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tr.v. **no·ti·fied**, **no·ti·fy·ing**, **no·ti·fies**

1. To give notice to; inform: *notified the citizens of the curfew by posting signs.*
2. *Chiefly British* To give notice of; make known.

[Middle English *notifien*, from Old French *notifier*, from Latin *nōtificāre* : *nōtus*, known, past participle of *nōscere*, to get to know; see **gnō-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#) + *-ficāre*, *-fy*.]

no ti-fi'er *n.*

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