

Kool Numberz: The Quickest Way to Cool! by dual

Fascinated by phreaking? Want to taste the excitement of telephonic exploration, but just don't have the time? Well, this article is for you! With this simple method, you'll fly through the phone lines, finding the coolest numbers before you can say "toll fraud!"

This article details the items you need to scan and how and where to scan to find the coolest numbers, quick. Let's begin with the few free things you need to start impressing friends and family with cool numbers right away! Let's go!

First, you need toll access. You likely have a cell phone or a VoIP line, and if you're lucky you big spender you, you have a land line with toll access. You will be making "long distance" calls within the NANPA, most likely the US and Canada. Next you need internet access. Yes, you need to access the online to get the infos on the juiciest exchanges. You will need a text editor or word processor. Notepad++ on Windows or nano on Linux are examples. Mac is not supported for cool stuff.

The last thing you need is your finger. Because you'll be di, di, dialing your way to cool in no time! It helps to have a desktop set with programmable dialing so you can at least program the *67 1, or more if you find a particularly interesting exchange. With everything in place, head to bellsmind.net and click "frontend" to access the Bell's Mind NPA-NXX/CLLI search. That's where you'll determine where to scan.

Enter the NPA of the area you're interested in to get a list of exchanges. Cycle through the list of assigned exchanges to find those assigned to RBOCs or CLECs. Once you find one, start dialing from 9990 to 9999 to find the coolest numbers. Once you find one, record it in your text editor using the BM2L format so you can easily share and search your numbers later on. What's that you say? You want to save even more time? Ok! You can even just dial 9999 to find cool numbers! Wow! What kind of numbers will you find? Test lines, parked error messages, carriers, voicemail access lines and more!

So you found a cool number, what now? Record the number and see if you can extend its coolfulness. If it's a voicemail system hit * or #. Try biblical names in directories, like Michael, Paul and John, and try passwords like 1111, 1234 and the extension. If you find cool numbers, maybe extend your scan. Try different one-thousand blocks, like 0000 to 0009. Or go to handscan.net and generate a 100 or 1000 list and scan the day away!

The limits are limitless! With this simple scanning method, you too can show cool numbers to your friends and family and the get the same blank stares a real phreak gets in no time! So scan safe, my friend, remember to write those numbers down and use a cool accent when someone answers. Because you're officially a phreak! With Kool Numberz! Guaranteed!