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Functional Acknowledgment (Revision 1)

Implementation Convention



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Introduction:

This Draft Standard for Trial Use contains the format and establishes the data contents of the Functional Acknowledgement Transaction Set (997) for use within the context of an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) environment. The transaction set can be used to define the control structures for a set of acknowledgements to indicate the results of the syntactical analysis of the electronically encoded documents. The encoded documents are the transaction sets, which are grouped in functional groups, used in defining transactions for business data interchange. This standard does not cover the semantic meaning of the information encoded in the transaction sets.

Notes:

Use this transaction set to acknowledge the receipt, and acceptance or rejection of a functional group and the transaction set(s) contained within it based upon EDI translation software syntax edits.

Must Use	Pos. <u>No.</u> 010	Seg. ID ST	Name Transaction Set Header	Req. <u>Des.</u> M	Max.Use	Loop <u>Repeat</u>	Notes and Comments n1
Must Use	020	AK1	Functional Group Response Header	M	1		n2
			LOOP ID - AK2			999999	
	030	AK2	Transaction Set Response Header	Ö	interessed in a subsection or accessed	anna de anti-cipa de la compania de	n3
			LOOP ID - AK3			999999	
	040	AK3	Data Segment Note	O O	te des estates	eta 1900a - attoriado strictiva	c1
	050	AK4	Data Element Note	O	99		
Must Use	060	AK5	Transaction Set Response Trailer	M	1		
Must Use	070	AK9	Functional Group Response Trailer	M	1		
Must Use	080	SE	Transaction Set Trailer	M	1		

Transaction Set Notes

- 1. These acknowledgements shall not be acknowledged, thereby preventing an endless cycle of acknowledgements of acknowledgements.
 - The Functional Group Header Segment (GS) is used to start the envelope for the Functional Acknowledgement Transaction Sets. In preparing the functional group of acknowledgements, the application sender's code and the application receiver's code, taken from the functional group being acknowledged, are exchanged; therefore, one acknowledgement functional group responds to only those functional groups from one application receiver's code to one application sender's code.
 - There is only one Functional Acknowledgement Transaction Set per acknowledged functional group.
- 2. AK1 is used to respond to the functional group header and to start the acknowledgement for a functional group. There shall be one AK1 segment for the functional group that is being acknowledged.
- 3. AK2 is used to start the acknowledgement of a transaction set within the received functional group. The AK2 segments shall appear in the same order as the transaction sets in the functional group that has been received and is being acknowledged.

Transaction Set Comments

1. The data segments of this standard are used to report the results of the syntatical analysis of the functional groups of transaction sets; they report the extent to which the syntax complies with the standards for

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transaction sets and functional groups. They do not report on the semantic meaning of the transaction sets (for example, on the ability of the receiver to comply with the request of the sender).

ST Transaction Set Header Segment:

010 Position:

> Loop: Level:

Purpose:

Usage: Mandatory

Max Use:

To indicate the start of a transaction set and to assign a control number

Syntax Notes:

Semantic Notes: The transaction set identifier (ST01) used by the translation routines of the

interchange partners to select the appropriate transaction set definition (e.g., 810

selects the Invoice Transaction Set).

Comments:

		Data Element Summar y		
Ref.	Data			
Des.	Element	<u>Name</u>	Att	<u>ributes</u>
ST01	143	Transaction Set Identifier Code	M	ID 3/3
		Code uniquely identifying a Transaction Set		
		997 X12.20 Functional Acknowledgement	:	
ST02	329	Transaction Set Control Number	\mathbf{M}	AN 4/9
		Identifying control number that must be unique within the	ransa	ction set
		functional group assigned by the originator for a transaction	ı set	
		i i	or of	the
	Des. ST01	Des. Element ST01 143	Ref. Data Des. Element Name ST01 143 Transaction Set Identifier Code Code uniquely identifying a Transaction Set 997 X12.20 Functional Acknowledgement ST02 329 Transaction Set Control Number Identifying control number that must be unique within the transaction group assigned by the originator for a transaction	Des. Element Name Attraction ST01 143 Transaction Set Identifier Code Code uniquely identifying a Transaction Set 997 X12.20 Functional Acknowledgement ST02 329 Transaction Set Control Number M Identifying control number that must be unique within the transaction set Use to transmit a unique number assigned by the originator of the state Use to transmit a unique number assigned by the originator of the state Use to transmit a unique number assigned by the originator of the state ST01 ST01

