

# **EMVS MASTER DATA GUIDE**

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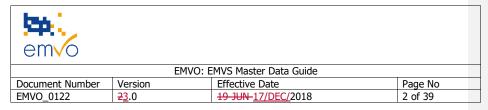
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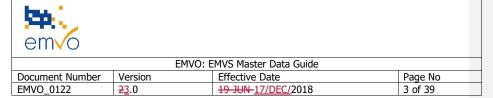
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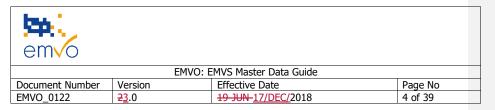
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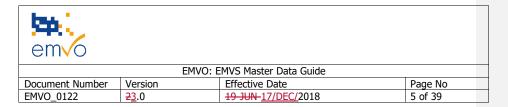


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# 1. Purpose

The EMVS (European Medicines Verification System) requires that OBP's (On-Boarding Partners) upload both product master data and product batch/pack data. The aim of this guide is to clarify what data is expected to be used for the EMVS master data noting that the long-term goal is to source directly from the IDMP/SPOR system.



# 2. EMVS Master Data Requirements

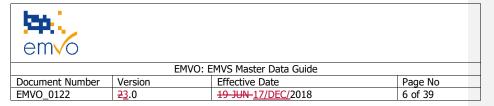
These consist currently of two primary data collections.

- · A common 'applies to all markets' collection of data and
- A market specific collection of data.

Master data elements are required by Article 33 of Eudralex DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2016/161 of 2 October 2015 [Linked Here] and the documents referred to therein. Master data should therefore be in line with regulatory submission and the law in force at the time. The data listed in the DR 2016/161 Article 33, Sections 2.c and 2.g are to be sourced, on a short-term basis, from the regulatory QRD data or SmPC (summary of product characteristics) information. The code listed in the DR 2016/161 Article 33, Section 2.e is to be sourced, from the Article 57(1) product database. Long-term all will be sourced from SPOR. This document is a guide and is not intended to be used as the 'authority'. Ultimately it is the sole responsibility of each OBP to ensure that their data submissions meet the requirements of the law.

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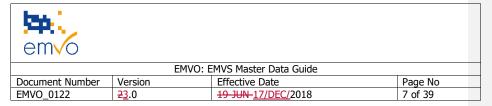
### 3. SPOR

The long-term aim for EMVS is to have the European Hub connected to the European Medicines Agency (EMA) SPOR data repository and to use this connection to provide a source of regulatory approved data that can be utilized by EMVS to provide a higher quality of data. An additional benefit is that it will allow each EMVS connected OBP to submit a lower payload of master data knowing that the bulk can be sourced from SPOR and will be populated automatically.

The key data fields that will enable this to function, for those parties who fall under the scope of SPOR, are:

- Product Code and Coding Scheme (in EMVS)
- Data Carrier Identifier (in SPOR) which is equivalent to the Product Code in FMVS.
- · ISO Country Identifier for each market of intended sale

There will always be a requirement for each OBP to upload a partial set of master data to EMVS however, when SPOR is available, populated and connected, this overhead will reduce.

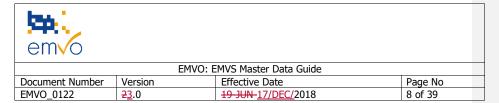


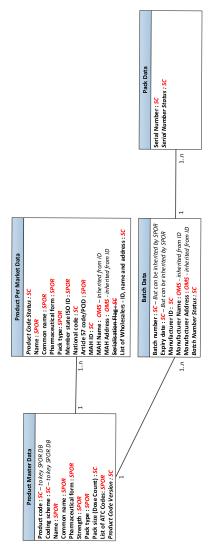
### 3.1 Future Aims

To better facilitate the connection with SPOR, the underlying data model within EMVS will behas been modified during 2018. The impact of this change on the OBP interface will be an enhancement required to the interface with each NMVS.

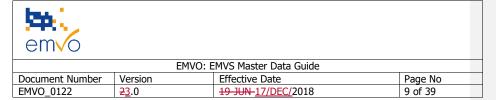
#### This intermediate scenario

This update (realised in Hub version 1.4) provides the necessary data element 'placeholders' which will be populated when the connection with SPOR is established. The following is provided as a 'working draft'guidance to provide as more forsightinsight into the intended changes to the data model and to explain why the changes will occur and how they are able to better equip EMVS when SPOR is ready for connection.





SC = Sourced from the Supply Chain i.e. the OBP SPOR = Sourced from SPOR (when active and connected) OMS = Sourced from SPOR OMS system when active and connected.



The highlights of this amendment the data model changes are as follows:

- The Common Data Section has a new 'List of ATC Codes' added. Maximum number of codes per list is ten. ATC codes can be in the 5 character format or 7 character format and they apply to all markets for the given product code. (The ATC Code cannot be updated or set directly by the OBP).
- The Product Code Status (which is not accessible by the OBP);) is moved to
  the Market Specific Data section to support the <u>forth-coming</u> 'Product
  Withdrawal' capability.
- The Market Specific Data section has been upgraded to included:
  - Name
  - o Common Name
  - Pack Type
  - o Pharmaceutical Form

This permits the future insertion from SPOR of the localised regulatory data for each market.

 The element 'Serialisation Flag' will behas been deprecated but left on the OBP interface. No logic is applicable to this element.

What we are aiming to achieve here is 'the best of both worlds'. Currently SPOR is some way off being available to use in conjunction with EMVS and indeed, some OBP categories are not within the scope of SPOR.

Adding the Name, Common Name, Pack Type and Pharmaceutical Form to the Market Specific Data will allow localised regulatory approved data to be inserted and sent to each applicable market when SPOR in available.

