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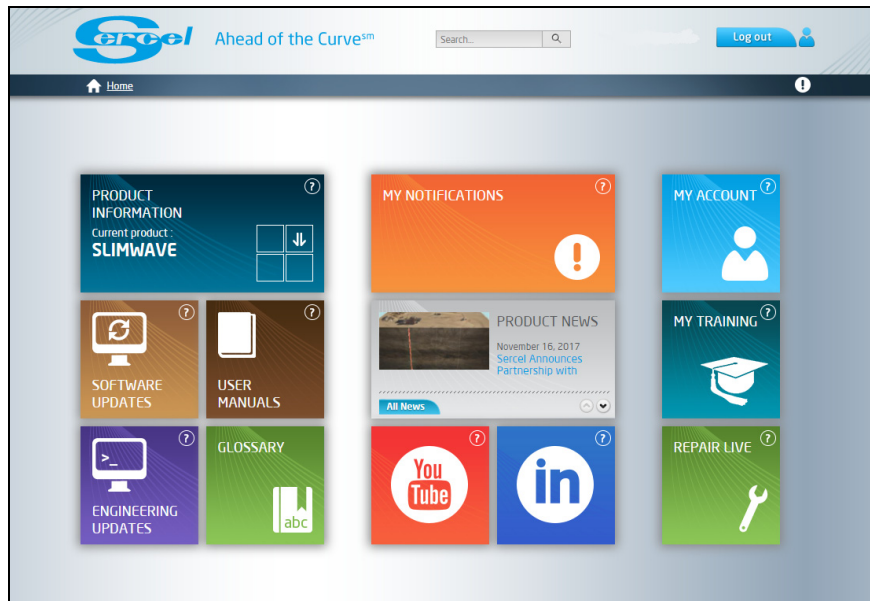


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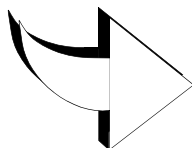
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# Chapter

# 1

## SPS Input File Format (Rev. 0)

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## 508XT System Documentation

Documentation included with the 508XT system is available on the accompanying USB key provided with your system (ref. 10040994) or on the My Sercel Extranet. If you do not have a My Sercel account please click the following link to request access.

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Documentation for the 508XT system consists of the following manuals:

- **Installation Manual:** provides an introduction to the 508XT system, installation information, a few instructions for the operator to get started, and reference information that will help you select a 508XT configuration tailored to your needs.
- **Functional Manual Volume 1:** describes the parameters displayed on the 508XT system's Graphic User Interface (GUI) and how to use each window.
- **Functional Manual Volume 2 (DCM):** describes the Data Completion Manager (DCM) application.
- **Data Format Manual:** contains information on logged data and on interfaces (description of Input/Output formats, including the SEGD format).
- **Technical Manual:** contains maintenance and repair information, including operating instructions for using the system's testers.

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## Introduction



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The purpose of the format is to establish a common standard for the transfer of positioning and geophysical support data from land 3D field crews to seismic processing centres. In principal the format can also be used for land 2D surveys.

With the growth and increased complexity of land 3D surveys there is a need to establish a robust and standard procedure for logging, during acquisition, the positioning and geophysical spread relation data in a way that reduces errors, allows the field crews to quality control the data, and hence detect and correct errors before the data is transferred to the seismic centres.

Currently the quality control is carried out as the first stage in the processing centres. Experience has shown that most errors are only detected when the geophysical and coordinate information are integrated, and that often spread relation errors cannot be corrected, leading to the deletion of otherwise good quality records.

Providing the processing centres with checked disk(s) in a standard format, containing all relevant field data will significantly reduce the time spent by the processing centres on initial quality control and increase the quality of the end product.

## Field system

The field crews must have an acquisition management system to generate the SPS format during the survey. Errors will be reduced both during recording and during the generation of the SPS format if automated procedures are introduced at survey set-up and during daily recording. [Figure 1-1](#) shows the main elements of such a system. The Field Database, Topographical computations and 3D recording management are the minimum elements required to support the generation of the SPS format.

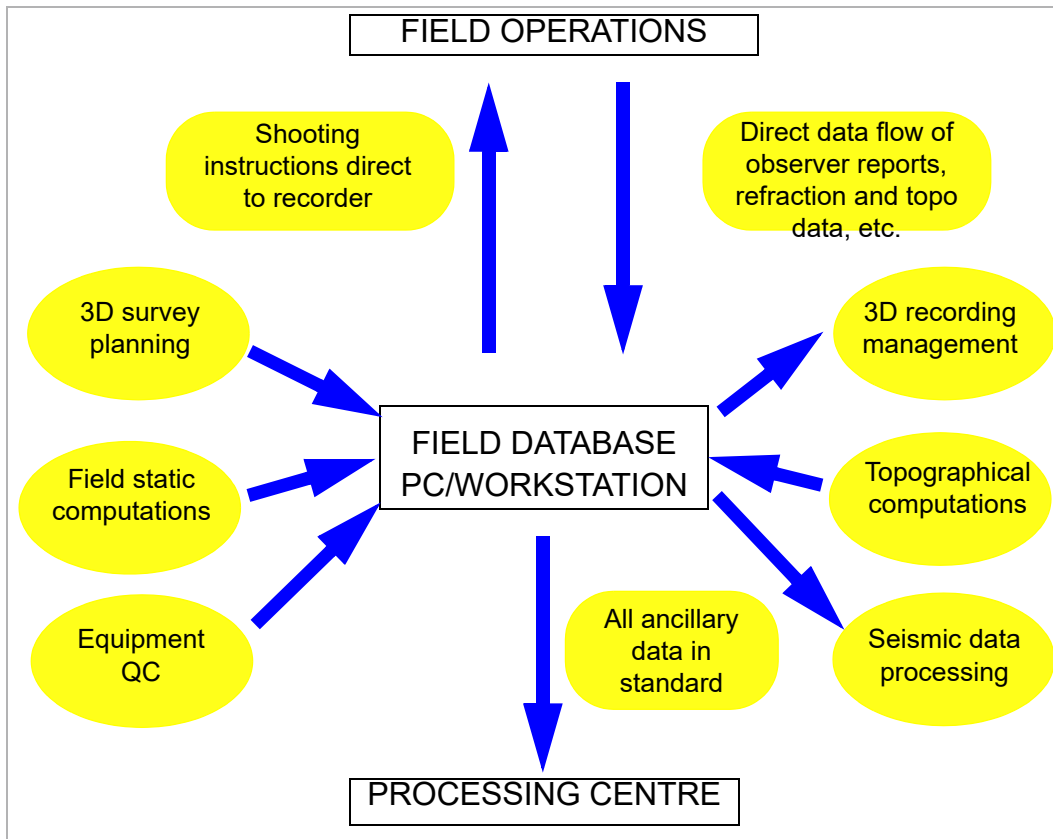


Figure 1-1 Field Acquisition Management System

A direct link to and from seismic recording instrument is strongly recommended.

Figure 1-2 shows the preferred method of data exchange between the system and the seismic recording instrument.

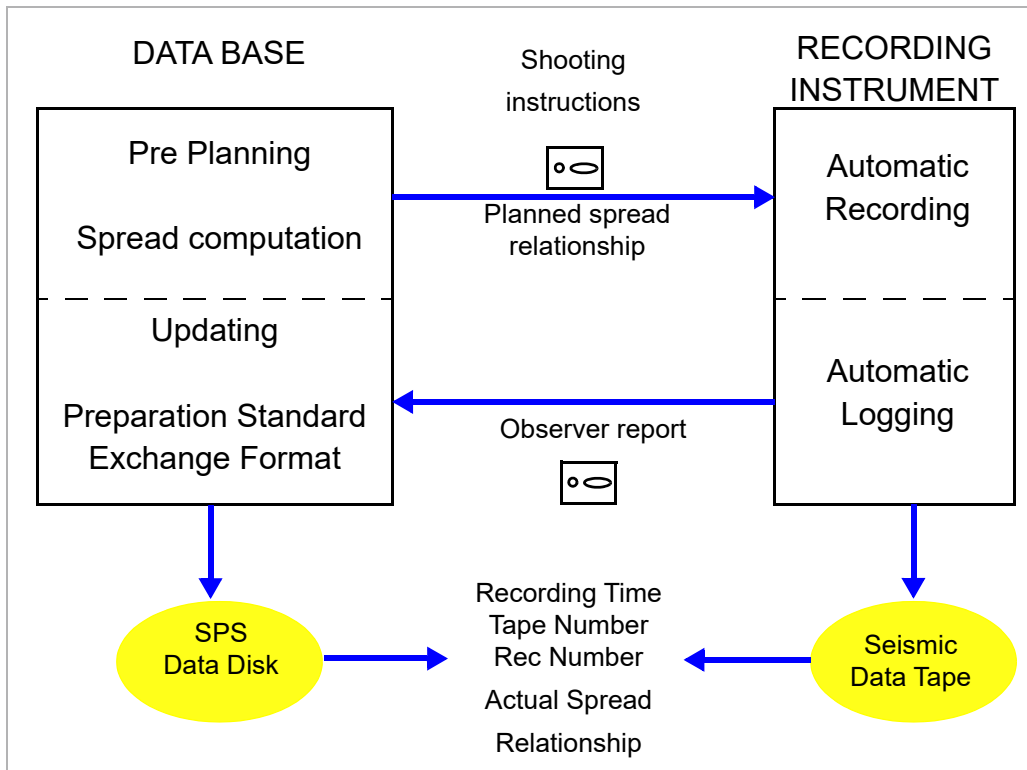


Figure 1-2 Automatic Recording

The key information required to relate the seismic records and the corresponding positioning and geophysical support data is written in the seismic headers and in SPS.

# SHELL processing support format for land 3D surveys

## General

Coordinates and elevations of geophysical lines may be determined by interpolation between observed break points in the line. The point files contain coordinates and elevations of all geophysical points (observed and interpolated) and of all permanent markers. The shotpoint and relational files are to be sorted chronologically, and the receiver file is to be sorted in ascending sequence of line, point and point index numbers.

In order to avoid ambiguities each physical position in the field (shotpoint or receiver group) must have a unique name.

## Data record specification

The data set consists of three files with a block of header records. For magnetic tapes each file is terminated by a record containing “EOF” in col. 1-3.

First file	<b>Receiver File:</b> “Point Records” with details of receiver groups or permanent markers.
Second File	<b>Source File:</b> “Point Records” with details of shotpoints (power source).
Third File	<b>Cross-Reference File:</b> “Relation Record” specifying for each shotpoint its record number and the relation between recording channel numbers and receiver groups.



## Data record sorting order

File	Records	Sort fields and sorting order
Receiver	'R'	Line name, Point number, Point index.
Source	'S'	Julian day and Time of recording shotpoint.
Cross-Reference	'X'	Sorted in the same order as the Source File.

## Format for land survey data on 9-track tape

### Tape specifications and tape layout

Half-inch magnetic tape	: IBM compatible, non-label.
Number of tracks	: 9.
Number of bytes per inch	: 6250 (1600 is a permissible alternative).
Mode	: EBCDIC coded.
Record length	: 80 bytes.
Block size	: 1600 bytes (20 logical records). Physically separated by inter-record gap.

An "EOF" statement followed by an IBM tape mark shall be written after the end of a file and a tape shall be closed by two IBM tape marks.

In general, a tape may contain one or more files depending on the type of survey. Each file shall start with a number of 'Header Records' followed by 'Data Records' and closed by an EOF statement and an IBM tape mark.

## Format for land survey data on floppy disc

### Disc specifications and layout

**Format:** MS DOS compatible ASCII files.

**Record length:** 80 bytes, followed by carriage return (col 81) and line feed (col 82).

3.5" or 5.25" formatted disc (any size: 360/720 K byte or 1.4/1.2 Mbyte). File name to relate to the project, date and sequence. To denote file type extension name must be prefixed with:

'S'	for shotpoint records	e. g.	PRJX90.S01
'R'	for receiver records	e. g.	PRJX90.R01
'X'	for relational records	e. g.	PRJX90.X01

In general, a disc may contain one or more files depending on the type of survey. Each file shall start with a number of 'Header Records' followed by 'Data Records'.

### Header record specification

Each file shall start with a number of header records which contain information about, and parameters controlling, all the data records which follow.

The general format for a header record shall be:

	Cols		Formats
a.	Record identifier "H"	1	A1
b.	Header record type	2-3	I2
c.	Header record type modifier	4	I1
d.	Parameter description	5-32	7A4
e.	Parameter data	33-80	See below

Header record type H0 to H20 are mandatory for all surveys even if a "N/A" entry is required ("N/A" is not allowed for H18). Header records of types H21 to H25 are mandatory as far as they are applicable to the projection used.

Requirements for projection definition include the following header records:

Transverse Mercator	: H220, H231, H232, H241, H242
UTM	: H19, H220.
Stereographic	: H231, H232, H241, H242.
Oblique Mercator	: H231, H232, H241, H242, H259 and H256 or H257 or H258.
Lambert Conical	: H210, H220, H231, H232, H241, H242.

Header record type H26 is a free format statement for any other relevant information.

Formats of parameter data fields for each of the header record types shall be:

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos.	Format
H00	SPS format version num.	33-80	12A4
H01	Description of survey area	33-80	12A4
H02	Date of survey	33-80	12A4
H021	Post-plot date of issue	33-80	12A4
H022	Tape/disk identifier	33-80	12A4
H03	Client	33-80	12A4
H04	Geophysical contractor	33-80	12A4
H05	Positioning contractor	33-80	12A4
H06	Pos. proc. contractor	33-80	12A4
H07	Field computer system(s)	33-80	12A4
H08	Coordinate location	33-80	12A4
H09	Offset to coord. location	33-80	12A4
H10	Clock time w.r.t. GMT	33-80	12A4
H11	Spare	33-80	12A4
H12	Geodetic datum,-spheroid	33-80	3A4, 3A4,F12.3,F12.7
H13	Spare	33-80	12A4
H14	Geodetic datum parameters	33-80	3(F8.3),4F(6.3)
H15	Spare	33-80	12A4
H16	Spare	33-80	12A4
H17	Vertical datum description	33-80	12A4
H18	Projection type	33-80	12A4
H19	Projection zone	33-80	12A4
H20	Description of grid units	33-56	6A4
H201	Factor to metre	33-46	F14.8
H210	Lat. of standard parallel(s)	33-56	2(I3,I2,F6.3, A1)

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H220	Long. of central meridian	33-44	v
H231	Grid origin	33-56	2(I3,I2,F6.3, A1)
H232	Grid coord. at origin	33-56	2(F11.2,A1)
H241	Scale factor	33-44	F12.10
H242	Lat., Long. scale factor	33-56	2(F11.2, A1)
H256	Lat. long. initial line	33-56	4(I3, I2,F6.3, A1)
H257	Circular bearing of H256	33-44	I3, I2, F7.4
H258	Quadrant bearing of H256	33-44	A1, 2I2,F6.3, A1
H259	Angle from skew	33-44	I3, I2,F7.4
H26	Any other relevant information This record can be repeated as required.	5-80	19A4
H30	Project code and description	33-78	3A2,10A4
H31	Line number format	33-80	12A4

## Instrument code (I) tables

Header Records: H400-H419: code 1,  
H420-H439: code 2...  
H560-H579: code 9

Instrument code must be entered in col 33-34, for example: '1,' '2,'... '9,'

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H400	Type, Model, Polarity	33-80	12A4
H401	Crew name, Comment	33-80	12A4
H402	Sample int. Record Len.	33-80	12A4
H403	Number of channels	33-80	12A4
H404	Tape type, format, density	33-80	12A4
H405	Filter_alias Hz, dB pnt, slope	33-80	12A4
H406	Filter_notch Hz, -3 dB points	33-80	12A4
H407	Filter_low Hz, dB pnt, slope	33-80	12A4
H408	Time delay FTB-SOD app Y/N	33-80	12A4
H409	Multi component recording	33-80	12A4
H410	Aux. channel 1 contents	33-80	12A4
H411	Aux. channel 2 contents	33-80	12A4
H412	Aux. channel 3 contents	33-80	12A4
H413	Aux. channel 4 contents	33-80	12A4
H414	Spare	33-80	12A4
...	...	...	...
H419	Spare	33-80	12A4

Receiver code (Rx) tables

Header Records: H600-H609: code 1,  
H610-H619: code 2...  
H690-H699: code 10

Receiver code must be entered in cols 33-34. Example of possible codes:

G1..to.G9 for geophones H1..to.H9 for hydrophones  
R1..to.R9 for multi comp. and other types

PM = Permanent marker KL = Kill or omit receiver station

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H600	Type, model, polarity	33-80	12A4
H601	Damp coeff, natural freq.	33-80	12A4
H602	Nunits, len(X), width(Y)	33-80	12A4
H603	Units spacing X, Y	33-80	12A4
H604	Spare	33-80	12A4
...	...	...	...
H609	Spare	33-80	12A4

For ‘PM’ and ‘KL’ use H26 records (free format description)

## Source code (Sx) tables

Header Records: H700-H719: code 1,  
H720-H739: code 2...  
H880-H899: code 10

Source code must be entered in cols 33-34. Example of possible codes:

V1..to.V9 for vibroseis

E1..to.E9 for explosive

A1..to.A9 for air gun

W1..to.W9 for water gun

S1..to.S9 for other types

KL = Kill or omit shotpoint

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H700	Type, model, polarity	33-80	12A4
H701	Size, vert. stk fold	33-80	12A4
H702	Nunits, len(X), width(Y)	33-80	12A4
H703	Units spacing X, Y	33-80	12A4

Following records are only required if **source type = Vibroseis V1..V9**

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H704	Control type	33-80	12A4
H705	Correlator, noise supp	33-80	12A4
H706	Sweep type, length	33-80	12A4
H707	Sweep freq start, end	33-80	12A4
H708	Taper, length start, end	33-80	12A4
H709	Spare	33-80	12A4
H710	Spare	33-80	12A4

Following records are only required if **source type = Explosive E1..E9**

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H711	Nom. shot depth, charge len.	33-80	12A4
H712	Nom. soil, drill method	33-80	12A4
H713	Weathering thickness	33-80	12A4
H714	Spare	33-80	12A4
H715	Spare	33-80	12A4

Following records are only required if

**source type = air gun A1..A9**

**or = water gun W1..W9**

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H716	P-P bar/m, prim/bubble	33-80	12A4
H717	Air pressure psi	33-80	12A4
H718	No. sub arrays, Nom depth	33-80	12A4
H719	Spare	33-80	12A4

## Quality Control check records

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H990	R,S,X file quality control	33-60	2A4,I4,4A4
H991	Coord. status final/prov	33-68	4A4,I4,4A4



## Point record specification

This record type contains details at the position of the shotpoint at the time of recording or at the position of a receiver at the time of first shotpoint recorded into the receiver.

Item	Definition of field	Cols	formats	Min.to Max.	Default	Units
1	Record identification	1-1	A1	"R" or "S"	None	-
2	Line name (left adj)	2-17	4A4	Free	None	-
3	Point number (right adj)	18-25	2A4	Free	None	-
4	Point index	26-26	I1	1-9	1	-
5	Point code*	27-28	A2	see below	None	-
6	Static correction	29-32	I4	-999 - 999	Blank	Msec
7	Point Depth	33-36	F4.1	0 - 99.9	None	Metre
8	Seismic datum	37-40	I4	-999 - 9999	None	Metre
9	Uphole time	41-42	I2	0 - 99	Blank	Msec
10	Water depth	43-46	F4.1 #	0 to 99.9/999	Blank	Metre
11	Map grid easting	47-55	F9.1		None	-
12	Map grid northing	56-65	F10.1		None	-
13	Surface Elevation	66-71	F6.1	-999.9 - 9999.9	None	Metre
14	Day of year	72-74	I3	1-999	None	-
15	Time hhmmss	75-80	3I2	000000-235959	None	-

# Water depth should be read in as F5.1 to allow for 4 character decimal and integer values.

\* Example Point codes:

0 to 9 - SERCEL Process Type.

"PM" - permanent marker, "KL" - kill or omit point

“G1” ..”G9” “H1” ..”H9”, “R1” ..”R9” - receiver codes  
 “V1” ..”V9” “E1” ..”E9”, “A1” ..”A9”, “W1” ..”W9”,  
 “S1” ..”S9”.- source codes

## Relation record specification

This record type is used to define the relation between the field record number and shotpoint and between recording channels and receiver groups. For each shotpoint there is at least one “Relation Record”. Each of these records specifies a section of consecutively numbered channels and receiver groups. After a numbering gap or a change in line name or repositioning for the receiver groups a new “Relation Record” has to be given. Channel numbers should be in ascending order.

**Fields 6, 7 and 8 must be identical to fields 2, 3 and 4 of the corresponding shotpoint record. While the receiver line and point numbers in fields 13, 14 and 15 must be the same as used in the receiver point records.**

Item	Definition of field	Cols	formats	Min. to Max.	Default	Units
1	<b>Record identification</b>	1-1	A1	“X”	None	-
2	Field tape number (l adj)	2-7	3A2	Free	None	-
3	Field record number	8-11	I4	0-9999	None	-
4	Field record increment	12-12	I1	1-9	1	-
5	Instrument code	13-13	A1	1-9	1	-
6	Line name (left adj)	14-29	4A4	no default	None	-
7	Point number (right adj)	30-37	2A4	no default	None	-
8	Point index	38-38	I1	1-9	1	-
9	From channel	39-42	I4	1-9999	None	-
10	To channel	43-46	I4	1-9999	None	-
11	Channel increment	47-47	I1	1-9	1	-

Item	Definition of field	Cols	formats	Min. to Max.	Default	Units
12	Line name (left adj)	48-63	4A4	no default	None	-
13	From receiver (right adj)	64-71	2A4	no default	None	-
14	To receiver (right adj)	72-79	2A4	no default	None	-
15	Receiver index	80-80	I1	1-9	1	-

**Note**

Alphanumeric (A) fields are to be left justified and Numeric (I and F) fields are to be right justified unless specified otherwise.

**Note**

See [Sercel SPS format with over 10000 traces \(page 56\)](#).

## Header record description

In **bold type** face are the parameter descriptions to be entered, left justified, into position 5-32.

In *italics* are examples of parameters to be entered, left justified, into position 33-80. Positions 33 and 34 must always contain the instrument or receiver or source code.

To enable parsing of free format (12A4) parameter fields the following rule should be used “The parameters entered into positions 33-80 must be separated by a comma and the parameter string must be terminated by a semi colon. Parameter text cannot contain commas ‘,’ or semi colons ‘;’.

**Note**

All units of distance are in metres except the grid coordinates whose units are defined by H20 and can be converted to metres using the conversion factor defined by H201.

**H00 SPS format version num:** The format version number and date of issue.  
*Example: SPS001,01.10.90;*

**H01 Description of survey area:** The name of the country, survey area, survey type (land: L2D/L3D or Transition zone; TZ2D/TZ3D) and project number.  
*Example: The Netherlands,Dordrecht,L3D,0090GA;*

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H02	<b>Date of survey:</b> The date of recording first shotpoint of survey and the last date of survey on this file. <i>Example: 21.05.1990,28.05.1990;</i>
H021	<b>Post-plot date of issue:</b> The date when this tape or disc was issued and confirmed checked. <i>Example: 30.05.90;</i>
H022	<b>Tape/disk identifier:</b> <i>Example: 0090GA0;</i>
H03	<b>Client:</b> The client's company name. <i>Example: NAM;</i>
H04	<b>Geophysical contractor:</b> The company name of the main seismic contractor, and the seismic party name. <i>Example: Prakla Seismos,SON 1;</i>
H05	<b>Positioning contractor:</b> The company name of contractor or sub-contractor responsible for the positioning survey/control in the field. <i>Example: Prakla Seismos,</i>
H06	<b>Pos. proc. contractor:</b> The company name of contractor or sub-contractor responsible for the post processing of the positioning data. <i>Example: Prakla Seismos,SON 1;</i>
H07	<b>Field computer system(s):</b> The acquisition management system name, name of seismic recording instrument, and the method of direct transfer to/from the seismic recording instrument (if no direct transfer enter " <b>manual entry</b> "). <i>Examples: CDB,SN368/FLUKE,FDOS discs; or None,SN368, manual entry;</i>
H08	<b>Coordinate location:</b> The description of what the coordinates refer to. <i>Example: centre of source pattern and centre of receiver pattern;</i>
H09	<b>Offset to coord. location:</b> The offset from a vessel or vehicle reference position to coordinate location as defined in H08, including method of angular offset used. <i>Example: 170M,180DEG from vessel gyro heading;</i>
H10	<b>Clock time w.r.t. GMT:</b> The number of hours that the local (clock) time is behind or ahead of GMT <i>Example: +2;or -6; or 0;</i>
H11	<b>Spare</b>
H12	<b>Geodetic datum,-spheroid:</b> Datum name, spheroid name, semi major axis (a), inverse flattening (1/f) as used for survey. <i>Example: RD datum Bessel 1841 6377397.155 299.15281</i>
H13	<b>Spare</b>

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**H14 Geodetic datum parameters:** Datum transformation parameters to WGS72 (dx,dy,dz,rx,ry,rz,ds) as used for survey.

*Example: 595.000 11.300 478.900 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000*

The datum transformation parameters are defined by the following model:

x		dx		1	-rz	+ry		x	
y	=	dy	+  scale  *	+rz	1	-rx	*	y	
z	(2)	dz		-ry	+rx	1		z	(1)

where: x,y,z are the geocentric cartesian coordinates in metres, dx, dy, dz are translation parameters in metres, rx, ry, rz are clockwise rotation defined in arcsecs, but converted to radians for use in the formula. Scale is  $[1+ds(10E-6)]$ , where ds is in parts per million.

For this example (1) is RD datum, (2) is WGS72 datum.

