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## **e-Claim File Format Guide**

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# Introduction

This e-Claim File Format Guide (file format guide) was written by the Department of Health (the Department) with input from the Department of Human Services (DHS) (on 1 July 2011 Centrelink, Medicare, Child Support Agency and CRS Australia were integrated into the Department of Human Services. Learn more at <http://www.humanservices.gov.au>).

The file format guide is designed to assist

- Service providers to understand and use the e-Claim facility
- The Department and DHS staff to understand and administer the e-Claim facility

The e-Claim file format guide will be revised periodically. Comments on the content and format are always welcome.

The e-Claim facility is a web based electronic claim for payment lodgement application that enables the Australian Government Hearing Services Program (the program's) contracted service providers to lodge electronically generated hearing service claims for payments via the Internet. The e-Claim facility allows authorised service providers to lodge a claim for payment file electronically with DHS and retrieve the accepted claim file, rejected claim file and summary details file electronically for the specific batch.

The Department and DHS endeavour to ensure that the e-Claim facility operates smoothly and that adequate support and monitoring is provided, with opportunities for the participating service providers to contribute feedback.

The e-Claim facility will be enhanced over time to incorporate feedback from service providers and other initiatives by the Department.

You can visit the program's website at [www.hearingservices.gov.au](http://www.hearingservices.gov.au)

# Overview of Claim File

The record formats are based on the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) (“Health Level 7”) (HL7) format. This format specifies that each field in a record is to be delimited by a termination character. The HL7 standard specifies | (vertical bar) as the delimiter character.

The delimiter character in the claim file indicates the end of the field value and is ignored once the field value has been stripped from the claim file for processing. The delimiter character is not used in the accepted, rejected or summary file record definitions.

The vertical bar cannot be used in any field except in the first record of a claim file that defines that the vertical bar is the delimiter character. The characters ^ ~ \ & are separation characters also and should not be used in any field other than the first record of the file.

An example of the HL7 coding format for each record is shown for each record type. For some record types, the page is not sufficiently wide to allow all of the example record to be shown on a single line.

The service provider specifies a file name of their choice for each claim file during the e-Claim facility upload.

To minimise the amount of explanation of fields required, and to reduce any duplication of existing information, the e-Claim file format guide relies on the definition of fields and requirements for completing fields already provided by the Department.

To link the paper stream claim for payment form with the electronic stream claim fields:

- Completion of the electronic stream claim field is to be decided as for the paper stream claim for payment form, except where a variation is required to suit electronic input and is noted in the format table.
- For each pair of tick boxes for ‘Yes’ and ‘No’ that appear on the paper stream claim for payment form, there is a single electronic stream claim field which may have the values of either ‘Y’ or ‘N’.

Some fields that appear on the paper stream claim for payment forms do not appear in the electronic stream file. An example is the family name of the client that is used for visual verification on the paper stream claim for payment forms.

**The structure of the claim file is summarised below.**

| Record Type    | Count                  | Sequence | EDI Segment Type |
|----------------|------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Message Header | 1                      | First    | MSH              |
| Batch Header   | 1                      | Second   | Z12              |
| Claim          | At least 1             |          | Z13              |
| Item           | One to three per claim |          | Z14              |
| Batch Trailer  | 1                      | Last     | Z15              |

**The field types in the record layouts are explained below.**

| Type | Description   | Examples  |
|------|---|---|
| A    | Field may contain both alphabetic and numeric characters of the specified length. All alphabetic fields are variable lengths up to the maximum length listed. | A5:                   Ant<br>Ba8ts<br>Fr3W            |
| N    | Field may contain only numeric characters of the specified length.  | N3:                   387<br>51<br>9                  |
| 9.9  | Field may contain only numeric characters with decimal point (in the exact position indicated) of the specified length. Field may be zero filled.             | 9999.99:           72.45<br>6925.00<br>0003.04        |
| D    | Field may contain only a valid date of the specified format and length. All non-blank date fields are in fixed DDMMCCYY format of 'day/month/century/year'.   | D:                   01062004<br>23111999<br>15042000 |