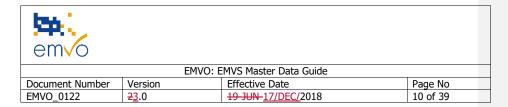
Retaining the same data at the 'Common Data' level allows the existing OBP interface to remain consistent with today thus lowering the development risk for each OBP-...

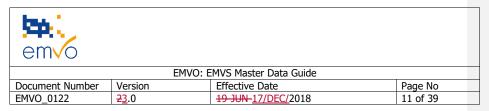
Rules will be inplace to ensure that these values are used appropriately and allow for SPOR to become the 'master source' when available.

ATC codes apply to all markets and thus have been added to the Common Data level and will be appended to the data sent to each market by the European Hub. This will be an <u>updated</u> interface <u>up</u> version and NMVS will need to be updated to make use of the new data. These elements will not be accessible by the OBP interface and will only be populated when SPOR is connected. The ATC code data is required to fulfil one of the NCA reporting requirements.

The proposed new data model will not be available until Hub V2 Rel 1.4 is made available mid-2018. To underline, the OBP interface and data requirements will not change and thus the remains of this document stand.

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# 4. Common Master Data Elements

In the common master data elements section, we have the following elements that are addressable by the OBP interface and that will be the responsibility of each OBP to upload.

Added to the table below in the 'Element Name' column is the mapping to the EMVO Gateway file format naming conventions. These are shown thus: [aaaaaaaa] if shown as [Not Accessible], this means that the OBP cannot set these values using the EMVO Gateway. Items shown in *italics* cannot be loaded directly by the OBP.

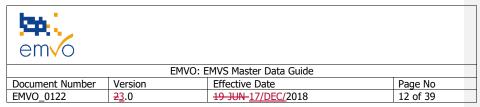
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Element Name	Description	Example <sup>1</sup>	Reference Examples
Product Code [CodeValue]	The logistics code on the pack and contained within the new Data Matrix code. Will be either a GTIN, NTIN or PPN only.	0506014190001 5	Logistics / Supply Chain Mgmt.
Coding Scheme [CodingScheme]	Can only be either <u>GTIN</u> (where a GTIN or NTIN is used for the product code) <u>or PPN</u>	GTIN	Simple choice GTIN/PPN

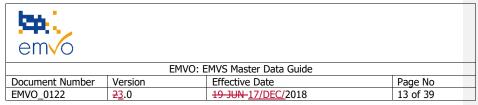
For the following 5 fields, please refer to the table in Appendix 1 for guidance or to the reference<sup>1</sup> below

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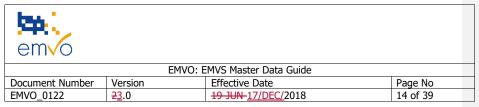
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For additional examples on Name, Common Name, Pharmaceutical Form, and Strength refer to "<u>EMA splitting of the full presentation name of the medicinal product best practice</u>", EMA/327516/2014 Rev. 3, 19 January 2016



Element Name	Description	Example <sup>1</sup>	Reference Examples
Name [Name]	e.g. the (invented) name + strength + pharmaceutical form.  For single marketsmarket packs, use the national language for NAP/MRP/DCP as applicable in the context of the Marketing Authorisation; English is acceptable for CP. If SmPCs are valid for a specific product in more than one language (Belgium), provide the name from within one of the SmPCSmPCs.  For multi-market packs, use the name as it appears on the artwork or a concentanation concatenation of the name in each language suitable for the pack.  Longer term aim for multi-market packs will be to have the name held in the market specific data not in the common data.	Amoxicillin Effective Medicines 500mg Capsules  WQX®"Plus" 80mg/25 mg Filmtablette	QRD, Annex 1, sec 1 Can be xEVMPD AP.13.1 productname) For multi-market packs this can be a concatenation of the values for AP 13.1 for all relevant markets



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Element Name	Description	Example <sup>1</sup>	Reference Examples
Common Name	International Non-proprietary name	Amoxicillin	QRD, Annex 1, sec 1
[CommonName]	(INN) or the usual common name of		(name element only)
	the active substance(s), if part of	Telmisartan/Hyd	i.e. an extract from
	the full name of the medicinal	rochlorotiazide	the 'Name of
	product.		Medicinal Product'.
	For single market packs, use the		This field is not
	national language for		validated against an
	NAP/MRP/DCP. English is acceptable		external term.
	for CP. If SmPCs are valid for a		
	specific product in more than one		Note: this field may
	language (Belgium), provide the		not always be
	commonname common name from		present in regulatory
	within one of the SmPCSmPCs. For		submissions and
	multi-market packs, use the		therefore this field
	common name as it appears on the		may legitimately be
	artwork or a		left empty in these
	concentanation concatenation of the		circumstances.
	common name in each language		
	suitable for the pack. Longer term		
	aim for multi-market packs will be to		
	have the common name held in the		
	market specific data not in the		
	common data.		
Pharmaceutical	The single full Standard Term of the	Capsule	QRD, Annex 1, sec 3
Form	European Pharmacopeia, using the	'	, ,
[FormType]	plural form if appropriate		SPOR IDMP "Pharma
. // 3	(https://standardterms.edgm.eu/) -		Dose Form Name
	currently only the English terms are		Part"
	supported.		
	For multi-component medicinal		
	product use EDQM Combined		
	Pharmaceutical Dose Form CV.		
	More flexibility will be permitted in		
	the future by moving this element to		
	the market specific data and		
	removing the "English Only"		
	restriction.		

