needs the ring number:

- **4 digits [type: 9999]**
  - Ring number 1100 – 2799 → Sweden (Stockholm) SVS
- **5 digits [type: 99999]**
  - ring number 51001 – 54680 → Greece (Athens) GRA
  - ring number 70000 – 70499 → Romania (Bucarest) ROB
- **1 character and 4 digits [type: X9999]**
  - letter A followed by 4 digits → Germany (Radolfzell) DER
  - letter B followed by 4 digits → Bulgaria (Sofia) BGS
  - letter C followed by 4 digits → Cyprus CYC
  - letter E followed by 4 digits → Austria (Vienna) AUW
  - letter H followed by 4 digits → Germany (Hiddensee) DEH (until 2010)
  - letter J followed by 4 digits → Japan (Yamashina Inst.) JPY
  - letter K followed by 4 digits → Korea (Cheongwon) KWR
  - letter L followed by 4 digits → Armenia (Lusarat Bird Station) AML
  - letter M followed by 4 digits → Belgium (Brussels) BLB (until 2015)
  - letter N followed by 4 digits → Poland (Gdansk) PLG (since 2021)
  - letter P followed by 4 digits → Poland (Gdansk) PLG (until 2009)
  - letter R followed by 4 digits → Spain Catalonia (Barcelona) ESC
  - letter V followed by 4 digits → Slovakia (Bratislava) SKB
  - letter W followed by 4 digits → Slovenia (Ljubljana) SLL
  - letter Y followed by 4 digits → Belgium (Brussels) BLB (since 2016)
- **2 characters and 3 digits [type: XX999]**
  - letter A, followed by other letter and 3 digits → Germany (Radolfzell) DER
  - letters CA, CE, CH followed by 3 digits → Czech Republic (Praha) CZP (partly erroneously inscribed with “CNP”)

- letter H, followed by other letter (not X or Y) and 3 digits → Germany (Hiddensee) DEH (since 2010)
- letters HX or HY and 3 digits → Hungary (Budapest) HGB
- letters KH and 3 digits → Cambodia ACCB
- letters PA and 3 digits → Italy (Bologna) IAB
- letters LA and 3 digits → Israel (Tel-Aviv) ILT
- letter S, followed by other letter and 3 digits → Switzerland (Sempach) HES
  
- **3 letters, 2 digits [type: XXX99]**
  - letter A followed by two more letters and 2 digits → Deutschland (Radolfzell) DER (since 2021)
  
- **1 digit, 1 character and 2 or 3 digits [type: 9X999 or 9X 99]**
  - number plus letter A plus 2 digits → South Africa ZAC
  - number plus letter E plus 3 digits → Netherlands (Arnhem) NLA
  - number plus letter H plus 3 digits → Hungary (Budapest) HGB
  - number plus letter P plus 3 digits → Poland (Gdansk) PLG (until 2020)
  - number plus letters X, T or V plus 3 digits → Germany (Helgoland) DEW
  
- **2 digits, 1 character, 2 digits [type: 99X99]**
  - numbers plus letter P plus 2 digits → Poland (Gdansk) PLG
  
- **1 character, 1 digit, 1 character, 2 digits [Typ: X9X99]**
  - first character A → Deutschland (Radolfzell) DER

### ***Detailed information***

To obtain the up to date addresses of the ringing schemes please visit the internet pages of EURING at <http://www.euring.org/ContactSchemes.html>

All ring recoveries can also be reported through the multilingual webpage [www.ring.ac](http://www.ring.ac) !