# Format of Claim File

Note: GST means Goods and Service Tax and WHT means Withholding Tax

## Message Header Record

| Name                             | Paper Field Id | Type | Comments  |
|----------------------------------|----------------|------|---|
| Segment Id                       | N/a            | A3   | 'MSH'. Message Header Record. As shown in example.  |
| Field Separator                  | N/a            | A1   | ' ' Repeated three times as in example.   |
| Encoding Characters              | N/a            | A    | '^~\&' As shown in example.   |
| Sending Application              | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Sending Facility                 | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Receiving Application            | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Receiving Facility               | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Date Time Of Message             | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Security                         | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Message Type                     | N/a            | A7   | 'Z10^Z11' As shown in example.  |
| Message Control Id               | N/a            | N4   | Identifies a batch. Value is incremented by 1 each time a batch is successfully sent. Copied to the result files to allow matching to the input claim file. |
| Processing Id                    | N/a            | A1   | 'P'. Short for production environment. As shown in example.   |
| Version Id                       | N/a            | A3   | '2.3'. The HL7 release standard being used. Not likely to change. As shown in example.  |
| Sequence Number                  | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Continuation Pointer             | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Accept Acknowledgement Type      | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Application Acknowledgement Type | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Country Code                     | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Character Set                    | N/a            | A    | Null  |
| Principal Language Of Message    | N/a            | A    | Null  |

**Example** MSH|||^~\&|||||Z10^Z11|2|P|2.3|||||||

**Note** MSH record is one continuous line.

Encoding Characters field is followed by seven field separators. Version Id field is followed by eight field separators.

## Batch Header Record

| Name                                | Paper Field Id | Type | Comments   |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|------|--|
| Segment Id                          | N/a            | A3   | 'Z12' As shown in example.   |
| Minor Customer Id                   | N/a            | A8   | Allocated by Medicare at the time of granting access to facility and is linked to User ID.<br><br>May be allocated to a whole service provider or to an individual service provider site depending on how the service provider operates. The Department suggests central processing if possible. |
| Record Type                         | N/a            | A3   | 'HDR' Batch Header Record.<br><br>As shown in example.   |
| From                                | N/a            | A3   | 'CON' short for contracted service provider.<br><br>As shown in example.   |
| File Description                    | N/a            | A30  | 'Claim Records For Processing'<br><br>Field value is not validated and may be formatted as desired. As shown in example.   |
| Tax Invoice                         | N/a            | A11  | Identifies document as a Tax Invoice. On file as the words<br><br>"Tax Invoice".   |
| Date Of Issue Of Tax Invoice        | N/a            | D    | Date Tax Invoice issued  |
| To                                  | N/a            | A3   | 'HIC'<br><br>Short for Health Insurance Commission (now Medicare).<br><br>As shown in example.   |
| Contracted Service Provider Id      | 40             | A7   | Identifier of the service provider.  |
| Name of Contracted Service Provider | 3              | A50  | Identifies contractor name of service provider   |
| Name Of Recipient                   | 1              | A50  | Will always be the Department of Health and Aged Care<br><br>It's substitute.  |
| Address or ABN of Recipient         | 2              | N11  | Department's ABN number is<br><br>83 605 426 759.  |
| ABN Branch Extension                | N/a            | N3   | Department's additional ABN identifier. Currently Null.  |
| Environment                         | N/a            | A5   | 'PROD' Short for production environment.<br><br>As shown in example.   |



| Name                 | Paper Field Id | Type | Comments  |
|----------------------|----------------|------|---|
| Batch Format Version | N/a            | N2   | '03' As shown in example.<br>Will be incremented each time there is a change in file format or record layout to allow for future changes. Not likely to change often. Version 01 will reject after 1 July 2000. Version 2 rejects after 1 December 2000 |