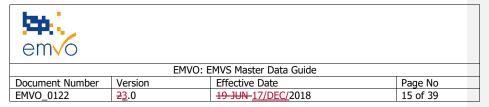


Element Name	Description	Example <sup>1</sup>	Reference Examples
Strength	The pharmaceutical strength of the	500mg	Strength element of
[Strength]	product. This should be consistent	_	the Medicinal
	with the quantity stated in the	80mg/25 mg	Product name in
	quantitative composition and the		SPOR (IDMP), QRD,
	posology. (Will be a repetition of		Annex 1, sec 1
	what is entered as part of the full		
D 1 T	name)	D D 111 D	ED 014 ) D
Pack Type	Refers to the packaging that carries	Box, Bottle, Bag	EDQM 'Packaging' term list
[PackType]	the safety features (serial number and ATD) i.e. the sales pack, using a		term list
	single Standard Term of the		
	European Pharmacopeia. <i>Currently</i>		
	only the English terms are		
	supported. More flexibility will be		
	permitted in the future by moving		
	this element to the market specific		
	data and removing the "English		
	Only" restriction.		
Pack Size	The number of re-packable doses in	28	The pack size can be
[PackSize]	the pack. Where the pack is not		derived from QRD,
	readily re-packable, the value should		Annex 1, sec 6.5 but
	be set as '1'. e.g. a pack of tablets		this is often not the same as the re-
	that can be readily re-packed* and therefore this value will represent		packable dose.
	the number of tablets in the pack. A		packable dose.
	powder or syrup cannot be readily		
	re-packed and therefore, regardless		
	of volume, the pack size will be set		
	as `1'.		
	Please refer to the table in Appendix		
	2 for examples.		
	*if the pack could not be split, e.g. a		
	28 day supply of contraceptive, the		
1700 /	value is 1		
ATC Codes	List [010] of ATC code values in 5	<u>ANNAANN</u>	
[Not Accessible]	or 7 character format.		

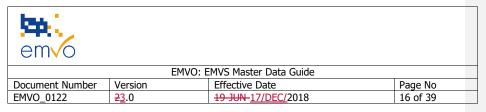
Table 1 - Common Master Data (Market Agnostic)

N.B. The Name, Common Name, Pack Type and Pharmaceutical Form entered by the OBP will be copied to the Market Specific Data level by the European Hub. When SPOR is connected, these values will be over-written by those obtained by SPOR.

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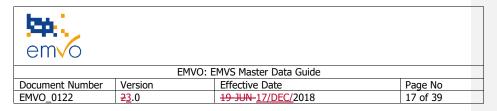


The internal data model also supports the inclusion of up to ten ATC codes per product master data entry. These cannot be entered directly by the OBP and will be extracted from SPOR when the connection is made. As such they are not included in the table above.



5. Market Specific Master Data Elements
For <u>each</u> market within a multi-market pack the following table should be completed.
For single market packs only one completed table is required.

	Element Name	Description	Example	Reference	Formatted Table
l				Examples	
	Member state	Two letter country code from ISO 3166-1	DE	List of ISO	
1	ISO Code	alpha-2 defining the local sales market(s) for		Codes	
	[Id]	the product. One ISO code per market table.		(Appendix 3)	
	National code	It is required to insert the national code if	1234567	Appendix 4	
	[Nationalcode]	requested by the NMVO (see Appendix 4). If			
•		not, it is recommended to insert the code			
		(when it exists), however it is left to the			
		discretion of the OBP to decide.			
	Article 57	Article 57 code: xEVMPD EV Code which is	PRD115784	Key as	
l	code/PCID	assigned by EMA after successful transmission		assigned by	
	[Article57Code]	of MPD (Master Product Data) to xEVMPD.		EMA upon	
		Packaged Medicinal Product Identifier (PCID):		submission of	
1		ISO IDMP/SPOR identifier if already existing. If		a new record	
		multiple codecodes exists for the market, only		to EVMPD	
		select one only that matches the 'Name' and			
		'Common Name' supplied.			
		For Switzerland and Parallel Distribution			
		products, leave empty.			
	<u>Name</u>	See common section for the description (this			
	[Not Accessible]	element is not directly accessible by the OBP)			
	<u>Common Name</u>	See common section for the description (this			
	[Not Accessible]	element is not directly accessible by the OBP)			
	<u>Pack Type</u>	See common section for the description (this			
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	<u>Pharmaceutical</u>	See common section for the description (this			
	<u>Form</u>	element is not directly accessible by the OBP)			
	[Not Accessible]				
	MAH ID	Use the IDMP/SPOR OMS Organisational ID	48101	•	Formatted Table
l	[Under element	when available for the marketing authorization			
	group MAH =	holder. This field is optional.			
I	Id]	Exception Germany: For interim period keep			
		IFA registration number until further notice.			
I		For CAP/MRP, this represents the MAH			
		obtaining the license. For NAP, this will be the			
ı İ		local MAH.			



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Element Name	Description	Example	Reference Exam	mples	
MAH Name	Registered name of the MAH	World Class	QRD, Annex 1,	sec 7	
[Under element	responsible for the product in the	Medicines			
group MAH =	market (stated in row 1).	Limited			
Name]	Only compulsory to enter when the				
	MAH ID is not used.				
MAH Address	Postal address for the MAH detailed	14 Harper	QRD, Annex 1,	sec 7	
[Under element	above.	Street,			
group MAH =	Only compulsory to enter when the	Lincoln, LN6			
Street1, Street2,	MAH ID is not used.	3PW, UK			
City, PostCode and		,			
CountryCode]					
Serialisation Flag	Fill in "True"	True	n/a		
[N/A]	Field will be deprecated and has no				
	business function.				
List of Wholesalers	This will be a list organised as <id></id>	ID=N/A	n/a		
with ID, name and	(if available) <name> <address>.</address></name>	Name =			
address	The list should contain the details of	'Better			
[Under element	each wholesaler (eqv.) who is	Wholesaling			
group	contracted by, or <b>on behalf of</b> , the	GmbH'			
ContractedWholesa	MAH detailed above (thus only	Address =		Fo	ormatted: German (Germany)
lers = Id, Name,	pertinent to the stated local market)	'Neue Strasse			
Street1, Street2,	to handle the product represented	12, 10119			
City, PostCode and	by the product code in table 1 row	Berlin,			
CountryCode]	1. The ID is optional and reserved	Germany'			
	for future inclusion when				
See Appendix 5 for	Wholesalers are identified as				
guidance	meticulously as MFR'sMFR) and				

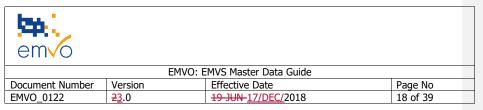
Table 2 - Market Specific Master Data

MAH's.