H15 Spare

H16 Spare

**H17 Vertical datum description:** Name, type (i.e. equipotential, LAT or spheroidal), origin (name or lat,long) and undulation of vertical datum with respect to WGS72.  
*Example: NAP, Equipotential, Amsterdam, 0; or MSL-Syria, Equipotential, 34 degr N, 38 degr E, 23.6 m;*

**H18 Projection type:** Type of map projection used

*Example: Transverse Mercator;*

**H19 Projection zone:** Zone and hemisphere for UTM projections.

*Example: Zone 30, North;*

**H20 Description of grid units:** Unit of coordinates.

*Example: Metres; or International Feet; or Indian Feet; or American Feet;*

**H201 Factor to metre:** The multiplication factor to convert grid units to metres. For American Feet the factor is:

*Example: 030480061*

**H210 Lat. of standard parallel(s):** Latitude and longitude of standard parallel(s) as required for projection as per H18, in dddmmss.sss N/S. For 2 standard parallels of 5 degr N and 10 degr N:

*Example: 0050000.0000100000.000N*

**H220 Long. of central meridian:** Longitude of central meridian as required for projection as per H18 above, in dddmmss.sss E/W. For 15 degr 30 minE:

*Example: 0153000.000E*

- H231 Grid origin:** Latitude and longitude of the grid origin in dddmmss.sss N/S dddmmss.sss E/W. For 5 degr N and 15 deg 10 min and 25 secE:  
*Example: 0050000.000N0151025.000E*
- H232 Grid coord. at origin:** Grid coordinates (Eastings and Northings) at the origin of the projection system. For false Easting of 500000 and false Northing of 0:  
*Example: 50000000.0E 0.00N*
- H241 Scale factor:** Scale factor for defined projection.  
*Example: 0.9996000000*
- H242 Lat.,Long. scale factor:** Latitude and longitude at which the scale factor (H241) is defined.  
*Example: 0050000.000N 151025.000E*
- H256 Lat. Long. initial line:** The two points defining the initial line of projection, as latl, longl, lat2, long2. For 5, degr N, 20 degr E, 10 degr N, 30 degr E.  
*Example: 0050000.000N0200000.000E0100000.000N0300000.000E*
- H257 Circular bearing of H256:** This is the true bearing to the east in the origin of the initial line of projection in dddmmss.ssss (max of 360 degrees).  
*Example: 1200000.0000*
- H258 Quadrant bearing of H256:** Quadrant bearing of the initial line of projection in N/S dddmmss.sss E/W.  
*Example: S300000.000E*
- H259 Angle from skew:** The angle between the skew and the rectified (North oriented) grid, in dddmmss.sss.  
*Example: 0883000.0000*
- H26 Free format in positions 5-80:** Any other information can be included using header records of this type.
- H30 Project code and description:** A six character code, the survey area name and survey type (see H01).  
*Example: 0090GA,Dordrecht,L3D;*
- H31 Line number format:** Specifies the internal format of the line number field in the data records. The specification shall be:  
NAME1(POS1:LEN1),NAME2(POS2:LEN2),NAME3(POS3:LEN3);  
Where NAME<sub>n</sub> is the name of the sub-identifier, POS<sub>n</sub> is the first character position within the line number field and LEN<sub>n</sub> is the length of the sub field.  
*Example: BLOCK(1:4),STRIP(5:4),LINE NUMBER(9:8);*  
If no sub division of the field is required then enter 'LINE NUMBER(1:16);'

## Seismic instrument header records

The user must define the set of code definitions for surveys, areas and vintages. Header record types H400-H419 are to be used to define tables for the first instrument code, and H420-H439 for the second up to H560-H579 for the ninth code. A new table must be defined, with a different code, for each instrument used or if any parameter in the table is changed.

**The instrument code must always be in cols. 33-34,** for example ‘1,’ to ‘9,’

**H400     Type,Model,Polarity:** The type and model name of seismic recording instrument, the unique model number of the instrument and the polarity defined as SEG or NON SEG. The definition of SEG is “A **compression** shall be recorded as a **negative** number on tape and displayed as a **downward** deflection on monitor records”.

*Example: 1,SN368+LXU,12345,SEG;*

**H401     Crew name,Comment:** The name of the crew and any other comments.

*Example: 1,Prakla SON 1;*

**H402     Sample int.,Record Length:** The recording sample rate and the record length on tape.

*Example: 1,2MSEC,6SEC;*

**H403     Number of channels:** The number of channels per record.

*Example: 1,480;*

**H404     Tape type, format, density:** The type of tape (9 track or cartridge), recording format of the data on tape and the recording density.

*Example: 1,9 track,SEGD,6250;*

**H405     Filter\_alias Hz,dB pnt,slope:** The anti-alias or high-cut filter setting of the recording instrument or field boxes specified in hertz, the dB level at the frequency value and the filter slope in dB per octave.

*Example: 177HZ,-6DB,72 DB/OCT;*

**H406     Filter\_notch Hz,-3db points:** The centre frequency of the filter setting of the recording instrument or field boxes specified in hertz and the frequency values at the -3dB points.

*Example: 1,NONE;or 1,50,45,55;*

**H407     Filter\_low Hz,dB pnt,slope:** The low-cut filter setting of the recording instrument or field boxes specified in hertz, the dB level at the frequency value and the filter slope in dB per octave.

*Examples: 1,NONE;or 1,8HZ,-3DB,18 DB/OCT;*

**H408     Time delay,FTB-SOD app Y/N:** The value of any time delay and if the delay between field time break and start of data has been applied to the seismic data recorded on tape.

*Example: 1,0 Msec,not applied;*

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- H409      Multi component recording:** Describes the components being recorded and their recording order on consecutive channels, allowed values are ‘X’, ‘Y’, ‘Z’.  
*Examples: 1,Z; or 1,Z,X,Y;*
- H410      Aux. channel 1 contents:** Describes the contents of an auxiliary channel.  
*Examples: 1,FTB; or 1,NONE;*
- H411      Aux. channel 2 contents**
- H412      Aux. channel 3 contents**
- H413      Aux. channel 4 contents**
- H414      Spare**
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- H419      Spare**



## Seismic receiver header records

The user must define the set of code definitions for surveys, areas and vintages. Header record types H600-H609 are to be used to define tables for the first receiver code, and H610-H619 for the second up to H690-699 for the tenth code. A new table must be defined, with a different code, for each receiver type used or if any parameter in the tables is changed.

**The receiver code must always be in cols. 33-34.** Example of possible codes:

G1..to.G9 for geophones

H1.. to.H9 for hydrophones

R1..to.R9 for multi comp. and other types

PM = Permanent marker

KL = Kill or omit receiver station

**H600    Type,model,polarity:** The type (land geophone, marsh geophone, hydrophone), model name of seismic detector and the polarity defined as SEG or NON SEG. The definition of SEG is “A **compression** shall be recorded as a **negative** number on tape and displayed as a **downward** deflection on monitor records”.  
*Example: G1,SM-4,1234,SEG;*

**H601    Damping coeff,natural freq**  
*Example: G1,0.68,10Hz;*

**H602    Nunits,len(X),width(Y):** The number of elements in the receiver group, the inline and the cross-line dimension of the receiver group pattern.  
*Example: G1,12,25M,6M;*

**H603    Units spacing X,Y:** The distance between each element of the receiver group, inline (X), and cross-line (Y).  
*Example: G1,4M,6M;*

**H604    Spare**

to

**H609    Spare**

## Seismic source header records

The user must define the set of code definitions for surveys, areas and vintages. Header record types H700-H719 are to be used to define tables for the first source code, and H720-H739 for the second up to H880-899 for the tenth code. A new table must be defined, with a different code, for each source type used if any parameter in the table is changed.

**The source code must always be in cols. 33-34.** Example of possible codes:

V1..to.V9 for vibroseis

E1.. to.E9 for explosive

A1..to.A9 for air gun

W1..to.W9 for water gun

S1..to.S9 for other types

KL = Kill or omit receiver shotpoint

**H700 Type,model,polarity:** Source type (explosive, air gun etc.), make or model and the polarity defined as SEG or NON SEG. The definition of SEG is “A **compression** shall be recorded as a **negative** number on tape and displayed as a **downward** deflection on monitor records”.

*Examples: E1,EXPLOSIVE, SEISMOGEL 125 gram,SEG; or  
V1,VIBROSEIS,MERTZ 22,SEG EQU;*

**H701 Size,vert. stk fold:** The total charge size, force or air volume of the source pattern, the vertical fold of stack or number of sweeps per VP.

*Examples: E1,1000 gram,1; or V1,93 kN,1 SWEEP/VP;*

**H702 Nunits,len(X),width(Y):** The number of elements in the source pattern, the inline and the cross-line dimension of the source pattern.

*Examples: E1,6,25M,0M; or V1,4 VIBS,25M,45M;*

**H703 Units spacing X,Y:** The distance between each element of the source pattern, inline (X), and cross-line (Y).

*Examples: E1,5M,0; or V1,8M,15M;*

Following records are only required if source **type= Vibroseis V1..V9**

**H704 Control type:** The type of control used.

*Example: V1,GND FORCE PHASE&AMPL LOCK;*

**H705 Correlator,noise supp:** The type correlator/stacker, and the type of noise suppression applied before summing.

*Example: V1,SERCELCS-2502,NO NOISE SUPP;*

**H706 Sweep type,length:** The type and length of the sweep.

*Example: V1,LINEAR,30 SECONDS;*

**H707 Sweep frequency start,end:** The start and end frequency of the sweep.

*Example: V1,5HZ,60HZ;*

**H708 Taper,length start,end:** The type of taper and the taper length (start and end).

*Example: V1,COSINE,500MSEC,500MSEC;*

**H709 Spare**

**H710 Spare**

Following records are only required if source **type= Explosive E1..E9**

**H711 Nom. shot depth,charge len.:** The nominal shot depth, and the length of the charge.

*Example: E1,15M,1M;*

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- H712 Nom.soil, drill method:** The nominal type of soil or near surface medium, and the method of drilling (flushing, hand auger, portable drill unit etc.).  
*Example: E1,CLAY,PORTABLE UNITS;*
- H713 Weathering thickness:** The nominal depth to the base of weathered layer.  
*Example: V1,8-12M;*
- H714 Spare**
- H715 Spare**
- Following records are only required if source  
**type=air gun A1..A9**  
**water gun W1..W9**
- H716 P-P bar/m,prim/bubble:** The Peak-peak output in bar metres, and the primary to bubble ratio measured through a 0-125 Hz filter at a depth of 6 metres.  
*Example: A1,50,13:1;*
- H717 Air pressure psi:** The nominal operating air pressure.  
*Example: A1,2000PSI;*
- H718 No. sub arrays,nom depth:** The number of sub arrays and the nominal towing depth.  
*Example: A1,3,5.5M;*
- H719 Spare**

## Quality Control check records

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- H990 R,S,X file quality control:** The date and time of the Q.C. check, and the name of the person who performed the quality control of the file.  
*Example: 01JUN90,0930,Mr J Smith;*
- H991 Coord. status final/prov:** The status of the coordinates contained in the R and S files (final or provisional), the date and time of the status, the name of the surveyor responsible for the coordinate integrity.  
*Example: Final01jun90,930,Mr J.Jansen;*

## Point record description

- 2     **Line name:** Identifier for the shotpoint or receiver line. It can be composed of a block or strip number and a line number. The internal format of this field must be defined in the header.  
*Example: 89NM0122001*
- 3     **Point number:** Identifier for the shotpoint or receiver group number defined as the centre of the source or receiver array as staked out in the field. The value should be read as a numeric and be right justified.
- 4     **Point index:** Identifier for the shotpoint or receiver index.  
**Shotpoint:** To be 1 for original shot within the grid cell denoted by fields 2 and 3, and be incremented by 1 for each subsequent shot within the same grid cell.  
Exceptions: shots to be vertically stacked (unsummed vibroseis).  
**Receiver:** To be 1 for the original positioning of a receiver group, and be incremented by 1 every time the receiver group is moved or repositioned, even when put back to any previous position.
- 5     **Point code:** A shotpoint or receiver code which is defined in the header by a table that describes the characteristics of the source or receiver group used at the point.
- 6     **Static correction:** The shotpoint or receiver static correction defined as a static time shift in Msec. that has been computed in the field to correct any seismic recording for the effects of elevation, weathering thickness, or weathering velocity at the point. The correction should be with reference to the seismic datum as defined by field 8 of this record. If no static was computed leave 'blank'.
- 7     **Point Depth:** The depth of the shotpoint source or receiver group. Defined in metres with respect to the surface down to the top of the charge or vertical receiver array. When the surface elevation can vary with time (e. g. a tidal water surface), then for shotpoints the value should be at the time of recording, and for receivers at the time of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver. (See figures 3 and 4).
- 8     **Seismic datum:** Defined in metres as an offset to the datum defined in header record H17. It is +ve when above datum, -ve when below datum or zero when at datum. If the seismic datum is equal to H17, enter zero. (See figures 3 and 4).
- 9     **Uphole time:** Defined for a shotpoint as the vertical travel time to surface, recorded in msec and is always positive or zero. If no uphole was recorded leave 'blank'. Not defined for receiver leave 'blank', unless a reverse uphole is taken then the shotpoint definition applies.
- 10    **Water depth:** The measured (or reliably determined) height of water surface above the sea bed or water bottom. In case the water depth varies in time by more than one metre (e. g. tidal areas) then for shotpoints the value should be at the time

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- of recording and for receivers at the time of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver. The water depth value is always positive. (See figures 3 and 4).
- 11 Map grid easting:** The easting for the point, in the coordinate system defined by header record H13.
- 12 Map grid northing:** The northing for the point, in the coordinate system defined by header record H13. To accommodate large TM northing values for surveys straddling the equator, this field format has one more digit than UKOOA P1/84.
- 13 Surface elevation:** The topographical surface with respect to the vertical datum defined by header record H17. The surface elevation is +ve when above datum, -ve when below datum or zero when at datum. When the surface elevation with respect to the datum can vary with time (e. g. a tidal water surface), then for shotpoints the value should be at the time of recording, and for receivers at the time of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver. (See [Figure 1-3](#) and [Figure 1-4](#)).
- 14 Day of year:** The julian day. For shotpoints the value should be the day of recording, and for receivers the day of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver. When the survey continues into the next year, the day should keep increasing and not be reset to zero (1st January would then be 366 or 367).
- 15 Time hhmmss:** The time taken from the clock of the master seismic recording instrument. For shotpoints the value should be the time of recording, and for receivers the time of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver.

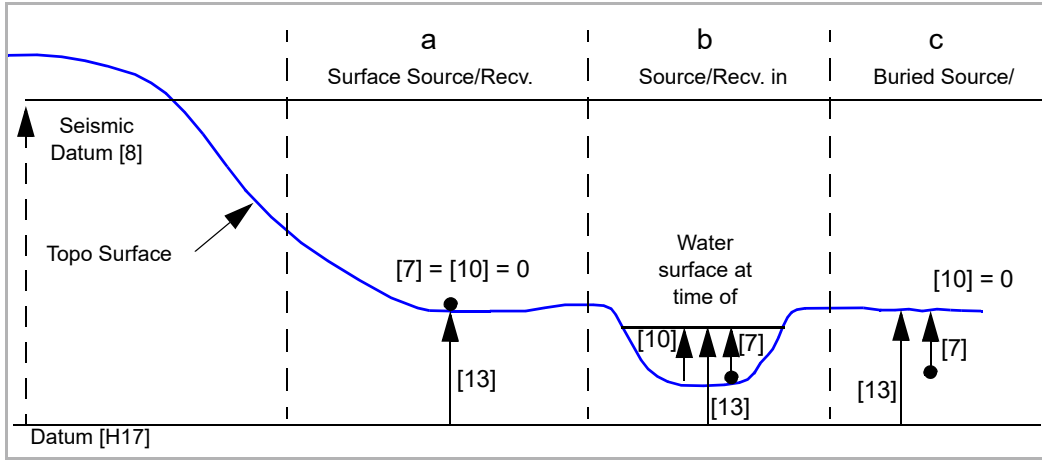


Figure 1-3 Land areas

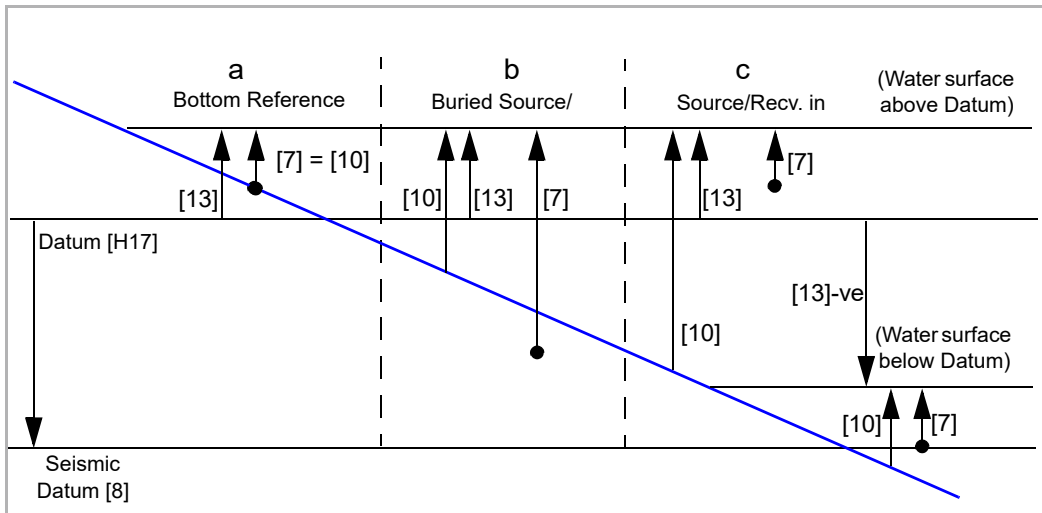


Figure 1-4 Tidal waters

- [7] = Point Depth
- [10] = Water Depth at time of recording
- [13] = Surface Elevation w.r.t. Datum [H17]
- [x] = Item number in Point Record

## Relation record description

- 2     **Field tape number:** The identifier of the data carrier (tape) on which the seismic recording of the spread defined by this record is written. To accommodate alphanumeric tape numbers this field is defined as 3A2 and is left-justified in the field.
- 3     **Field record number:** The number of the seismic recording given by the field instrument used to record the spread defined by this record.
- 4     **Field record increment:** The increment for the field record numbers, defined to allow several consecutive records which recorded the same shotpoint and spread to be defined by one 'X' record' (eg. unsummed vibroseis records).
- 5     **Instrument code:** Defined in the header by a table that describes the type, and settings of the instrument used to record the spread defined by this record. See also [Sercel SPS format with over 10000 traces \(page 56\)](#).
- 6     **Line name:** Identifier for the shotpoint line. Must be identical to field 2 of the corresponding shotpoint record.
- 7     **Point number:** Identifier for the shotpoint number. Must be identical to field 3 of the corresponding shotpoint record.
- 8     **Point index:** Identifier for the shotpoint index. Must be identical to field 4 of the corresponding shotpoint record.
- 9     **From channel:** The seismic channel number as recorded in the seismic trace header corresponding to the data from the receiver group number defined by fields 12 and 13 of this record.
- 10    **To channel:** The seismic channel number as recorded in the seismic trace header corresponding to the data from the receiver group number defined by fields 12 and 14 of this record.
- 11    **Channel increment:** This field can be used for multi-component receivers when the three components (Z, X and Y) for one receiver point are recorded on three consecutive seismic channels. Then one 'X' record can define three components using a channel increment of 3. The components and their order are defined by the instrument code.
- 12    **Line name:** Identifier for the **receiver line** for the range of receivers defined by fields 13 and 14 of this record. The identifier must be identical to field 2 of the receiver point records that correspond to the same receiver line.
- 13    **From receiver:** Identifier for the **receiver group** number that corresponds to the From channel number defined in field 9. The identifier must be identical to field 3 of the receiver point record that corresponds to the same receiver group.
- 14    **To receiver:** Identifier for the **receiver group** number that corresponds to the To channel number defined in field 10. The identifier must be identical to field 3 of the receiver point record that corresponds to the same receiver group.

- 15 Receiver index:** The receiver index value for the range of receivers defined by fields 12, 13 and 14 of this record. The combination of fields 12, 13, 15 and 12, 14, 15 must correspond to the same range of receivers as defined by records in the receiver point file.

## Examples of SPS files

### R file

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H00 SPS format version num.      SPS001,08OCT1990 (SHELL EP 90-2935);
H01 Description of survey area   AREA X, XXX;
H02 Date of survey               start : xx.xx.xx - end : xx.xx.xx;
H021Post-plot date of issue      xx/ x/xx;
H022Tape/disk identifier         AREAC.SPS;
H03 Client                      XXXXXX;
H04 Geophysical contractor       CONTRACTOR A;
H05 Positioning contractor       CONTRACTOR A;
H06 Pos. proc. contractor        CONTRACTOR A;
H07 Field computer system(s)     XXXXX, Manual entry;
H08 Coordinate location          Center of source and of receiver pattern;
H09 Offset from coord. location
H10 Clock time w.r.t GMT
H11 Spare
H12 Geodetic datum,-spheroid     Unknown          CLARKE 1880 6378249.145 293.4649960
H13 Spare
H14 Geodetic datum parameters
H15 Spare
H16 Spare
H17 Vertical datum description   MSL - mean sea level ;
H18 Projection type              UTM;
H19 Projection zone
H20 Description of grid units     METRES
H201Factor to meters              1.00000000
H210Lat. of standard parallel(s) 570000.000E
H220Long. of central meridian     0.000N 570000.000E
H231Grid origin                   500000.00E      0.00N
H232Grid coord. at origin         0.9995999932
H241Scale factor                  0.000N 570000.000E
H242Lat., long. scale factor
H256Lat., long. initial line
H257Circular bearing of H256
H258Quadrant bearing of H256
H259Angle from skew
H26                               Undefined value is replaced by --- ;
H30 Project code and description  PROJ 1,AREA X,XXX;
H31 Line number format           Line number(1:16);
H400Type,ModelPolarity           1,XXXXX, 007;
H401Crew name,Comment            1,CONA 2503205;
H402Sample int.,Record len.      1, 4.00Msec, 4.00Sec;
H403Number of channels           1, 72;
H404Tape type,format, density     1,9 Tracks,DMX SEG D,6250;
H405Filter_alias Hz,dB pnt,slope  1, 89.0Hz, 0.1Db, 70.0Db/Oct;
H406Filter_notch Hz,-3Db points   1,None;
H407Filter_low Hz,dB pnt,slope    1, 0.0Hz, 0.1Db, 0.0Db/Oct;
H408Time delay FTB-SOD app Y/N   1,0 Msec , Not applied;
H409Multi component recording     1,Z;

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H411Aux. channel 2 contents      1,None;
H412Aux. channel 3 contents      1,None;
H413Aux. channel 4 contents      1,None;
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H415Spare                        ;
H416Spare                        ;
H417Spare                        ;
H418Spare                        ;
H419Spare                        ;
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H602Nunits,len(X),width(Y)        G1, 18, 10.00M, 1.00M;
H603Unit spacing X,Y              G1, 1.00M, 1.00M;
H604Spare                        ;
H605Spare                        ;
H606Spare                        ;
H607Spare                        ;
H608Spare                        ;
H609Spare                        ;
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H611Damp coeff,natural freq.      R2, 2.00, 10.00Hz;
H612Nunits,len(X),width(Y)        R2, 9, 9.00M, 0.00M;
H613Unit spacing X,Y              R2, 1.00M, 0.00M;
H614Spare                        ;
H615Spare                        ;
H616Spare                        ;
H617Spare                        ;
H618Spare                        ;
H619Spare                        ;
H26 PM,definition of used codes
H26 PG; geodetic point SA: satellite pt. IN: inertial point NG: levelling
H26 SU: surveyed unit UH: up hole WZ: WZ base FO: old drilling
H26 NO: grid nodes PC: marked point BA: bench marks BM: permanent mark
H26 PM: permanent mark xx: others
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H700Type,model,polarity          V1,Vibroseis,M22,SEG;
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H710Spare                        ;
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R5606.146 MP 1PM 328864.7 2528784.3 109.0 48

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**S file**

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H02 Date of survey               start : xx.xx.xx - end : xx.xx.xx;
H021Post-plot date of issue      xx/ x/xx;
H022Tape/disk identifier         AREAC.SPS;
H03 Client                       XXXXXX;
H04 Geophysical contractor       CONTRACTOR A;
H05 Positioning contractor       CONTRACTOR A;
H06 Pos. proc. contractor        CONTRACTOR A;
H07 Field computer system(s)     None,XXXXX, Manual entry;
H08 Coordinate location          Center of source and of receiver pattern;
H09 Offset from coord. location
H10 Clock time w.r.t GMT
H11 Spare
H12 Geodetic datum,-spheroid     Unknown          CLARKE 1880 6378249.145 293.4649960
H13 Spare
H14 Geodetic datum parameters
H15 Spare
H16 Spare
H17 Vertical datum description   MSL - mean sea level ;
H18 Projection type              UTM;
H19 Projection zone
H20 Description of grid units     METRES
H201Factor to meters             1.000000000
H210Lat. of standard parallel(s)
H220Long. of central meridian    570000.000E
H231Grid origin                  0.000N 570000.000E
H232Grid coord. at origin        500000.00E      0.00N
H241Scale factor                 0.9995999932
H242Lat., long. scale factor      0.000N 570000.000E
H256Lat., long. initial line
H257Circular bearing of H256
H258Quadrant bearing of H256
H259Angle from skew
H26                               Undefined value is replaced by --- ;
H30 Project code and description PROJ 1,AREA X,XXX;
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H403Number of channels           1, 72;
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H406Filter_notch Hz,-3Db points   1,None;
H407Filter_low Hz,dB pnt,slope    1, 0.0Hz, 0.1Db, 0.0Db/Oct;
H408Time delay FTB-SOD app Y/N   1,0 Msec , Not applied;
H409Multi component recording     1,Z;
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H618Spare ;
H619Spare ;
H26 PM,definition of used codes
H26 PG; geodetic point SA: satellite pt. IN: inertial point NG: levelling
H26 SU: surveyed unit UH: up hole WZ: WZ base FO: old drilling
H26 NO: grid nodes PC: marked point BA: bench marks BM: permanent mark
H26 PM:permanent mark xx: others
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H705Correlator,noise supp V1,XXXXX,No noise suppressed;
H706Sweep type,length V1,Linear, 25.00Seconds;
H707Sweep freq start,end V1, 5Hz, 60Hz;
H708Taper,length start,end V1,Cosine, 250Sec, 250Sec;
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S91LW1122	2601V1	0.0	10	327663.7	2527981.0	110.7113091723
S91LW1122	2631V1	0.0	10	327785.0	2527893.0	108.5113091723
S91LW1119	2561V1	0.0	10	327460.7	2528042.0	112.8113093423
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S91LW1121	2711V1	0.0	10	328096.9	2527641.5	108.5113110001
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## X file

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H00 SPS format version num.      SPS001,08OCT1990 (SHELL EP 90-2935);
H01 Description of survey area   AREA X, XXX;
H02 Date of survey              start : xx.xx.xx - end : xx.xx.xx;
H021Post-plot date of issue     xx/ x/xx;
H022Tape/disk identifier        AREAC.SPS;
H03 Client                      XXXXX;
H04 Geophysical contractor       CONTRACTOR A;
H05 Positioning contractor      CONTRACTOR A;
H06 Pos. proc. contractor       CONTRACTOR A;
H07 Field computer system(s)    None,XXXXX, Manual entry;
H08 Coordinate location         Center of source and of receiver pattern;
H09 Offset from coord. location
H10 Clock time w.r.t GMT
H11 Spare
H12 Geodetic datum,-spheroid    Unknown          CLARKE 1880 6378249.145 293.4649960
H13 Spare
H14 Geodetic datum parameters
H15 Spare
H16 Spare
H17 Vertical datum description  MSL - mean sea level ;
H18 Projection type             UTM;
H19 Projection zone
H20 Description of grid units    METRES
H201Factor to meters            1.00000000
H210Lat. of standard parallel(s) 570000.000E
H220Long. of central meridian    0.000N 570000.000E
H231Grid origin                 500000.000E 0.00N
H232Grid coord. at origin        0.9995999932
H241Scale factor                0.000N 570000.000E
H242Lat., long. scale factor
H256Lat., long. initial line
H257Circular bearing of H256
H258Quadrant bearing of H256
H259Angle from skew
H26                              Undefined value is replaced by --- ;
H30 Project code and description PROJ 1,AREA X,XXX;
H31 Line number format          Line number(1:16);
H400Type,ModelPolarity         1,XXXXX, 007;
H401Crew name,Comment          1,CONA 2503205;
H402Sample int.,Record len.    1, 4.00Msec, 4.00Sec;
H403Number of channels         1, 72;
H404Tape type,format, density  1,9 Tracks,DMX SEG D,6250;
H405Filter_alias Hz,dB pnt,slope 1, 89.0Hz, 0.1Db, 70.0Db/Oct;
H406Filter_notch Hz,-3Db points 1,None;
H407Filter_low Hz,dB pnt,slope  1, 0.0Hz, 0.1Db, 0.0Db/Oct;
H408Time delay FTB-SOD app Y/N 1,0 Msec , Not applied;
H409Multi component recording  1,Z;
H410Aux. channel 1 contents    1,None;
H411Aux. channel 2 contents    1,None;
H412Aux. channel 3 contents    1,None;
H413Aux. channel 4 contents    1,None;
H414Spare                      ;
H415Spare                      ;
H416Spare                      ;

