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## **CHANGE IN MOBILE PHONE NUMBERS**

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## **Mobile Phone Numbers Change to Seven Digits**

All mobile phone numbers are changing to seven digits. Existing six-digit numbers (that is those beginning with 4, 5 or 6) now have a 2 added as a prefix. This applies to access codes 086, 0877 and 088. See example below.

The change was necessary to create more numbers to satisfy growing demand.

You will be able to continue using your current six-digit number until 1<sup>st</sup> September 1998. However, from this date calls to the old six-digit numbers will no longer be connected. This is to allow users time to update stationary, signs, databases, etc

This change will not affect current seven-digit numbers (that is those beginning with 2 or 8).

Further information on this change is available through the mobile network operators, Eircell and Esat Digifone.

**Example:** (087) 592 722 **IS NOW** (087) 252 9722  
(086) 426 644 **IS NOW** (086) 242 6644