For multi-market/shared-market packs, the above table 2 is repeated for each market the pack is destined to be sold. Note, that multi-market designation (i.e. multiple table 2) can be added in a stepwise manner as the EMVS system reach extends. Thus if only one of the markets for a specific product is connected and operating – only add the one table 2 for that market. When another of the markets comes on-line, amend the master data entry to add the new market table. Adding tables for markets that are not on-line will result in the master data submission being rejected.

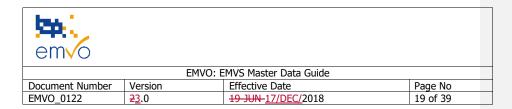
N.B. the internal data model supports the elements 'Name', 'Common Name', 'Pack Type' and 'Form Type' at the market specific level. These cannot be entered directly

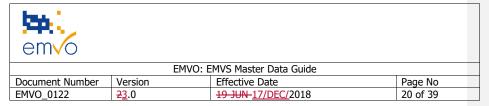
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by the OBP and will be extracted from SPOR when the connection is made. This allows for future language specific data to be utilised.

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# 6. Submission Procedure

### 6.1 Single Market Products.

Complete and send to the European Hub, one of each, Table 1 and Table 2 with the Table 2 Member state ISO Code set to the market required.

#### 6.2 Multi-Market Products.

Complete and send to the European Hub, one of Table 1 and one of Table 2 for each market of intended sale (noting that a <u>step-wisestepwise</u> approach may be required during the ramp-up phase whilst all national systems are not fully operational.).

#### 7. Batch and Pack Data

Master data is essentially a one-off or occasionally uploaded function however the uploading of batch and pack data is more frequent.

The Delegated Regulation has defined some extra data requirements for this more frequently used operation.

This more frequently uploaded data consists of two basic element groups.

- 1 The first defines the details of the batch being produced
- The second defines the physical pack serial ID's associated with the batch.

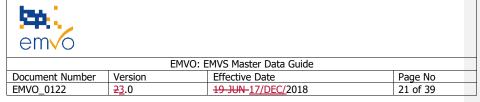
The following tables define the data elements more completely.

### 7.1 Batch Data

Element Name	Description	Example
Batch number	Batch number as printed on the serialized	LOT123/XYZ3
[BatchID]	pack	
Expiry date	Expiry date of the serialized batch	190209
[BatchExpiry]	represented by six (6) numeric digits in	
	the form YYMMDD	
	Where the day element is not provided in	
	the human-readable format, the value of	
	DD can be set to 00 (e.g. 190200 is	
	February 2019). Market/Company rules	
	apply.	
Manufacturer ID	Use the IDMP/SPOR OMS Organisational	1234567
[Under element	ID when available for the manufacturer	
group	organisation that placed the safety	
Manufacturer =	features. Use of this field is optional for	
Id]	now.	

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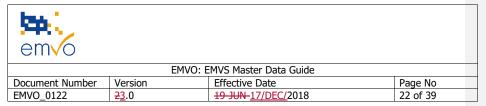
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Element Name	Description	Example
Manufacturer	Enter here the full name of the	Effective Medicines
Name	manufacturer placing the safety features.	Limited.
[Under element	Only compulsory to enter when the	
group	Manufacturer ID is not used.	
Manufacturer =		
Name]		
Manufacturer	Enter the Registered address of the	12 Harper Street,
Address	manufacturer placing the safety features.	Lincoln, LN6 3PW,
[Under element	Only compulsory to enter when the	UK
group	Manufacturer ID is not used.	
Manufacturer =		
Id, Name,		
Street1, Street2,		
City, PostCode		
and		
CountryCode]		
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Batch Number	Automatically maintained by the	N/A
Status	verification system so no requirement to	
[N/A]	upload.	

# 7.2 Pack Data

Element Name	Description	Example
Serial ID	Up to twenty (20) alpha-numeric	ZT34012956345DL
[Under element	characters or single case (i.e. upper or	M
group SerialIds	lower case not both) according to the	
= Id]	GS1 Specifications from table 7.11-1.	
	Serial number should be randomised	
	according to the Delegated Regulation	
	requirement (Art 4(b)) and the pack	
	coding guidelines. For clarity, serial ID's	
	can be numeric only so long as they meet	
0 1 1 70 01 1	the given criteria.	21/2
Serial ID Status	Automatically maintained by the	N/A
[N/A accessed	verification system so no requirement to	
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CurrentStatus or		
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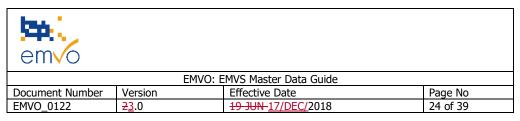
Note: The pack serial ID status is set to 'Active' upon upload to the EMVS (European Hub). Future operations on the pack status require the invocation of dedicated use cases – the status cannot be declared at the point of upload and nor can pack status be changed by means of repeated pack data uploads. Some pack state manipulation use cases defined 'bulk' operations where many serial ID's for a given product batch can be changed in a single operation.