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H417Spare ;
H418Spare ;
H419Spare ;
H600Type,model,polarity G1,G LAND,SMU10,SEG;
H601Damp coeff,natural freq. G1, 1.00, 12.00Hz;
H602Nunits,len(X),width(Y) G1, 18, 10.00M, 1.00M;
H603Unit spacing X,Y G1, 1.00M, 1.00M;
H604Spare ;
H605Spare ;
H606Spare ;
H607Spare ;
H608Spare ;
H609Spare ;
H610Type,model,polarity R2,R,TEST,SEG;
H611Damp coeff,natural freq. R2, 2.00, 10.00Hz;
H612Nunits,len(X),width(Y) R2, 9, 9.00M, 0.00M;
H613Unit spacing X,Y R2, 1.00M, 0.00M;
H614Spare ;
H615Spare ;
H616Spare ;
H617Spare ;
H618Spare ;
H619Spare ;
H26 PM,definition of used codes
H26 PG; geodetic point SA: satellite pt. IN: inertial point NG: levelling
H26 SU: surveyed unit UH: up hole WZ: WZ base FO: old drilling
H26 NO: grid nodes PC: marked point BA: bench marks BM: permanent mark
H26 PM: permanent mark xx: others
H26
H26
H26
H26
H26
H700Type,model,polarity V1,Vibroseis,M22,SEG;
H701Size,vert. stk fold V1, 550.00kN, 0Sweep/Vp;
H702Nunits,len(X),width(Y) V1, 4Vibs, 12.50M, 0.00M;
H703Unit spacing X,Y V1, 12.50M, 0.00M;
H704Control type V1,GROUND;
H705Correlator,noise supp V1,XXXXX,No noise suppressed;
H706Sweep type,length V1,Linear, 25.00Seconds;
H707Sweep freq start,end V1, 5Hz, 60Hz;
H708Taper,length start,end V1,Cosine, 250Sec, 250Sec;
H709Spare ;
H710Spare ;
H990R,S,X file quality control 24apr91,1740, Party manager;
H991Coord. status final/prov Final ,24Apr91,1740, Party manager;
H26 567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890
H26 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
X100 11191LW1117 2251 1 37191LW1124 225 2611
X100 11191LW1117 2251 38 74191LW1132 225 2611
X100 21191LW1117 2261 1 38191LW1124 225 2621
X100 21191LW1117 2261 39 76191LW1132 225 2621
X100 31191LW1119 2271 1 39191LW1124 225 2631
X100 31191LW1119 2271 40 78191LW1132 225 2631
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X100 51191LW1123 2291 1 41191LW1124 225 2651

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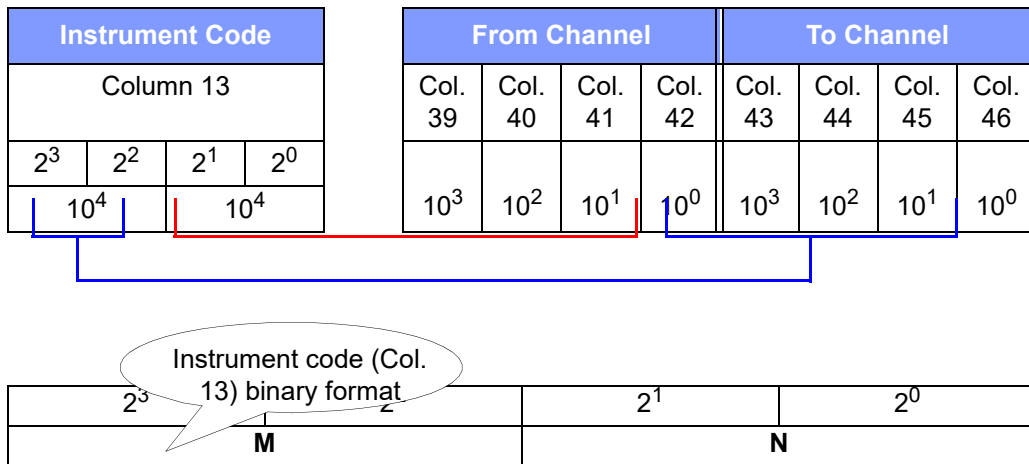
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X100	61191LW1123	2301	43	84191LW1132	225	2661
X100	71191LW1121	2311	1	43191LW1124	225	2671
X100	71191LW1121	2311	44	86191LW1132	225	2671
X100	81191LW1119	2321	1	44191LW1124	225	2681
X100	81191LW1119	2321	45	88191LW1132	225	2681
X100	91191LW1117	2331	1	45191LW1124	225	2691
X100	91191LW1117	2331	46	90191LW1132	225	2691
X100	101191LW1117	2341	1	46191LW1124	225	2701
X100	101191LW1117	2341	47	92191LW1132	225	2701
X100	111191LW1119	2351	1	47191LW1124	225	2711
X100	111191LW1119	2351	48	94191LW1132	225	2711
X100	121191LW1121	2361	1	48191LW1124	225	2721
X100	121191LW1121	2361	49	96191LW1132	225	2721
X100	131191LW1123	2371	1	49191LW1124	225	2731
X100	131191LW1123	2371	50	98191LW1132	225	2731
X100	141191LW1123	2381	1	50191LW1124	225	2741
X100	141191LW1123	2381	51	100191LW1132	225	2741
X100	151191LW1121	2391	1	51191LW1124	225	2751
X100	151191LW1121	2391	52	102191LW1132	225	2751
X100	161191LW1119	2401	1	52191LW1124	225	2761
X100	161191LW1119	2401	53	104191LW1132	225	2761
X100	171191LW1117	2411	1	53191LW1124	225	2771
X100	171191LW1117	2411	54	106191LW1132	225	2771
X100	181191LW1117	2421	1	54191LW1124	225	2781
X100	181191LW1117	2421	55	108191LW1132	225	2781
X100	191191LW1119	2431	1	55191LW1124	225	2791
X100	191191LW1119	2431	56	110191LW1132	225	2791
X100	201191LW1121	2441	1	56191LW1124	225	2801
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X100	211191LW1123	2451	1	57191LW1124	225	2811
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X100	221191LW1123	2461	1	58191LW1124	225	2821
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X100	231191LW1121	2471	60	118191LW1132	225	2831
X100	241191LW1119	2481	1	60191LW1124	225	2841
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X100	251191LW1117	2491	1	61191LW1124	225	2851
X100	251191LW1117	2491	62	122191LW1132	225	2851
X100	261191LW1117	2501	1	62191LW1124	225	2861
X100	261191LW1117	2501	63	124191LW1132	225	2861
X100	271191LW1119	2511	1	63191LW1124	225	2871
X100	271191LW1119	2511	64	126191LW1132	225	2871
X100	281191LW1121	2511	1	64191LW1124	225	2881
X100	281191LW1121	2521	65	128191LW1132	225	2881
X101	11191LW1123	2531	1	65191LW1124	225	2891
X101	11191LW1123	2531	66	130191LW1132	225	2891
X101	21191LW1123	2541	1	66191LW1124	225	2901

Sercel SPS format with over 10000 traces



Because the “**From channel**” and “**To channel**” fields in an SPS Relation file are limited to 9999, the standard SPS format does not make it possible to depict 10000 or more traces. In SPS Relation files generated by the **508XT**, the “**Instrument Code**” field is used to encode a fifth digit ( $10^4$ ) that allows you to export an SPS-R file with over 10000 active traces.

The Instrument Code hexadecimal value (0 to F) in Column No. 13 must be converted to binary format and interpreted as follows:



“From Channel” =  $(N \times 10^4) + (\text{value in columns 39 to 42})$ .

“To Channel” =  $(M \times 10^4) + (\text{value in columns 43 to 46})$ .

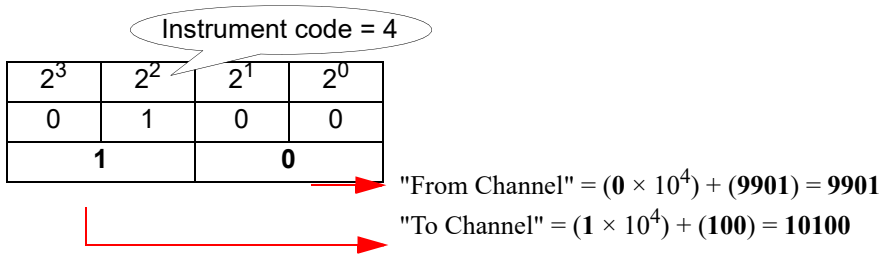
(See the examples on next page).

Instrument code = 4

From Channel = 9901

To Channel = 100

X5 56101 503145510.0 1148.019901 10011200 5411

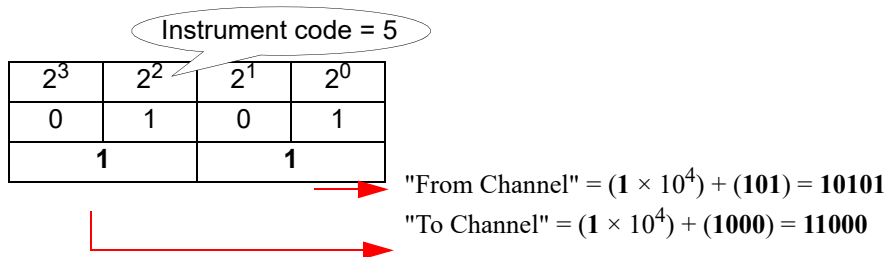


Instrument code = 5

From Channel = 101

To Channel = 1000

X5 56601 503155510.0 1148.01101100031201 5361



# Chapter

# 2

## SPS Input File Format (Rev. 2.1)

*The Processing Support format contained in this chapter is reproduced by courtesy of Shell Internationale Petroleum Maatschappij B. V., the initiator of this format. The revisions to this document allow this format to conform to the new SEG-D Rev 2.1 SEG Field Tape Standards as revised Jan, 2006. This chapter includes the following sections:*

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## Introduction



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The purpose of the format is to establish a common standard for the transfer of positioning and geophysical support data from 3D field crews to seismic processing centers. The format can also be used for other types of seismic surveys.

With the growth and increased complexity of land 3D surveys there was a need to establish a robust and standard procedure for logging, during acquisition, the positioning and geophysical spread relation data in a way that reduces errors, allows the field crews to quality control the data, and hence detect and correct errors before the data was transferred to the seismic processing centers.

Quality control was carried out as the first stage in the processing centers. Experience has shown that most errors are only detected when the geophysical and coordinate information are integrated, and that often spread relation errors could not be corrected, leading to the deletion of otherwise good quality records.

Providing the processing centers with checked data in a standard format, containing all relevant field data significantly reduced the time spent by the processing centers on initial quality control and increased the quality of the end products.

## Comments on Revision 2.1

Recently, advances in acquisition technology and improvements in cost efficiencies have greatly increased the volume of data, in terms of channel counts, source/receiver densities, and surface area. This increase in the sheer number of elements to account for has led to a situation where both the SEG-D and the SPS formats can no longer adequately reflect the positioning and geophysical spread relation data. This was partially addressed in Revision 2.0 of the SEG-D format, but was not reflected in an update to the SPS. To this end, this revision (2.1) to the SPS format has been undertaken in conjunction with Revision 2.1 of the SEG-D format and has been named accordingly (in the absence of a revision 2.0 of the SPS).

It is the intent of this revision to act as a stop gap measure to meet the immediate needs of the community. To that end, the original text and formats have been left unchanged unless a clear need has been seen to make changes. Modifications to the format itself have been limited to address the pressing needs of current acquisition, and to encompass the likewise limited changes made to the SEG-D format in Revisions 2.0 and 2.1. Although it was agreed

by the SEG Technical Standards Committee that future SEG standards would use and revisions where possible would be compatible with the EPSG Geodetic Database (now part of OGP) this minor revision will not include this standard. Adoption of the EPSG Geodetic Database compatibility has been left for the next major SEG/SPS Rev 3 document release.

## Summary of Changes to the SPS Format for Rev. 2.1

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The following list discusses some of the specific changes of Revision 2.1.

1. Addition of a line sequence number which will allow more than one production line per tape to be recorded as long as a unique combination of field file number and line sequence number are used per storage unit. See [page 67](#) & [page 76](#).
2. Point Record Specification table values and descriptions were modified to accommodate updated formats, defaults, justification and min/max units in keeping with SEG/SPS Revision 2.1. Some header records will be rendered redundant or obsolete with new format, ie; H31 Line number format. See [page 67](#).
3. Relation Record Specification table value and descriptions were modified to accommodate larger field record numbers, value changes on from and to channel items and updating formats, default values, justification and columnar entries in keeping with SEG/SPS Revision 2.1. See [page 74](#).
4. Geodetic datum updated to reflect WGS84 vs WGS72. See [page 77](#).
5. Reference to UKOOA P1/84 updated to UKOOA P1/90. See [page 87](#).
6. Example of SPS Format, R, S, and X files updated to reflect changes to new Revision 2.1 format. See [page 90](#).

## Controlling Organization

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The SPS rev 2.1 is administered by the SEG Technical Standards Committee. Any questions, corrections or problems encountered in the format should be addressed to:

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## Field system

The field crews must have an acquisition management system to generate the SPS format during the survey. Errors will be reduced both during recording and during the generation of the SPS format if automated procedures are introduced at survey set-up and during daily recording. [Figure 2-1](#) shows the main elements of such a system. The Field Database, Topographical computations and 3D recording management are the minimum elements required to support the generation of the SPS format.

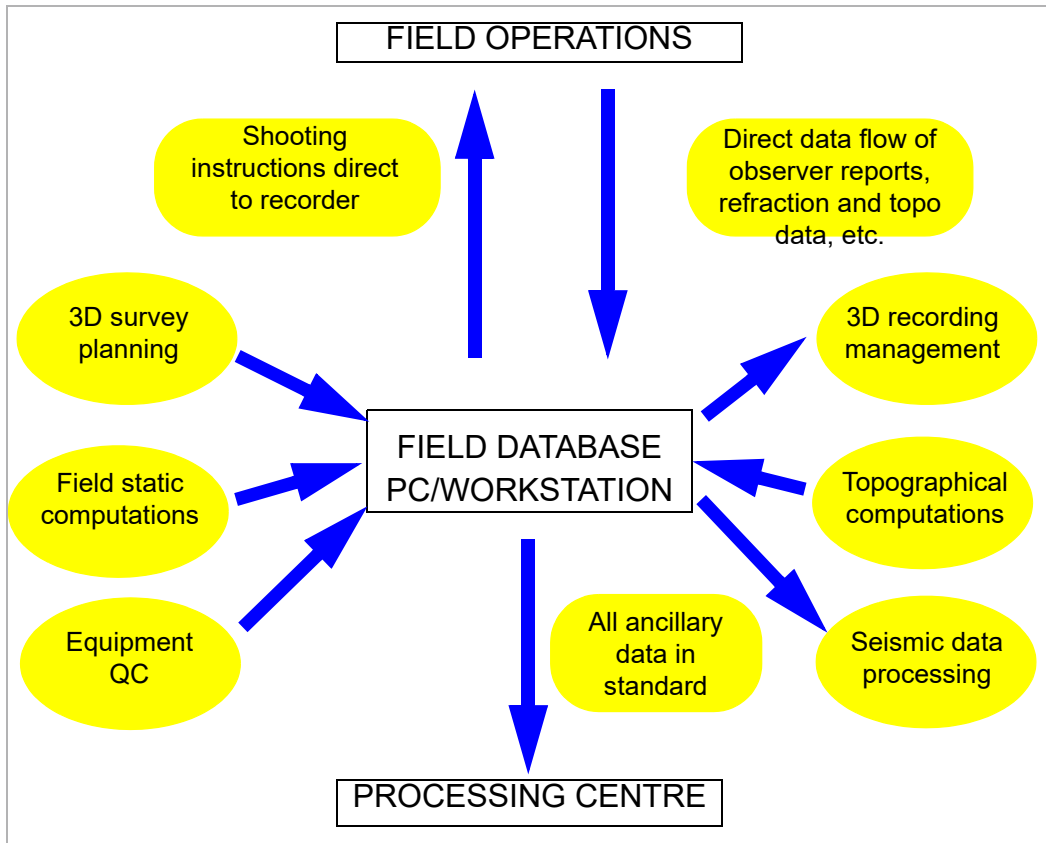


Figure 2-1 Field Acquisition Management System

A direct link to and from seismic recording instrument is strongly recommended. The 508XT has this capability.

[Figure 2-2](#) shows the preferred method of data exchange between the system and the seismic recording instrument.

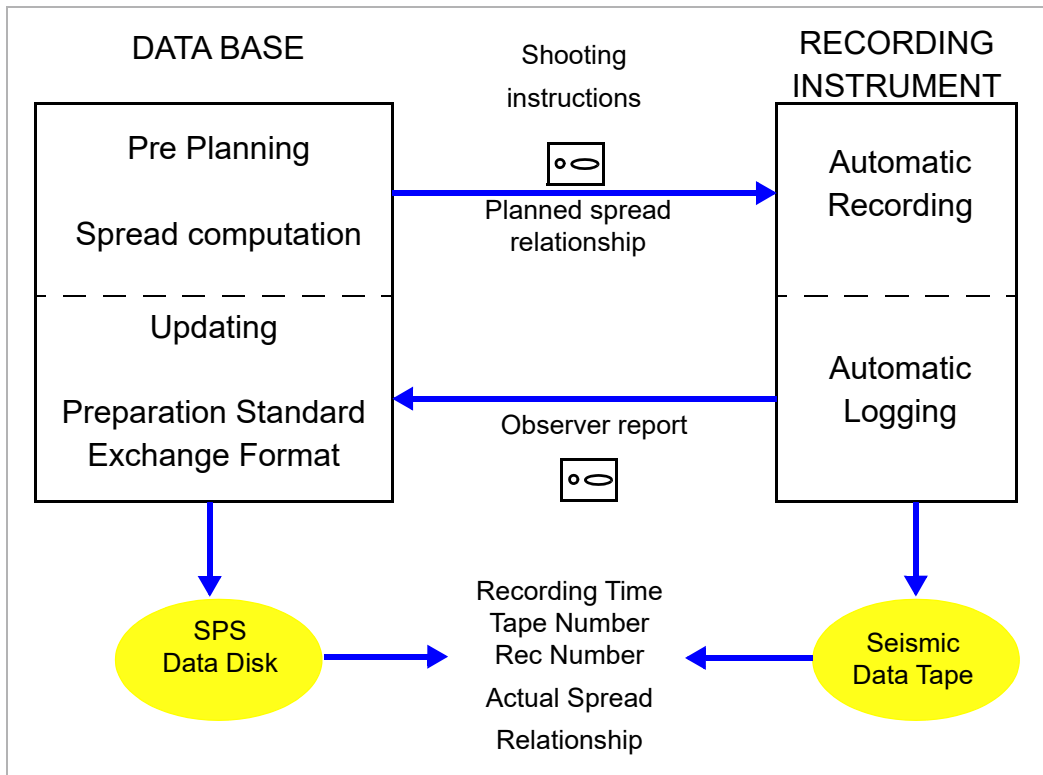


Figure 2-2 Automatic Recording

The key information required to relate the seismic records and the corresponding positioning and geophysical support data is written in the seismic headers and in SPS.

# SHELL processing support format for land 3D surveys

## General

Coordinates and elevations of geophysical lines may be determined by interpolation between observed break points in the line. The point files contains coordinates and elevations of all geophysical points (observed and interpolated) and of all permanent markers. The shotpoint and relational files are to be sorted chronologically, and the receiver file is to be sorted in ascending sequence of line, point and point index numbers.

In order to avoid ambiguities each physical position in the field (shotpoint or receiver group) must have a unique name.

## Data record specification

The data set consists of three files with a block of header records. For magnetic tapes each file is terminated by a record containing “EOF” in col. 1-3.

First file	<b>Receiver File:</b> “Point Records” with details of receiver groups or permanent markers.
Second File	<b>Source File:</b> “Point Records” with details of shotpoints (power source).
Third File	<b>Cross-Reference File:</b> “Relation Record” specifying for each shotpoint its record number and the relation between recording channel numbers and receiver groups.

## Data record sorting order

File	Records	Sort fields and sorting order
Receiver	‘R’	Line name, Point number, Point index.
Source	‘S’	Julian day and Time of recording shotpoint.
Cross-Reference	‘X’	Sorted in the same order as the Source File.



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## Legacy Format for land survey data on 9-track tape

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### Tape specifications and tape layout

Half-inch magnetic tape	: IBM compatible, non-label.
Number of tracks	: 9.
Number of bytes per inch	: 6250 (1600 is a permissible alternative).
Mode	: EBCDIC coded.
Record length	: 80 bytes.
Block size	: 1600 bytes (20 logical records). Physically separated by inter-record gap.

An “EOF” statement followed by an IBM tape mark shall be written after the end of a file and a tape shall be closed by two IBM tape marks.

In general, a tape may contain one or more files depending on the type of survey. Each file shall start with a number of ‘Header Records’ followed by ‘Data Records’ and closed by an EOF statement and an IBM tape mark.

## Legacy Format for land survey data on floppy disc

### Disc specifications and layout

**Format:** MS DOS compatible ASCII files.

**Record length:** 80 bytes, followed by carriage return (col 81) and line feed (col 82).

3.5" or 5.25" formatted disc (any size: 360/720 Kbyte or 1.4/1.2 Mbyte). File name to relate to the project, date and sequence. To denote file type extension name must be prefixed with:

'S'	for shotpoint records	e. g.	PRJX90.S01
'R'	for receiver records	e. g.	PRJX90.R01
'X'	for relational records	e. g.	PRJX90.X01

In general, a disc may contain one or more files depending on the type of survey. Each file shall start with a number of 'Header Records' followed by 'Data Records'.

### Header record specification

Each file shall start with a number of header records which contain information about, and parameters controlling, all the data records which follow.

The general format for a header record shall be:

	Cols		Formats
a.	Record identifier "H"	1	A1
b.	Header record type	2-3	I2
c.	Header record type modifier	4	I1
d.	Parameter description	5-32	7A4
e.	Parameter data	33-80	See below

Header record type H0 to H20 are mandatory for all surveys even if a "N/A" entry is required ("N/A" is not allowed for H18). Header records of types H21 to H25 are mandatory as far as they are applicable to the projection used.

Requirements for projection definition include the following header records:

Transverse Mercator	: H220, H231, H232, H241, H242
UTM	: H19, H220.
Stereographic	: H231, H232, H241, H242.
Oblique Mercator	: H231, H232, H241, H242, H259 and H256 or H257 or H258.
Lambert Conical	: H210, H220, H231, H232, H241, H242.

Header record type H26 is a free format statement for any other relevant information.

Formats of parameter data fields for each of the header record types shall be:

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H00	SPS format version num.	33-80	12A4
H01	Description of survey area	33-80	12A4
H02	Date of survey	33-80	12A4
H021	Post-plot date of issue	33-80	12A4
H022	Tape/disk identifier	33-80	12A4
H023	Line sequence number	33-80	I5
H03	Client	33-80	12A4
H04	Geophysical contractor	33-80	12A4
H05	Positioning contractor	33-80	12A4
H06	Pos. proc. contractor	33-80	12A4
H07	Field computer system(s)	33-80	12A4
H08	Coordinate location	33-80	12A4
H09	Offset to coord. location	33-80	12A4
H10	Clock time w.r.t. GMT	33-80	12A4
H11	Spare	33-80	12A4
H12	Geodetic datum,-spheroid	33-80	3A4, 3A4,F12.3,F12.7
H13	Spare	33-80	12A4
H14	Geodetic datum parameters	33-80	3(F8.3),4F(6.3)
H15	Spare	33-80	12A4
H16	Spare	33-80	12A4
H17	Vertical datum description	33-80	12A4
H18	Projection type	33-80	12A4
H19	Projection zone	33-80	12A4
H20	Description of grid units	33-56	6A4
H201	Factor to meter	33-46	F14.8
H210	Lat. of standard parallel(s)	33-56	2(I3,I2,F6.3, A1)

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H220	Long. of central meridian	33-44	v
H231	00 origin	33-56	2(I3,I2,F6.3, A1)
H232	Grid coord. at origin	33-56	2(F11.2,A1)
H241	Scale factor	33-44	F12.10
H242	Lat., Long. scale factor	33-56	2(F11.2, A1)
H256	Lat. long. initial line	33-56	4(I3, I2,F6.3, A1)
H257	Circular bearing of H256	33-44	I3, I2, F7.4
H258	Quadrant bearing of H256	33-44	A1, 2I2,F6.3, A1
H259	Angle from skew	33-44	I3, I2,F7.4
H26	Any other relevant information This record can be repeated as required.	5-80	19A4
H30	Project code and description	33-78	3A2,10A4
H31	Line number format (Obsolete)	33-80	12A4

## Instrument code (I) tables

Header Records: H400-H419: code 1,  
H420-H439: code 2...  
H560-H579: code 9

Instrument code must be entered in col 33-34, for example: '1,' '2,'... '9,'

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H400	Type, Model, Polarity	33-80	12A4
H401	Crew name, Comment	33-80	12A4
H402	Sample int. Record Len.	33-80	12A4
H403	Number of channels	33-80	12A4
H404	Tape type, format, density	33-80	12A4
H405	Filter_alias Hz, dB pnt, slope	33-80	12A4
H406	Filter_notch Hz, -3 dB points	33-80	12A4
H407	Filter_low Hz, dB pnt, slope	33-80	12A4
H408	Time delay FTB-SOD app Y/N	33-80	12A4
H409	Multi component recording	33-80	12A4
H410	Aux. channel 1 contents	33-80	12A4
H411	Aux. channel 2 contents	33-80	12A4
H412	Aux. channel 3 contents	33-80	12A4
H413	Aux. channel 4 contents	33-80	12A4
H414	Spare	33-80	12A4
...	...	...	...
H419	Spare	33-80	12A4

Receiver code (Rx) tables

Header Records: H600-H609: code 1,  
H610-H619: code 2...  
H690-H699: code 10

Receiver code must be entered in cols 33-34. Example of possible codes:

G1..to.G9 for geophones H1..to.H9 for hydrophones

R1..to.R9 for multi comp. and other types

PM = Permanent marker KL = Kill or omit receiver station

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H600	Type, model, polarity	33-80	12A4
H601	Damp coeff, natural freq.	33-80	12A4
H602	Nunits, len(X), width(Y)	33-80	12A4
H603	Units spacing X, Y	33-80	12A4
H604	Spare	33-80	12A4
...	...	...	...
H609	Spare	33-80	12A4

For ‘PM’ and ‘KL’ use H26 records (free format description)

## Source code (Sx) tables

Header Records: H700-H719: code 1,  
H720-H739: code 2...  
H880-H899: code 10

Source code must be entered in cols 33-34. Example of possible codes:

V1..to.V9 for vibroseis

E1..to.E9 for explosive

A1..to.A9 for air gun

W1..to.W9 for water gun

S1..to.S9 for other types

KL = Kill or omit shotpoint

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H700	Type, model, polarity	33-80	12A4
H701	Size, vert. stk fold	33-80	12A4
H702	Nunits, len(X), width(Y)	33-80	12A4
H703	Units spacing X, Y	33-80	12A4

Following records are only required if **source type = Vibroseis V1..V9**

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H704	Control type	33-80	12A4
H705	Correlator, noise supp	33-80	12A4
H706	Sweep type, length	33-80	12A4
H707	Sweep freq start, end	33-80	12A4
H708	Taper, length start, end	33-80	12A4
H709	Spare	33-80	12A4
H710	Spare	33-80	12A4

Following records are only required if **source type = Explosive E1..E9**

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H711	Nom. shot depth, charge len.	33-80	12A4
H712	Nom. soil, drill method	33-80	12A4
H713	Weathering thickness	33-80	12A4
H714	Spare	33-80	12A4
H715	Spare	33-80	12A4

Following records are only required if

**source type = air gun A1..A9**

**or = water gun W1..W9**

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H716	P-P bar/m, prim/bubble	33-80	12A4
H717	Air pressure psi	33-80	12A4
H718	No. sub arrays, Nom depth	33-80	12A4
H719	Spare	33-80	12A4

## Quality Control check records

Type	Parameter description Pos: 5-32	Parameter	
		Pos	Format
H990	R,S,X file quality control	33-60	2A4,I4,4A4
H991	Coord. status final/prov	33-68	4A4,I4,4A4



## Point record specification

This record type contains details at the position of the shotpoint at the time of recording or at the position of a receiver at the time of first shotpoint recorded into the receiver.

