





Supplier Quotes - Table

| Transaction ID | Supplier Name | Quoted Amount | Estimated Lead Time | Quality Rating (1-5) |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| T001 | Alpha Corp | \$10,000 | 4 weeks | 4 |
| T002 | Beta Industries | \$2,500 | 2 weeks | 5 |
| T003 | Gamma LLC | \$5,000 | 3 weeks | 3 |
| T004 | Delta Co. | \$3,000 | 1 week | 4 |

Purchase Order - Table

| Transaction ID | Supplier Name | Purchase Amount | Actual Lead Time | Quality Received (1-5) |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------|
| T001 | Alpha Corp | \$9,500 | 5 weeks | 4 |
| T002 | Beta Industries | \$2,800 | 3 weeks | 5 |
| T003 | Gamma LLC | \$5,000 | 3 weeks | 2 |
| T004 | Delta Co. | \$2,750 | 1 week | 4 |

Explanation of the Facts-

Data Validation on Quoted Amounts vs. Purchase Amounts:

Verify that the **Quoted Amount** from Table 1 matches or explains the **Purchase Amount** in Table 2 for each transaction. Discrepancies should be analyzed to determine whether they are justifiable and how they affect sourcing decisions.

Lead Time Validation:

Check if the **Estimated Lead Time** (in Table 1) is in line with the **Actual Lead Time** (in Table 2). Large deviations may indicate issues in supplier reliability or demand forecasting that can impact sourcing decisions.

Quality Ratings:

Compare the **Quality Rating** given in the supplier quotes with the **Quality Received** after the purchase. If the quality received is lower than the quoted quality rating, it may not only indicate issues with the supplier but also necessitate discussions regarding future sourcing decisions.

Benefits of Data Validation

Accuracy: Ensures that the sourcing data used is correct, which aids in effective decision-making.

Consistency: Maintains consistent categorization of attributes (like lead time and quality) across the tables, facilitating better analysis.

Improves Supplier Relationships: Consistent evaluation of supplier performance can help identify areas for improvement, leading to stronger collaborations.

Data table

| Device ID | Device Name | Supplier Name | Model Number | Serial Number | Expiration Date | Regulatory Compliance | Purchase Price | Quantity in Stock | Date of Purchase |
|-----------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1001 | Surgical Scalpel | MedSupply Co. | SSC-2023 | SS123456789 | 2025-12-31 | Approved | 150.00 | 50 | 2023-07-15 |
| 1002 | MRI Machine | Imaging Solutions | MRI-2023 | MRI987654321 | 2026-05-30 | Approved | 25000.00 | 10 | 2023-08-01 |
| 1003 | Cardiac Monitor | HealthTech Inc. | CM-2023 | CM234567890 | 2025-05-01 | Approved | 1200.00 | 30 | 2023-09-10 |
| 1004 | Blood Pressure Monitor | VitalTrack Co. | BPM-2023 | BPM1122334455 | 2024-03-15 | Approved | 75.00 | 100 | 2023-06-20 |
| 1005 | Infusion Pump | MediTech LLC | IP-2023 | IP678901234 | 2025-11-01 | Not Approved | 800.00 | 20 | 2023-07-25 |
| 1006 | X-Ray Machine | RadTech Solutions | XR-2023 | XR135792468 | 2025-12-31 | Approved | 30000.00 | 5 | 2023-08-15 |
| 1007 | Ultrasound Device | EchoHealth Corp. | ULT-2023 | ULT246813579 | 2026-01-01 | Approved | 5000.00 | 15 | 2023-08-30 |
| 1008 | Ventilator | LifeSupport Systems | VENT-2023 | VENT975310864 | 2025-10-10 | Approved | 15000.00 | 8 | 2023-09-05 |
| 1009 | Hemodialysis Machine | Dialysis Experts | HDM-2023 | HDM123321456 | 2026-03-31 | Approved | 18000.00 | 12 | 2023-09-15 |
| 1010 | Surgical Robot | Advanced Robotics | SR-2023 | SR654321987 | 2026-07-25 | Not Approved | 500000.00 | 2 | 2023-08-10 |

Data Validation -Checks

| Field Name | Data Type | Validation Criteria | Example Input | Explanation/Issue |
|-----------------------|-----------|--|------------------|-------------------|
| Device ID | Integer | Must be unique and greater than 0 | 1001 | Valid input. |
| Device Name | String | Cannot be empty; must be descriptive | Surgical Scalpel | Valid input. |
| Supplier Name | String | Cannot be empty; must exist in supplier database | MedSupply Co. | Valid input. |
| Model Number | String | Cannot be empty; must be unique | SSC-2023 | Valid input. |
| Serial Number | String | Must be unique; check for format requirements | SS123456789 | Valid input. |
| Expiration Date | Date | Must be a valid date and not in the past | 2025-12-31 | Valid input. |
| Regulatory Compliance | String | Must be one of predefined values (e.g., Approved/Not Approved) | Approved | Valid input. |
| Purchase Price | Decimal | Must be a positive number | 150.00 | Valid input. |
| Quantity in Stock | Integer | Must be a non-negative integer | 100 | Valid input. |
| Date of Purchase | Date | Must be a valid date and not in the future | 2023-07-15 | Valid input. |

When it comes to validating data related to medical devices in the sourcing department, several types of data validation techniques can be employed to ensure the accuracy and integrity of the data. Here is a list of different data validation methods that can be applied to each field in your dataset:

1. Uniqueness Validation

- Device ID:** Check that each Device ID is unique across the dataset.
- Serial Number:** Ensure that each Serial Number is unique to prevent duplication.

2. Format Validation

- Model Number:** Validate against a specific regex to ensure it follows a designated alphanumeric format.
- Serial Number:** Verify that it meets expected character limits and format (e.g., alphanumeric, specific length).

3. Value Constraints

- Expiration Date:** Check that this date is not in the past (for newly entered records) and follows the correct date format.
- Purchase Price:** Ensure that the value is a positive decimal number (i.e., greater than 0).
- Quantity in Stock:** Validate that this is a non-negative integer (i.e., 0 or more).

4. Required Field Validation

- Ensure that mandatory fields like Device Name, Supplier Name, Model Number, and Regulatory Compliance are not empty.

5. Referential Integrity

- Supplier Name:** Verify that the supplier exists in a separate, established suppliers database to maintain consistency.

6. Enumerated Value Validation

- Regulatory Compliance:** Verify that the value is one of the predefined options, such as “Approved” or “Not Approved”.

7. Logical Consistency

- Expiration Date vs. Date of Purchase:** Ensure that the Expiration Date is later than the Date of Purchase.
- Quantity in Stock:** Ensure that stock levels do not exceed realistic values based on purchase records.

8. Range Validation

- For fields like Purchase Price, you could implement a maximum allowable value based on company policies or relevant market standards.

9. Data Type Validation

- Ensure that data entered matches the specified data type (e.g., integer for Device ID and Quantity in Stock, string for Device Name, float for Purchase Price).

10. Cross-Field Validation

- Check that combinations of fields make sense together; for example, if the Regulatory Compliance status is “Not Approved,” various downstream processes should not allow further action, such as processing orders.

11. Duplication Check

- Implement checks to prevent the re-entry of the same device with the same characteristics if it exists within the current dataset.

12. Trim and Clean Validation

- Remove leading/trailing spaces in string fields to prevent issues with comparisons.