**Example**

Z12|CSP00087|HDR|CON|CLAIM RECORDS FOR PROCESSING|TAX  
 INVOICEI15042000IHIC|031576W||DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGED  
 CAREI83605426759IIPRODI03I

**Note**            Z12 record is one continuous line.

## Claim Record

| Name                                   | Paper Field Id | Type         | Comments   |
|--|----------------|--------------|--|
| Segment Id                             | N/a            | A3           | 'Z13' As shown in example.   |
| Record Type                            | N/a            | A3           | 'CLM' claim record.<br>As shown in example.  |
| Contractor Claim Id                    | N/a            | A15          | Allows a service provider to assign a unique id of their choice to a claim to aid in reconciling claims. Copied to the response files. |
| Number Of Items                        | N/a            | N3           | Count of item records for this claim   |
| Number Of Devices                      | N/a            | N3           | Null   |
| Voucher Number                         | 4              | A19          |  |
| Client Tier/ Category Left             | 15             | A2           |  |
| Client Tier/ Category Right            | 22             | A2           |  |
| 3fahl Left                             | 29             | N3           | May be 0.00 but not null   |
| 3fahl Right                            | 30             | N3           | May be 0.00 but not null   |
| Total Cost To Client                   | 38             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null   |
| Name Of Authorised Person              | 44             | A50          |  |
| Signed By Authorised Person            | 45             | A1           | 'Y' or 'N'<br>This is an indicator field but appears as a signature on the claim form  |
| Date Signed By Authorised Person       | 46             | D            |  |
| Australian Business Number (ABN)       | 43             | N11          | Australian Business Number issued by the ATO.  |
| ABN Branch Extension                   | 41             | N3           | Additional ABN identifier completed at the discretion of the service provider. May be null.  |
| GST Registered                         | 42             | A1           | Contractor confirmation business is GST registered (Y or N only).  |
| Income Tax Exempt                      | 39             | A1           | Contractor confirmation business is Income Tax Exempt. (Y or N only).  |
| Maintenance Payment To Provider        | 32             | A1           | 'Y' or 'N'   |
| Maintenance Payment To Provider Amount | 33             | 99999<br>.99 |  |
| Eligible For Hearing Services          | 34             | A1           | 'Y' or 'N'   |

| Name                  | Paper Field Id | Type | Comments  |
|-----------------------|----------------|------|---|
| Client Signature Name | 35             | A50  |   |
| Signed By Client      | 36             | A1   | 'Y' or 'N'<br>This is an indicator field but appears as a signature on the claim form |
| Date Client Signed    | 37             | D    |   |

**Example**

Z13|CLM|99043|1||WWM000447X-12011999|||40|30|0.00|J  
SMITH|Y|15041999|12345678915|234|Y|INIY|25.00|Y|ROY BROWN|Y|15041999|

**Note** Z13 record is one continuous line.

Voucher Number field format is the concatenation of the client number and voucher issue date separated by a minus sign as shown in example.

The maximum size of the claim file is one megabyte and may contain up to five thousand Z13 claims records with associated Z14 claim item records.

Z13 claim records and associated Z14 item records will be processed in the sequence in which they appear in the claims file.