Item	Definition of field	Cols	formats	Min.to Max.	Default	Just.	Units
1	Record identification	1-1	A1	"S" or "R"	None	N/A	-
2	Line name (left adj)	2-11	F10.2	-999999.99 to 9999999.99	None	Right	-
3	Point number (right adj)	12-21	F10.2	-999999.99 to 9999999.99	None	Right	-
+		22-23			Blank		Blank
4	Point index	24-24	I1	1 to 9	1	Right	-
*5	Point code*	25-26	A2	A#	None	Left	-
6	Static correction	27-30	I4	-999 to 999	Blank	Right	ms
7	Point Depth	31-34	F4.1	0 to 99.9	0	Right	header defined
8	Seismic datum	35-38	I4	-999 to 9999	0	Right	header defined
9	Uphole time	39-40	I2	0 to 99	Blank	Right	ms
10	Water depth	41-46	F6.1	0 to 9999.9	Blank	Right	header defined
11	Map grid easting	47-55	F9.1	None	None	Right	-
12	Map grid northing	56-65	F10.1	None	None	Right	-
13	Surface Elevation	66-71	F6.1	-999.9 to 9999.9	None	Right	Metre
14	Day of year	72-74	I3	1 to 999	None	Right	-
15	Time hhmmss	75-80	3I2	000000 to 235959	None	N/A	-

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Example Point codes:

0 to 9 - SERCEL Process Type.

"PM" - permanent marker, "KL" - kill or omit point

"G1" .."G9" "H1" .."H9", "R1",,.. "R9" - receiver codes

“V1”..”V9” “E1”..”E9”, “A1”..”A9”, “W1”..”W9”,  
“S1”..”S9”.- source codes

+ For compatibility reasons cols 22-23 are left blank.



### Note

- Alphanumeric (A) fields are to be left justified and
- Numeric (I and F) fields are to be right justified unless specified otherwise.

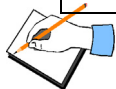
## Relation record specification

This record type is used to define the relation between the field record number and shotpoint and between recording channels and receiver groups. For each shotpoint there is at least one “Relation Record”. Each of these records specifies a section of consecutively numbered channels and receiver groups. After a numbering gap or a change in line name or repositioning for the receiver groups a new “Relation Record” has to be given. Channel numbers should be in ascending order.

**Fields 6, 7 and 8 must be identical to fields 2, 3 and 4 of the corresponding shotpoint record. While the receiver line and point numbers in fields 13, 14 and 15 must be the same as used in the receiver point records.**

Item	Definition of field	Cols	formats	Min. to Max.	Default	Just.
1	<b>Record identification</b>	1-1	A1	“X”	None	N/A
2	Field tape number (l adj)	2-7	3A2	Free	None	Right
3	Field record number	8-15	I8	0 to 16777216	None	Right
4	Field record increment	16-16	I1	1 to 9	1	Right
5	Instrument code	17-17	A1	1 to 9	1	Right
6	Line name	18-27	F10.2	-999999.99 to 999999.99	None	Right
7	Point number	28-37	F10.2	-999999.99 to 999999.99	None	Right
8	Point index	38-38	I1	1 to 9	1	Right

Item	Definition of field	Cols	formats	Min. to Max.	Default	Just.
9	From channel	39-43	I5	1 to 99999	None	Right
10	To channel	44-48	I5	1 to 99999	None	Right
11	Channel increment	49-49	I1	1 to 9	1	Right
12	Line name	50-59	F10.2	-999999.99 to 999999.99	None	Right
13	From receiver	60-69	F10.2	-999999.99 to 999999.99	None	Right
14	To receiver	70-79	F10.2	-999999.99 to 999999.99	None	Right
15	Receiver index	80-80	I1	1 to 9	1	Right



**Note** Alphanumeric (A) fields are to be left justified and Numeric (I and F) fields are to be right justified unless specified otherwise.

## Comment record specification (optional)

This record type is used for comments, for example to flag bad/noisy traces per record, test file details and another supplementary information normally given in the observers report.

Item	Definition of field	Cols	formats	Min. to Max.	Default	Units
1	Record identification	1-1	A1	"C"	None	-
2	Comment	2-80	79A1	Free	Blank	-

## Header record description

The text in bold type face are the parameter descriptions to be entered, left justified, into positions 5-32. The text in italics are examples of parameters to be entered, left justified, into positions 33-80. Positions 33 and 34 must always contain the instrument or receiver or source code. To enable parsing of free format (12A4) parameter fields the following rule should be used “The parameters entered into positions 33-80 must be separated by a comma and the parameter string must be terminated by a semi colon. Parameter text cannot contain commas ',' or semi colons'; ‘.”



### Note

All units of distance are in metres except the grid coordinates whose units are defined by H20 and can be converted to metres using the conversion factor defined by H201.

**H00 SPS format version num:** The format version number should be in this format.  
*Example: SPS 2.1;*

**H01 Description of survey area:** The name of the country, survey area, survey type (land: L2D/L3D or Transition zone; TZ2D/TZ3D) and project number.  
*Example: The Netherlands,Dordrecht,L3D,0090GA;*

**H02 Date of survey:** The date of recording first shotpoint of survey and the last date of survey on this file.  
*Example: 21.05.1990,28.05.1990;*

**H021 Post-plot date of issue:** The date when this tape or disc was issued and confirmed checked.  
*Example: 30.05.90;*

**H022 Tape/disk identifier:**  
*Example: 0090GA0;*

**H023 Line sequence number:** The line sequence number allows more than one production line per tape as long as a unique combination of field file number and line sequence number are used per storage unit.  
*Example:5;*

**H03 Client:** The client's company name.  
*Example: NAM;*

**H04 Geophysical contractor:** The company name of the main seismic contractor, and the seismic party name.  
*Example: Prakla Seismos,SON I;*

**H05 Positioning contractor:** The company name of contractor or sub-contractor responsible for the positioning survey/control in the field.  
*Example: Prakla Seismos,*

- H06 Pos. proc. contractor:** The company name of contractor or sub-contractor responsible for the post processing of the positioning data.  
*Example: Prakla Seismos,SON I;*
- H07 Field computer system(s):** The acquisition management system name, name of seismic recording instrument, and the method of direct transfer to/from the seismic recording instrument (if no direct transfer enter “**manual entry**”).  
*Examples: CDB,SN368/FLUKE,FDOS discs; or None,SN368, manual entry;*
- H08 Coordinate location:** The description of what the coordinates refer to.  
*Example: centre of source pattern and centre of receiver pattern;*
- H09 Offset to coord. location:** The offset from a vessel or vehicle reference position to coordinate location as defined in H08, including method of angular offset used.  
*Example: 170M,180DEG from vessel gyro heading;*
- H10 Clock time w.r.t. GMT:** The number of hours that the local (clock) time is behind or ahead of GMT  
*Example: +2;or -6; or 0;*
- H11 Spare**
- H12 Geodetic datum,-spheroid:** Datum name, spheroid name, semi major axis (a), inverse flattening (1/f) as used for survey.  
*Example: RD datum Bessel 1841 6377397.155 299.15281*
- H13 Spare**
- H14 Geodetic datum parameters:** Datum transformation parameters to WGS72 (dx,dy,dz,rx,ry,rz,ds) as used for survey.  
*Example: 595.000 11.300 478.900 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000*

The datum transformation parameters are defined by the following model:

x		dx		1	-rz	+ry		x	
y	=	dy	+  scale  *	+rz	1	-rx	*	y	
z	(2)	dz		-ry	+rx	1		z	(1)

where: x,y,z are the geocentric cartesian coordinates in metres, dx, dy, dz are translation parameters in metres, rx, ry, rz are clockwise rotation defined in arcsecs, but converted to radians for use in the formula. Scale is  $[1+ds(10E-6)]$ , where ds is in parts per million.

For this example (1) is RD datum, (2) is WGS84 datum.

**H15 Spare**

**H16 Spare**

- H17 Vertical datum description:** Name, type (i.e. equipotential, LAT or spheroidal), origin (name or lat,long) and undulation of vertical datum with respect to WGS84.  
*Example: NAP, Equipotential, Amsterdam, 0; or MSL-Syria, Equipotential, 34 degr N, 38 degr E, 23.6 m;*
- H18 Projection type:** Type of map projection used  
*Example: Transverse Mercator;*
- H19 Projection zone:** Zone and hemisphere for UTM projections.  
*Example: Zone 30, North;*
- H20 Description of grid units:** Unit of coordinates.  
*Example: Metres; or International Feet; or Indian Feet; or American Feet;*
- H201 Factor to metre:** The multiplication factor to convert grid units to metres. For American Feet the factor is:  
*Example: 030480061*
- H210 Lat. of standard parallel(s):** Latitude and longitude of standard parallel(s) as required for projection as per H18, in dddmmss.sss N/S. For 2 standard parallels of 5 degr N and 10 degr N:  
*Example: 0050000.0000100000.000N*
- H220 Long. of central meridian:** Longitude of central meridian as required for projection as per H18 above, in dddmmss.sss E/W. For 15 degr 30 minE:  
*Example: 0153000.000E*
- H231 Grid origin:** Latitude and longitude of the grid origin in dddmmss.sss N/S dddmmss.sss E/W. For 5 degr N and 15 deg 10 min and 25 secE:  
*Example: 0050000.000N0151025.000E*
- H232 Grid coord. at origin:** Grid coordinates (Eastings and Northings) at the origin of the projection system. For false Easting of 500000 and false Northing of 0:  
*Example: 50000000.0E 0.00N*
- H241 Scale factor:** Scale factor for defined projection.  
*Example: 0.9996000000*
- H242 Lat.,Long. scale factor:** Latitude and longitude at which the scale factor (H241) is defined.  
*Example: 0050000.000N 151025.000E*
- H256 Lat. Long. initial line:** The two points defining the initial line of projection, as lat1, long1, lat2, long2. For 5, degr N, 20 degr E, 10 degr N, 30 degr E.  
*Example: 0050000.000N0200000.000E0100000.000N0300000.000E*
- H257 Circular bearing of H256:** This is the true bearing to the east in the origin of the initial line of projection in dddmmss.ssss (max of 360 degrees).  
*Example: 1200000.0000*

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- H258      Quadrant bearing of H256:** Quadrant bearing of the initial line of projection in N/S ddmms.sss E/W.  
*Example: S300000.000E*
- H259      Angle from skew:** The angle between the skew and the rectified (North oriented) grid, in dddmmss.sss.  
*Example: 0883000.0000*
- H26        Free format in positions 5-80:** Any other information can be included using header records of this type.
- H30        Project code and description:** A six character code, the survey area name and survey type (see H01).  
*Example: 0090GA,Dordrecht,L3D;*
- H31        Line number format (Obsolete):** Specifies the internal format of the line number field in the data records. The specification shall be:  
NAME1(POS1:LEN1),NAME2(POS2:LEN2),NAME3(POS3:LEN3);  
Where NAME<sub>n</sub> is the name of the sub-identifier, POS<sub>n</sub> is the first character position within the line number field and LEN<sub>n</sub> is the length of the sub field.  
*Example: BLOCK(1:4),STRIP(5:4),LINE NUMBER(9:8);*  
If no sub division of the field is required then enter 'LINE NUMBER(1:16);'

## Seismic instrument header records

The user must define the set of code definitions for surveys, areas and vintages. Header record types H400-H419 are to be used to define tables for the first instrument code, and H420-H439 for the second up to H560-H579 for the ninth code. A new table must be defined, with a different code, for each instrument used or if any parameter in the table is changed.

**The instrument code must always be in cols. 33-34, for example '1,' to '9,'**

**H400     Type,Model,Polarity:** The type and model name of seismic recording instrument, the unique model number of the instrument and the polarity defined as SEG or NON SEG. The definition of SEG is “A **compression** shall be recorded as a **negative** number on tape and displayed as a **downward** deflection on monitor records”.

*Example: 1,SN368+LXU,12345,SEG;*

**H401     Crew name,Comment:** The name of the crew and any other comments.

*Example: 1,Prakla SON 1;*

**H402     Sample int.,Record Length:** The recording sample rate and the record length on tape.

*Example: 1,2MSEC,6SEC;*

**H403     Number of channels:** The number of channels per record.

*Example: 1,480;*

**H404     Tape type, format, density:** The type of tape (9 track or cartridge), recording format of the data on tape and the recording density.

*Example: 1,9 track,SEGD,6250;*

**H405     Filter\_alias Hz,dB pnt,slope:** The anti-alias or high-cut filter setting of the recording instrument or field boxes specified in hertz, the dB level at the frequency value and the filter slope in dB per octave.

*Example: 177HZ,-6DB,72 DB/OCT;*

**H406     Filter\_notch Hz,-3db points:** The centre frequency of the filter setting of the recording instrument or field boxes specified in hertz and the frequency values at the -3dB points.

*Example: 1,NONE;or 1,50,45,55;*

**H407     Filter\_low Hz,dB pnt,slope:** The low-cut filter setting of the recording instrument or field boxes specified in hertz, the dB level at the frequency value and the filter slope in dB per octave.

*Examples: 1,NONE;or 1,8HZ,-3DB,18 DB/OCT;*

**H408     Time delay,FTB-SOD app Y/N:** The value of any time delay and if the delay between field time break and start of data has been applied to the seismic data recorded on tape.

*Example: 1,0 Msec,not applied;*



**H409      Multi component recording:** Describes the components being recorded and their recording order on consecutive channels, allowed values are 'X','Y','Z'.  
*Examples: 1,Z; or 1,Z,X,Y;*

**H410      Aux. channel 1 contents:** Describes the contents of an auxiliary channel.  
*Examples: 1,FTB; or 1,NONE;*

**H411      Aux. channel 2 contents**

**H412      Aux. channel 3 contents**

**H413      Aux. channel 4 contents**

**H414      Spare**

to

**H419      Spare**

## Seismic receiver header records

The user must define the set of code definitions for surveys, areas and vintages. Header record types H600-H609 are to be used to define tables for the first receiver code, and H610-H619 for the second up to H690-699 for the tenth code. A new table must be defined, with a different code, for each receiver type used or if any parameter in the tables is changed.

**The receiver code must always be in cols. 33-34.** Example of possible codes:

G1..to.G9 for geophones

H1.. to.H9 for hydrophones

R1..to.R9 for multi comp. and other types

PM = Permanent marker

KL = Kill or omit receiver station

**H600      Type,model,polarity:** The type (land geophone, marsh geophone, hydrophone), model name of seismic detector and the polarity defined as SEG or NON SEG. The definition of SEG is “A **compression** shall be recorded as a **negative** number on tape and displayed as a **downward** deflection on monitor records”.  
*Example: G1,SM-4,1234,SEG;*

**H601      Damping coeff,natural freq**  
*Example: G1,0.68,10Hz;*

**H602      Nunits,len(X),width(Y):** The number of elements in the receiver group, the inline and the cross-line dimension of the receiver group pattern.  
*Example: G1,12,25M,6M;*

**H603      Units spacing X,Y:** The distance between each element of the receiver group, inline (X), and cross-line (Y).  
*Example: G1,4M,6M;*

**H604      Spare**  
to

**H609      Spare**

## Seismic source header records

The user must define the set of code definitions for surveys, areas and vintages. Header record types H700-H719 are to be used to define tables for the first source code, and H720-H739 for the second up to H880-899 for the tenth code. A new table must be defined, with a different code, for each source type used if any parameter in the table is changed.

**The source code must always be in cols. 33-34.** Example of possible codes:

V1..to.V9 for vibroseis

E1.. to.E9 for explosive

A1..to.A9 for air gun

W1..to.W9 for water gun

S1..to.S9 for other types

KL = Kill or omit receiver shotpoint

**H700 Type,model,polarity:** Source type (explosive, air gun etc.), make or model and the polarity defined as SEG or NON SEG. The definition of SEG is “A **compression** shall be recorded as a **negative** number on tape and displayed as a **downward** deflection on monitor records”.

*Examples: E1,EXPLOSIVE, SEISMOGEL 125 gram,SEG; or V1,VIBROSEIS,MERTZ 22,SEG EQU;*

**H701 Size,vert. stk fold:** The total charge size, force or air volume of the source pattern, the vertical fold of stack or number of sweeps per VP.

*Examples: E1,1000 gram,1; or V1,93 kN,1 SWEEP/VP;*

**H702 Nunits,len(X),width(Y):** The number of elements in the source pattern, the inline and the cross-line dimension of the source pattern.

*Examples: E1,6,25M,0M; or V1,4 VIBS,25M,45M;*

**H703 Units spacing X,Y:** The distance between each element of the source pattern, inline (X), and cross-line (Y).

*Examples: E1,5M,0; or V1,8M,15M;*

Following records are only required if source **type= Vibroseis V1..V9**

**H704 Control type:** The type of control used.

*Example: V1,GND FORCE PHASE&AMPL LOCK;*

**H705 Correlator,noise supp:** The type correlator/stacker, and the type of noise suppression applied before summing.

*Example: V1,SERCELCS-2502,NO NOISE SUPP;*

**H706 Sweep type,length:** The type and length of the sweep.

*Example: V1,LINEAR,30 SECONDS;*

**H707 Sweep frequency start,end:** The start and end frequency of the sweep.

*Example: V1,5HZ,60HZ;*

**H708 Taper,length start,end:** The type of taper and the taper length (start and end).

*Example: V1,COSINE,500MSEC,500MSEC;*

**H709 Spare**

**H710 Spare**

Following records are only required if source **type= Explosive E1..E9**

**H711 Nom. shot depth,charge len.:** The nominal shot depth, and the length of the charge.

*Example: E1,15M,1M;*

**H712 Nom.soil, drill method:** The nominal type of soil or near surface medium, and the method of drilling (flushing, hand auger, portable drill unit etc.).

*Example: E1,CLAY,PORTABLE UNITS;*

**H713 Weathering thickness:** The nominal depth to the base of weathered layer.

*Example: V1,8-12M;*

**H714 Spare**

**H715 Spare**

Following records are only required if source

**type=air gun A1..A9**

**water gun W1..W9**

**H716 P-P bar/m,prim/bubble:** The Peak-peak output in bar metres, and the primary to bubble ratio measured through a 0-125 Hz filter at a depth of 6 metres.

*Example: A1,50,13:1;*

**H717 Air pressure psi:** The nominal operating air pressure.

*Example: A1,2000PSI;*

**H718 No. sub arrays,nom depth:** The number of sub arrays and the nominal towing depth.

*Example: A1,3,5.5M;*

**H719 Spare**

## Quality Control check records

**H990 R,S,X file quality control:** The date and time of the Q.C. check, and the name of the person who performed the quality control of the file.

*Example: 01JUN90,0930,Mr J Smith;*

**H991 Coord. status final/prov:** The status of the coordinates contained in the R and S files (final or provisional), the date and time of the status, the name of the surveyor responsible for the coordinate integrity.

*Example: Final01jun90,930,Mr J.Jansen;*

## Point record description

- 2      **Line name:** Identifier for the shotpoint or receiver line. It is a numeric number with the format of F10.2. If no decimal point is provided it should be taken as implied. It can be composed of a block or strip number and a line number. The internal format of this field must be defined in the header.
- 3      **Point number:** Identifier for the shotpoint or receiver group number defined as the centre of the source or receiver array as staked out in the field. The value should be read as a numeric F10.2 and be right justified.
- 4      **Point index:** Identifier for the shotpoint or receiver index.  
  
**Shotpoint:** To be 1 for original shot within the grid cell denoted by fields 2 and 3, and be incremented by 1 for each subsequent shot within the same grid cell. Exceptions: shots to be vertically stacked (unsummed vibroseis).  
  
**Receiver:** To be 1 for the original positioning of a receiver group, and be incremented by 1 every time the receiver group is moved or repositioned, even when put back to any previous position.
- 5      **Point code:** A shotpoint or receiver code which is defined in the header by a table that describes the characteristics of the source or receiver group used at the point.
- 6      **Static correction:** The shotpoint or receiver static correction defined as a static time shift in Msec. that has been computed in the field to correct any seismic recording for the effects of elevation, weathering thickness, or weathering velocity at the point. The correction should be with reference to the seismic datum as defined by field 8 of this record. If no static was computed leave 'blank'.
- 7      **Point Depth:** The depth of the shotpoint source or receiver group. Header defined units with respect to the surface down to the top of the charge or vertical receiver array. When the surface elevation can vary with time (e. g. a tidal water surface), then for shotpoints the value should be at the time of recording, and for receivers at the time of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver. (See figures 3 and 4).
- 8      **Seismic datum:** Header defined units as an offset to the datum defined in header record H17. It is +ve when above datum, -ve when below datum or zero when at datum. If the seismic datum is equal to H17, enter zero. (See figures 3 and 4).
- 9      **Uphole time:** Defined for a shotpoint as the vertical travel time to surface, recorded in msec and is always positive or zero. If no uphole was recorded leave 'blank'. Not defined for receiver leave 'blank', unless a reverse uphole is taken then the shotpoint definition applies.
- 10     **Water depth:** Header defined units of the measured (or reliably determined) height of water surface above the sea bed or water bottom. In case the water depth varies in time by more than one metre (e. g. tidal areas) then for shotpoints the

- value should be at the time of recording and for receivers at the time of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver. The water depth value is always positive. (See figures 3 and 4).
- 11 **Map grid easting:** The easting for the point, in the coordinate system defined by header record H13.
  - 12 **Map grid northing:** The northing for the point, in the coordinate system defined by header record H13. To accommodate large TM northing values for surveys straddling the equator, this field format has one more digit than UKOOA P1/90.
  - 13 **Surface elevation:** The topographical surface with respect to the vertical datum defined by header record H17. The surface elevation is +ve when above datum, -ve when below datum or zero when at datum. When the surface elevation with respect to the datum can vary with time (e. g. a tidal water surface), then for shotpoints the value should be at the time of recording, and for receivers at the time of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver. (See [Figure 2-3](#) and [Figure 2-4](#)).
  - 14 **Day of year:** The julian day. For shotpoints the value should be the day of recording, and for receivers the day of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver. When the survey continues into the next year, the day should keep increasing and not be reset to zero (1st January would then be 366 or 367).
  - 15 **Time hhmmss:** The time taken from the clock of the master seismic recording instrument. For shotpoints the value should be the time of recording, and for receivers the time of recording of the first shotpoint into that receiver.

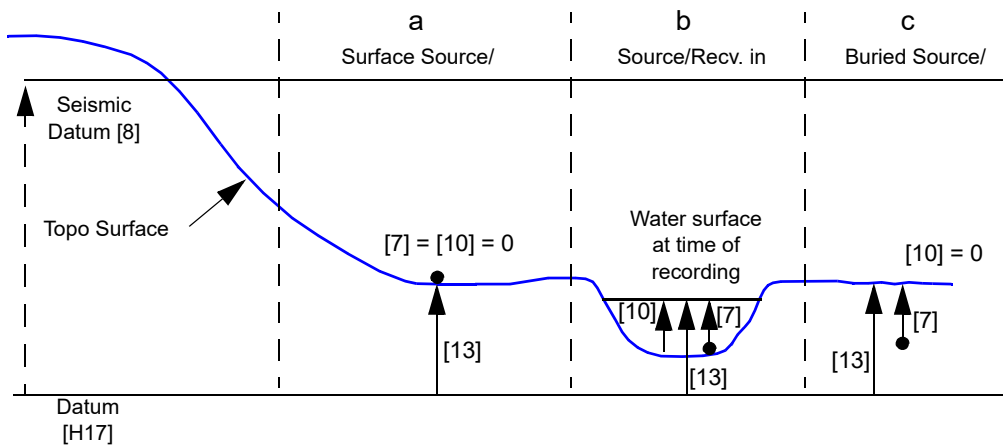


Figure 2-3 Land elevations

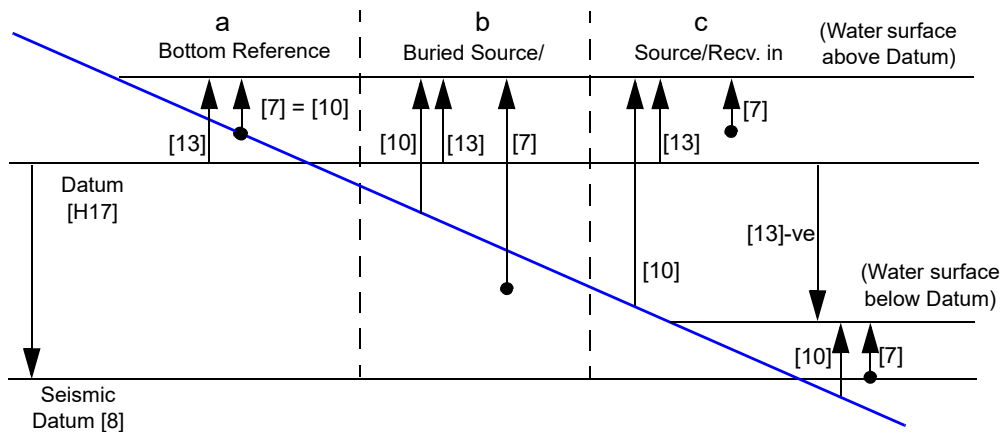


Figure 2-4 Tidal elevations

- [7] = Point Depth
- [10] = Water Depth at time of recording
- [13] = Surface Elevation w.r.t. Datum [H17]
- [x] = Item number in Point Record

## Relation record description

- 2      **Field tape number:** The identifier of the data carrier (tape) on which the seismic recording of the spread defined by this record is written. To accommodate alphanumeric tape numbers this field is defined as 3A2 and is left-justified in the field.
- 3      **Field record number:** The number of the seismic recording given by the field instrument used to record the spread defined by this record.
- 4      **Field record increment:** The increment for the field record numbers, defined to allow several consecutive records which recorded the same shotpoint and spread to be defined by one 'X' record' (eg. unsummed vibroseis records).
- 5      **Instrument code:** Defined in the header by a table that describes the type, and settings of the instrument used to record the spread defined by this record.
- 6      **Line name:** Identifier for the shotpoint line. Must be identical to field 2 of the corresponding shotpoint record.
- 7      **Point number:** Identifier for the shotpoint number. Must be identical to field 3 of the corresponding shotpoint record.
- 8      **Point index:** Identifier for the shotpoint index. Must be identical to field 4 of the corresponding shotpoint record.
- 9      **From channel:** The seismic channel number as recorded in the seismic trace header corresponding to the data from the receiver group number defined by fields 12 and 13 of this record.
- 10     **To channel:** The seismic channel number as recorded in the seismic trace header corresponding to the data from the receiver group number defined by fields 12 and 14 of this record.
- 11     **Channel increment:** This field can be used for multi-component receivers when the three components (Z, X and Y) for one receiver point are recorded on three consecutive seismic channels. Then one 'X' record can define three components using a channel increment of 3. The components and their order are defined by the instrument code.
- 12     **Line name:** Identifier for the **receiver line** for the range of receivers defined by fields 13 and 14 of this record. The identifier must be identical to field 2 of the receiver point records that correspond to the same receiver line.
- 13     **From receiver:** Identifier for the **receiver group** number that corresponds to the From channel number defined in field 9. The identifier must be identical to field 3 of the receiver point record that corresponds to the same receiver group.



