

# JSON Serialization for the Swaptacular Messaging Protocol

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## Overview

This document specifies how Swaptacular Messaging Protocol messages are serialized to JSON documents ("applicatoin/json").

**Note:** The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in RFC 2119.

## Required Message Fileds

For every specific type of message defined by the Swaptacular Messaging Protocol's specification, all of the defined message fields **MUST** be present in the serialized JSON document as properties. In addition, a **"type"** property **MUST** exist, specifying the type of the message.

For example, the serialization of a **AccountPurge** message would look like this:

```
{
  "type": "AccountPurge",
  "debtor_id": 1234,
  "creditor_id": 5678,
  "creation_date": "2022-08-19",
  "ts": "2022-08-20T16:59:59Z"
}
```

## Message Filed Types

The specification of the Swaptacular Messaging Protocol uses several different field types, which **MUST** be serialized to JSON values as follows:

**int32** To JSON number.

MUST be formatted as integer. MUST NOT contain a decimal point (.) or an exponent (**e** or **E**).

**int64** To JSON number.

MUST be formatted as integer. MUST NOT contain a decimal point (.) or an exponent (**e** or **E**).

**float** To JSON number.

MUST be formatted as floating point number. MUST contain a decimal point (.), or an exponent (**e** or **E**), or both.

**string** To JSON string.

Non-ASCII characters SHOULD NOT be escaped using the `\uXXXX` syntax.

**date-time** To JSON string.

The ISO 8601 timestamp format MUST be used.

**date** To JSON string.

The ISO 8601 date format MUST be used (YYYY-MM-DD).

**bytes** To JSON string.

Each byte MUST be represented by exactly two hexadecimal *uppercase* characters (Base16 encoding).

## Default Encoding

When messages are serialized in JSON format, and received as a byte-stream, without an explicitly prescribed encoding, UTF-8 encoding MUST be presumed.