Segment: AK1 Functional Group Response Header

Position: 020

Loop: Level:

Usage: Mandatory

Max Use:

Purpose: To start acknowledgement of a functional group

Syntax Notes:

Semantic Notes:

- 1 AK101 is the functional ID found in the GS segment (GS01) in the functional group being acknowledged.
- 2 AK102 is the data interchange control number found in the GS segment in the functional group being acknowledged.

Comments:

Notes:

- 1. Use to identify the unique identification number of the functional group in which the transaction set(s) being acknowledged was received.
- 2. Only one functional group may be referenced in a single 997 acknowledgement transaction set.

Ref. Data Des. Element Must Use AK101 479			Name Functional Identifier Code	M	ributes ID 2/2
			Code identifying a group of application related transaction so Cite, using the appropriate code from the X12 code list, the ID found in GS01 of the functional group being acknowle Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable co	e fun edged.	
Must Use	AK102	28	Group Control Number Assigned number originated and maintained by the sender	M	N0 1/9
			Use to identify the number cited in GS06 of the functional acknowledged.		

Segment: AK2 Transaction Set Response Header

Position: 030

Loop: AK2 Optional

Level:

Usage:

Optional

Max Use:

1

Purpose:

To start acknowledgement of a single transaction set

Syntax Notes:

Semantic Notes:

1 AK201 is the transaction set ID found in the ST segment (ST01) in the transaction set being acknowledged.

set being acknowledged.

2 AK202 is the transaction set control number found in the ST segment in the transaction set being acknowledged.

Comments:

Notes:

1. Use to identify the unique identification number of the transaction set being acknowledged.

2. AK2 and AK5 shall be provided for each Transaction Set that is accepted.

3. Also, AK2 and AK5 shall be provided for each Transaction Set being rejected for containing a syntactical error.

Must Use	Ref. <u>Des.</u> AK201	Data Element 143	Name Transaction Set Identifier Code Code uniquely identifying a Transaction Set	Att M	ributes ID 3/3
			Cite, using the appropriate code from the X12 code list ID found in the ST segment. Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable		
Must Use	AK202 329 Transaction Set Control Number Identifying control number that must be unfunctional group assigned by the originator		Identifying control number that must be unique within a functional group assigned by the originator for a transacture to identify the number cited in the ST02 of the transacture acknowledged.	ction set	

Segment: AK3 Data Segment Note

Position: 040

Loop: AK3 Optional

Level:

Usage: Optional Max Use: 1

Purpose:

To report errors in a data segment and identify the location of the data segment

Syntax Notes: Semantic Notes:

Comments:

Notes:

- 1. Use the 1/AK3/040 loop only when Trading Partner Agreements or translation software do not permit the level of receipt and rejection reporting to be limited to the group or transaction set level.
- 2. This 1/AK3/040 loop is used only to identify one or more segments containing syntactical errors resulting in rejection of the transaction set or functional group. This loop is not used when transaction set and functional group receipt and acceptance is being acknowledged.
- 3. Use to identify one or more segments containing syntax errors.

