## **Description of Characters and Symbols Allowed in New Brands**

<b>Design Element</b>	Description of Characters and Symbols Allowed
Letter Characters	Twenty-four of the 26 letters of alphabet are allowed facing forward: A, B, C, D, E, F, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, and Z. The exceptions are G and Q which are not allowed to avoid confusion with C and O. The letter I must have a flared top and bottom to distinguish it from a vertical bar $I$
	The backwards letters allowed are: $B$ , $D$ , $E$ , $A$ , $A$ , $A$ , $A$ , $A$ , and $A$ .
	An upside down Y or $\lambda$ is the only upside down letter allowed. It is reserved for feeder associations.
	The letters allowed with lazy left orientation are: $\prec$ , $\Omega$ , $\Omega$ , $\square$ . No letters are allowed in lazy right orientation. A lazy left H or $\square$ is not allowed to avoid confusion with the letter $\square$ .
Number Characters	The numbers 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 are allowed. The numbers 0 and 1 are not allowed to avoid confusion with the letters O and $\bf I$ or the vertical bar $\bf I$ design character.
	No backwards, upside down, or lazy oriented numbers are allowed.
Design characters	Design characters that are allowed:  backslash  slash /  bar — double bar =  vertical bar    cross +  half diamond left ⟨ or right ⟩  quarter circle left ⟩ or right ⟨  arrow down ↓ (reserved for breeder associations)  box □, triangle △, diamond ◊, circle ○.
	A circle or O will <u>only</u> be used in the Character Inside a Large Symbol brand type. Using it with other brand types risks confusing a circle with the letter O.
Symbols	The following can be used as symbols above or below characters:  bar —  flying wing down, or up  or  or  half diamond down  or up  quarter circle down  or up