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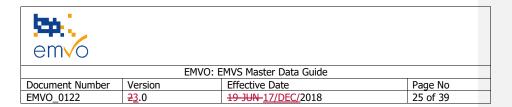
# Appendix 1: Common Master Data Element References

Element Name	Directive 2001/83/EC "Medicinal Products for Human Use"	QRD Template Version 10	Guideline on SmPC <sup>2</sup> Revision 2 (September 2009)	xEVPMD Data Element
Name of Medicinal Product	The name, which may be either an invented name not liable to confusion with the common name, or a common or scientific name accompanied by a trade mark or the name of the marketing authorisation holder.	Annex I, sec. 1 "Name of Medicinal Product"	The (invented) name should be followed by both the strength and the pharmaceutical form.	AP.13.1 productname
Common Name of Medicinal product	The international non-proprietary name recommended by the World Health Organization, or, if one does not exist, the usual common name.	Annex III A, sec. 1	Product INN (International Non-Proprietary Name) / Common Name	AP.13.3 productgenericname
Pharmaceutical Form	according to summary of product characteristics (SmPC)	Annex I, sec. 3 "Pharmaceutical Form"	The pharmaceutical form of a medicinal product should be described by a single full Standard Term of the European Pharmacopoeia using the plural form if appropriate (e.g. tablets) (see section 3).	Value will be consistent with the European Pharmacopeia until Hub V1.4 2018 interface when AP.13.6 productform should be referenced.
Strength	The content of the active substances expressed quantitatively per dosage unit, per unit of volume or weight according to the dosage form.	Annex I, sec. 1 "Name of Medicinal Product"	The strength should be the relevant quantity for identification and use of the product and should be consistent with the quantity stated in the quantitative composition and in the posology.	AP.13.5 productstrength

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> SmPC Summary of Product Characteristics

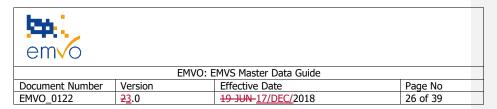


Pack Type	according to the standard terms published	Annex I, sec.	n/a	Value will be consistent with the
	by the European Pharmacopeia	6.5		European Pharmacopeia until Hub
	Commission (EU 520/2012, Art. 25 (1) (b))			V1.4 2018 interface when AP.13.7
				packagedesc -should be referenced



Appendix 2: Guidance for Values to enter for Pack Size

Package description/size	Master Data input
Amber glass bottle, 84 tablets	84
Aluminium blister pack, 96 tablets	96
Packs containing 7, 14, 28 etc. film-coated tablets.	7, 14, 28 etc
Pack containing a specific number of tablets for a cure or to be	1
taken in a certain order and thus cannot be split, e.g. 28 tablets of	
a contraceptive	
Pack size of 1 vial of 10 ml	1
Pack size of 5 vials of 10 ml	5
Multipack of 5 packs of 1 x 10 ml vial	5
Pack size of 10 prefilled syringes of 0.1 ml of suspension	10
Pack of 10 prefilled syringes, 1 ml.	10
Glass bottle, 100 ml	1
Powder for oral suspension is in a 250 ml glass bottle	1
Pack containing 1 vial (of Powder) and 1.5 ml of Solvent.	1
Inhalator, 120 doses	1
Inhalator, 3 x 120 doses	3

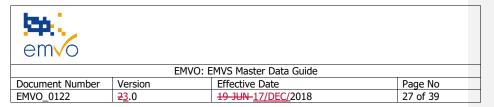


Appendix 3: Member State ISO 3166 Code

Austria	AT
Belgium	BE
Bulgaria	BG
Croatia	HR
Cyprus	CY
Czech Republic	CZ
Denmark	DK
Estonia	EE
Finland	FI
France	FR
Germany	DE
Greece	GR
Hungary	HU
Iceland	IS
Ireland	ΙE
Italy	IT
Latvia	LV
Liechtenstein	LI
Lithuania	LT
Luxembourg	BE
Malta	MT
Netherlands	NL
Norway	NO
Poland	PL
Portugal	PT
Romania	RO
Slovakia	SK
Slovenia	SI
Spain	ES
Sweden	SE
Switzerland	CH
United Kingdom	GB
Emulation 1	XX
Emulation 2	XY
Emulation 3	XZ

N.B. Emulated Markets are only available in ITE and IQE (not PRD) and are not ISO 3166 codes but reserved special codes for the emulators only.

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# Appendix 4: Guidance for entering National Code

The National Code must be entered for the following countries that require, and have specifically requested, that the EMVS is used to look up the National Code.

**Austria** (add the PZN for all product types i.e. Multi-Market and Single Market) **Germany** (add the PZN only for all product types i.e. Multi-Market products and Single Market)

**Spain** (all product types) (format: 6 digits + 1 check digit without separator, example: 6068946)

**UK** (AMPP required for all product types)

Portugal (all product types) (format: 7 digits, all numeric)

The list has initially been derived from the "Efpia Coding Requirement Tracker" and NMVOs should send a request to EMVO to be added to the list in this appendix if they want to national code to be entered.

For other countries it is recommended to enter the National Code when it exists, however the decision rests with the OBP.

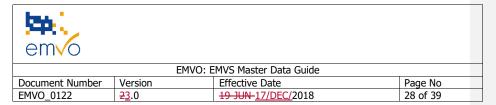
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# Appendix 5: Designated Wholesaler Definition/Guidance

# 1. A (pre-)wholesaler (wholesale distribution authorisation holder) who has been Executive Summary

'Designated Wholesalers' are wholesalers who are designated by the marketing authorisation holder, by means of a written contract, to store and distribute the products covered by his marketing authorisation on his behalf. Likewise, the parallel importer / parallel distributor may designate a wholesaler, by means of a written contract, to store and distribute on his behalf the products covered by the parallel import authorisations/parallel distribution notices respectively.

