PROOFREADERS' MARKS

Symbol	Meaning	Example
A or F or 7	delete	take 🖌 out
0	close up	print as one word
Z	delete and close up	clopse up
∧ or > or ∕	caret	inserthere (something
#	insert a space	put onchere
eg#	space evenly	$_{\rm space}$ evenly $_{\rm A}$ where indicated
stet	let stand	let marked _text_ stand as set
tr	transpose	change order the
/	used to separate two or more marks and often as a concluding stroke at the end of an insertion	
Ľ	set farther to the left	${igstacleright}$ too far to the right
J	set farther to the right	tool far to the left
\mathbf{a}	set as ligature (such as æ)	encyclopáedia
5	align horizontally	alignment
ll	align vertically	11 align with surrounding text
x	broken character	imperfuct
ם	indent or insert em quad space	
প	begin a new paragraph	
Ð	spell out	set 6 lbs.) as five pounds
cap	set in CAPITALS	set <u>nato</u> as NATO
sm cap or s.c.	set in small capitals	set <u>signal</u> as SIGNAL
k	set in lowercase	set Zouth as south

ital	set in <i>italic</i>	set oeuvre as <i>oeuvre</i>
rom	set in roman	
		set <u>mensch</u> as mensch
b f	set in boldface	set important as important
= or -/ or 🗦 or /Ħ/	hyphen	multi-colored
N or en or /N/	en dash	1965–72
for em or /M/	em (or long) dash	Now—at last!—we know.
~	superscript or superior	$\boldsymbol{z}_{\mathrm{as in } \pi r^2}$
^	subscript or inferior	$\mathbf{\hat{2}}^{as in H_2 0}$
🗘 or 🗶	centered	$\$ for a centered dot in $p \cdot q$
\$	comma	
v	apostrophe	
O	period	
; or ;/	semicolon	
: or ()	colon	
۶\$ or ۶۶	quotation marks	
(/)	parentheses	
ב/ב	brackets	
ok/?	query to author: has this been set as intended?	
↓ or ↓ 1	push down a work-up	an unintended mark
9 1	turn over an inverted letter	inve <u>r</u> ted
wf 1	wrong font	wrong si <u>Z</u> e or styl <u>e</u>

¹The last three symbols are unlikely to be needed in marking proofs of photocomposed matter.