- 14 To receiver:** Identifier for the **receiver group** number that corresponds to the To channel number defined in field 10. The identifier must be identical to field 3 of the receiver point record that corresponds to the same receiver group.
- 15 Receiver index:** The receiver index value for the range of receivers defined by fields 12, 13 and 14 of this record. The combination of fields 12, 13, 15 and 12, 14, 15 must correspond to the same range of receivers as defined by records in the receiver point file.

## Navigation message structure for 508TZ Operation

This record type is used as the accepted input format for external navigation software (e.g. Gator).

Item	Definition of field	Cols	Formats	Min. to Max.	Default	Units
0	Header	1-5	A5	"\$SPS_"	None	-
1	Record Identification	6-6	A1	"S"	None	-
2	Line name (left adj)	7-16	F10.2	-999999.99 to 9999999.99	None	
3	Point Number (right adj)	17-26	F10.2	-999999.99 to 9999999.99	None	
+		27-28			Blank	
4	Point Index	29-29	I1	1 to 9	1	
5	Point Code	30-31	A2		Blank	
6	Static Correction	32-35	I4	-999 to 999	Blank	ms
7	Point depth	36-39	F4.1	0 to 99.9	0	m
8	Seismic datum	40-43	I4	-999 to 9999	0	m
9	Uphole time	44-45	I2	0 to 99	Blank	ms
10	Water depth	46-51	F6.1	0 to 9999.9	Blank	m
11	Map grid easting	52-60	F9.1		None	
12	Map grid northing	61-70	F10.1		None	

Item	Definition of field	Cols	Formats	Min. to Max.	Default	Units
13	Surface elevation	71-76	F6.1	-999.9 to 9999.9	None	m
14	Day of year	77-79	I3	1 to 999	None	
15	Time hhmmss <sup>a</sup>	80-85	3I2	000000 to 235959	None	
15.1	Decimal Point	86-86	A1	"."	None	
15.2	Shot time in microseconds	87-92	I6	0-999999	None	μs
16.1	Separator (optional)	93-93	A1	"#"	None	
16.2	User Header (optional)	94-593	A500		None	

a. "Time" field must be provided in "UTC+0" format.

Where:

Ix = integer with x digits

Ax= string with x characters

yIx y integer with x digits

Fx.y = floating number with x integer digits and decimal digits

## Examples of SPS files

### R file

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H00 SPS format version number    SPS 2.1;
H01 Description of survey area    Area A, Sparse 3-D, EXPLORATION;
H02 Date of survey                11.01.2006,21.01.2006;
H021Post/plot date of issue       22.01.2006;
H022Tape/disk identifier          B79437-B79503;
H03 Client                       SEG;
H04 Geophysical contractor        Contractor A;

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H05 Positioning contractor	Contractor A;
H06 Pos. proc. contractor	Contractor A;
H07 Field computer system(s)	Sercel SN 408CMXL;
H08 Coordinate location	CENTRE OF SOURCE AND RECEIVER PATTERNS;
H09 Offset from coord. location	000M,000DEG;
H10 Clock time w.r.t. GMT	+3;
H11 Spare	;
H12 Geodetic datum,-spheroid	INTERNATIONAL 6378388.000 297.0000000
H13 Spare	;
H14 Geodetic datum parameters	-179.466-207.757 -54.446-2.598 0.287 0.843-1.000
H26 H14 are datum transformation parameters to WGS84	
H15 Spare	;
H16 Spare	;
H17 Vertical datum description	MSL - mean sea level;
H18 Projection type	UTM;
H19 Projection zone	Zone 39, N;
H20 Description of grid units	METERS;
H201Factor to meter	1.00000000
H220Long. of central meridian	0510000.000E;
H231Grid origin	0000000.000N0510000.000E;
H232Grid coord. at origin	00500000.00E00000000.00N;
H241Scale factor	0.9996000000;
H242Lat., long. scale factor	0000000.000N0510000.000E;

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H30 Project code and descriptionArea A, Sparse 3-D,3D;
H400Type,Model,Polarity          1, Sercel,SN 408CMXL,SEG;
H401Crew name,Comment            1, S-51, Chief Ob. xxxxxx;
H402Sample int.,Record Len.      1, 2msec, 6000msec;
H403Number of channels           1, 1920;
H404Tape type,format, density    1, cartridge 3590, Code 8058, 38000
bpi;
H405Filter_alias Hz,dB pnt,slope1, 200Hz,-3dB, 370.00;
H406Filter_notch Hz,-3dB points 1, NONE;
H407Filter_low Hz,dB pnt,slope  1, NONE;
H408Time delay FTB-SOD app Y/N  1, 0 MSEC, not applied;
H409Multi component recording    1, Z;
H410Aux. channel 1 contents      1, autocorrelation of true reference
delayed 1s;
H411Aux. channel 2 contents      1, autocorrelation of true reference
delayed 1s;
H412Aux. channel 3 contents      1, true reference;
H413Aux. channel 4 contents      1, return reference;
H414Spare                        ;
H415SPare                        ;
H416Spare                        ;
H417Spare                        ;
H26 SPS SEISMIC RECEIVER HEADER  RECORDS;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G1 (NORMAL GEOPHONE);
H26                              ;

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H600Type,model,polarity      G1, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H601Damp coeff,natural freq.  G1, 0.685, 10Hz;
H602Nunits,len(X),width(Y)    G1, 36, 25.00m, 55.00m;
H603Unit spacing X,Y          G1, 5m, 5m;
H604Spare                     ;
H605Spare                     ;
H606Spare                     ;
H607Spare                     ;
H26 Description G1             G1, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, NORMAL PATTERN;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G2 (COMPRESSED GEOPHONE);
H610Type,model,polarity      G2, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H611Damp coeff,natural freq.  G2, 0.685, 10Hz;
H612Nunits,len(X),width(Y)    G2, 36, 20.00m, 55.00m;
H613Unit spacing X,Y          G2, 5m, 5m;
H614Description G2            G2, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, COMPRESSED
PATTERN;
H615Spare                     ;
H616Spare                     ;
H617Spare                     ;
H618Spare                     ;
H619Spare                     ;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G3 (BUNCHED GEOPHONE);
H620Type,model,polarity      G3, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H621Damp coeff,natural freq.  G3, 0.685, 10Hz;

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H622Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	G3, 36, 0.00m, 25.00m;
H623Unit spacing X,Y	G3, 0m, 0m;
H624Description G3 PATTERN;	G3, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, BUNCHED
H625Spare	;
H626Spare	;
H627Spare	;
H628Spare	;
H629Spare	;
H26 SPS SEISMIC SOURCE HEADER RECORDS;	
H26 DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE CODE	V6 (VIBROSEIS),PARALLELOGRAM PATTERN;
H26 GRAVEL PLAIN:	;
H800Type,model,polarity	V6, VIBROSEIS,VE432,SEG;
H801Size,vert. stk fold VIBRATOR/VP;	V6, 70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /
H802Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	V6, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;
H803Unit spacing X,Y	V6, 12M, 0M;
H804Control type	V6, GNDFORCE;
H805Correlator,noise supp	V6, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;
H806Sweep type,length	V6, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;
H807Sweep freq start,end	V6, 4HZ, 84HZ;
H808Taper,length start,end	V6, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;
H809Spare line;	V6, All points on high side of median
H810Spare	;

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H820Type,model,polarity	V7, VIBROSEIS,VE432,SEG;
H821Size,vert. stk fold VIBRATOR/VP;	V7, 70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /
H822Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	V7, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;
H823Unit spacing X,Y	V7, 12M, 0M;
H824Control type	V7, GNDFORCE;
H825Correlator,noise supp	V7, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;
H826Sweep type,length	V7, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;
H827Sweep freq start,end	V7, 4HZ, 84HZ;
H828Taper,length start,end	V7, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;
H829Spare	V7, All points on low side of median line;
H830Spare	;
H840Type,model,polarity	V8, VIBROSEIS,VE432,SEG;
H841Size,vert. stk fold VIBRATOR/VP;	V8, 70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /
H842Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	V8, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;
H843Unit spacing X,Y	V8, 12M, 0M;
H844Control type	V8, GNDFORCE;
H845Correlator,noise supp	V8, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;
H846Sweep type,length	V8, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;
H847Sweep freq start,end	V8, 4HZ, 84HZ;
H848Taper,length start,end	V8, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;
H849Spare	V8, All points on secondary source lines;
H850Spare	;

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**S file**

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H00 SPS format version number    SPS 2.1;  
H01 Description of survey area    Area A, Sparse 3-D, EXPLORATION;  
H02 Date of survey                19.01.2006,21.01.2006;  
H021Post/plot date of issue       22.01.2006;  
H022Tape/disk identifier          B79480;  
H023Line sequence number         5;  
H03 Client                        SEG;  
H04 Geophysical contractor        Contractor A;  
H05 Positioning contractor        Contractor A;  
H06 Pos. proc. contractor        Contractor A;  
H07 Field computer system(s)     Sercel SN 408CMXL;  
H08 Coordinate location          CENTRE OF SOURCE AND RECEIVER PATTERNS;  
H09 Offset from coord. location 000M,000DEG;  
H10 Clock time w.r.t. GMT        +3;  
H11 Spare                         ;  
H12 Geodetic datum,-spheroid    INTERNATIONAL 6378388.000 297.0000000  
H13 Spare                         ;  
H14 Geodetic datum parameters   -179.466-207.757 -54.446-2.598 0.287  
0.843-1.000  
H26 H14 are datum transformation parameters to WGS84  
H15 Spare ;  
H16 Spare ;  
H17 Vertical datum description   MSL - mean sea level;

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H18	Projection type	UTM;
H19	Projection zone	Zone 39, N;
H20	Description of grid units	METERS;
H201	Factor to meter	1.00000000
H220	Long. of central meridian	0510000.000E;
H231	Grid origin	0000000.000N0510000.000E;
H232	Grid coord. at origin	00500000.00E00000000.00N;
H241	Scale factor	0.9996000000;
H242	Lat., long. scale factor	0000000.000N0510000.000E;
H30	Project code and description	Area A, Sparse 3-D, 3D;
H400	Type, Model, Polarity	1, Sercel, SN 408CMXL, SEG;
H401	Crew name, Comment	1, S-51, Chief Ob. xxxxxx;
H402	Sample int., Record Len.	1, 2msec, 6000msec;
H403	Number of channels	1, 1920;
H404	Tape type, format, density	1, cartridge 3590, Code 8058, 38000 bpi;
H405	Filter_alias Hz, dB pnt, slope	1, 200Hz, -3dB, 370.00;
H406	Filter_notch Hz, -3dB points	1, NONE;
H407	Filter_low Hz, dB pnt, slope	1, NONE;
H408	Time delay FTB-SOD app Y/N	1, 0 MSEC, not applied;
H409	Multi component recording	1, Z;
H410	Aux. channel 1 contents	1, autocorrelation of true reference delayed 1s;
H411	Aux. channel 2 contents	1, autocorrelation of true reference delayed 1s;

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H412Aux. channel 3 contents      1, true reference;
H413Aux. channel 4 contents      1, return reference;
H414Spare                        ;
H415SPare                        ;
H416SPare                        ;
H417Spare                        ;
H26 SPS SEISMIC RECEIVER HEADER RECORDS;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G1 (NORMAL GEOPHONE);
H26 ;
H600Type,model,polarity          G1, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H601Damp coeff,natural freq.      G1, 0.685, 10Hz;
H602Nunits,len(X),width(Y)       G1, 36, 25.00m, 55.00m;
H603Unit spacing X,Y             G1, 5m, 5m;
H604Spare                        ;
H605Spare                        ;
H606Spare                        ;
H607Spare                        ;
H26 Description G1                G1, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, NORMAL PATTERN;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G2 (COMPRESSED GEOPHONE);
H610Type,model,polarity          G2, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H611Damp coeff,natural freq.      G2, 0.685, 10Hz;
H612Nunits,len(X),width(Y)       G2, 36, 20.00m, 55.00m;
H613Unit spacing X,Y             G2, 5m, 5m;

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H614Description G2	G2, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, COMPRESSED
PATTERN;	
H615Spare	;
H616Spare	;
H617Spare	;
H618Spare	;
H619Spare	;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G3 (BUNCHED GEOPHONE);	
H620Type,model,polarity	G3, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H621Damp coeff,natural freq.	G3, 0.685, 10Hz;
H622Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	G3, 36, 0.00m, 25.00m;
H623Unit spacing X,Y	G3, 0m, 0m;
H624Description G3	G3, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, BUNCHED
PATTERN;	
H625Spare	;
H626Spare	;
H627Spare	;
H628Spare	;
H629Spare	;
H26 SPS SEISMIC SOURCE HEADER RECORDS;	
H26 DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE CODE	V6 (VIBROSEIS),PARALLELOGRAM PATTERN;
H26 GRAVEL PLAIN:	;
H800Type,model,polarity	V6, VIBROSEIS,VE432,SEG;
H801Size,vert. stk fold	V6, 70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /
VIBRATOR/VP;	

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H802Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	V6, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;
H803Unit spacing X,Y	V6, 12M, 0M;
H804Control type	V6, GNDFORCE;
H805Correlator,noise supp	V6, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;
H806Sweep type,length	V6, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;
H807Sweep freq start,end	V6, 4HZ, 84HZ;
H808Taper,length start,end	V6, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;
H809Spare line;	V6, All points on high side of median
H810Spare	;
H820Type,model,polarity	V7, VIBROSEIS,VE432,SEG;
H821Size,vert. stk fold V7, VP;	70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /VIBRATOR/
H822Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	V7, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;
H823Unit spacing X,Y	V7, 12M, 0M;
H824Control type	V7, GNDFORCE;
H825Correlator,noise supp	V7, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;
H826Sweep type,length	V7, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;
H827Sweep freq start,end	V7, 4HZ, 84HZ;
H828Taper,length start,end	V7, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;
H829Spare line;	V7, All points on low side of median
H830Spare	;
H840Type,model,polarity	V8, VIBROSEIS,VE432,SEG;

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H841Size,vert. stk fold      V8, 70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /
VIBRATOR/VP;

H842Nunits,len(X),width(Y)   V8, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;

H843Unit spacing X,Y         V8, 12M, 0M;

H844Control type             V8, GNDFORCE;

H845Correlator,noise supp    V8, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;

H846Sweep type,length        V8, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;

H847Sweep freq start,end     V8, 4HZ, 84HZ;

H848Taper,length start,end   V8, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;

H849Spare                    V8, All points on secondary source
lines;

H850Spare                    ;

H26 Percentage hold down weight 70% of peak force;

H990R,S,X file quality control 22/Jan/06,0930,Party Manager;

H991Coord. status final/prov  Final,22/Jan/06,1600, Party Manager;

H26      1      2      3      4      5      6      7
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**X file**

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H021Post/plot date of issue         22.01.2006;
H022Tape/disk identifier             B79480;
H023Line sequence number            5;
H03 Client                          SEG;
H04 Geophysical contractor           Contractor A;
H05 Positioning contractor           Contractor A;
H06 Pos. proc. contractor            Contractor A;
H07 Field computer system(s)         Sercel SN 408CMXL;
H08 Coordinate location              CENTRE OF SOURCE AND RECEIVER PATTERNS;
H09 Offset from coord. location      000M,000DEG;
H10 Clock time w.r.t. GMT            +3;
H11 Spare                           ;
H12 Geodetic datum,-spheroid         INTERNATIONAL 6378388.000 297.0000000
H13 Spare                           ;
H14 Geodetic datum parameters         -179.466-207.757 -54.446-2.598 0.287
0.843-1.000
H26 H14 are datum transformation parameters to WGS84
H15 Spare                           ;
H16 Spare                           ;
H17 Vertical datum description        MSL - mean sea level;

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H18	Projection type	UTM;
H19	Projection zone	Zone 39, N;
H20	Description of grid units	METERS;
H201	Factor to meter	1.00000000
H220	Long. of central meridian	0510000.000E;
H231	Grid origin	0000000.000N0510000.000E;
H232	Grid coord. at origin	00500000.00E00000000.00N;
H241	Scale factor	0.9996000000;
H242	Lat., long. scale factor	0000000.000N0510000.000E;
H30	Project code and description	Area A, Sparse 3-D, 3D;
H400	Type, Model, Polarity	1, Sercel, SN 408CMXL, SEG;
H401	Crew name, Comment	1, S-51, Chief Ob. xxxxxx;
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H413Aux. channel 4 contents      1, return reference;
H414Spare                        ;
H415SPare                        ;
H416SPare                        ;
H417Spare                        ;
H26 SPS SEISMIC RECEIVER HEADER RECORDS;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G1 (NORMAL GEOPHONE);
H26                               ;
H600Type,model,polarity          G1, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H601Damp coeff,natural freq.      G1, 0.685, 10Hz;
H602Nunits,len(X),width(Y)        G1, 36, 25.00m, 55.00m;
H603Unit spacing X,Y              G1, 5m, 5m;
H604Spare                        ;
H605Spare                        ;
H606Spare                        ;
H607Spare                        ;
H26 Description G1                G1, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, NORMAL PATTERN;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G2 (COMPRESSED GEOPHONE);
H610Type,model,polarity          G2, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H611Damp coeff,natural freq.      G2, 0.685, 10Hz;
H612Nunits,len(X),width(Y)        G2, 36, 20.00m, 55.00m;
H613Unit spacing X,Y              G2, 5m, 5m;

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H614Description G2	G2, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, COMPRESSED
PATTERN;	
H615Spare	;
H616Spare	;
H617Spare	;
H618Spare	;
H619Spare	;
H26 DESCRIPTION OF RECEIVER CODE G3 (BUNCHED GEOPHONE);	
H620Type,model,polarity	G3, Sensor, SM-24, SEG;
H621Damp coeff,natural freq.	G3, 0.685, 10Hz;
H622Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	G3, 36, 0.00m, 25.00m;
H623Unit spacing X,Y	G3, 0m, 0m;
H624Description G3	G3, SAND, GRAVEL PLAIN, BUNCHED
PATTERN;	
H625Spare	;
H626Spare	;
H627Spare	;
H628Spare	;
H629Spare	;
H26 SPS SEISMIC SOURCE HEADER RECORDS;	
H26 DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE CODE	V6 (VIBROSEIS), PARALLELOGRAM PATTERN;
H26 GRAVEL PLAIN:	;
H800Type,model,polarity	V6, VIBROSEIS, VE432, SEG;
H801Size,vert. stk fold	V6, 70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /
VIBRATOR/VP;	

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H802Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	V6, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;
H803Unit spacing X,Y	V6, 12M, 0M;
H804Control type	V6, GNDFORCE;
H805Correlator,noise supp	V6, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;
H806Sweep type,length	V6, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;
H807Sweep freq start,end	V6, 4HZ, 84HZ;
H808Taper,length start,end	V6, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;
H809Spare line;	V6, All points on high side of median
H810Spare	;
H820Type,model,polarity	V7, VIBROSEIS,VE432,SEG;
H821Size,vert. stk fold VIBRATOR/VP;	V7, 70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /
H822Nunits,len(X),width(Y)	V7, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;
H823Unit spacing X,Y	V7, 12M, 0M;
H824Control type	V7, GNDFORCE;
H825Correlator,noise supp	V7, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;
H826Sweep type,length	V7, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;
H827Sweep freq start,end	V7, 4HZ, 84HZ;
H828Taper,length start,end	V7, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;
H829Spare line;	V7, All points on low side of median
H830Spare	;
H840Type,model,polarity	V8, VIBROSEIS,VE432,SEG;

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H841Size,vert. stk fold          V8, 70% of peak force, 1 SWEEP /
VIBRATOR/VP;

H842Nunits,len(X),width(Y)      V8, 5 VIBS, 48M, 0M;

H843Unit spacing X,Y            V8, 12M, 0M;

H844Control type                V8, GNDFORCE;

H845Correlator,noise supp       V8, 408CMXL, NO NOISE SUPP;

H846Sweep type,length           V8, LINEAR UPSWEEP, 12sec;

H847Sweep freq start,end        V8, 4HZ, 84HZ;

H848Taper,length start,end      V8, COSINE, 1000MSEC, 1000MSEC;

H849Spare                      V8, All points on secondary source
lines;

H850Spare                      ;

H26 Percentage hold down weight 70% of peak force;

H990R,S,X file quality control  22/Jan/06,0930,Party Manager;

H991Coord. status final/prov    Final,22/Jan/06,1600, Party Manager;

H26      1      2      3      4      5      6      7
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H26
567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234
567890

XB79480      111      5713.00 542525.002      1  3201      5646.00 534550.00
550500.001

XB79480      111      5713.00 542525.002      321  6401      5662.00 534550.00
550500.001

XB79480      111      5713.00 542525.002      641  9601      5678.00 534550.00
550500.001

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XB79480 550500.001	111	5713.00	542525.002	961	12801	5694.00	534550.00
XB79480 550500.001	111	5713.00	542525.002	1281	16001	5710.00	534550.00
XB79480 550500.001	111	5713.00	542525.002	1601	19201	5726.00	534550.00
XB79480 550400.001	211	5603.00	542425.001	1	3201	5646.00	534450.00
XB79480 550400.001	211	5603.00	542425.001	321	6401	5662.00	534450.00
XB79480 550400.001	211	5603.00	542425.001	641	9601	5678.00	534450.00
XB79480 550400.001	211	5603.00	542425.001	961	12801	5694.00	534450.00
XB79480 550400.001	211	5603.00	542425.001	1281	16001	5710.00	534450.00

# Chapter

# 3

## Navigation Software Input Format

This chapter describes the accepted External Navigation software message structure for 508TZ operation.

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- [Navigation software message structure for 508TZ Operation \(page 111\)](#)

## Navigation software message structure for 508TZ Operation

### Message Structure

The table below indicates the accepted message structure allowing the 508XT to read data from external navigation software.

Item	Definition of Field	Columns	Format	Min to Max	Default	Units
0	Header	1-5	A6	“\$SPS_”	None	
1	Record identification	6-6	A1	“S”	None	-
2	Line name (left adj)	7-16	F10.2	-999999.99 to 999999.99	None	-
3	Point number (right adj)	17-26	F10.2	-999999.99 to 999999.99	None	-
+		27-28			Blank	-
4	Point Index	29-29	I1	1 to 9	1	-
5	Point Code	30-31	A2		Blank	-
6	Static Correction	32-35	I4	-999 to 999	Blank	ms
7	Point Depth	36-39	F4.1	0 to 99.9	0	m
8	Seismic Datum	40-43	I4	-999 to 9999	0	m
9	Uphole Time	44-45	I2	0 to 99	Blank	ms
10	Water depth	46-51	F6.1	0 to 9999.9	Blank	m
11	Map Grid Easting	52-60	F9.1		None	
12	Map Grid Northing	61-70	F10.1		None	
13	Surface Elevation	71-76	F6.1	-999.9 to 9999.9	None	m
14	Day of Year	77-79	I3	1 to 999	None	
15	Time hhmmss <sup>1</sup>	80-85	3I2	000000 to 235959	None	

Item	Definition of Field	Columns	Format	Min to Max	Default	Units
16	Decimal Point	86-86	A1	"."	None	
17	Shot time in Microseconds	87-92	I6	0-999999	None	μs
18	Separator (optional)	93-93	A1	"#"	None	
19	User Header (optional)	94-593	A500		None	

1. "Time" field must be provided in "UTC+0" format

Where:

- Ix = integer with x digits
- Ax = string with x characters
- yIx = y integer with x digits
- Fx.y = floating number with x integer digits and decimal digits



# Chapter

# 4

## APS Output Files

*This chapter includes the following sections*

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- [Overview \(page 114\)](#)
- [APS Output Files Specification \(page 114\)](#)

## Overview

This chapter describes the file formats used to export shot point attributes for source Quality Control tools when using vibrators. The files can be analyzed in the VE464 environment and graphically displayed in the Geographic Views.

The APS is:

- updated after each acquisition.
- one record for each vibrator

## APS Output Files Specification

### Data Format

The result are given for a range of temperature of  $[-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+70^{\circ}\text{C}$ ], according the 508<sup>XT</sup> specification.

Table 4-1

Item	Definition of Field	Cols.	Formats	Min to Max	Default	Units
1	Record identification	1-1	A1	"A"	None	-
2	Line name	2-17	4A4	Free	None	-
3	Point number	18-25	2A4	Free	None	-
4	Point index	26-26	I1	1-9	1	-
5	Vibrator fleet number	27-27	I1	Free	None	-
6	Vibrator number	28-29	I2	Free	None	-
7	Vibrator drive level	30-32	I3	0-100	None	%
8	Average phase	33-36	I4	-180 to 180	None	degree
9	Peak phase	37-40	I4	-180 to 180	None	degree

Table 4-1

Item	Definition of Field	Cols.	Formats	Min to Max	Default	Units
10	Average distortion	41-42	I2	0-99	None	%
11	Peak distortion	43-44	I2	0-99	None	%
12	Average force	45-46	I2	0-99	None	%
13	Peak force	47-49	I3	Free	None	%
14	Average ground stiffness	50-52	I3	Free	None	-
15	Average ground viscosity	53-55	I3	Free	None	-
16	Vib. position Easting	56-64	F9.1	Free	None	meter
17	Vib. position Northing	65-74	F10.1	Free	None	meter
18	Vib. position elevation	75-80	F6.1	-999.9 to 9999.9	None	meter

**Item 5 :** A single character can be recorded in column 27. If the Vibrator Fleet Number is a 2-digit number, then it is replaced by a letter with the following encoding: A=10, B=11, C=12, D=13, E=14, F=15, G=16, H=17, I=18, J=19, K=20, L=21, M=22, N=23, O=24, P=25, Q=26, R=27, S=28, T=29, U=30, V=31, W=32.

**Items 7 to 18 :** left blank if

- no vibrator attributes are available.
- GPS failure or bad quality.