Marketing authorization holders and parallel importers / parallel distributors are obliged to upload to the EMVS a list of 'Designated Wholesalers. The following rules apply:

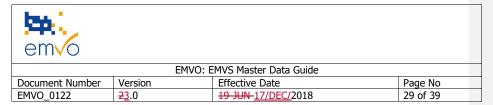
Entity	Description	To Be Listed as 'Designated Wholesaler'?
Pre-wholesalers / 3PLs (3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Logistics provider) / Distributors	Legal entity independent from MAHs that has been contracted for storage and distribution	Yes
Sales Affiliates	Representative of the MAH focusing on sales and controlled by the MAH or subject to control by the same legal entity as the MAH	No
<u>Co-promoter</u>	Representative of the MAH focusing on sales and <b>NOT</b> controlled by the MAH or subject to control by the same legal entity as the MAH	<u>Yes</u>
<u>Co-marketer</u>	Legal entity independent of the MAH that commercializes the product under a different trademark and holds an own marketing authorization	No
Transportation Company	Legal entity contracted to transport the products	No
<u>Full-line</u> <u>Wholesaler</u>	Legal entity <b>NOT</b> acting in pre-wholesale role as described above	<u>No</u>

#### **Legal Background**

According to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/161, Art. 20 (b), a wholesaler shall at least verify the authenticity of the unique identifier for medicinal products he receives from a wholesaler who is

- neither the manufacturer
- nor the wholesaler holding the marketing authorisation (MAH)

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nor a wholesaler who is designated by the marketing authorisation holder, by means of a written contract, to store and distribute the products covered by his marketing authorisation on his behalf.

When Consequently, wholesalers are NOT obliged to verify the product is authenticity of the unique identifier for medicinal products they have received from a storagethe manufacturer or the marketing authorization holder or a 'Designated Wholesaler'.

With the introduction of the 'Designated Wholesaler', DR 2016/161 takes a view on the physical material flow in the supply chain rather than the financial flow between supply chain partners. From the definition in Art. 20 (b) it becomes clear that a 'Designated Wholesaler' is

- neither the manufacturer
- nor the Marketing Authorization Holder (MAH)
- nor a full-line wholesaler who is not operating on behalf of the MAH.

### According to DR 2016/161, Art. 33 (2) (h),

- the marketing authorisation holder or,
- in case of parallel imported or parallel distributed medicinal products bearing an equivalent unique identifier for the purposes of complying with Article 47a of Directive 2001/83/EC, the person responsible for placing those medicinal products on the market

is obliged to upload to the EMVS a list of 'Designated Wholesalers'

### Scenario 1: List of 'Designated Wholesalers' according to text of DR 2016/161

Figure 1 outlines the different roles that DR 2016/161 envisages together with the verification obligations. For clarification, the Figure considers the financial flow in addition to the material flow:

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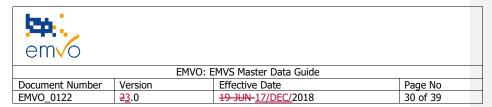
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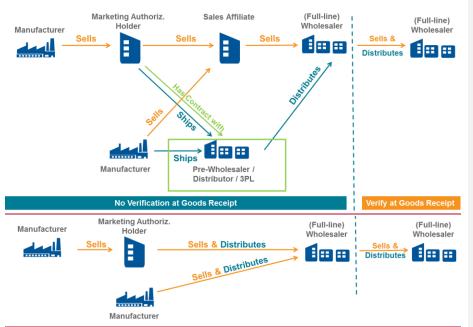


Figure 1: Supply chain setup as envisaged by Delegated Regulation DR 2016/161

Outsourcing of warehousing and distribution entity (e.g. 3 PL), or pre-wholesaler, (operations by the MAH requires that the outsourcing partner holds a wholesale distribution authorisation holder) who isauthorization. Common terminology for the outsourcing partners is pre-wholesaler, distributor, or 3PL (3rd Party Logistics provider). If such outsourcing partners are designated by the marketing authorisation holder, by means of a written contract, to store and distribute the products covered by his marketing authorisation on his behalf, then such entity SHALL BE listed. as 'Designated Wholesalers'.

The Marketing Authorization Holder, the Manufacturer, and any of the (full-line) wholesalers in the figure above **SHALL NOT BE listed** as 'Designated Wholesalers'.

### Scenario 2-: Storage and Distribution Contract held by a Sales Affiliate

A **company** (sales affiliate of an MAH' means a company focussing on sales which is controlled by the MAH or which is subject to control by the same legal entity as the MAH. For purposes of EU pharma regulation, such sales affiliate and the MAH are considered to be one entity.

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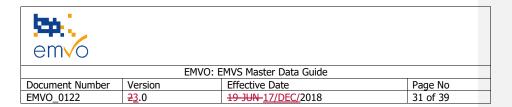
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It is a common scenario that the contract with the warehouse and distribution partner is not held by the MAH himself but by a sales affiliate. Such scenario is depicted in Figure 2:

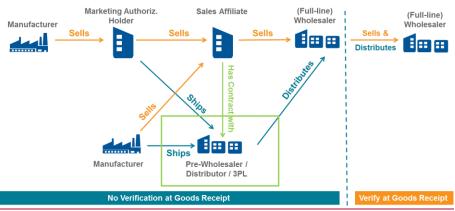


Figure 2: Supply chain setup where the contract for storage and distribution is held by a sales affiliate

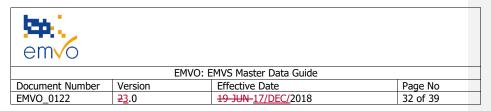
Since the MAH and the sales affiliate are considered to be one entity, the sales affiliate **SHALL NOT BE** listed as 'Designated Wholesaler'. For all other parties depicted in the figure, the rules set forth in Scenario 1 apply.

# Scenario 3: Storage and Distribution Involving Multiple Logistics Outsourcing Partners

Common supply chain designs involved more logistics partners than the one responsible for the distribution in the target country. Figure 3 outlines such example where the MAH or manufacturer ships its products to Country A where freight from different sites is consolidated. However, the affiliate in country A does not operate the warehouse himself but has outsourced activities to a 3PL. Products consolidated in the 3PL's warehouse are then shipped to the Pre-Wholesaler/Distributor/3PL in the target country B.