## Item Record

| Name   | Paper Field Id | Type         | Comments  |
|--|----------------|--------------|---|
| Segment Id   | N/a            | A3           | 'Z14' As shown in example.  |
| Record Type  | N/a            | A3           | 'ITM' Item Record.<br>As shown in example.  |
| Contractor Item Record Id                          | N/a            | A15          | Allows a service provider to assign a unique id of their choice to a claim item to aid in reconciling claims. Copied to the response files. |
| Item Number  | 5              | N3           |   |
| Tax Exclusive Amount Of Item                       | 9              | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to table (TBA).   |
| GST Payable For Item                               | 10             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to table (TBA) Must be 0.00 if invoicing WHT.   |
| WHT Deducted For Item                              | N/a            | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to table (TBA). This will always be calculated as a negative amount. Must be 0.00 if invoicing GST.         |
| Total Amount Payable For Item                      | 11             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null.   |
| Date Of Service                                    | 6              | D            |   |
| Date Of Rehab Item Follow Up                       | 31             | D            | Compulsory if Item 670 is claimed. Must be Null in all other cases.   |
| Site Id  | 7              | A6           | If claiming for a HOME visit ensure HOME is in upper case.  |
| Practitioner Number                                | 8              | A8           |   |
| Left Device Code                                   | 12             | A7           |   |
| Left Date Of Fitting                               | 13             | D            |   |
| Left Cost To Client                                | 14             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null.   |
| Tax Exclusive Amount Of Left Device Category/Tier  | 16             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to Table (TBA).   |
| GST Payable For Left Device Category/Tier          | 17             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to Table (TBA). Must be 0.00 if WHT is being invoiced.  |
| WHT Deducted For Left Device Category/Tier         | N/a            | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to Table (TBA). This will always be calculated as a negative amount. Must be 0.00 if GST is being invoiced. |
| Total Amount Payable For Left Device Category/Tier | 18             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null.   |
| Right Device Code                                  | 19             | A7           |   |
| Right Date Of Fitting                              | 20             | D            |   |

| Name  | Paper Field Id | Type         | Comments  |
|---|----------------|--------------|---|
| Right Cost To Client                                | 21             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null.   |
| Tax Exclusive Amount Of Right Device Category/Tier  | 23             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to Table (TBA).   |
| GST Payable For Right Device Category/Tier          | 24             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to Table (TBA). Must be 0.00 if WHT is being invoiced.  |
| WHT Deducted For Right Device Category/Tier         | N/a            | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Refer to Table (TBA). This will always be calculated as a negative amount. Must be 0.00 if GST is being invoiced. |
| Total Amount Payable For Right Device Category/Tier | 25             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null.   |
| Total Benefit Of Items And Devices Tax Exclusive.   | 26             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null.   |
| Total GST Payable On Items And Devices              | 27             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null.   |
| Total WHT Deducted On Items And Devices             | N/a            | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. This will always be a negative amount in calculating Total Benefit of Items and Devices payable.                  |
| Total Benefit Of Items And Devices Payable.         | 28             | 99999<br>.99 | May be 0.00 but not null. Total benefit due for service and supply of device(s).  |

### Example

Z14|ITM|1246|800|0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|13122000|24122000|245831|2225454H|||0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00||0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|0.00|

**Note** Z14 record is one continuous line.

Z14 claim item record is logically linked to the immediately preceding Z13 claim record.

A claim file may contain a maximum of three Z14 claim item records for each Z13 claim record. The Z14 claim item record does not contain the identifier of the Z12 batch header record to which they are related. The linkage to the Z12 batch header record is provided by the sequence of the records in the file.

If there are dependencies amongst the Z14 claim item records, then the claim file should be constructed to should present the Z13 claim records and Z14 claim item records in the appropriate sequence in the claim file.

The usual sequence of Z14 claim item records will be the Date of Service with the earliest date first.

## Batch Trailer Record

| Name                      | Paper Field Id | Type | Comments   |
|---------------------------|----------------|------|--|
| Segment Id                | N/a            | A3   | 'Z15' As shown in example.   |
| Record Type               | N/a            | A3   | 'TRL' Batch Trailer Record.<br>As shown in example   |
| Number Of Claims In Batch | N/a            | N4   | Count of claim records in this batch.  |
| Number Of Items In Batch  | N/a            | N4   | Count of item records in this batch.   |
| Date Time Batch Finalised | N/a            | A17  | ddmmccyy hh:mm:ss<br>(24 hour clock) Date and time that the Service Provider finished creating this batch. Field is not processed. |

**Example**     Z15|TRL|27|63|01071999 17:45:33|

**Note**         Z15 record is one continuous line.

Date Time Batch Finalised field has a one-character space between the year and hour numerics and has the format 'day"month"century"year' 'hour':'minute':'second'.