Unless the coordinates supplied by the radio positioning receiver to the DPG are already in a projection format, the vibrator coordinates are converted using the projection selected in the POSITIONING Setup window.

The Elevation reported is the elevation contained in the **\$GPGGA** messages from radiopositioning receivers (referenced to the geoidal model).

## Examples

H26

H26	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
H26	567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890							

H26

A	22741.0	13556.019	9	75	1	-2101774	78	26	38	327007.0	2806034.6	242.8	
A	22745.0	13556.019	9	75	1	-2101475	80	24	37	327002.1	2806055.4	243.4	
A	22749.0	13556.019	9	75	1	-1	91375	79	27	41	327006.5	2806078.2	243.6
A	22753.0	13554.019	9	75	1	2101575	79	24	37	326978.9	2806107.6	246.1	
A	22747.0	13552.019	9	75	1	-2	91574	79	25	35	326955.4	2806070.3	246.4
A	22743.0	13552.019	9	75	1	2	91575	79	27	39	326955.7	2806045.3	245.5
A	22759.0	13824.012	2	75	2	4121674	81	18	27	330354.5	2806143.5	268.5	
A	22755.0	13824.012	2	75	2	4	91474	79	25	24	330359.3	2806117.3	269.4
A	22751.0	13824.012	2	75	2	5121774	78	21	24	330357.7	2806092.5	270.7	
A	22747.0	13824.012	2	75	2	4101474	79	18	27	330357.6	2806066.6	272.0	
A	22743.0	13824.012	2	75	2	4	91474	78	20	29	330357.7	2806042.7	273.4
A	22749.0	14148.01121	75		1	-2112474	78	20	35	334405.4	2806081.7	259.5	
A	22743.0	13652.012	2	75	2	7131872	81	31	15	328205.5	2806047.8	280.3	
A	22761.0	14074.018	8	75	4	14205867	79	39	20	333480.2	2806157.8	243.5	
A	22755.0	13312.011	1	75	1	2121774	78	30	17	323957.1	2806121.6	284.4	
A	22741.0	13652.012	2	75	2	4111774	82	22	32	328207.2	2806034.3	278.1	
A	22747.0	14148.01121	75		1	2112475	78	20	37	334402.7	2806068.2	259.9	
A	22759.0	13312.011	1	75	0	1192674	77	45	25	323957.0	2806143.4	284.6	
A	22745.0	13828.01c12	75		1	3	91475	78	30	24	330402.8	2806057.9	272.3
A	22743.0	13648.012	2	75	1	5112075	78	22	36	328156.5	2806040.5	276.8	
A	22753.0	14076.018	8	75	2	5122278	82	20	34	333506.3	2806107.7	241.9	
A	22757.0	13308.011	1	75	1	2143073	78	21	33	323908.3	2806130.3	285.8	
A	22745.0	14148.01121	75		1	6173374	82	14	39	334404.1	2806056.3	261.0	
A	22747.0	13648.012	2	75	2	4	81874	79	22	32	328158.8	2806066.9	277.8

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A	22753.0	13308.011	1	75	1	4173671	79	14	30	323907.0	2806105.0	285.9
A	22757.0	14076.018	8									
A	22751.0	13648.012	2	75	2	5131875	80	17	30	328155.1	2806090.2	278.5
A	22749.0	13308.011	1	75	1	5131973	75	32	23	323906.7	2806083.2	286.4
A	22745.0	14150.01121	75		2	5193470	80	20	30	334429.7	2806057.4	264.7
A	22749.0	13828.01c12	75		2	6163069	79	11	27	330405.2	2806076.3	268.7

# Chapter

# 5

## VAPS Output Files

*This chapter includes the following sections*

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- [Overview \(page 119\)](#)
- [VAPS Output Files Specification \(page 119\)](#)

## Overview

This chapter describes the file formats used to export shot point attributes for source Quality Control tools when using vibrators. Compared to APS out Files, “V” stands for Verbose. The files can be analyzed in the VE464 environment and graphically displayed in the Geographic Views.

The VAPS is:

- updated after each acquisition.
- one record for each vibrator

## VAPS Output Files Specification

### Data Format

The result are given for a range of temperature of [-40°C to +70°C], according the 508<sup>XT</sup> specification.

Item	Definition of Field	Cols	Formats	Min. To Max.	Default	Units
1	Record identification	1-1	A1	“A”	None	-
2	Line name	2-17	4A4	Free	None	-
3	Point number	18-25	2A4	Free	None	-
4	Point index	26-26	I1	1-9	1	-
5	Vibrator fleet number	27-27	I1	Free	None	-
6	Vibrator number	28-29	I2	Free	None	-
7	Vibrator drive level	30-32	I3	0-100	None	%
8	Average phase	33-36	I4	-180 to 180	None	degree
9	Peak phase	37-40	I4	-180 to 180	None	degree
10	Average distortion	41-42	I2	0-99	None	%
11	Peak distortion	43-44	I2	0-99	None	%
12	Average force	45-46	I2	0-99	None	%

13	Peak force	47-49	I3	Free	None	%
14	Average ground stiffness	50-52	I3	Free	None	-
15	Average ground viscosity	53-55	I3	Free	None	-
16	Vib. position Easting	56-64	F9.1	Free	None	meter
17	Vib. position Northing	65-74	F10.1	Free	None	meter
18	Vib. position elevation	75-80	F6.1	-999.9 to 9999.9	None	meter
19	Shot Number	82-86	I5	1-99999	None	-
20	Acquisition Number	87-88	I2	1-32	None	-
21	2-digit vibrator fleet number	89-90	I2	1-32	None	-
22	Vib Status Code	91-92	I2	1-98	None	-
23	Mass 1 Warning	94-94	A1	Space or W	None	-
24	Mass 2 Warning	95-95	A1	Space or W	None	-
25	Mass 3 Warning	96-96	A1	Space or W	None	-
26	Plate 1 Warning	100-100	A1	Space or W	None	-
27	Plate 2 Warning	101-101	A1	Space or W	None	-
28	Plate 3 Warning	102-102	A1	Space or W	None	-
29	Plate 4 Warning	103-103	A1	Space or W	None	-
30	Plate 5 Warning	104-104	A1	Space or W	None	-
31	Plate 6 Warning	105-105	A1	Space or W	None	-
32	Force Overload	106-106		Space or F	None	-
33	Pressure Overload	107-107		Space or P	None	-
34	Mass Overload	108-108		Space or M	None	-
35	Valve Overload	109-109		Space or V	None	-
36	Excitation Overload	110-110		Space or E	None	-



37	Stacking Fold	111-112		1-32	None	-
38	Computation Domain	113-113		T or F	None	-
39	Ve432 Version	114-117		Free	None	-
40	Day of Year	118-120		1-999	None	-
41	Time hhmmss	121-126		000000-235959	None	-
42	HDOP	127-130		0.0-99.9	None	-
43	TB date (VE464 TB GPS time)	131-150		0 to 1844674473709551615		

**Item 5 :** A single character can be recorded in column 27. If the Vibrator Fleet Number is a 2-digit number, then it is replaced by a letter with the following encoding: A=10, B=11, C=12, D=13, E=14, F=15, G=16, H=17, I=18, J=19, K=20, L=21, M=22, N=23, O=24, P=25, Q=26, R=27, S=28, T=29, U=30, V=31, W=32.

**Items 7 to 18 :** left blank if

no vibrator attributes are available.

GPS failure or bad quality.

- Unless the coordinates supplied by the radio positioning receiver to the DPG are already in a projection format, the vibrator coordinates are converted using the projection selected in the POSITIONING Setup window.
- The Elevation reported is the elevation contained in the **\$GPGGA** messages from radiopositioning receivers (referenced to the geoidal model).

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## Examples

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# Chapter

# 6

## COG Output Files

*This chapter includes the following sections,*

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- [Overview \(page 125\)](#)
- [COG Output Files Specification \(page 125\)](#)

## Overview

Information on the Centre Of Gravity of the source is logged into a daily file, identified by its julian day, that can be viewed and exported using the report Interface.

The coordinates of the COG are given for reading directly on the map (after Projection)

The COG is:

- updated computed after each VP unless an ABORT shot has been performed.

## COG Output Files Specification

### Data Format

The result are given for a range of temperature of  $[-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+70^{\circ}\text{C}$ ], according the 508<sup>XT</sup> specification.

Item	Definition of Field	Cols	Formats	Min. To Max.	Default	Units
1	Record identification	1-1	A1	"C"	None	-
2	Line name	2-17	4A4	Free	None	-
3	Point number	18-25	2A4	Free	None	-
4	Point Index	26-26	I1	1-9	1	-
5	COG status	28-28	I1	0 to 7	None	-
6	COG position Easting	30-38	F9.1	Free	None	meter
7	COG position Northing	40-49	F10.1	Free	None	meter
8	COG position elevation	51-56	F6.1	Free	None	meter
9	COG - Source deviation	60-69	F10.1	Free	None	meter

**Item 8 :** the altitude correction specified in the Projection Setup is taken into account in computing the elevation. The Elevation reported is the elevation referenced to the geoidal model.

**Items 2 to 4 :** These information are from the SPS S in File

Item 5 :

0= No Cog

The system was unable to calculate the COG.

1= Estimated Cog

*Although the GPS position from one or more vibrators was not available, an estimated COG was calculated, deduced from the vibrator pattern of the previous source point. The estimated COG lies within the allowable circle determined by the “**COG Radius Threshold**” specified in the Positioning Setup (no radial error)*

**2= Estimated, Radial Error**

*An estimated COG position was calculated (some vibrator positions were not available) and it does not fall within the allowable circle determined by the “**COG Radius Threshold**” (e.g. a status message was indicating that a vibrator failed to vibrate, so the estimated COG was calculated without the position of that vibrator, leading to a radial error).*

**3= Actual Cog**

*All vibrator positions were available; the source COG was calculated and no radial error was found.*

**4= Radial Err.**

*An actual COG position was calculated (i.e. all vibrator positions were available) but it does not fall within the allowable circle determined by the “**COG Radius Threshold**” specified in the Positioning Setup.*

**5= Missing Position**

*One or more vibrator positions were not available. The system was unable to calculate the COG.*

**6= Inaccurate Cog**

*An actual COG position was calculated. All vibrator positions were available, but one or more vibrator position standard deviations exceeded the “**Vib Position Accuracy Threshold**” specified in the **Setup** menu). As a result, the COG is regarded as inaccurate.*

**7= Straight GPS Cog**

*All vibrator positions were available, the source COG was calculated, no radial error was found, but the GPS receivers were supplying positions with no differential corrections.*

## Examples

H26

H26	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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H26

567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567  
890

H26

C	22741.0	13556.01	3	327007.0	2806034.6	242.8	3.4
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C	22745.0	13556.01	3	327002.1	2806055.4	243.4	4.3
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C	22749.0	13556.01	3	327006.5	2806078.2	243.6	3.1
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C	22753.0	13554.01	3	326978.9	2806107.6	246.1	2.7
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C	22747.0	13552.01	3	326955.4	2806070.3	246.4	1.8
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C	22819.0	14574.01	7	339735.2	2806518.9	213.7	3.9
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C	22743.0	13552.01	3	326955.7	2806045.3	245.5	1.6
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C	22743.0	14040.01	4	333053.5	2806049.2	251.0	6.1
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# Chapter

# 7

## SEG-D Output File Format Rev 1.0 (Wireless)

*This chapter describes the SEG-D format for the Unite system. It includes the following sections:*

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- Overview (page 129)
- File Header block (page 132)
- Trace Data block (page 150)



Unite version	Changes
1.0	Initial release
2.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Extended header, bytes 885-900.</li><li>- Trace Header Extension #6, bytes 25-28.</li></ul>

## Overview

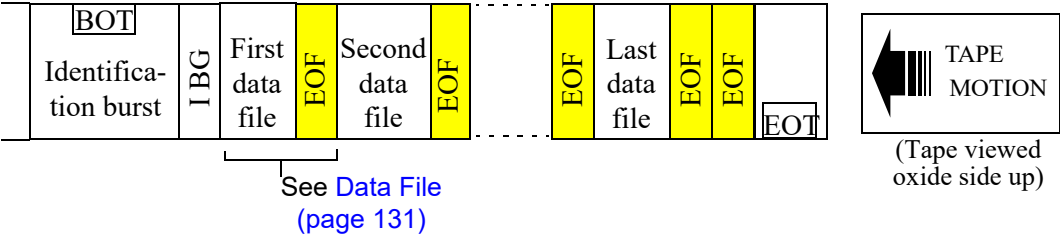
The abbreviation in the “**fmt**” column gives the format of the value:

- **bcd**      BCD
- **bin**      unsigned binary
- **±bin**    2’s complement signed binary
- **asc**      ASCII
- **flt**      IEEE single-precision
- **dbl**      IEEE double-precision format

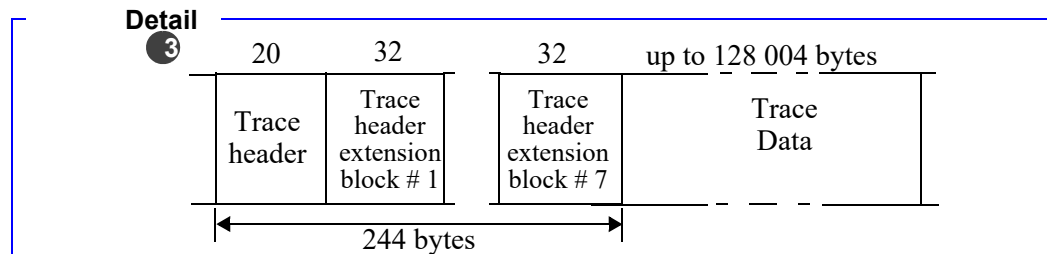
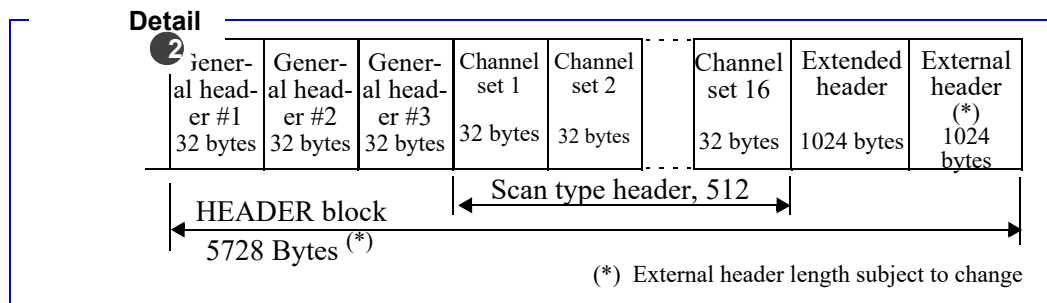
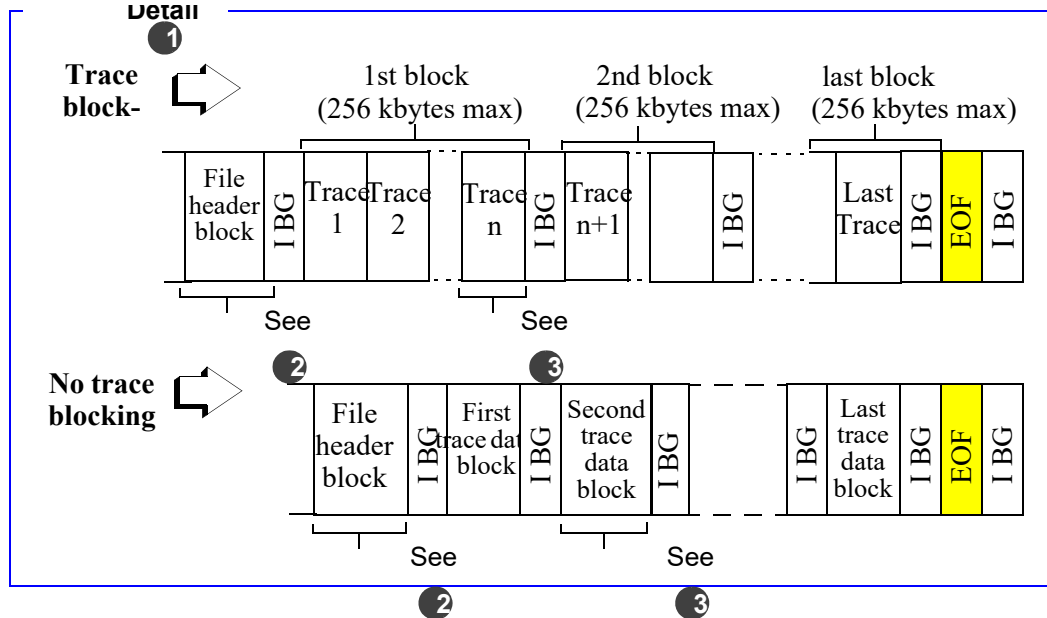
Other abbreviations:

- IBG      = Inter Block Gap
- EOF      = End Of File
- BOT      = Beginning-of-Tape sticker
- EOT      = End-Of-Tape sticker

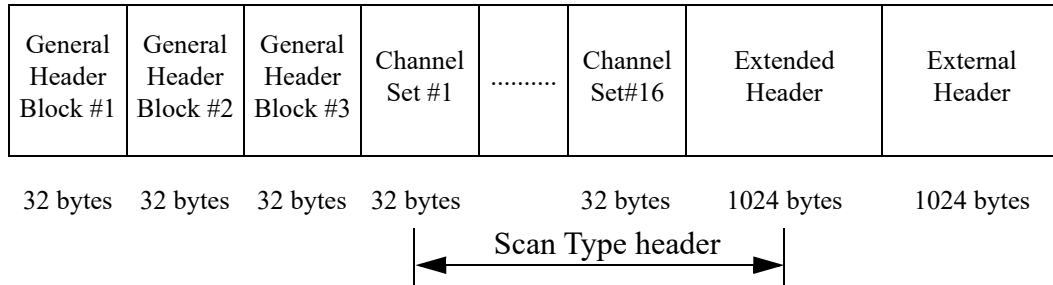
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## Data File



## File Header block



## General header block #1

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1 - 2	XXXX	bcd	Four-digit File number (0-9999)	If file nb > 9999, set to FFFF and <i>Extended File Nb</i> is used.
3 - 4	8058	bcd	Format code (32 IEEE demultiplexed)	
5 -10	7		General constants	UNITE.
11	XX	bcd	Last two digits of Year (0-99)	
12H	2	bcd	Number of additional blocks in general header	
12L-13	XXX	bcd	Julian day, 3 digits (1-366)	
14	XX	bcd	Hour of day (0-23)	
15	XX	bcd	Minute of hour (0-59)	
16	XX	bcd	Second of minute (0-59)	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
17	13	bcd	Manufacturer's code	
18-19	0	bcd	Manufacturer's serial number	
20-22	XXXXX X		Bytes per scan	000000 non blocked record 100000 blocked record
23	XX	bcd	Base scan interval: 4 = 0.25 ms 8 = 0.5 ms 10 = 1 ms 20 = 2 ms 40 = 4 ms	
24H	0		Polarity (untested)	
24L-25	0		Not used	
26H	X	bcd	Record type: 8 = normal 2 = test record	
26L-27	FFF		Record length (extended record length used)	
28	01	bcd	Scan type per record	
29	XX	bcd	Number of channel sets per record	16 for land operations.
30	00		Number of sample skew 32 byte extensions	
31	32	bcd	Extended header length	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
32	XX	bcd	External header length	The External Header is used to record additional user-supplied information in the header. The two digits (0-99) in this field specify the number of 32-byte fields in the External Header. If more than 99 External Header blocks are used, then this field is set to FF and General Header block #2 (bytes 8-9) indicates the number of External Header blocks.

**General Header block # 2**

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1 - 3	XXXXXX X	bin	Expanded file number	0-999999
4 - 5	0		Extended Channel Sets/Scan Types (not used)	
6 - 7	0		Extended header blocks (not used)	
8 - 9	XXXX	bin	External header blocks	Used to specify the number of 32-byte fields in the External Header if greater than 99 (in that case, byte 32 in General Header block #1 is set to FF).
10	0		Not used	
11 - 12	1.0	bin	SEG-D Revision Number	
13 - 14	0		Number of Blocks of General Trailer	
15 - 17	XXXXXX X	bin	Extended Record Length (0-128000 ms)	
18	0		Not used	
19	2	bin	General Header Block Number	
20 - 32	0		Not used	

### General Header block # 3

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1 - 3	XXXXXX		Expanded file number	
4 - 8	XXXXX.X X	bin	Source Line Number (0-99999.99)	Defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system.
9-13	XXXXX.X X	bin	Source Point Number (0-99999.99)	Defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system.
14	XX	bin	Source Point Index (1-9)	
15	0		Phase Control (not recorded)	
16	0		Vibrator Type (not recorded)	
17- 18	0		Phase angle (not recorded)	
19	3	bin	General Header Block Number	
20	XX	bin	Source Set Number	Defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system.
21 - 32	0		Not used	



## Scan Type Header

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes					
1	01	bcd	Scan Type Header						
2	XX	bcd	Channel Set Number						
3- 4	XXX X	bin	Channel Set Starting Time	0 for Auxes. Refraction Delay for Seis. Units: 2 ms.					
5- 6	XXX X	bin	Channel Set End Time	Record length for Auxes. Refraction Delay + Record Length for Seis. Units: 2 ms.					
7-8	XXX X	±bin	Descale Multiplier	MSB is encoded on byte 8 and LSB on byte 7 Example for AF6D: byte 8 = AF byte 7 = 6D					
			<table><tr><td rowspan="2">FDU or RAU-428</td><td>1600</td><td>400</td></tr><tr><td>AF6 D</td><td>B76 D</td></tr></table>		FDU or RAU-428	1600	400	AF6 D	B76 D
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					AF6 D	B76 D			
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RAU		2500	650						
	AD0 3	B50 3							
	mV(peak)								
9-10	XXX X	bcd	Number of channels in this channel set						

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
11H	X	bcd	Channel Type Identification: 1 = Seis 9 = Aux	
11L	0		Not used	
12H	0		Number of subscans exponent	
12L	3	bcd	Channel gain control method (fixed gain)	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description						Notes
13-14	XXX X	bcd	Alias filter frequency at - 3dB point						
				0.25	0.5	1	2	4	
			FDU	1600	800	400	200	100	
			DSU	1600	800	400	200	100	
			DSU3-SA		800	400	200	100	
			RAU		858	429	215	107	
			RAU-428		800	400	200	100	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description			Notes
15-16	XX	bcd	Alias filter slope			
				FDU	370	
				DSU	370	
				DSU3-SA	370	
				RAU	370	
				RAU-428	370	
17-18	XX	bcd	Low-cut filter frequency			
				FDU	0	
				DSU	0	
				DSU3-SA	0	
				RAU	0	
				RAU-428	0	
19-20	XX	bcd	Low-cut filter slope			
				FDU	0	
				DSU	0	
				DSU3-SA	0	
				RAU	0	
				RAU-428	0	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
21-22	0		First Notch Frequency	
23-24	0		Second Notch Frequency	
25-26	0		Third Notch Frequency	
27-28	0		Extended channel set number	
29H	0		Extended header flag	
29L	7	bin	Trace Header Extensions	
30	XX	bin	Vertical Stack	
31	XX	bin	Streamer cable number	0 in land operations.
32	1	bin	Array forming (no array forming)	

## Extended Header

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1 - 4	XXXX	bin	Acquisition length	1000 to 128000 ms
5-8	XXXX	bin	Sample rate	250, 500, 1000, 2000, 4000 $\mu$ s
9-12	XXXX	bin	Total number of traces	1 to 100000
13-16	XXXX	bin	Number of Auxes	1 to 100000
17-20	XXXX	bin	Number of Seis traces	1 to 100000
21-24	XXXX	bin	Number of dead Seis traces	1 to 100000
25-28	XXXX	bin	Number of live Seis traces	1 to 100000
29-32	XXXX	bin	Type of source	0 = no source 1 = Impulsive 2 = Vibro
33-36	XXXX	bin	Number of samples in trace	1 to 128000
37-40	XXXX	bin	Shot number	1 to 9999
41-44	XXXX	flt	TB window	0 to 64 seconds

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
45-48	XXXX	bin	Test record type	0 Normal record. 1 Field (Sensor) noise. 2 Field (Sensor) tilt. 3 Field (Sensor) crosstalk. 4 Instrument noise. 5 Instrument distortion. 6 Instrument gain/phase 7 Instrument crosstalk 8 Instrument common mode 9 Synthetic. 10 Field (Sensor) pulse. 11 Instrument pulse. 12 Field (Sensor) distortion. 13 Instrument gravity. 14 Field (Sensor) leakage 15 Field (Sensor) resistance
49-52	XXXX	bin	Spread first line	1 to 99999
53-56	XXXX	bin	Spread first number	1 to 99999
57-60	XXXX	bin	Spread number	1 to 32
61-64	XXXX	bin	Spread type	0 = N/A 1 = Generic 2 = Absolute
65-68	XXXX	bin	Timebreak	0 to 9999 microseconds
69-72	XXXX	bin	Uphole time	Microseconds Updated by navigation shooting or navigation system

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
73-76	XXXX	bin	Blaster id	- MACHA blaster Id number (0 to 15) - or OPSEIS blaster 815 SAR Address (1 to 65535)

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
77-80	XXXX	bin	Blaster status	<p><b>MACHA blaster status:</b></p> <p>2<sup>0</sup> Low battery.  2<sup>1</sup> High voltage ready.  2<sup>2</sup> Fired.  2<sup>3</sup> Fire error.</p> <p><b>OPSEIS 815 blaster:</b></p> <p>2<sup>0</sup> Blaster ready for shot.  2<sup>1</sup> Blaster cap open.  2<sup>2</sup> Blaster uphole error.</p> <p><b>SHOTPRO blaster status:</b></p> <p>0 No Fire (Radio Status Received but box did not fire).  1 Shot Fired and Status received. All OK.  2 No Status received (Radio Problem).  3 Status Received but no Uphole analog data (Radio problem).  4 Decoder Low Battery warning.  5 Up Hole Geophone resistance not measured or out of tolerance.  6 Cap resistance not measured or out of tolerance.  7 Automatic Uphole Time Pick not successful.</p>



Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
81-84	XXXX	bin	Refraction delay	ms
85-88	XXXX	$\pm$ bin	TB to T0 time	Microseconds
89-92	XXXX	bin	Internal time break	0 = no 1 = yes
93-96	XXXX	bin	Prestack within field units	0 = no 1 = yes
97-100	XXXX	bin	Noise elimination type	1 Off 2 Diversity Stack 3 Historic 4 Enhanced Diversity Stack
101-104	XXXX	bin	Low trace percentage	0 to 100%
105-108	XXXX	bin	Low trace value	0 to 132 dB
109-112	XXXX	bin	Number of windows (Div.) or Window length (Enhanced Div.)	1 to 64
113-116	XXXX	bin	Historic editing type  or Overlap (Enhanced Div.)	1 = Zeroing 2 = Clipping
117-120	XXXX	bin	Noisy trace percentage	0 to 100%
121-124	XXXX	bin	Historic range	0 to 36 dB
125-128	XXXX	bin	Historic taper length 2's exponent	0 to 8
129-132	XXXX	bin	Threshold Hold/Var	1 = Hold 2 = Var
133-136	XXXX	bin	Historic threshold Init value	0 to 132 dB
137-140	XXXX	bin	Historic zeroing length	1 to 500 ms

