Numbers and Letters Over the Phone

Sometimes it can be difficult to understand certain letters and numbers over the phone, especially when you are trying to spell a word like someone's name, street address, email, etc.

Most native English speakers will understand the letter or number you are saying if you clarify with the following words/names:

B as in "boy"

C as in "cat"

D as in "dog"

F as in "Frank"

M as in "Mary"

N as in "Nancy"

P as in "Paul" OR "pineapple"

S as in "Sam"

T as in "Tom"

V as in "Victor"

Z as in "zebra"

More words:

A as in "apple" O as in "Oscar"

E as in "echo" Q as in "Quebec"

G as in "go" R as in "Romeo"

H as in "hotel" U as in "uniform"

I as in "India" W as in "whiskey"

J as in "Juliet" X as in "x-ray"

K as in "kilo" Y as in "yankee"

L as in "lima"