# Overview of Accepted, Rejected and Batch Summary Files

Processing of an input Claims file produces the following output files:

- Accepted Claims file
- Rejected Claims file
- Batch Summary file

The accepted and rejected files will contain only records of claims that were submitted electronically for a specific batch. If a claim is submitted through both the paper and electronic streams, or twice electronically, then the second instance of the claim will be rejected as a duplicate.

If an electronic claim batch has zero accepted records, then all three electronic files will still be produced. The accepted claim file in this case will contain

- A header record
- No claim records or associated claim item records in the accepted claims file
- A trailer record and a value of zero in the count field

If an electronic claim batch has zero rejected records, then all three electronic files will still be produced. The rejected claim file in this case will contain

- A header record
- No claim records or associated claim item records in the rejected claims file
- A trailer record and a value of zero in the count field

The accepted, rejected and batch summary output files will be aggregated and compressed into a single file for e-Claim facility download. The decompressed files will be named `accept.txt`, `reject.txt` and `summary.txt`. The service provider will be able to change the names of the accepted, rejected and summary files during decompression.

The record fields are fixed length format rather than character delimited. There is no field separator character between fields in the accepted, rejected and summary files as there is for the input claim files. All fields from the input claim files are present in the accepted, rejected or summary files unless stated otherwise.

The relationship between Claim and Claim Item records is

- Explicit; that is, all Claim Item records contain the identifier of the Claim record that they relate to; and
- Positional; that is, each Claim Item record immediately follows the related Claim record.

All date fields (D) are in fixed `ddmmccyy` format (e.g. 01052003, 27031997)

For each rejected item in the reject claims file, a reason code for the rejection will be provided. A separate file of reason codes and textual description is in the e-Claim Handbook. The codes are the same set as appear on the rejection reports for claims lodged through the paper stream.

The structure of the accepted file is summarised below.

| <b>Record Type</b> | <b>Count</b>               | <b>Sequence</b> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Header Record      | Exactly 1                  | First           |
| Claim Record       | Zero or more               |                 |
| Item Record        | Zero up to three per claim |                 |
| Trailer Record     | Exactly 1                  | Last            |

The structure of the rejected file is summarised below

| <b>Record Type</b> | <b>Count</b>               | <b>Sequence</b> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Header Record      | Exactly 1                  | First           |
| Claim Record       | Zero or more               |                 |
| Item Record        | Zero up to three per claim |                 |
| Trailer Record     | Exactly 1                  | Last            |

The structure of the batch summary file is summarised below.

| <b>Record Type</b> | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sequence</b> |
|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Header Record      | Exactly 1    | First           |
| Summary Record     | Exactly 1    | Second          |
| Trailer Record     | Exactly 1    | Last            |



# Format of Accepted File

## Accepted Header Record

| Name                            | Type | Contents And Comments   |
|---------------------------------|------|---|
| Record Type                     | A3   | 'HDR'   |
| File Type                       | A1   | 'A'   |
| From                            | A3   | 'HIC'   |
| File Description                | A30  | 'ACCEPTED HEARING CLAIMS'   |
| To                              | A3   | 'CON'   |
| Contracted Service Provider ID  | A7   | Copied from input claim file  |
| Batch Sequence Number           | N4   | Copied from input claim file  |
| Claim File Name                 | A12  | Name of input claim file  |
| Date Batch Received at Medicare | D    | Date the batch was received at Medicare   |
| Expected Date Of Payment        | D    | Date that Medicare expects the payment to be credited to the contractor's bank account                            |
| Environment                     | A5   | 'PROD'  |
| Format Version                  | N2   | '02'. Will be incremented each time there is a change in file format or record format (allows for future changes) |