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
141-144	XXXX	bin	Type of process	1 No operation (raw data) 2 Stack 3 Correlation After stack 4 Correlation Before stack
145-272	XXXX	bin	Acquisition type tables	32 values (128 bytes)
273-400	XXXX	bin	Threshold type tables	32 values (128 bytes)
401-404	XXXX	bin	Stacking fold	1 to 32
405-484	XXXX	asc	Not used	
485-488	XXXX	bin	Record length	100 to 128000 ms
489-492	XXXX	bin	Autocorrelation peak time	1 to 128000 ms
493-496	XXXX	bin	Not used	
497-500	XXXX	bin	Correlation Pilot No.	1 to 100000
501-504	XXXX	bin	Pilot length	1000 to 128000 ms
505-508	XXXX	bin	Sweep length	1000 to 128000 ms
509-512	XXXX	bin	Acquisition number	1 to 32
513-516	XXXX	flt	Max of max, Aux	IEEE format, single precision
517-520	XXXX	flt	Max of max, Seis	IEEE format, single precision
521-524	XXXX	bin	Dump stacking fold	1..32
525-540	XXXX	asc	Tape label	ASCII text, 16 characters

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
541-544	XXXX	bin	Tape number	1 to 9999
545-560	XXXX	asc	Software version	ASCII text, 16 characters
561-572	XXXX	asc	Date	ASCII text, 12 characters (dd mmm yyyy)
573-580	XXXX	dbl	Source easting	Defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system
581-588	XXXX	dbl	Source northing	Defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system
589-592	XXXX	flt	Source elevation	Defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system
593-596	XXXX	bin	Slip sweep mode used	0 = No 1 = Yes
597-600	XXXX	bin	Files per tape	1 to 9999
601-604	XXXX	bin	File count	1 to 9999
605-764	XXXX	asc	Acquisition error description	ASCII text, 160 characters
765-768	XXXX	bin	Filter type	1 = Minimum Phase 2 = Linear Phase
769-772	XXXX	bin	Stack is dumped	0 = No; 1 = Yes
773-776	XXXX	bin	Stack sign (current)	0 = No 1 = Plus 2 = Minus
777-780	XXXX	bin	PRM Tilt Correction used	0 = No; 1 = Yes
781-844	XXXX	asc	Swath name	

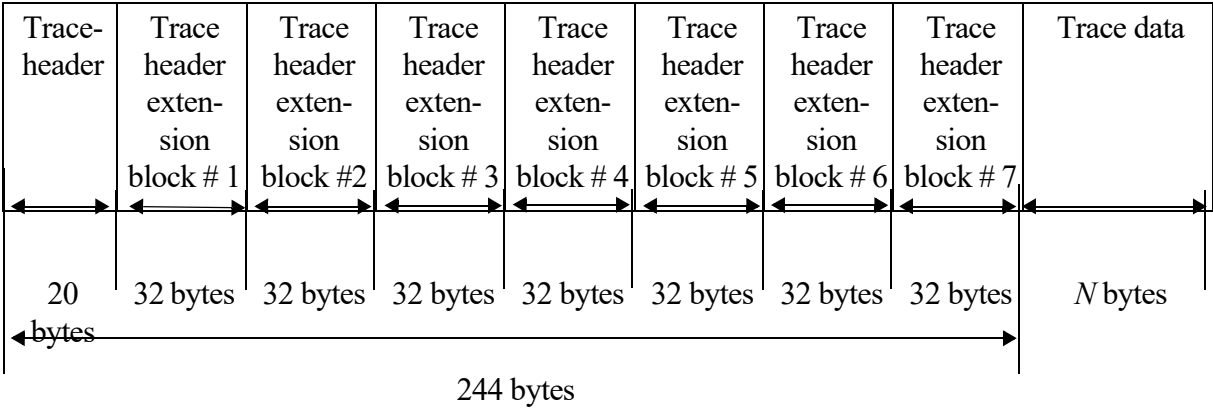
Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
845-848	XXXX	bin	Operating mode	bit0 = 1 Standard bit1 = 1 Microseismic bit2 = 1 Slip-sweep bit3 = 1 SQC Dump (VSR) bit4 = 1 Guidance (Navigation)
849-852	XXXX	bin	Reserved	
853-856	XXXX	bin	No log	0 = No; 1 = Yes
857-860	XXXX	bin	Listening time	100 to 128000 ms
861-864	XXXX	bin	Type of dump	0 = Normal dump 1 = Raw dump 2 = Extra dump
865-868	XXXX	bin	Reserved	
869-872	XXXX	bin	Swath Id	
873-876	XXXX	bin	Seismic trace offset removal is disabled	0 = No (i. e. offset is removed) 1 = Yes (Microseismic mode)
877-884	XXXX	bin	GPS time of acquisition Time Break, expressed as the number of microseconds since January 6, 1980 at 0:00 a.m. UTC (signed integer).	Recorded if - "Time Management from GPS" option is selected (in Config window's Crew setup) - and a GPS receiver is attached to the LCI-428.
885-888			Reserved.	
889-892			Reserved.	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
893-896			Reserved.	
897-900			Reserved.	
901-908	XXXX	bin	Reserved.	
909-916	XXXX	bin	Reserved.	
917-924	XXXX	bin	Reserved.	
925-932	XXXX	bin	Reserved.	
933-940	XXXX	bin	Reserved.	
941-948	XXXX	bin	Reserved.	
949-956	XXXX	bin	Reserved.	
957-964	XXXX	bin	Reserved.	
965-1024	0		Not used	

External Header

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1 - n	XXXX	asc	Concatenation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Info from shooting or navigation system,</li><li>- User info from Config environment setup,</li><li>- Source comment from operation window.</li></ul>	n = External Header Size parameter from GUI (Configuration window).

Trace Data block



$$N = \left( \frac{\text{acquisition length (ms)}}{\text{sample rate (ms)}} + 1 \right) \times 4$$

$$\text{Number of samples per trace} = \left( \frac{\text{acquisition length (ms)}}{\text{sample rate (ms)}} + 1 \right)$$

“+1” is there because the first sample is taken at Time Zero.

## Trace header

### Demultiplexed Trace Header

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1-2	XXXX	bcd	Four-digit file number (0-9999)	if file nb > 9999, set to FFFF and <i>Extended File Num</i> is used
3	01	bcd	Scan Type Number	
4	XX	bcd	Channel Set Number	
5-6	XXXX	bcd	Trace Number	
7-9	XXXX	bin	First Timing Word expressed in 1/256 ms steps (3.90625- $\mu$ s steps).	Refraction delay
10	7	bin	Trace Header Extension	
11	0		Sample skew	
12	XX	bin	Trace edit 00 No edit applied. 02 Muted or dead prior to acquisition.  03 Edited by acquisition system.	Acquisition error or noise edited. See Reference Information in User's Manual Vol. 3.
13-15	XXXX.XX	bin	Time break window	
16-17	0		Extended channel set number	
18-20	XXXXXX		Extended file number	0-999999



## Trace Header Extensions

### Trace Header Extension Block # 1

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1-3	XXXXXX X	bin	Receiver Line Number	For an <b>Auxiliary trace</b> from a DSD <sup>(1)</sup> : set to FFFFFFFF meaning that the RLN is recorded in the Extended Receiver Line field and includes a fractional part.
4-6	XXXXXX X	bin	Receiver Point Number	For an <b>Auxiliary trace</b> from a DSD <sup>(1)</sup> : set to FFFFFFFF meaning that the RPN is recorded in the Extended Receiver Point field and includes a fractional part.
7	XX	bin	Receiver point index	
8-10	XXXXXX X	bin	Number of samples per trace	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
11-15	0		Extended Receiver Line number	For an <b>Auxiliary trace</b> from a DSD <sup>(1)</sup> : XX XX XX . YY stands for the line number of the location where the vibrator generated the sweep (source line information). The XXXXXX portion stands for the integer part of the line number. In compliance with the SEG-D standard, the YY portion stands for the fraction (unsigned binary), meaning that 0.5 is encoded as $1 \times 2^{-1}$ (YY = 0x8000).

- (1) If “Post-annotation Logging” (Config window’s Crew setup) and “SQC Dump” (Operation) options are enabled (e. g. for vib motion signal recording).

Trace Header Extension Block # 1 (continued)

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
16-20	0		Extended Receiver Point number	For <b>Auxiliary trace</b> from DSD <sup>(1)</sup> : XX XX XX . YY stands for the receiver point number of the location where the vibrator generated the sweep (Source Point Number information). The XXXXXX portion stands for the integer part of the point number. The YY portion stands for the fraction (unsigned binary).
21	XX	bin	Sensor SEG-D code (not to be mistaken for the “Sensor Type Number” recorded in Trace Header Extension block # 2): 0 : not defined 1 : Hydrophone 2 : Geophone, Vertical 3 : Geophone, Horizontal, In-line 4 : Geophone, Horizontal, Crossline 5 : Geophone, Horizontal, other 6 : Accelerometer, Vertical 7 : Accelerometer, Horizontal, In-line 8 : Accelerometer, Horizontal, Crossline 9 : Accelerometer, Horizontal, other	
22-32	0		Not used	

- (1) If “Post-annotation Logging” (Config window’s Crew setup) and “SQC Dump” (Operation) options are enabled (e. g. for vib motion signal recording).

## Trace Header Extension block # 2

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1-8	XXXXXX XX	dbl	Receiver point easting	- <b>Seismic trace</b> : defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system. - <b>Auxiliary trace</b> from DSD <sup>(1)</sup> : vibrator position easting.
9-16	XXXXXX XX	dbl	Receiver point northing	- <b>Seismic trace</b> : defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system. - <b>Auxiliary trace</b> from DSD <sup>(1)</sup> : vib position northing.
17-20	XXXX	flt	Receiver point elevation	- <b>Seismic trace</b> : defaults to GUI setup, or updated by navigation system. - <b>Auxiliary trace</b> from DSD <sup>(1)</sup> : vib position elevation.
21	XX	bin	Sensor Type Number (1 to 9)	Each Sensor Type Number (created in the Line main window's Survey setup) is associated with a specific set of sensor test limits. The Sensor Type Number should not be mistaken for the "Sensor SEG-D code" recorded in Trace Header Extension block # 1.
22-24	0		Not used	
25-28	XXXX	bin	DSD identification No.	0 unless auxiliary trace from DSD <sup>(1)</sup>

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
29-32	XXXX	bin	Extended Trace No.	

- (1) If “Post-annotation Logging” (Config window’s Crew setup) and “SQC Dump” (Operation) options are enabled (e. g. for vib motion signal recording).

## Trace Header Extension block # 3

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1-4	XXXX	flt	Resistance low limit	Only for geophones connected to FDU channels.
5-8	XXXX	flt	Resistance high limit	
9-12	XXXX	flt	Resistance value	ohms
13-16	XXXX	flt	Tilt limit	
17-20	XXXX	flt	Tilt value	% for FDU channels Degrees for DSU channels
21	X	bin	Resistance error	0 = No 1 = Yes
22	X	bin	Tilt error	0 = No 1 = Yes
23-32	0		Not used	

Non significant fields are set to FFFFFFFF.

## Trace Header Extension block # 4

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1-4	XXXX	flt	Capacitance low limit	For hydrophones only
5-8	XXXX	flt	Capacitance high limit	
9-12	XXXX	flt	Capacitance value	nano farads
13-16	XXXX	flt	Cut off low limit	For hydrophones only
17-20	XXXX	flt	Cut off high limits	
21-24	XXXX	flt	Cut off value	Hz
25	X	bin	Capacitance error	0 = No 1 = Yes
26	X	bin	Cut off error	0 = No 1 = Yes
27-32	0		Not used	

Non significant fields are set to FFFFFFFF.

### Trace Header Extension block # 5

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1-4	XXXX	flt	Leakage limit	Only for geophones connected to FDU channels.
5-8	XXXX	flt	Leakage value	Megohms.
9-16		dbl	Instrument Longitude.	(WGS84, value in degrees)
17-24		dbl	Instrument Latitude.	(WGS84, value in degrees)
25	X	bin	Leakage error.	0 = No 1 = Yes
26-28		ubin	Instrument horizontal position accuracy.	(mm)
29-32		flt	Instrument elevation.	(mm)

Non significant fields are set to FFFFFFFF.



## Trace Header Extension block # 6

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1	XX	bin	Unit type 0x00 Not identified 0x01 FDU 0x03 RAU 0x1C DSU 0x20 VE464	See below for details  (digital pilot)
2-4	XXXXXX	bin	Unit serial number	
5	X	bin	Channel number	
6-8		0	Spare	
9	X	bin	Assembly type 0x00 No assembly 0x01   to   FDU or DSU link 0x10   0x24 AXC  0x42 LSI 0xE0 FDU2S	0x01 to 0x10 = number of FDUs or DSUs in Link.
10-12	XXXXXX	bin	FDU or DSU assembly serial number	
13	X	bin	Location in FDU or DSU assembly	
14-16		0	Spare	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
17	XX	bin	Subunit type 0x01FDU1-408 0x0FFDU2S 0x15FDU-428 0x16DSU3-428 0x17QT-428 0x1FRAU 0x1EDSUGPS 0x21DSU1-428, short 0x22DSU3BV-428 0x24DSU1-428, long 0x25DSU3-SA 0x26RAU-428 0x60FDU-508 0X61DSU1-508 0x64VE464 0x66WTU-508	
18	X	bin	Channel type 0 Geophone 1 Hydrophone	
19-20		0	Spare	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
21-24	XXXX	flt	Sensor sensitivity	- FDU channels: FFFF FFFF.  - DSU3-428 or DSU3-SA channels: 452 mV/m/s <sup>2</sup> (142 mV/m/s <sup>2</sup> for Tilt and Gravity tests).  - DSU-408 channels: mV/m/s <sup>2</sup> . High Full Scale: 408 . Low Full Scale: 204
25-28			Reserved.	
29-32	0		Not used (0)	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
1	XX	bin	Control unit type	0x30 LAUX-428 0x31 LCI-428 0x50 RAU 0x51 RAU-D 0xA0 SCI-508 0xA1 CX-508 0xA2 VE464 0xA4 WTU-508
2-4	XXXXXX	bin	Control unit serial number	
5	X	bin	Channel gain scale <div>FDU or RAU-428</div> <div>11600 mV RMS</div> <div>2400 mV RMS</div> <div>DSU3-428 or DSU3-SA</div> <div>15 m/s<sup>2</sup></div> <div>2</div> <div>RAU</div> <div>12500 mV (peak)</div> <div>2650 mV (peak)</div>	(0 dB) (12 dB)  High Full Scale Low Full Scale  (0 dB) (12 dB)
6	X	bin	Channel filter	

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
			<b>FDU or RAU-428</b>	
			<b>1</b> 0.8FN Minimum Phase	
			<b>2</b> 0.8FN Linear phase	
			<b>DSU3-428 or DSU3-SA</b>	
			<b>1</b> 0.8FN Minimum Phase	
			<b>2</b> 0.8FN Linear phase	
			<b>RAU</b>	
			<b>1</b> 0.9FN Minimum Phase	
			<b>2</b> 0.9FN Linear phase	

Trace Header Extension Block #7 (continued)

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
7	X	bin	Channel data error: overscaling	
8	X	bin	Channel edited status 1 dead 2 acquisition/retrieve error 3 noise edition	
9-12	XXXX	flt	Channel sample to mV conversion factor	0 for Auxes (not computed). For details, see Reference Information in User's Manual Vol. 3

Byte No.	Value	Fmt	Description	Notes
13	XX	bin	Number of stacks noisy	
14	XX	bin	Number of stacks low	
15	XX	bin	Channel type id: 1 = Seis 9 = Aux	
16	XX	bin	Channel process 01 Raw data 02 Aux stack 03 Correlation, negative part 04 Correlation, positive part 05 Normal correlation 06 Seis stack	
17-20	XXXX	flt	Trace max value	
21-24	XXXX	bin	Trace max time	microseconds
25-28	XXXX	bin	Number of interpolations	See Reference Information in User's Manual Vol. 3.
29-32	XXXX	bin	Seismic trace offset value (if offset removal is disabled).	0 if seismic trace offset removal is enabled (i. e. Extended Header bytes 873-876 = 0)

Trace data

Byte No.	Value	Description
1	S, C7 thru C 1	Sample value represented in 32 bit floating point IEEE demultiplexed format
2	C0, Q-1 thru Q-7	
3	Q-8 thru Q-15	
4	Q-16 thru Q-23	

BCD value MSD	8	4	2	1	8	4	2	1	LSD
Binary value MSB	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1	LSB

First sample	S	C7	C6	C5	C4	C3	C2	C1	1
	C0	Q-1	Q-2	Q-3	Q-4	Q-5	Q-6	Q-7	2
	Q-8	Q-9	Q-10	Q-11	Q-12	Q-13	Q-14	Q-15	3
	Q-16	Q-17	Q-18	Q-19	Q-20	Q-21	Q-22	Q-23	4
Second sample	S	C7	C6	C5	C4	C3	C2	C1	5
	C0	Q-1	Q-2	Q-3	Q-4	Q-5	Q-6	Q-7	6
	Q-8	Q-9	Q-10	Q-11	Q-12	Q-13	Q-14	Q-15	7
	Q-16	Q-17	Q-18	Q-19	Q-20	Q-21	Q-22	Q-23	8

Last sample	S	C7	C6	C5	C4	C3	C2	C1	Last byte
	C0	Q-1	Q-2	Q-3	Q-4	Q-5	Q-6	Q-7	
	Q-8	Q-9	Q-10	Q-11	Q-12	Q-13	Q-14	Q-15	
	Q-16	Q-17	Q-18	Q-19	Q-20	Q-21	Q-22	Q-23	



**Note** The uphole trace delivered by the Opseis 812 blaster contains fewer samples than seismic traces do.

The samples of the uphole trace are padded with zeroes in order to have the same number of samples as on other traces.



**Note** IEEE Floating Point Format

BCD value MSD	8	4	2	1	8	4	2	1	LSD
Binary value MSB	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1	LSB

Single precision value	S	C7	C6	C5	C4	C3	C2	C1
	C0	Q-1	Q-2	Q-3	Q-4	Q-5	Q-6	Q-7
	Q-8	Q-9	Q-10	Q-11	Q-12	Q-13	Q-14	Q-15
	Q-16	Q-17	Q-18	Q-19	Q-20	Q-21	Q-22	Q-23

Double precision value	S	C10	C9	C8	C7	C6	C5	C4
	C3	C2	C1	C0	Q-1	Q-2	Q-3	Q-4
	Q-5	Q-6	Q-7	Q-8	Q-9	Q-10	Q-11	Q-12
	Q-13	Q-14	Q-15	Q-16	Q-17	Q-18	Q-19	Q-20
	Q-21	Q-22	Q-23	Q-24	Q-25	Q-26	Q-27	Q-28
	Q-29	Q-30	Q-31	Q-32	Q-33	Q-34	Q-35	Q-36
	Q-37	Q-38	Q-39	Q-40	Q-41	Q-42	Q-43	Q-44
	Q-45	Q-46	Q-47	Q-48	Q-49	Q-50	Q-51	Q-52

- Single precision

31	30	23	22	0
s	e		f	
s	C7	C0	Q-1	Q-23

$$\text{value} = (-1)^s \times 2^{e-127} \times 1.f \quad (\text{a 0 value is encoded with } e = f = 0).$$



Double precision

63	62	52	51	0
s	e		f	
s	C11	C0	Q-1	Q-52

value = (-1)<sup>s</sup> x 2<sup>e-1023</sup> x 1.f (a 0 value is encoded with e = f = 0).

# Chapter

# 8

## SEG-D Output File Format Rev 2.1 (Wireless)

*This chapter describes how the SEG-D Rev. 2.1 standard is implemented in the DCM system. It includes the following sections*

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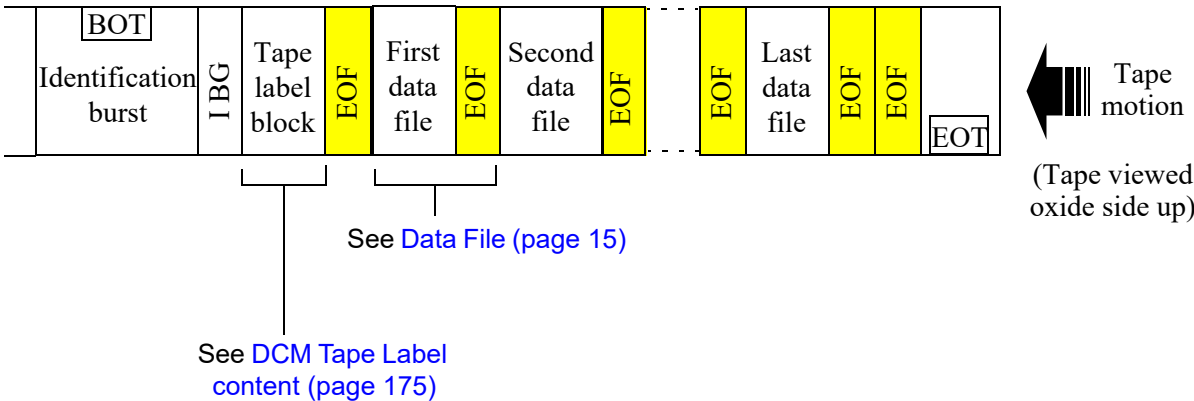
- [Changes introduced in Revision 2.1 \(page 171\)](#)
- [SEG-D Rev 2.1 Tape Label \(page 172\)](#)
- [DCM Tape Label content \(page 175\)](#)

## Changes introduced in Revision 2.1

SEGD standard Revision 2.1 supports “RECORD” (variable-length) and “FIXREC” (fixed-length) storage unit structures. SEG-D Rev. 2.1 files from the DCM system are recorded with the “RECORD” structure.

SEGD standard Revision 2.1 requires a 128-byte label to be recorded at the beginning of each tape. That label is not recorded in the SEG-D file.

An EOF is written between the tape label block and the first SEG-D file.



When recording to two tape drives simultaneously, a different tape label is generated for each tape drive.

Table 8-1 SEG-D Rev. 2.1 file content

Changes	SEG-D Rev 2.1 standard	Content generated by DCM
Storage Unit Label	See <a href="#">SEG-D Rev 2.1 Tape Label (page 172)</a>	See <a href="#">DCM Tape Label content (page 175)</a>
General Header Block # 2 Bytes 11 and 12	SEG-D Revision Number	2.1
General Header Block # 2 Bytes 21 and 22	Sequence Number	Not used (all 0's)
Extended Header		Same as SEG-D Rev. 1, but with an empty string in the Tape Label field (bytes 525-540).

## SEG-D Rev 2.1 Tape Label

The first 128 bytes of data on a Rev 2.1 (and Rev 2.0) tape must consist of ASCII characters and will constitute a storage unit label. This label is very similar to the RP-66 storage unit label. The label format is summarized in the table below.

If the tape media supports multiple partitions, SEG-D data may be written to any of the partitions of the tape, each beginning with a Storage Unit Label. Data from one partition can not "run-over" into a subsequent partition, each partition must be capable of being decoded in isolation.

On one tape, it is allowed to mix partitions containing SEG-D data with partitions containing non SEG-D formatted information.

Table 8-2

Field	Description	Bytes	Start - end byte
1	Storage unit sequence number	4	1 - 4
2	SEG-D Revision	5	5 - 9
3	Storage unit structure (fixed or variable)	6	10 - 15
4	Binding edition	4	16 - 19
5	Maximum block size	10	20 - 29
6	API Producer organization code	10	30 - 39
7	Creation date	11	40 - 50
8	Serial number	12	51 - 62
9	Reserved	6	63 - 68
10	Storage set identifier	60	
	- External Label Name	12	69 - 80
	- Recording Entity Name	24	81 - 104
	- User defined	14	105 - 118
	- Max number of shot records per field record	10	119 - 128

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## Field 1

The Storage Unit Sequence Number is an integer in the range 1 to 9999 that indicates the order in which the current storage unit occurs in the storage set. The first storage unit of a storage set has sequence number 1, the second 2, and so on. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified with leading blanks if needed to fill out the field (No leading zeros). The rightmost character is in byte 4 of the label. This field is optional. If not used, it must be blank (filled with blank characters). This implies that this is the only storage unit within the storage set. Separate Storage Sets should be used for different data types.

## Field 2

The SEG-D Revision field indicates which revision of SEG-D was used to record the data on this tape. SD2.1 indicates that the data was recorded using SEG-D, Revision 2.1 (SD2.0 in previous revision)- This field is required.

## Field 3

Storage Unit Structure is a name indicating the record structure of the storage unit. This name is left justified with trailing blanks if needed to fill out the field. The leftmost character is in byte 10 of the label. For SEG-D, Rev 2.1 and 2.0 tapes, this field must contain "RECORD" or "FIXREC". This field is required.

- "RECORD" -- Records may be of variable length, ranging up to the Blocksize length specified in the maximum Block size field of the storage unit label (if not zero). If the maximum Block size specified is zero, then records may be of any length.
- "FIXREC" -- All records in the storage unit have the same length, namely that specified in the maximum Block size field of the storage unit label. Although all storage units in the same storage set must have a FIXREC structure, the maximum record length may be different in different storage units. When the FIXREC option is used, then the maximum record length field shall not be 0 (zero).

## Field 4

Binding edition is the character B in byte 16 of the label followed by a positive integer in the range 1 to 999 (no leading zeros), left justified with trailing blanks if needed to fill out the field. The integer value corresponds to the edition of the Part 3 of the API, RP66 standard used to describe the physical binding of the logical format to the storage unit. This field is required.

## Field 5

Maximum Block Size is an integer in the range of 0 to 4,294,967,295 (232-1), indicating the maximum block length for the storage unit, or 0 (zero) if undeclared. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified, with leading blanks if necessary to fill

out the field (no leading zeros). The rightmost character is byte 29 of the label. A valid value or 0 (zero) must be recorded.

## Field 6

Producer organization code is an integer in the range of 0 to 4,294,967,295 (2<sup>32</sup>-1) indicating the organization code of the storage unit producer. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified, with leading blanks if necessary to fill out the field (NO leading zeros). The rightmost character is byte 39 of the label. This field may be empty, i.e. may contain all blanks, in which case no storage unit producer is specified (e.g. same as RP-66 V2).

Organization codes are assigned by POSC (API, American Petroleum Institute in previous revision), which maintains the current list of codes. To request a new organization code, contact:

POSC

24 Greenway Plaza

Suite 1000-B

Houston, TX 77046 USA

+1 713 784-1880 telephone

+1 713 784-9219 fax

info@posc.org

## Field 7

Creation date is the earliest date that any current information was recorded on the storage unit. The date is represented in the form dd-MMM-yyyy, where yyyy is the year (e.g. 1996), MMM is one of (JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC), and dd is the day of the month in the range 1 to 31. Days 1 to 9 may have one leading blank. The separator is a hyphen (code 4510). This field is required.

## Field 8

Serial number is an ID used to distinguish the storage unit from other storage units in an archive of an enterprise. The specification and management of serial numbers is delegated to organizations using this standard. If an external label is used the name/number must be a subset of the serial number or the External Label Name in Field 10, and must occupy the rightmost characters in the serial number (or External Label Name). This field is required.

## Field 9

This field is reserved and should be recorded as all blanks (code 3210).