	Ref.	Data			
	Des.	Element	Name	Att	ributes
Must Use	AK301	721	Segment ID Code	M	ID 2/3
			Code defining the segment ID of the data segment in error	See A	Appendix A -
			Number 77)		••
			Use to identify the segment containing syntactical errors,	as it c	appears in the
			ASC X12 Data Segment Dictionary, e.g., DTM, N1, REF	etc.	
Must Use	AK302	719	Segment Position in Transaction Set	M	N0 1/6
			The numerical count position of this data segment from the	start	of the
			transaction set: the transaction set header is count position	l	
			Use to identify the segment sequential position within the	data :	stream of the
			transaction set as transmitted. This is not the segment por	rtraye	d in the
			transaction set structure.		
Not Used	AK303	447	Loop Identifier Code	0	AN 1/4
			The loop ID number given on the transaction set diagram is	the v	alue for this
			data element in segments LS and LE		
Must Use	AK304	720	Segment Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of	a segr	nent
			1. Use only when a segment is being rejected to identify the transaction set rejection.	ie bas	sis for
			2. Do not use when the error is in a data element within t	he seg	gment.
			Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable co	de va	lues.
Not Used	AK305	720	Segment Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of	a segr	nent
Not Used	AK306	720	Segment Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of	a segr	
Not Used	AK307	720	Segment Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of	a segr	
Not Used	AK308	720	Segment Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of	ı segr	

Segment: AK4 Data Element Note

Position: 050

Loop: AK3 Optional

Level:

Usage: Optional Max Use: 99

Max Use: 99 Purpose: To re

To report errors in a data element and identify the location of the data element

Syntax Notes: Semantic Notes: Comments:

Notes: 1. Use to identify an erroneous data element. The segment which contains the

erroneous data element must be identified in the preceding AK3 segment.

2. Use multiple occurrences of this segment to identify one or more data element errors within the segment specified in the preceding AK3 segment.

			Data Element Summary				
	Ref. Des.	Data <u>Element</u>	<u>Name</u>	Att	<u>ributes</u>		
Must Use	AK401	722	Element Position in Segment M No 1/2 This is used to indicate the relative position of the data element in error in this data segment. The count starts with 1 for the data element immediately following the segment ID. This value is 0 for an error in the segment ID.				
			Use to indicate the relative position of the data element containing the syntactical error within the segment. for example, in the N1 segment: 1 indicates an error in element N101, 2 indicates and error in element N102, etc. (Note: An error in the segment ID is identified in the AK3 segment and need not be identified at this level.				
	AK402	AK402 725	Data Element Reference Number	0	N0 1/4		
			Use to identify the data element number as it appears in the Element Dictionary. For example, the data element number data element number as it appears in the Element Dictionary. For example, the data element number data element is 725.	he AS			
Must Use	AK403	723	Data Element Syntax Error Code	M	ID 1/3		
			Code indicating the error found after syntax edits of a data of Use any code. Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable co	. no Marx	- 1984 A - 1975 A - 1		
	AK404	724	Copy of Bad Data Element	O	AN 1/99		
		This is a copy of the data element in error					

Segment: AK5 Transaction Set Response Trailer

Position: 060

Loop: AK2 Optional

Level:

Usage: Mandatory

Max Use:

Purpose: To acknowledge acceptance or rejection and report errors in a transaction set

Syntax Notes: Semantic Notes:

Comments:

Notes:

1. Use to indicate whether the transaction set indicated in the corresponding AK2 segment was accepted or rejected.

2. If the transaction set is rejected, use this segment to identify up to five (5) syntax errors at the transaction set level.

