

Recommendations for Emoji, Unicode 14.0

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I. Background

With the delay of Unicode 14.0 due to COVID-19, our schedule for encoding atomic emoji characters has slipped by ~6 months. As such, we extended the deadline for Unicode 14.0 submissions. This document contains our recommendations, derived from existing provisional emoji candidates and emoji added to larger lists.

II. Proposal Overview

We are proposing a total of thirty-seven (37) emoji draft candidates, with an additional seventy-five (75) skin tone variants. Of these, 10 are existing provisional candidates. This year the subcommittee prioritized encoding globally relevant concepts belonging to the most [frequently used categories](#). This effort has resulted in the following breakdown listed in order of most to least:

- **People and Hands:** 12
- **Smileys and Emotion:** 9
- **Animals and Nature:** 4
- **Objects:** 4
- **Food and Drink:** 3
- **Travel and Transportation:** 3
- **Activities:** 1
- **Symbols:** 1

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Smileys & Emotion					
face-smiling					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
1		MELTING FACE	melt, awesome, horror, dry up, drop, liquid, soften, dissolve	L2/20-072	0
face-affection					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
2		FACE HOLDING BACK TEARS	proud, tears, angry, sad, resist, hold back, cry	L2/20-064	0
face-hand					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
3		SALUTING FACE	salute, yes, ok, troops, sunny	L2/19-396	0
4		FACE WITH OPEN EYES AND HAND OVER MOUTH*	embarrassment, death, oh no, trouble, shook, shaken, surprise, disbelief, awe, aghast, amazement	L2/19-304	0
5		FACE WITH PEEKING EYE	can't look away, captivated, staring, peeking, peep	L2/19-378	0
face-neutral-skeptical					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
6		FACE WITH DIAGONAL MOUTH	meh, eh, skeptical, huh, indifferent, unsure, disappointed	L2/20-219	0
7		DOTTED LINE FACE	invisible, out of sight, hidden, disappeared, introvert, depression, unimportant	L2/20-223	0

emotion					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
8		BITING LIP	fear, anxiety, uncomfortable, insecure, worried, flirting, desire, nervous	L2/19-219	0
9		BUBBLES	bubbles, soap, clean, oxygen, underwater, seltzer, burpy, bubble, burst, bubbly	L2/19-311	0

*Note: Number 4 is in support of reconciling cross vendor compatibility

People & Body					
person-role					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
10		MAN WITH SWOLLEN BELLY	pregnant, hungry, full, food, bloated, belly, swollen	L2/20-190	5
11		PERSON WITH SWOLLEN BELLY	pregnant, hungry, full, food, bloated, belly, swollen	L2/20-190	5
12		PERSON WITH CROWN	royalty, Noble, crown, monarch, royal	L2/20-189	5
person-fantasy					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
13		TROLL	troll, fairy tale, fantasy, monster	L2/19-232	0
hand-fingers-partial					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count

14		HAND WITH INDEX FINGER AND THUMB CROSSED	money, coin, pay me, expensive, love, heart, snap	L2/19-327	5
hand-fingers-open					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
15		RIGHTWARD HAND** UCD NAME = RIGHTWARD BACKHAND	reaching, helping hand, feel, push, pat, tap, tag, touching, tag, rightward	L2/19-265	5
16		LEFTWARD HAND**	reaching, helping hand, feel, push, pat, tap, tag, touching, tag, leftward	L2/19-265	5
17		PALM DOWN HAND	drop, dismiss, shoo, palm down	L2/20-213	5
18		PALM UP HAND	catch, offer, come, beckon, palm up	L2/20-213	5
hand-fingers-closed					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
19		INDEX POINTING AT THE VIEWER	finger, hand, index, point, viewer, you	L2/20-212	5
hands					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
20		HEART HANDS	heart, love, hands, hand	L2/20-211	5
21		HANDSHAKE ZWJ SEQUENCES FOR SKIN TONE VARIANTS	No changes for existing CLDR keywords	L2/19-370R	25

****Note:** Numbers 15 and 16 are in support of skin-tones with handshake.

Food & Drink					
drink					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
22		POURING LIQUID	libation, pour, spill, empty, sacrifice, overflow, drink, gift, glass	L2/20-065	0
food-vegetable					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
23		BEANS	bean, seed, legume, pea, soy, head, secret, money, food, kidney	L2/20-226	0
dishware					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
24		JAR	jar, container, empty, sauce, spread, condiment, save, storage	L2/20-222	0

Animals & Nature					
plant-flower					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
25		LOTUS	lotus, flower, purity, Buddhism, bloom, Hinduism, India, Vietnam	L2/19-371	0
animal-marine					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
26		CORAL	coral, reef, ocean	L2/20-220	0

animal-bird					
27		EMPTY NEST	empty, nest, nesting	L2/20-217	0
28		NEST WITH EGGS***	nest, nesting, egg	L2/20-217	1

***Note: Combining the empty nest with an egg as a ZWJ sequence will be used instead of an atomic character.

Travel & Transportation					
other-place					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
29		PLAYGROUND SLIDE	sliding, playground, slide, amusement park	L2/20-215	0
transport-ground					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
30		WHEEL	turn, tire, circle	L2/20-216	0
transport-water					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
31		RING BUOY	safety, life saver, hero, rescue, bail out, float, save, life preserver	L2/20-224	0

Activities					
event					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
32		MIRROR BALL	disco, party, dance, glamour, glitter	L2/19-310	0

Objects					
book-paper					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
33		IDENTIFICATION CARD	ID, identification, card, credentials, license, citizen, immigrant, security	L2/20-221	0
computer					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
34		LOW BATTERY	low battery, low energy, dead, dying, computer	L2/19-316	0
other-object					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
35		HAMSA	hamsa, protection, amulet, evil, hand, good luck, helping hand, hand of mary, hand of miriam	L2/20-218	0
medical					

Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
36		X-RAY	x-ray, bones, medical, doctor, skeleton	L2/20-214	0

Symbols					
math					
Nº	IMAGE	CLDR SHORT NAME	CLDR KEYWORDS	Proposal	Sequence Count
37		HEAVY EQUALS SIGN	equality, equals, equal rights, even, mathematics	L2/20-225	0

IV. Provisional Candidate Removal

The Emoji Subcommittee recommends removing the following from the provisional candidates list. They will however remain on the respective ESC internal category lists and could percolate above the benchmark for inclusion. This recommendation is in accordance with our [stated goals of encoding 30-35 emoji a year](#).

- VULTURE ([L2/19-335](#))
- CROW ([L2/19-307](#))
- RAISED LITTLE FINGER ([L2/19-326](#))
- ORCHID ([L2/19-375](#))
- COOKING POT ([L2/19-060](#))
- SUBMARINE ([L2/19-305](#))
- CHAINSAW ([L2/19-319](#))
- CRUTCH ([L2/19-379](#))

IV. Codepoints and Properties

Pending the Q4 UTC meeting, we will revise this document to include codepoints and properties.