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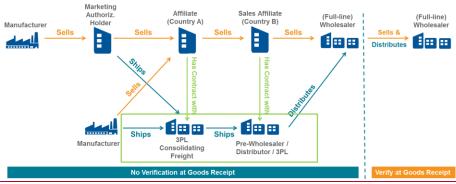


Figure 3: Supply chain setup that involves multiple outsourcing partners for logistics

In **/Hicensee/**such a scenario, the logistics partner in country B **SHALL BE** listed as 'Designated Wholesaler' to avoid that the first (full-line) wholesaler in the supply chain needs to verify the products upon goods receipt.

Furthermore, the 3PL in country A **SHALL BE** listed as 'Designated Wholesaler' to avoid that the 'Designated Wholesaler' in country B needs to verify the products upon goods receipt.

For all other parties depicted in the figure, the rules set forth in Scenario 1 apply.

#### **Scenario 4: Commercialisation by a Co-Promoter**

Co-promoters operate under an agreement with the MAH or manufacturer and/or a license to commercialise the same medicinal product under the same trademark. The related distribution scenario is depicted in Figure 4:

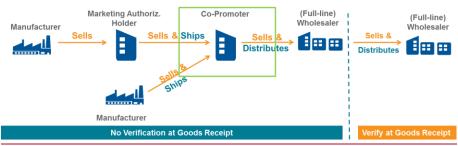
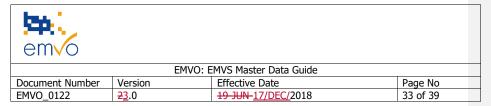


Figure 4: Supply chain setup where co-promoter has been contracted for commercialisation

By virtue of their co-promotion agreement the co-promoter has the right to market the medicinal product on behalf of the contract partner and/or licensor, including the right

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to store and distribute the medicinal product. They **SHALL BE** listed as 'Designated Wholesalers'. For all other parties depicted in the figure, the rules set forth in Scenario 1 apply.

#### Scenario 5: Commercialisation by a Co-Marketer

Co-marketing is a common commercialisation arrangement between originator companies. A co-marketing agreement is generally understood as an agreement between two parties to commercialise a specific medical product by each party under a different trademark. As co-marketers commercialise the product under a different trademark, they have their own marketing authorisation, different from that of the MAH (e.g. a duplicate or an independent marketing authorisation). They are thus MAHs in their own right.

<u>In a co-marketing arrangement, the co-marketer and-holding his own marketing authorization has to fulfil himself the obligations for data upload according to DR 2016/161, Art. 33. This includes the list of 'Designated Wholesalers' that the co-marketer has chosen.</u>

#### Scenario 6: Transportation Company

When a product is transported from location A to location B under a logistics contract and where for purposes of this transport the product is unloaded from an incoming semi-trailer truck or railroad car and loaded directly onto outbound trucks, trailers, or rail cars, with little or no storage in between, then the transportation company **SHALL NOT** be listed as 'Designated Wholesaler'.

#### **Further Remarks and Recommendations**

In practice, various supply chain designs beyond those outlined in the scenarios above exist. EMVO will not provide guidance on the proper determination of 'Designated Wholesalers' for any other scenarios. Marketing Authorization Holders (MAHs) and parallel distributors may wish to consider the following remarks when determining the appropriate list of 'Designated Wholesaler' for each country or product-country combination as well as documenting their decision:

- If an MAH has outsourced logistics operations to a 'Designated Wholesaler' operating a regional distribution centre, such 'Designated Wholesaler' SHALL BE listed for the products IN EACH MARKET he is distributing products to.
- The marketing authorization holder of a can designate a representative (commonly known as local representative) to represent him in a EU Member

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State<sup>3</sup>. This includes rights for the representative such as to store and distribute the products.

 MAH's and parallel distributors should document in writing the delegation to sales affiliates or other legal representatives to appoint themselves 'Designated Wholesalers' for storage and distribution of the products covered by the MAH's marketing authorisation/s.

#### **Best Practices**

MAH's together with their Designated Wholesalers should collaborate with the MAH's wholesale distribution authorisation), customers regarding proper maintenance of the 'Designated Wholesaler' information in the product master data to ensure smooth operations for wholesale customers at goods receipt. Co-promoters should also communicate with the respective MAH so that they are listed as Designated Wholesalers by the MAH.

In the interest of increased operational and supply chain efficiencies MAH's and their-wholesale customers may also work together to explore ways of adapting/upgrading the shipping documentation (i.e. delivery notes/invoices) to provide clarity for the wholesale customers regarding the entities involved in the delivery e.g. MAH, designated through a license/agreement with the MAH to place the product on the market wholesaler, wholesale customer, delivery company etc. thus facilitating smooth operations at goods receipt.



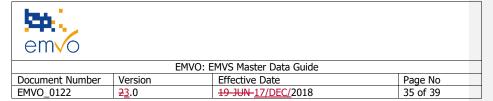
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<sup>3</sup> EU Directive 2001/83/EC on the Community Code relating to medicinal products for human use, Art. 1 (18a), Art. 6 (1a)



### Template Delegation of Designated Wholesaler Appointment (Example)

**Explanatory Note:** Article 20(b) DR obliges a wholesaler to verify the authenticity of the unique identifier except if the product was received from the manufacturer, a wholesaler with the marketing authorisation, or a wholesaler designated by the MAH.

This template delegation may be used by MAH to expressly delegate the appointment of designated wholesalers under Article 20(b) DR to sales affiliates or other legal representatives.]

# DELEGATION OF DESIGNATED WHOLESALER APPOINTMENTS TO SALES AFFILIATE

Agreement by and between

[INSERT name and address of corporate entity]

"Marketing Authorisation Holder"

<u>and</u>

[INSERT name and address of corporate entity]

"Sales Affiliate" [or "Legal Representative"]

<u>The When a product is received from a company licensed / holding an agreement with the MAH (co-marketer) to place this product on the market such an entity (holder of a wholesale distribution authorisation) SHALL BE listed.</u>

The MAH needs to check nationally their respective supply arrangements to ensure that the entity which is designated by or on behalf of the marketing authorisation holder, by means of a written contract, to store and distribute the products covered by his marketing authorisation, on that particular market, is listed in the master data.

