Decoding the CAMEROSITY Code

The CAMEROSITY code is a letter system for identifying the manufacture date of Kodak products, including slide projectors. Knowing the manufacture date helps to identify what modifications a projector might have and can help in repairing it.

Older projectors from the 1960’s and 1970’s had 6-letter codes, while later projectors use a 4-letter code.

The CAMEROSITY code can be located in either of two places: 1) on a silver label inside the cord storage compartment door on older products, or 2) pressed into the plastic of the cord wrap located on the bottom of the projector on later models. The letters are small so you may have to look closely to see it.

The most important letters are the last two, which designate the year the projector was manufactured. The first two letters indicate the month. For a while, Kodak operated on a schedule with 13 periods in a year instead of 12 months in a year. In that case, the first two letters indicate the period, so don’t be surprised if you see a 13 for the month.

If there are six letters, the middle two indicate the day as in mm/dd/yy.

Use this table to decode the letters:

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<tr>
<th>CAMEROSITY</th>
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Examples:

**CAMEROSITY** = mm/dd/yy = TRANSLATION
YMARS  = 032576 = March 25, 1972

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CM T = 1389 = Period 13, 1989
YATM = 0293 = February, 1993
YM'Y = 0300 = March, 2000
CCYE = 1104 = November, 2004