#### **Armenia (Lusarat Bird Station)**

EURING scheme code	<b>AML</b>
Small inscription	please inform: Lusarat Bird Station, Armenia ring-lusarat@nabu.de
Produced ring numbers	L0001 – L0100
Reserved ring numbers	to L9999

#### **Austria (Vienna)**

EURING scheme code	<b>AUW</b>
Small inscription	Please inform: KLIVV, 1160 Wien AUSTRIA ring@klivv.at www.klivv.at
Produced ring numbers	E0001 – E1200
Reserved ring numbers	to E9999

#### **Belgium (Brussels)**

EURING scheme code	<b>BLB</b>
Small inscription	please inform: Museum, 1000 Brussels, Belgium, ring@naturalsciences.be
Produced ring numbers	M6001 – M6500, M6801 – M7000, Y0001 – Y2000
Reserved ring numbers	to Y9999

**Bulgaria (Sofia)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers  
Reserved ring numbers

**BGS**

inform: Bulg. Orn. Centre, 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria  
www.ring.ac, ring.bgs@gmail.com

B0001 – B0900  
B0901-B9999

**Cambodia (ACCB)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers  
Reserved ring numbers

(none), instead of that: **ACCB**  
please inform ACCB Cambodia  
info@accb-cambodia.org

KH001 – KH020  
KH021-KH999

**Cyprus**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

**CYC**

inform: Bird Ringing Centre, 8560 Pegeia, Pafos  
Cyprus crabtree@cytanet.com.cy

Y0001 – Y0200

**Czech Republic (Prag)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

**CZP**

please inform Bird Ringing Centre Hornoměcholupská 34, 10200 Praha  
Czech Republic www.ring.ac krouzkovaci.stanice@nm.cz

CA001 – CA999, CE001 – CE999, CH001 – CH999

**Germany (Helgoland / Wilhelmshaven)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

Reserved ring numbers

**DEW**

please inform: Vogelwarte, D-26386 Wilhelmshaven.  
www.ring.ac ring@ifv.eu

0X000 – 0X999, 1X001 – 1X999, 2X..., 3X..., 4X..., to 9X999  
1T000 – 1T999, 2T..., to 9T999, 1V000 – 9V499, 0N000 – 0N999  
to 9N999

**Germany (Hiddensee)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

Reserved ring numbers

**DEH**

Hiddensee Bird Ringing Centre

beringungszentrale@lung.mv-regierung.de www.ring.ac

H1001 – H9999, HC001 – HC999, HE001 – HE999, HH001 – HH999,  
also HK, HL, HM, HN, HP, HR, HS  
until HT, HU, HV, HW, HZ, Z0001 – Z9999

**Germany (Radolfzell)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

Reserved ring numbers

**DER**

please inform: Vogelwarte, 78315 Radolfzell,  
Germany. www.ring.ac ring@orn.mpg.de

A0001 – A9999. AE000 – AE999, AF, AH, AJ, AK, AL, AN, AP, AR, AT,  
AU, AV,AW, AX, AY, AZ001 – AZ999. A1A00 – A1A99, A1C, A1E,  
A1F, A1G, A1H, A1J, A1K, A1L, A1M, A1N, A1P, A1R, A1T, A1V, A1X,  
A1Y. A2A, A3A ff. ... A9Y99. AAE00 – AAE99, AAF, AAH, AAJ, AAK,  
AAL, AAM, AAP, AAQ, AAR, AAT, AAU, AAV AAW, AAZ, ABA –  
ABZ, ACA-ACZ and so on until AET31  
to AZZ99

**Germany (Stork Rehabilitation Centre; no free flying birds, only to retrack escaped birds)**

EURING scheme code none on the ring  
Small inscription Storchenpflege HERKT D-49078 Osnabrück  
bitte anrufen 0541 441387  
please call 0049.541.441387  
Produced ring numbers 01 – 150 (small inscription)  
Reserved ring numbers 151 ff

**Germany (Wild Bird Rehabilitation Centre; no free flying birds, only to retrack escaped birds)**

EURING scheme code none on the ring  
Small inscription Heinrich W Risken-Stiftung, Parkstr. 44-46, D49214 Bad Rothenfelde  
bitte anrufen, please call 0049.5424.299.999  
Produced ring numbers 01 – 50 (small inscription)  
Reserved ring numbers 51 ff.