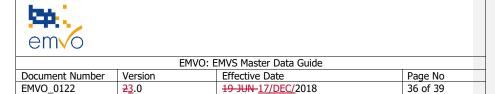
The MAHs should review their respective contractual arrangements with their storage and distribution and license/co-marketing partners to ensure that the contract makes specific reference to 'storage and distribution' or as license/co-marketing of the MAH to place the product on the market as in some countries due to commercial and fiscal reasons, the contract may not have such references and as such in the future should

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be revised to take account of the requirementsMarketing Authorisation Holder ("MAH") delegates to the Sales Affiliate [Legal Representative] the appointment of designated wholesalers under Article 20(b) of the Delegated Regulation.

- 4, meaning the appointment of wholesalers
- L. In circumstances where it is currently not the case the MAH should ensure that its storage and distribution partners are listed on the in-bound delivery note and invoice and the relation between the MAH and its sales entity is stated. Licensees /co-marketing entities should ensure, that they are listed as wholesalers licensed by the MAH to place the product on the market. The delivery note should refer, as appropriate, to the entity designated by and on behalf of the MAH by means to a written contract to store and distribute the products covered by histhe MAH's marketing authorisation—/s [OPTIONAL: as listed in the Annex, which may be amended at the Market Authorisation Holder's discretion,] on the MAH's behalf.
- Small markets need specific consideration as Sales Affiliate [Legal Representative] accepts
  the MAHs may supply to national markets from other markets and delegation.
- 3. The delegation is effective as of [INSERT effective date].

[INSERT place], on [INSERT date]

<u>For the wholesale field of Marketing Authorisation Holder:</u>
<u>For the master data should specify the relevant parties Sales Affiliate:</u>

(Signature) (Signature)

[INSERT name, function] [INSERT name, function]

**CONTRACT AMENDMENT/INSERT** 

<sup>4</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/161 of 2 October 2015 supplementing Directive 2001/83/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council by laying down detailed rules for the safety features appearing on the packaging of medicinal products for human use, 2016 OJ L 32/1.

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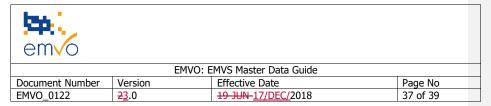
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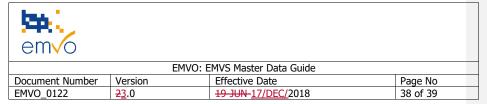
[INSERT DEFINED TERM, for each the Marketing Authorisation Holder] delegates to [INSERT DEFINED TERM for the Sales Affiliate/Legal Representative] effective as of [INSERT effective date of appointment/the effective date of the agreement/amendment] the appointment of designated wholesalers, i.e. wholesalers who store and distribute the products covered by his marketing authorisation/s [OPTIONAL: as listed in the Annex, which may be amended at the Market Authorisation Holder's discretion,] on his behalf ("Designated Wholesaler") pursuant to Article 20(b) of the Delegated Regulation<sup>5</sup>. [INSERT DEFINED TERM for the Sales Affiliate/Legal Representative] accepts the delegation.

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## Template Delivery Note (Example)

1. Supplier (Name, Address, Country)	2. Receiver (Name, Address, Country)
Verkauefer (Name, Anschrift, Land)	Empfaenger (Name, Anschrift, Land)
Fournisseur (Nom, Adresse, Pays)	Destinataire (Nom, Adresse, Pays)
MAH or its representative	Full line Wholesaler
Name of the Company	Name of the Company
Address and Street Number	Address and Street Number
City - Postcode	City - Postcode
Country	Country
3. Sender (Name, Address, Country)	4. Freight Forwarder (Name, Address, Country)
Absender (Name, Anschrift, Land)	Frachtfuehrer (Name, Anschrift, Land)
Expediteur (Nom, Adresse, Pays)	Transporteur (Nom, Adresse, Pays)
Storage Unit	Transport company
Name of the Company (**)	Name of the Company
Address and Street N°	Address and Street N°
City - Postcode	City - Postcode
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• The objective is to identify the place and country where the product is authorised. manufacturer (1) is located and get an order from the Full line wholesaler (2).

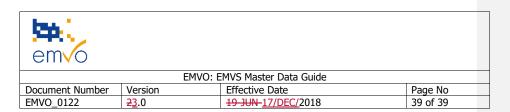
The MAH may consider to nominate a contact person for national level questions which is recommended to be available via the NMVOs.

- It is assumed that the supplier is operating under a Manufacturing License
- It is assumed that the sender (3) is not necessarily a "Designated Wholesaler" and therefore it is requested to have confirmation if we have to control or not the unique identifier.

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The EMVO shall establish a link to its website with further guidance and practical examples.

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# Appendix 6: EMVO Gateway File Input Element Name Mapping

Common EMVS Master Data Element Names	EMVO Gateway (file upload) Element Names
Product Code	CodeValue
Coding Scheme	CodeScheme
Name	Name
Common Name	CommonName
Pharmaceutical Form	FormType
Strength	Strength
Pack Type	PackType
Pack Size	PackSize
Market-Based EMVS Master Data Element Names	Market-Based EMVO Gateway (file upload)
	Element Names
Member state ISO Code	Id
National code	NationalCode
Article 57 code/PCID	Article57Code
	MAH
MAH ID	Id
MAH Name	Name
MAH Address (2 x Street, City, Postcode and	Street1, Street2, City, PostCode and
Country Code)	CountryCode
Serialisation Flag	N/A (automatically set to True)
List of Wholesalers	ContractedWholesalers
Wholesalers ID	Id
Wholesalers Name	Name
Wholesalers Address(2 x Street, City, Postcode	Street1, Street2, City, PostCode and
and Country Code)	CountryCode

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