			Data El	lement Summary				
	Ref.	Data						
	Des.	Element	<u>Name</u>		Att	ributes		
Must Use	AK501	717		t Acknowledgement Code	M	ID 1/1		
			_	accept or reject condition based on the syn	tax ec	diting of the		
			transaction set A	Aggentad				
				Accepted				
			E	Accepted But Errors Were Noted				
			R	Rejected				
			X	Rejected, Content After Decryption C Analyzed	ould l	Not Be		
	AK502	718	Transaction Se	t Syntax Error Code	O	ID 1/3		
			Code indicating	error found based on the syntax editing of	a tran	saction set		
			rejection. 2. Use any code code may be use 3. When the 1/2 below the transc	en a transaction set is being rejected to ide e. Codes may also be used in AK503-06 be ed more than once. AK3/040 loop is not used and syntactical e action set level, use code 5. Data Element Dictionary for acceptable co	ut no	individual occurred		
	AK503	718		t Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3		
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of a transaction set					
			Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable code values.					
	AK504	718		t Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3		
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of a transaction set					
			_	Data Element Dictionary for acceptable co				
	AK505	718		t Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3		
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of a transaction set					
				Data Element Dictionary for acceptable co				
	AK506	718		t Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3		
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of a transaction set					
			Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable code values.					
			Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable code values.					

AK9 Functional Group Response Trailer **Segment:**

Position: 070

> Loop: Level:

Usage: Mandatory

Max Use:

Purpose: To acknowledge acceptance or rejection of a functional group and report the number of

included transaction sets from the original trailer, the accepted sets, and the received sets

in this functional group

Syntax Notes:

Semantic Notes: Comments:

If AK901 is 'A' or 'E', then the transmitted functional group is accepted. If AK901 is 'R', then the transmitted group is rejected.

Notes:

- 1. Use only to indicate whether the functional group was accepted or rejected based on syntax errors in the functional group header or trailer.
- 2. If a functional group is rejected, all transaction sets within that group must be rejected using the AK9. In this case, individual AK2s for the rejected transaction sets need not be provided.
- 3. If the functional group is rejected, use to identify up to five (5) syntax errors at the functional group level.

	n.e	Doto	Data	Element Summary			
March VIce	Ref. <u>Des.</u> AK901	Data Element	Name Eventional C	Sucur A alemanulados Cado		ributes	
Must Use	AK901	715		Group Acknowledge Code ng accept or reject condition based on the oup	M he syntax ed	ID 1/1 liting of the	
			Α	Accepted			
			Е	Accepted, But Errors Were Note	ed.		
			P	Partially Accepted, At Least On Rejected	e Transactio	on Set Was	
			R	Rejected	М		
Must Use	AK902	97		Number of Transaction Sets Included		N0 1/6	
				of transaction sets included in the funct transmission) group terminated by the tr			
Must Use	AK903	123		Number of Received Transaction Sets Number of Transaction Sets received			
Must Use	AK904	2		accepted Transaction Sets cepted Transaction Sets in a Functional	Group M	N0 1/6	
	AK905	716	Functional G	Group Syntax Error Code	O	ID 1/3	
			Code indicating error found based on the syntax editing of the functional group header and/or trailer				
			1. Use only we for rejection.	vhen a functional group is being reject	ed to identij	fy the basis	
			2. Codes may also be used in AK906-09, but no individual code may be used more than once in a single iteration of this segment.				
			Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable code values.				
	AK906	716		Group Syntax Error Code	0	ID 1/3	
				ng error found based on the syntax editi	ng of the fu	nctional group	

Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable code values.

Refer to 003040 Data Element Dictionary for acceptable code values.

Segment: SE Transaction Set Trailer

Position: 080

Loop:

Level:

Usage: Mandatory

Max Use:

Purpose:

To indicate the end of the transaction set and provide the count of the transmitted

segments (including the beginning (ST) and ending (SE) segments).

Syntax Notes:

Semantic Notes:

Comments: 1 SE is the last segment of each transaction set.

			Data Element Summar y		
	Ref.	Data			
	Des.	Element	<u>Name</u>	Attı	<u>ributes</u>
Must Use	SE01	96	Number of Included Segments	M	N0 1/10
			Total number of segments included in a transaction set inclu	ıding	ST and SE
			segments		
Must Use	SE02	329	Transaction Set Control Number	M	AN 4/9
			Identifying control number that must be unique within the tr	ansac	ction set
			functional group assigned by the originator for a transaction	set	
			Use the same number cited in ST02.	**,	







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