**Greece (Athens)**

EURING scheme code **GRA**  
Small inscription please inform: HBRC PO Box 4265, 10210 Athens  
Greece takr@aegean.gr  
Produced ring numbers 51001 – 55686

**Hungary (Budapest)**

EURING scheme code **HGB**  
Small inscription please inform: Hungarian Bird Ringing Centre,  
Költő u. 21, H-1121 Budapest / Hungary ringers@mme.hu  
Produced ring numbers HX001 – HX500, HY001 – HY999, 1H001 – 1H999  
Reserved ring numbers 2H001 – 1H999

**Israel (Tel-Aviv)**

EURING scheme code **ILT**  
Small inscription Please inform: Israeli Bird Ringing Center, Hanegev 2, Tel-Aviv, Israel,  
ibrc@inter.net.il  
Produced ring numbers LA001 – LA100  
Reserved ring numbers to LA999

**Italy (Bologna)**

EURING scheme code **IAB**  
Small inscription please inform: INFS 40064 Ozzano (BO), Italy www.ring.ac  
Produced ring numbers PA001 – PA100, PA301-PA999, PB000 – PB401  
Reserved ring numbers PB until 999

**Japan (Yamashina Institute Abiko)**

EURING scheme code **JPY**  
Small inscription inform: Yamashina Inst. Abiko, 270-1145 JAPAN  
BMRC@yamashina.or.jp  
Produced ring numbers J0001 – J0500  
Reserved ring numbers J0501 – J9999

**Korea (Institute of Oriental White Stork Rehabilitation Research; R. O. Korea)**

EURING scheme code **KWR**  
Small inscription inform: KIWR, Cheongwon, Chungbuk, 363-791. Korea stork@knue.ac.kr  
Produced ring numbers K0001 – K0100

**Netherlands (Wageningen)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers  
Reserved ring numbers

**NLA**

please inform: Vogeltrekstation Wageningen, Netherlands  
www.vogeltrekstation.nl

1E001 – 1E999, 2E001 – 2E999, 3E001 etc. to 9E000  
to 9E999

**Poland (Gdansk)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

**PLG**

inform inform: Stacja Ornitologiczna, 80-680 Gdansk, Poland  
ring@miiz.waw.pl

P0001 – P0199, P0301 – P3400, 1P001 – 1P999, 2P, 3P, 4P, 5P, 6P, 7P, 8P,  
9P, 00P00 – 00P99, 10P00..., 11P00... until 80P99. N0001 – N1700

**Romania (Bucharest)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription  
Produced ring numbers

**ROB**

inform: Centr. Ornitolog. 71592 Bucharest, Romania milvus@netsoft.ro  
70000 – 70499

**Slovakia (Bratislava)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers  
Reserved ring numbers

**SKB**

please inform: Bird Ringing Centre Slovakia  
kruzkyk@gmail.com; www.ring.ac

V0001 – V9999, VA001-VA999, VE..., VH..., VK...  
to VZ

**Slovenia (Ljubljana)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers  
Reserved ring numbers

**SLL**

inform: Slo Museum Nat Hist (PMS) Presernova 20, SI-1000 Ljubljana  
sll@mrc.pms-lj.si

W0001 – W2173  
until W9999, N0001 – N9999

**South Africa (Cape Town)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

**ZAC**

please inform SAFRING, Univ. Cape Town,  
Rondebosch safring@maths.uct.ac.za

2A00 – 2A99, 3A00 – 3A 99, 4A00 – 4A 99, 5A00 – 5A 99, 6A00 – 6A 99

**Spain Catalonia (Barcelona)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers  
Reserved ring numbers

**ESC**

inform: Inst. Cat. Ornitol. Barcelona, Spain.  
www.ring.ac ico@ornitologia.org

R0001 – R1100  
until R9999

**Sweden (Stockholm)**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

**SVS**

Please inform: Riksmuseum SE-10405 Stockholm, Sweden  
bird.ringing@nrm.se

1100 – 2799

**Switzerland**

EURING scheme code  
Small inscription

Produced ring numbers

Reserved ring numbers

**HES**

inform: Vogelwarte, 6204 Sempach Suisse  
ring@vogelwarte.ch

SA001 - SA999, SE001 – SE 999, SG..., SH..., SK..., SL..., SM..., SN...  
SR..., ST until ST999  
SU, SW, SZ001 – SZ999

## Complete inscription

With growing experience it has been decided from time to time to make smaller changes (improvements) to the general inscription scheme. Therefore all used inscription schemes are shown here. Please note that these are inscription samples. The exact numbers shown might have never been used (for really used numbers see above).

