

# FAQ: SPREADSHEET LIMITATIONS

### 1. FILES BY RANDOMCODES.COM

The "txt" format supplied by RandomCodes.com is compatible with all versions of MS Excel, and most any other program, system, machine software. Some files are named ".txt" for convenience. They may be renamed to ".csv"

### 2. LIMITS OF MICROSOFT OFFICE EXCEL:

- 2003 limited by 65536 rows, 256 columns. (<u>ref</u>)
- 2007 limited by 1,048,576 rows and 16,384 columns.
- 2010 limited by 1,048,576 rows by 16,384 columns. (<u>ref</u>)
- 2011 (mac) limited by 1,048,576 rows by 16,384 columns. (<u>ref</u>)
- 2013 limited by 1,048,576 rows by 16,384 columns. (<u>ref</u>)
- 2016+ limited by 1,048,576 rows by 16,384 columns. (<u>ref</u>)

### 3. LEADING ZEROS AND SPREADSHEETS

Spreadsheets may automatically format your codes column to "Numeric" or "Number" etc. and cause it to remove any leading zeros. Then "03434" would become just "3434." To prevent this, we make sure your codes to not have a 0 (zero) at the beginning ("leading zero").

#### 4. DELAY

Excel takes a very long time to open a file with one million rows. MS Notepad also takes a long time. A good text editor will open the file and display some of the contents immediately.



# 5. RECOMMENDED

Microsoft Notepad and Excel take a very long time to view large files. For this reason we use and recommend Notepad++, for quickly opening and viewing large text files.