



THE "S" SHIELD EVOLUTION



Comic Books

1938 ACT #1	1939 SUP #1	1940 SUP #4	1940 SUP #6	1940 H.J. Ward Painting	1941 ACT #36	1942 SUP #14	1943 SUP #24	1944 SUP #26	1945 SUP #32 (TM Registered)	1947 ACT #111	1948 SUP #50	1950 ACT #143	1951 ACT #152	1952 ACT #171	1953 3D SPECIAL
1954 ACT #189	1955 ACT #200	1956 ACT #214	1957 ACT #229	1958 ACT #242	1959 ACT #254	1960 ACT #263	1961 SUP #147	1962 ACT #285	1963 ACT #300	1964 SUP #173	1965 ACT #323	1967 SUP #201	1969 SUP #217	1970 SUP #226	1971 SUP #245
1973 ACT #421	1974 ACT #433	1975 ACT #446	1977 SUP #307	1978 SUP #330	1979 ACT #500	1981 ACT #517	1982 SUP #377	1983 ACT #542	1984 ACT #560	1984 SUP #400	1984 SUP #400	1985 ACT #567	1986 ACT #583	1987 AOS #424	1988 SUP #21
1989 ACT #643	1990 ACT #643	1991 SUP #53	1992 MOS #15	1993 SUP #79	1993 AOS #504	1994 SUP #0	1997 SUP #123	1998 Superman Forever	1999 AOS #566	2000 SUP #156	2001 AOS #596	2002 ACT #793	2003 AOS #619	2004 ACT #810	
2004 SUP #202	2004 SUP #206	2006 SUP #650	2007 SUP #668	2008 SUP #677 Variant	2009 WONK #2	2010 WOTS #0	2011 SUP #707	2011 New 52	2011 SUP #1	2012 ACT #11	2012 ACT #13	2012 SUP Annual #1	2013 SUP #15	2013 ACT #19	

Elseworlds & Other Comic Book Variations

1982 DCCP Annual #1	1993 SUP #75	1995 At Earth's End	1996 Superman's Metropolis	1996 Kingdom Come	1996 League of Justice	1997 Elseworlds Finest	1998 Superman: The Dark Side	1998 MOS #80	1998 DC One Million	1998 DC One Million	1999 SUP #147	1999 Superman Monster
1999 A Nation Divided	2002 Shogun of Steel	2003 Superman: Red Son	2004 Superman: True Brit	2008 All-Star Superman	2010 Blackest Night	2010 Superman: Earth One	2011 Flashpoint	2012 ACT #9 (Calvin Ellis)	2012 Smallville: Season 11	2012 Superman Beyond	2012 Superman Family Adventures	2013 Injustice: Gods Among Us

Animation (Cartoons and Animated Movies)

1941 Fleischer Cartoons	1966 The New Adventures of Superman	1973 Super Friends	1988 Superman (Ruby Spears)	1996 Superman: The Animated Series	1996 S:TAS (Bizarro)	2001 Justice League	2003 Justice League (Justice Lords)	2006 Legion of Super Heroes	2007 The Batman	2007 Superman/Doomsday	2008 JL: The New Frontier
2009 Sup/Bat: Public Enemies	2010 Crisis on Two Earths	2010 Sup/Bat: Apocalypse	2010 Superman/Shazam!: Return of Black Adam	2010 Young Justice	2011 Batman: TBATB	2011 All Star Superman	2012 Superman of Tokyo	2012 Justice League: Doom	2012 Superman vs. The Elite	2013 Dark Knight Returns, Pt 2	

Live Action (TV Shows, Movies, and Live Performances)

1939 Ray Middleton	1948 Kirk Alyn	1952 Adventures of Superman	1952 George Reeves	1955 Adventures of Superman	1955 George Reeves	1961 Johnny Rockwell	1966 Bob Holiday	1978 Superman: The Movie	1978 Christopher Reeve
1989 John Newton	1990 Gerard Christopher	1993 Dean Cain	2006 Superman Returns	2006 Brandon Routh	2009 Smallville	2010 Smallville	2010 Smallville	2013 Man of Steel	2013 Henry Cavill

NOTES: The purpose of this infographic is to show the evolution of Superman's "S" Shield since his debut in 1938. It was deemed just as important to show how stable the design was through certain periods as it was to show how much it changed through others. The omission of certain years was a decision based on the design of the "S" Shield for that year being virtually the same as the year before and/or after it.

National Periodical Publications (now known as "DC Comics") registered the trademark for Superman's "S" Shield in 1945.

ABBREVIATIONS:

ACT = Action Comics. SUP = Superman. AOS = Adventures of Superman. MOS = Man of Steel. MOT = Man of Tomorrow. DCCP = DC Comics Presents. S:TAS = Superman: The Animated Series. JL = Justice League. WONK = World of New Krypton. SUP/BAT = Superman/Batman. WOTS = War of the Supermen. TBATB = The Brave and The Bold.

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