### Inscription samples of series produced in 2001:

BLB Brussels Belgium M6001 please inform: Museum 1000 Brussels, Belgium ring@naturalsciences.be	DER Radolfzell Germany A1000 please inform: Vogelwarte, 78315 Radolfzell, Germany ring@vowaornithol.mpg.de	ZAC SAFRING Cape Town 2A 00 please inform SAFRING Univ Cape Town, Rondebosch safring@maths.uct.ac.za	ROB Bucharest Romania 70000 inform: Centr. Ornitolog 71592 Bucharest, Romania mihnea@netsoft.ro
BLB Brussels Belgium M6001 please inform: Museum 1000 Brussels, Belgium ring@naturalsciences.be	DER Radolfzell Germany A1000 please inform: Vogelwarte, 78315 Radolfzell, Germany ring@vowaornithol.mpg.de	ZAC SAFRING Cape Town 2A 00 please inform SAFRING Univ Cape Town, Rondebosch safring@maths.uct.ac.za	ROB Bucharest Romania 70000 inform: Centr. Ornitolog 71592 Bucharest, Romania mihnea@netsoft.ro

### Inscription samples of series produced in 2002:

1X001 please inform: Vogelwarte, D-26386 Wilhelmshaven ifv.ring@fv.ferramare.de	51001 please inform: HBCR PO Box 4285, 10270 Athens Greece tah@ageps.gr	A1600 please inform: Vogelwarte, 78315 Radolfzell, Germany ring@vowaornithol.mpg.de	P0001 inform: Zaklad Ornitologii 180-480 Gdansk, Poland ring@stornit.gda.pl
1X001 DEW Helgoland Germany	51001 GRA Athens Greece	A1600 DER Radolfzell Germany	P0001 PLG Gdansk Poland
1X001 DEW Helgoland Germany	51001 GRA Athens Greece	A1600 DER Radolfzell Germany	P0001 PLG Gdansk Poland
1X001 DEW Helgoland Germany	51001 GRA Athens Greece	A1600 DER Radolfzell Germany	P0001 PLG Gdansk Poland

### Inscription samples of series produced since 2003:

2X001 please inform: Vogelwarte, D-26386 Wilhelmshaven ifv.ring@fv.ferramare.de	H3200 Hobsonia Bird ringing Centre Bodenstr. 18, D-16349 Stralsund birdring@post.rwth-aachen.de	A3602 please inform: Vogelwarte, 78315 Radolfzell, Germany ring@vowaornithol.mpg.de	K0001 inform: KWR, Cheongwon, Cheongbuk, 363-793 Korea stork@kwr.ac.kr	HX001 please inform: Hungarian Bird Ringing Centre, Koltai u. 21 1-1121 Budapest / Hungary csaszar@hbc.hu	J0001 inform: Yamashina Inst Akko 210-143 JAPAN BHX@yamashina.or.jp	SE999 inform: Vogelwarte 6204 Sapporo, Sapporo ring@vwa.kyufe.ac.jp	PA001 please inform: NRS 40064 Ozzano BS01, Italy www.ring.it	Storchpflege HERKT D-4-9078 Osnabrück bitfe anrufen 0541 441387 Bird protection HERKT D-4-9078 Osnabrück please call 0049.54.1.44.1387 50 HERKT D-4-9078 Osnabrück please call 0049.54.1.44.1387 Storchpflege HERKT D-4-9078 Osnabrück bitfe anrufen 0541 441387
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