

BURMESE

	Voiceless Unaspirated	Voiceless Aspirated	Voiced Unaspirated	Voiced Unaspirated	Nasal
Guttural	က	ခ	ဂ	ဃ	င
Palatal	စ	ဆ	ဇ	ဈ	ည
Retroflex	ဇ	ဋ	ဌ	ဍ	ဎ
Dental	တ	ထ	ဒ	ဓ	န
Labial	ပ	ဖ	ဗ	ဘ	မ
	ယ	ရ	လ	ဝ	သ
other		ဟ	ဠ	အ	

Voiced consonants: both unaspirated (same sound)

Palatal Consonants are sibilants (except for the nasal)

Retroflex Consonants are the same as Dentals

Semivowel line y, y, (r in Pali and Loan words) l, v, th,

other line: h l (used for retroflex l), the dummy vowel consonant

Vowel tones:

1. Creaky short with glottal closure
2. Normal
3. Heavy long and slightly falling

	Creaky	Normal	Heavy
/a/	အ	အာ	အား
/i/	အိ	အီ	အီး
/u/	အု	အူ	အူး
/3I/	အေ့	အေ	အေးး
/3/	အဲ (အယ့်)	အယ်	အဲ
/0/	အော့	အော်	အော
/a~/	အံ့	အံ	
/oU/	အို့	အို	အိုး

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<u>Guttural:</u>	က	ခ	ဂ	ဃ	င
Sound:	kaø	kʰaø	gaø	gaø	ngaø
Keystroke:	u	c	*	C	i
Keystroke (subscript):	U	Q	126	(T) -	
(superscript)					F

Note superscript form of င is and is used only as the prior member of a compound.

<u>Palatal:</u>	စ	ဆ	ဇ	ဈ	ည	ဋ
Sound:	saø	sʰaø	zaø	zaø	nyaø	nyaø
Keystroke:	p	q	Z	p s	^	n
Keystroke (subscript):	P	>	(T) 8	(T) ?		

ည is not found as a superscript, but only in these combinations

	ည	ည	ည	ည	ည	ည
Pali Sound:	ñña	ñha	ñca	ñcha	ñja	ñjha
Keystroke:	n	O (T) S	(T) >	^ > (?)	(T) v	^ (T) ? (??)

<u>Retroflex:</u>	ဇ	ဇ	ဇ	ဇ	ဇ
Sound:	taø	tʰaø	daø	daø	naø
Keystroke:	(T) K	X	(T) L	(T) l	%

The retroflex sounds have special subscript forms for use in Pali words:

	ဇ	ဇ	ဇ	ဇ	ဇ	ဇ	ဇ
Pali Sound:	ṭṭa	ṭṭha	ḍḍa	ḍḍha	ṇṇa	ṇṇha	ṇṇa
Keystroke:	(T) i	(T) O	(T) A	(T)]	(T) p	(T) a	(T) r
						(T) r	(T) 4

<u>Dental:</u>	တ	တ	ဒ	တ	ဒ
Sound:	taø	tʰaø	daø	daø	naø
Keystroke:	w	x	'	"	e
Keystroke (subscript):	W	(T) '	N	<	M

Subscripted forms under single letters:
 Keystroke: 156 (T) V

<u>Labial:</u>	ᱠ	ᱡ	ᱢ	ᱣ	ᱤ
Sound:	paø	pʰaø	baø	baø	maø
Keystroke:	y	z	A	b	r
Keystroke (subscript):	96	(T) 0	(T) C	B	R

<u>Semivowels:</u>	ᱥ	ᱦ		ᱧ	ᱨ
Sound:	yaø	yaø, raø		laø	waø
Keystroke:	,	&		v	0

Subscript forms	ᱩ	ᱪ	ᱫ	ᱬ	ᱭ	ᱮ
Keystroke (subscript):	s	}	j	=	+	(T) G

<u>Other Consonants:</u>	ᱯ	ᱰ	ᱱ	ᱲ
Sound:	thaø	haø	laø	aø
Keystroke:	o	[V	t
Keystroke (subscript):		S (T) s		

Pali ssa:	ᱳᱴ
Keystroke:	\

<u>VOWELS:</u>	Creaky tone [./ ø]	Level (lo) tone	Heavy (hi) tone [:/ ù]
[a]	အ	အာ	အား
Sound:	aø	a	a÷
Keystroke:	t	t m	t m ;
[i]	အိ	အီ	အီး
Sound:	iø	i	i÷
Keystroke:	t d	t D	t D :
Initial forms:	အ	အိ	
Keystroke:	(T),	T	
[u]	အု	အူ	အူး
Sound:	uø	u	u÷
Keystroke:	t k	t l	t l ;
Initial Forms:	အ	အူ	
Keystroke:	0	OD	
[ei/eh] as in <i>hey</i>	အေ့	အေ	အေး
Sound:	eiø	ei	ei÷
Keystroke:	a t h	a t	a t ;
Initial Forms:			အေ
Keystroke:			{
[e] as in <i>pet</i>	အဲ (အယ်)	အယ်	အဲ
Sound:	eø	e	e÷
Keystroke:	t h J t, f h	t, f	t J
[an] as in <i>pan</i>	အံ့	အံ	အံး
Sound:	aøn	an	a÷n
Keystroke:	t h H	t H	t H ;
[aw] as in <i>saw</i>	အော့	အော်	အော
Sound:	aøw	aw	a÷w
Keystroke:	a t m h	a t m f	a t m
Initial Forms:	အော့	အော်	အော
Keystroke:	a = o m h	a = o m f	= o
[ou] as in <i>hoe</i>	အို	အို	အိုး
Sound:	ouø	ou	o÷u
Keystroke:	t d k @	t k d	t k d ;

Alternative Vowel Forms

	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ
Keystroke:	g	K	L

Numbers:

	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	
No. & Stroke:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Other Signs:

	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ
Sound	ny	hy	hw	iø	:	aw	?	J	wy
Keystroke:	!	#	\$.	/	:	?	J	

	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ
Sound	r (with u)	y (with w)	ng (+vowel)	z+y	z+y	hwy		
Keystroke:	(T) 5	(T) T	(T) o	(T) [(T) x	(T) z	(T) /	(T) : (T) G

	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	
Sound:								(Use these four after subscript y)	
Keystroke:	(T) P	(T) D	(T) {	252	253	224	225	226	227

	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	ᵿ	
Sound:	wy	hwy	hw	-yu (-ru)			
Keystroke:	228	238	239	240	241	242	243