### Example

HDRAHICACCEPTED HEARING  
CLAIMS^CON124376A0213FILENAMEFILE2205199905061999PROD^02

(^ indicates space)

**Note** HDR record is one continuous line

## Accepted Claim Record

| Name                  | Type | Contents And Comments                   |
|-----------------------|------|---|
| Record Type           | A3   | 'CLM'                                   |
| Contractor Claim Id   | A15  | Copied from input claim file            |
| Medicare Claim Number | N3   | Allocated by Medicare during processing |
| Voucher Number        | A19  | Copied from input claim file            |

**Example** CLMACLAIM14532^^^037123456789X-22011999

(^ indicates space)

**Note** CLM record is one continuous line

## Accepted Item Record

| Name                        | Type       | Contents And Comments                                     |
|-----------------------------|------------|---|
| Record Type                 | A3         | 'ITM'   |
| Contractor Claim Id         | A15        | Copied from input claim file                              |
| Contractor Item Record Id   | A15        | Copied from input claim file                              |
| Medicare Claim Number       | N3         | Allocated by Medicare during processing                   |
| Medicare Item Record Number | N2         | Allocated by Medicare. Sequence of item within claim      |
| GST                         | 9999999.99 | Amount of GST to be paid on this claim item               |
| WHT                         | 9999999.99 | Amount of WHT to be withheld on this claim item           |
| Amount To Be Paid           | 9999999.99 | Amount expected to be paid for this item inclusive of GST |
| Item Number                 | N3         | Copied from input claim file                              |
| Date Of Service             | D          | Copied from input claim file                              |

**Example**

ITMCLAIM03451^^^ITEM34267Q23^^034030000105.000000000.000000605.008 0022051999

(^ indicates space)

**Note** CLM record is one continuous line

## Accepted Batch Trailer Record

| Name                     | Type       | Contents And Comments  |
|--------------------------|------------|--|
| Record Type              | A3         | 'TRL'  |
| Number Of Accepted Items | N5         | Count of accepted item records in this file. May be zero if no accepted claims in a batch  |
| GST                      | 9999999.99 | Amount of GST that is payable on this claim  |
| WHT                      | 9999999.99 | Amount of WHT to be withheld on this claim   |
| Total Payment Amount     | 9999999.99 | Amount that Medicare expects to be paid, including GST or WHT to the CSP's bank account for the accepted items in this batch. May be zero if no accepted claims in a batch |

**Example**     TRL000570000105.000000000.000000210.00

**Note**         TRL record is one continuous line

## Format of Rejected Claim

### Rejected Header Record

| Name                            | Type | Contents And Comments   |
|---------------------------------|------|---|
| Record Type                     | A3   | 'HDR'   |
| File Type                       | A1   | 'R'   |
| From                            | A3   | 'HIC'   |
| File Description                | A30  | 'REJECTED HEARING CLAIMS'   |
| To                              | A3   | 'CON'   |
| Contracted Service Provider ID  | A7   | Copied from input claim file  |
| Batch Sequence Number           | N4   | Copied from input claim file  |
| Claim File Name                 | A12  | Name of input claim file  |
| Date Batch Received At Medicare | D    | Date the batch was received at Medicare   |
| Environment                     | A5   | 'PROD'  |
| Format Version                  | N2   | '02'. Will be incremented each time there is a change in file format or record format (allows for future changes) |

### Example

HDRRHICREJECTED HEARING  
CLAIMS^^^^^CONSDf12340023MINOR.123^^^01061999PROD^02

(^ indicates space)

**Note**         HDR record is one continuous line

## Rejected Record

| Name                  | Type | Contents And Comments                   |
|-----------------------|------|---|
| Record Type           | A3   | 'CLM'                                   |
| Contractor Claim Id   | A15  | Copied from input claim file            |
| Medicare Claim Number | N3   | Allocated by Medicare during processing |
| Voucher Number        | A19  | Copied from input claim file            |

**Example** CLM4CLAIM32764^^^123123456789X-22011999

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**Note** CLM record is one continuous line

## Rejected Item Record

| Name                        | Type | Contents And Comments                               |
|-----------------------------|------|---|
| Record Type                 | A3   | 'ITM'   |
| Contractor Claim Id         | A15  | Copied from input claim file                        |
| Contractor Item Record Id   | A15  | Copied from input claim file                        |
| Medicare Claim Number       | N3   | Allocated by Medicare during processing             |
| Medicare Item Record Number | N2   | Allocated by Medicare. Sequence of item within item |
| Rejection Code              | N3   | Code of reason for rejection                        |
| Item Number                 | N3   | Copied from input claim file                        |
| Date Of Service             | D    | Copied from input claim file                        |

**Example** ITMCLAIMITEM142^^090010479^^^^0900104780001061999

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**Note** ITM record is one continuous line

## Rejected Batch Trailer Record

| Name                     | Type | Contents And Comments                                    |
|--------------------------|------|--|
| Record Type              | A3   | 'TRL'  |
| Number Of Rejected Items | N5   | Count of rejected item records in this file. May be zero |

**Example** TRL00002

**Note** TRL record is one continuous line

## Batch Summary File

### Batch Summary Header Record

| Name | Type | Contents And Comments |
|------|------|-----------------------|
|------|------|-----------------------|

| Name                            | Type | Contents And Comments   |
|---------------------------------|------|---|
| Record Type                     | A3   | 'HDR'   |
| File Type                       | A1   | 'S'   |
| From                            | A3   | 'HIC'   |
| File Description                | A30  | 'BATCH SUMMARY INFORMATION'   |
| To                              | A3   | 'CON'   |
| Contracted Service Provider ID  | A7   | Identifier of CSP   |
| Batch Sequence Number           | N4   | Copied from input claim file  |
| Claim File Name                 | A12  | Name of input claim file  |
| Date Batch Received At Medicare | D    | Date the batch was received at Medicare   |
| Environment                     | A5   | 'PROD'  |
| Format Version                  | N2   | '02'. Will be incremented each time there is a change in file format or record format (allows for future changes) |

**Example**

HDRSHICBATCH SUMMARY  
INFORMATION^^^CONSDf00030043BATCH.043^^22051999PROD^02

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**Note** HDR record is one continuous line

## Batch Summary Counts Record

| Name                      | Type       | Contents And Comments   |
|---------------------------|------------|---|
| Record Type               | A3         | 'CNT'   |
| Date Time Batch Processed | A17        | DDMMCCYY HH:MM:SS (24 hr clock). Date and time HIC started processing this batch  |
| Number Of Claims Expected | N5         | Copied from the trailer record in the input claim file  |
| Number Of Claims Received | N5         | Count of claim records received and processed in this batch   |
| Number Of Items Expected  | N5         | Copied from the trailer record in the input claims file   |
| Number Of Items Received  | N5         | Count of items received and processed in this batch   |
| Number Of Items Rejected  | N5         | Count of rejected items in this batch   |
| Number Of Accepted Items  | N5         | Count of accepted items in this batch   |
| GST                       | 9999999.99 | The total GST payable for this claim  |
| WHT                       | 9999999.99 | The total WHT withheld for this claim   |
| Total Payment Amount      | 9999999.99 | Amount that Medicare expects to pay, inclusive of GST and WHT, to the CSP's bank account for the accepted items in this batch |
| Expected Date Of Payment  | D          | Date that Medicare expects the payment to be received in the CSP's bank account   |

### Example

CNT21041999^10:06:330016700167001930019300014001790000250.000000000.0  
00040132.0004051999

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**Note** CNT record is one continuous line

## Batch Summary Trailer Record

| Name        | Type | Contents And Comments |
|-------------|------|-----------------------|
| Record Type | A3   | 'TRL'                 |

**Example** TRL