## Field 10

The **Storage set identifier** is a descriptive name for the storage set. Every storage unit in the same storage set shall have the same value for the user defined portion of the storage set identifier in its storage unit label. Included in the Storage Set Identifier is the **External Label Name**. The characters in this field are right justified with leading blank characters as required. If the tape does not have a physical label, then this field must be blank. A physical label is optional, but if it exists, then this field is required only if the external label is different from the lower 6 characters of the Serial Number in field 8.

The next field in the Storage set identifier is the **Recording Entity Name**. This must contain the crew number or name, or some other unique identifier which will differentiate the recording entity which recorded this data from any other recording entity within the organization (as included in field 6). The 24 bytes may be any alphanumeric characters. If multiple recording systems are used on a vessel or crew, then data recorded on each system must be clearly distinguished. For example, an ABC Geophysical crew (party 13), on the M/V Gopher, recording data on two Zip 6000 recording systems might have a Recording Entity Name on tapes recording on the first recording system of:

ABC, Gopher, P13, Zip#1

On the second system, the Recording Entity Name might be:

ABC, Gopher, P13, Zip#2

The Recording Entity Name field is required.

**USER DEFINED.** The next 14 bytes in this field may contain any other user input information. The only restriction is that the data must be in ASCII.

**Max Number of shot records per field record.** Field Records are data between File Marks (10 bytes).

It is not acceptable to use an ANSI label (or any other label or data) prior to the Storage Unit Label.

An external, physical label is not required.

## DCM Tape Label content

Table 8-3 Tape label content

Field	Start - End byte	Description	Content generated by DCM
1	1 - 4	Storage Unit sequence number	<b>Tape Number</b> field from "Records" setup (in Export window).

Table 8-3 Tape label content

2	5 - 9	SEG-D revision	"SD2.1"
3	10 - 15	Storage unit structure	"RECORD"
4	16 - 19	Binding edition	"B2 "
5	20 - 29	Maximum block size	" 0"
6	30 - 39	API Producer organization code	<b>Producer Code</b> field from "SEGD" setup (in Export window).
7	40 - 50	Creation date	Recording date of first file (i. e. recording date of Tape Label itself).
8	51 - 62	Serial number	<b>Prefix Serial #</b> field from "SEGD" setup, plus <b>Tape Number</b> field from "Records" setup (in Export window).
9	63 - 68	Reserved	" "
10		Storage set identifier	
	69 - 80	·External label name	<b>External Label</b> field from "SEGD" setup (in Export window).
	81 - 104	·Recording entity name	<b>Crew Name</b> field (16 characters) from the "Crew" setup in the Config window, plus the device name (8 characters) automatically generated by the Export processing.
	105 - 118	·User defined	<b>User Defined</b> field from "SEGD" setup (in Export window).
	119 - 128	·Max number of shots record per field record	1



# Chapter

# 9

## SEG-D Output File Format Rev 3.0

*This chapter describes the SEG-D format Rev3.0 for the 508<sup>X</sup>. It includes the following sections:*

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- File Header Block (page 181)
- Channel Header Blocks (page 204)
- Sercel Blocks (page 209)
- Tape Label (page 219)

## Overview

### Abbreviations

The abbreviation in the “**fmt**” column gives the format of the value:

- **bcd**: BCD
- **ubin**: unsigned binary
- **bin**: 2’s complement signed binary
- **asc**: ASCII
- **flt**: IEEE single-precision
- **dbl**: IEEE double-precision format

**Note** *An infinity value means a floating number with all the bits of the exponent set to 1 and all the bits of the mantissa set to 0. It normally means an unavailable value.*

*Numbers with 0x ahead are in hexadecimal format.*

### Block Codes

Here below is a tab resuming the block names and codes used by the SEG-D Rev 3.0 norm and the ones specifically defined by Sercel. These codes (Hexadecimal) are written in the last byte of the corresponding block.

Table 9-1

Block Name	Size	Code (Hexa)
General Header Block #1	32	None
General Header Block #2	32	2
General Header Block #3 (Timestamp and size header)	32	3
General Header Block #4 (Vessel/Crew identification)	32	10
General Header Block #5 (Survey Area Name)	32	11
General Header Block #6 (Client identification)	32	12
General Header Block #7 (Job identification)	32	13
General Header Block #8 (Line identification)	32	14
Source Description Blocks: Vibrator	32	15

Table 9-1

Block Name	Size	Code (Hexa)
Source Description Blocks: Impulsive	32	16
Additional Source Info Block	32	20
Source Auxiliary Channel Reference Block	32	21
Coordinate Reference System Identification Block	32	55
Position Blocks	32	50
Position Blocks	32	51
Position Blocks	32	52
Scan Type Header	32	30
Scan Type Header	32	31
Scan Type Header	32	32
The Extended Header	32	None
The External Header	X.32	None
General Trailer Block	32	70
Demultiplexed Trace Header	20	None
Trace Header Extension # 1	32	40
Sensor Info Trace Header Extension	32	41
Timestamp Header	32	42
Measurement Header	32	61
Sercel SEG-D Revision Block	32	B0
Sercel Tape Block	32	B1
Sercel File Identification Block	32	B2
Sercel VP Identification Block	32	B3
Sercel Processing Details Block	32	B4

Table 9-1

Block Name	Size	Code (Hexa)
Sercel Stack Details Block	32	B5
Sercel Additional Vibrator Source Info	32	B6
Sercel Additional Explosive Source Info	32	B7
Sercel Trace Label Block	32	B8
Sercel Trace Identification Block	32	B9
Sercel Trace Edition and Processing Block	32	BA

**Note** All the details about the SEG-D Rev 3.0 format can be found here:  
[http://www.seg.org/documents/10161/77915/seg\\_d\\_rev3\\_0-jun2012.pdf](http://www.seg.org/documents/10161/77915/seg_d_rev3_0-jun2012.pdf)

## File Header Block

### General Header Block #1

Table 9-2

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-2	bcd	File number of four digits	FFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended file number (GHB#2, byte 1-3) even for values below 9999
3-4	bcd	Format code	8058	32 bit IEEE or 64 bit IEEE
5-10	bcd	General constants, 12 digits	0	0, Not used
11	bcd	Last two digits of year	0-99	UTC conversion of the GPS from the GHB#3, byte 1-8
12H	ubin	Number of additional blocks in general header	F	Sercel systematically use the extended number of additional blocks in general header (GHB#2, byte 23-24)
12L-13	bcd	Julian day, 3 digits	1-366	UTC conversion of the GPS from GHB#3, byte 1-8
14	bcd	Hour of day	0-23	UTC conversion of the GPS from GHB#3, byte 1-8
15	bcd	Minute of hour	0-59	UTC conversion of the GPS from GHB#3, byte 1-8
16	bcd	Second of minute	0-60	UTC conversion of the GPS from GHB#3, byte 1-8. The value 60 is a legal value of this field only during UTC leap seconds
17	bcd	Manufacturer's code	13	Sercel code
18-19	bcd	Manufacturer's serial nb	1	0: N/A 1: 508XT

Table 9-2

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
20-22		Not Used	0	
23	bcd	Base scan interval	FF	Sercel systematically use the sampling interval (CSD, byte 24-26)
24H	ubin	Polarity	0	Untested
24L-25		Not used	0	
26H	bcd	Record type	2,8	0x08:normal 0x02:test record The other values are not used
26L-27	bcd	Record length from time zero (in increments of 0.5 times 1.024 sec)	0x0FFF	0x0FFF in normal recording mode.
28	bcd	Scan type per record	1	Only one scan type per record.
29	bcd	Number of channel sets per scan type (0-99)	FF	Sercel systematically use the extended number of channel set (GHB#2, byte 4-5) even for the values <= 99
30	bcd	Number of 32 byte fields added to the end of each scan type header in order to record the sample skew of all channels (0-99)	FF	Sercel systematically use the extended skew blocks (GHB#2, byte 9-10) ) even for the values <= 99
31	bcd	Extended header length	FF	Sercel systematically use the extended header blocks (GHB#2, byte 6-8) even for the values <= 99

Table 9-2

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
32	bcd	External header length	FF	Sercel systematically use the external header blocks (GHB#2, byte 28-30) even for the values <= 99

## General Header Block #2

Table 9-3

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	ubin	Extended file number	XXX	$2^{24} - 1$
4-5	ubin	Extended Channel Sets/ Scan Types	1-XX	The SEG-D V3.0 allows 0
6-8	ubin	Extended Header Blocks	1	
9-10	ubin	Extended Skew Blocks	0	
11	ubin	Major SEG-D Revision Number	3	
12	ubin	Minor SEG-D Revision Number	0	
13-16	ubin	Number of Blocks of General Trailer	0-XXXX	
17-20	ubin	Extended Record Length	0-XXXX	In normal recording mode, it's the maximum length of all the seismic traces. The trace length is peculiar to the channel set.
21-22	ubin	Record set number	0- 65535	Swath Number
23-24	ubin	Extended Number of additional Blocks in the General Header	0-XX	
25-27	ubin	Dominant Sampling Inter- val	XXX	Sample Rate if all the seismic traces have the same sample rate. 0 otherwise. Micro- Second.
28-30	ubin	External Header Blocks	0-XXX	Quantity of 32 bytes blocks.
31		Undefined	0	



Table 9-3

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
32	ubin	Header block type	2	General Header Block #2: 0x02

## General Header Block #3 (Timestamp and size header)

Table 9-4

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time Zero for this record (SEG-D timestamp)	XXXXX XX	GPS time stamp of the first sample (after resynchronisation if applied)
9-16	ubin	Record Size	XXXXX XX	Total size of the SEG-D record in number bytes
17-24	ubin	Data Size	XXXXX XX	Total size of the headers and data in number of bytes without the general trailer.
25-28	ubin	Header Size	XXXXX XX	Total size of the general headers in number of bytes
29	ubin	Extended Recording Mode	0	1 for Extended Recording Mode, 0 for normal record.
30	ubin	Relative Time Mode	0	Set to 1 if this record does not contain absolute timestamps, 0 for normal record. 0 for the 508
31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type	3	General Header Block #3: 0x03

**General Header Block #4 (Vessel/Crew identification)**

Table 9-5

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	ascii	Abbreviated vessel or crew name	XXX	
4-31	ascii	Vessel or crew name	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	10	General Header Block #4: 0x10

**General Header Block #5 (Survey Area Name)**

Table 9-6

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-31	ascii	Survey Area Name	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	11	General Header Block #5: 0x11

## General Header Block #6 (Client identification)

Table 9-7

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-31	ascii	Client identification	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	12	General Header Block #6: 0x12

## General Header Block #7 (Job identification)

Table 9-8

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-5	ascii	Abbreviated Job Identification	XXX	
6-31	ascii	Job Identification	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	13	General Header Block #7: 0x13

**General Header Block #8 (Line identification)**

Table 9-9

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-7	ascii	Line Abbreviation	XXX	
8-31	ascii	Line Identification	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	14	General Header Block #8: 0x14

## Source Description Blocks

### Vibrator

Table 9-10

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	ubin	Expanded file number	XXX	
4-6	bin	Source Line Number, Integer	XXX	
7-8	bin	Source Line Number, Fraction	XX	
9-11	bin	Source Point Number, Integer	XXX	
12-13	bin	Source Point Number, Fraction	XX	
14	bin	Source Point Index	1	
15	ubin	Phase Control	3	Weighted sum
16	ubin	Vibrator Type	0	
17-18	bin	Phase angle	0	
19	ubin	Source Id	X	Vp number for Vp and Stack block. Vibrator number for Vibrator position block.
20	ubin	Source Set Number	X	0 for Vp and Stack block. Vp number for Vibrator position block.
21	ubin	Re-shoot Index	X	
22	ubin	Group Index	X	Stack Number, 0 for Vp block
23	ubin	Depth Index	1	
24-25	bin	Offset cross-line	8000	0x8000 (unknown)

Table 9-10

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
26-27	bin	Offset in-line	8000	0x8000 (unknown)
28-29	ubin	Size	0	
30-31	ubin	Offset depth	8000	0x8000 (unknown)
32	ubin	Header block type	15	Source Description Block, Vibrator: 0x15

## Explosive

Table 9-11

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	ubin	Expanded file number	XXX	
4-6	bin	Source Line Number, Integer	XXX	
7-8	bin	Source Line Number, Fraction	XX	
9-11	bin	Source Point Number, Integer	XXX	
12-13	bin	Source Point Number, Fraction	XX	
14	bin	Source Point Index	1	
15-16	ubin	Depth	0	
17	ubin	Charge Length	0	
18	ubin	Soil Type	FF	
19	ubin	Source Id	X	Source Id
20	ubin	Source Set Number	0	
21	ubin	Re-shoot Index	X	
22	ubin	Group Index	X	0 if single stack, stack number for stack quantity >= 2
23	ubin	Depth Index	1	
24-25	bin	Offset cross-line	8000	0x8000 (unknown)
26-27	bin	Offset in-line	8000	0x8000 (unknown)
28-29	ubin	Size	0	
30-31	ubin	Offset depth	8000	0x8000 (unknown)



Table 9-11

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
32	ubin	Header block type	16	Source Description Block, Explosive: 0x16

## Additional Source Info Block

Table 9-12

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time	XXXXX XX	A time of 0 indicates source fired at start of record
9	ubin	Source Status	0x00, 0x01 or 0xFF	Source Status (1 byte, unsigned binary) 00: Untested/unknown status 01: Source fired OK FF: Unknown error
10	ubin	Source Id	X	Vib or source number if single, 0 in other cases
11	ubin	Source Moving	0	
12-31	ascii	Error Description	X-X	For vibrator source, the vibrator status. "Ok" in explosive
32	ubin	Header block type	20	Additional Source Info Block: 0x20

## Source Auxiliary Channel Reference Block

Table 9-13

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Source Id		
2	bcd	Channel 1, Scan Type Nbr		
3-4	ubin	Channel 1, Channel Set Nbr		
5-7	ubin	Channel 1, Trace Nbr		
8	bcd	Channel 2, Scan Type Nbr		
9-10	ubin	Channel 2, Channel Set Nbr		
11-13	ubin	Channel 2, Trace Nbr		
14	bcd	Channel 3, Scan Type Nbr		
15-16	ubin	Channel 3, Channel Set Nbr		
17-19	ubin	Channel 3, Trace Nbr		
20	bcd	Channel 4, Scan Type Nbr		
21-22	ubin	Channel 4, Channel Set Nbr		
23-25	ubin	Channel 4, Trace Nbr		
26	bcd	Channel 5, Scan Type Nbr		
27-28	ubin	Channel 5, Channel Set Nbr		
29-31	ubin	Channel 5, Trace Nbr		
32	ubin	Header block type	21	Source Auxiliary Channel Reference Block: 0x21

## Coordinate Reference System Identification Block

Table 9-14

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-31	Ascii	CRS ID	X-X	The Coordinate Reference System (CRS) identification in a textual format.
32	Ubin	Header block type	55	Coordinate Reference System identification Block: 0x55

## Position Blocks

Table 9-15

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time of position	XXXXXX X	TB for (Or 0) for planned positions, \$GGA time for measured positions
9-16	bin	Time of measurement/ calculation.	XXXXXX X	Idem time of position
17-20	flt	Vertical error quality estimate	7F8000 00 (infinite)	
21-24	flt	Horizontal error quality estimate	7F8000 00 (infinite)	
25-28	flt	Horizontal error quality estimate	7F8000 00 (infinite)	
29-30	ubin	Horizontal error quality estimate	0xFFFF	

Table 9-15

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
31	ubin	Position type	X	01: Planned/preplot 02: Measured 03: Processed 04: Final 0F: Unknown
32	ubin	Header block type	50	Position Block 1: 0x50
33-40	dbl	First coordinate for coordinate tuple 1		Depend of the Location Data Stanza. Easting normally.
41-48	dbl	Second coordinate for coordinate tuple 1		Depend of the Location Data Stanza. Northing normally.
49-56	dbl	Third coordinate for coordinate tuple 1		Depend of the Location Data Stanza. Elevation normally.
57-58	ubin	Location Data Stanza ID1		
59	ubin	Position 1 Valid.	1	00: Not valid 01: Valid
60	ubin	Position 1 Quality	1	00: Quality Not Ok 01: Quality Ok
61-63		Undefined	0	0x0
64	ubin	Header block type	51	Position Block 2: 0x51
65-72	dbl	First coordinate for coordinate tuple 2	0	
73-80	dbl	Second coordinate for coordinate tuple 2	0	
81-88	dbl	Third coordinate for coordinate tuple 2	0	
89-90	ubin	Location Data Stanza ID2	0	
91	ubin	Position 2 Valid	0	

Table 9-15

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
92	ubin	Position 2 Quality	0	
93-95		Undefined	0	0x0
96	ubin	Header block type	52	Position Block 3: 0x52

## Scan Type Header

Table 9-16

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	bcd	Scan Type Number	01	0x01
2-3	ubin	Channel Set Number	1-65535	
4	ubin	Channel type Identification	X	0x10 : Seis channel 0x70 : Aux channel 0x91 : Source signature/unfiltered 0x92 : Source signature/filtered 0x95 : Source base plate 0x96 : Source reference sweep 0x99 : Source Mass 0x9A : Source Excitation 0x9B : Source Valve 0x9C : Source Overload
5-8	bin	Channel set start time	0	A time stamp header is used
9-12	bin	Channel set end time	0	A time stamp header is used
13-16	ubin	Number of samples in each trace of this channel set	XXXX	
17-20	flt	Sample descale multiplication factor	XXXX	
21-23	ubin	Number of channels in this channel set	XXX	
24-26	ubin	Sampling Interval	500, 1000, 2000, 4000	In $\mu$ S
27	ubin	Array Forming	1	

Table 9-16

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment															
28	ubin	Number of Trace Header Extensions	X																
29H	ubin	Extended Header flag	0																
29L	ubin	Channel gain control method	3	fixed gain															
30	ubin	Vertical Stack	X																
31	ubin	Streamer Cable number	0																
32	ubin	Header block type	30	Scan Type Header Block 1: 0x30															
33-36	flt	Alias filter frequency in Hz	XXXX	<table> <tr> <td>SR</td><td>0.5</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr> <td>FDU</td><td>800</td><td>400</td><td>200</td><td>100</td></tr> <tr> <td>DSU</td><td>800</td><td>400</td><td>200</td><td>100</td></tr> </table>	SR	0.5	1	2	4	FDU	800	400	200	100	DSU	800	400	200	100
SR	0.5	1	2	4															
FDU	800	400	200	100															
DSU	800	400	200	100															
37-40	flt	Low cut filter setting in Hz	XXXX	User defined															
41-44	flt	Alias filter slope	257	dB/octave															
45-48	flt	Low cut filter slope	6	dB/octave (First order)															
49-52	flt	Notch frequency setting	0																
53-56	ft	Second notch frequency	0																
57-60	ft	Third notch frequency	0																
61	ubin	Filter phase	1,2	01: Minimum 02: Linear															
62	ubin	Physical unit	X	0x00 : Unknown 0x06 : m.s-2 0x07 : Newton 0x10 : Ampere 0x14 : Millimeter 0x15 : Meter 0x0F : Volt															



Table 9-16

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
63		Undefined.	0	
64	ubin	Header block type	31	Scan Type Header Block 2: 0x31
65-68	ubin	Filter delay	0	
69-95	ascii	Description	X-X	Associated with the Channel Type identification (Byte 4) DSD Force (0x91) DSD Filtered Force (0x92) DSD Plate Acc (0x95) DSD Second Plate Acc (0x95) DSD reference sweep (0x96) DSD Mass Acc (0x99) DSD Mass Displacement (0x99) DSD Excitation (0x9A) DSD Valve Displacement (0x9B) DSD Overload (0x9C)
96	ubin	Header block type	32	Scan Type Header Block 3: 0x32

## The Extended Header

Table 9-17

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Software version major	X	
2	ubin	Software version minor	X	
3-4	ubin	Software version patch	XX	
5-20	ascii	Software version label		Free Text
21-24	ubin	Number of characters in External Header	XXXX	
25-32				Padded with 0

## The External Header

Table 9-18

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-n*	ascii	Concatenation of: - Info from shooting or navigation system, - User info from environment setup - Source comment from operation window	XXXX	

\*Variable size multiple of 32bytes. The quantity of 32 bytes blocks is defined in the General Header Block 2 Byte 28, 29 and 30.

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## General Trailer Block

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Table 9-19

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Block type		
2	ubin	ASCII or binary		
3-4		Undefined	0	
5-8	ubin	Block size		
9-24	ascii	Description		Reference on model and revision of data
25-31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type (one byte, unsigned binary).	70	General Trailer Block: 0x70

## Channel Header Blocks

### Demultiplexed Trace Header

Table 9-20

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-2	bcd	Four-digit file number (0-9999)	FFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended file number (DTH, byte 18-20) even for values below 9999
3	bcd	Scan Type Number	1	
4	bcd	Channel Set Number	FF	Sercel systematically use the extended channel set number (DTH, byte 16-17) even for values below 99
5-6	bcd	Trace Number	FFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended trace number (THE#1, byte 22-24) even for values below 9999
7-9	bin	First Timing Word	0	0 with systematic used of the Time Stamp Header
10	bin	Trace Header Extension	X	
11	bin	Sample skew	0	0 with systematic used of the Time Stamp Header
12	bin	Trace edit	0,3	00: No edition 03: Edited
13-15	bin	Time break window	XXX	
16-17	ubin	Extended channel set number	XX	
18-20	bin	Extended file number	XXX	

**Trace Header Extension # 1**

Table 9-21

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	bin	Receiver line number	FFFFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended receiver line number (THE#1, byte 11-15) even for integer values
4-6	bin	Receiver point number	FFFFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended receiver point number (THE#1, byte 16-20) even for integer values
7	bin	Receiver point index	X	
8	ubin	Re-shoot Index	X	
9	ubin	Group Index	X	0x0 for vertical geophone 1C, vertical accelerometer 1C, hydrophone 0x01, 0x02, 0x03 for geophone 3C, accelerometer 3C (0x01=X in-line, 0x02=Y cross-line, 0x03=Z vertical)
10	ubin	Depth Index	1	
11-15	bin	Extended receiver line number	XXXXX	
16-20	bin	Extended receiver point number	XXXXX	
21	bin	Sensor SEG-D code	X	
22-24	bin	Extended Trace Number	XXX	
25-28	bin	Number of samples	XXXX	
29	ubin	Sensor moving	0	

Table 9-21

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
30		Undefined	0	0x00
31	ubin	Physical unit	06,0F	0F: Volt 06: m.s-2
32	ubin	Header block type	40	Trace Header Extension Block #1: 0x40

## Sensor Info Trace Header Extension

Table 9-22

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Equipment Test Time	0	0
9-12	flt	Sensor Sensitivity	XXXX	Factor to apply to the sample to get the result in the measurement unit.
13	ubin	Equipment Test Result	0	0x0
14-31	ascii	Serial Number	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	41	Sensor Info Trace Extension Block:0x41

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## Timestamp Header

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Table 9-23

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time Zero for this data block	XXXXXX XX	GPS time of the first sample. Could be different from the Tb GPS time if resynchronization.
9-31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type	42	Time Stamp Header Block:0x42

## Measurement Header

Table 9-24

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time Stamp		
9-12	flt	Measurement value	XXXX	
13-16	flt	Maximum Value	XXXX	
17-20	flt	Minimum Value	XXXX	
21-22	ubin	Quantity Class	XX	1045: Electrical Resistance: Resistance 1033: Dimensionless: Geophone tilt 1122: Plane angle: Acc Tilt 1045: Electrical Resistance: Leakage 1023: Capacitance: Capacitance 1061: Frequency: Cut-Off frequency See Note 1
23-24	ubin	Unit of Measure	XX	2100: Ohm: Resistance 2142: Euc: Geophone tilt 2110: Radian: Acc Tilt 2100: Ohm: Leakage 2031: Farad: Capacitance 2036: Hertz: Frequency See Note 1



Table 9-24

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
25-26	ubin	Measurement Description code	XX	3000: Sensor Resistance: Resistance 3001: Analog Sensor Tilt: Geophone tilt 3002: Digital Sensor Tilt: Acc Tilt 3003: Sensor Leakage: Leakage 3004: Sensor Capacitance: Capacitance 3005: Sensor Cut-Off: Cut-Off See Note 1
27-31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type	61	Measurement Header Block: 0x61

**Note** Details on:

<http://www.seg.org/web/technical-standards-committee/wiki/-/wiki/Main/SegMeasurements>

## Sercel Blocks

In order to include extra information in the SEG-D file, Sercel defined some extra blocks.

## Sercel SEG-D Revision Block

Table 9-25

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-20	ascii	Sercel SEG-D version Label	X-X	ASCII text, 20 characters. Left justified, padded with space (0x20) characters.
21	ubin	Sercel SEG-D Version Major	X	
22	ubin	Sercel SEG-D Version Minor	X	
23	ubin	Sercel SEG-D Version Teeny	X	
24-31	ubin	Reserved	X-X	0x0
32	ubin	Header block type	B0	Sercel SEG-D version Block: 0xB0

This block is mandatory for all the Sercel products. It is always inserted at the fourth position in the general header immediately after the 3 first mandatory blocks.

## Sercel Tape Block

Table 9-26

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-4	bin	Input Filter identifier	XXXX	
5-8	bin	Minimum tape number for this filter	XXXX	
9-12	bin	Maximum tape number for this filter	XXXX	
13	bin	Tape number increment for this filter	X	

Table 9-26

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
14-17	bin	Tape Number in this filter	XXXX	
18-21	bin	Maximum number of files per tape	XXXX	
22-25	bin	File rank on tape	XXXX	(File count)
32	ubin	Header block type	B1	Sercel Tape Block: 0xB1

## Sercel File Identification Block

Table 9-27

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	ubin	File generation time	X-X	GPS Time of the file generation
32	ubin	Header block type	B2	Sercel File Identification Block: 0xB2

## Sercel VP Identification Block

Table 9-28

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-16	ubin	VP uuid	X-X	See Note below
17	ubin	RetrieveType	0,1	0 : Field 1 : Simulator
18-21	ubin	Operating mode	XXXX	bit0 : 1 Normal bit1 : 1 Microseismic bit2 : 1 Shallow bit3 : 1 SQC Dump (VSR) bit4 : 1 Autonomous bit8 : 1 Guidance bit9 : 1 Slip Sweep Possible combinations are: 0x001 : Normal 0x002 : Microseismic 0x004 : Shallow 0x008 : SQC Dump 0x010 : Autonomous 0x101 : Guidance + Normal 0x104 : Guidance + Shallow 0x108 : Guidance + SQC Dump 0x110 : Guidance + Autonomous 0x201 : Slip Sweep + Normal 0x204 : Slip Sweep + Shallow 0x208 : Slip Sweep + SQC Dump 0x301 : Slip Sweep + Guidance + Normal 0x304 : Slip Sweep + Guidance + Shallow 0x308 : Slip Sweep + Guidance + SQC Dump
32	ubin	Header block type	B3	Sercel VP Identification Block: 0xB3

**Note** Details on: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Universally\\_unique\\_identifier](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Universally_unique_identifier)

## Sercel Processing Details Block

Table 9-29

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Type of process	X	0 : N/A 1 : No operation (raw data) 2 : Stack 3 : Correlation After stack 4 : Correlation Before stack
2	ubin	Field retrieve type	X	0 : Normal record. 1 : Instrument noise. 2 : Instrument gain 3 : Instrument phase 4 : Instrument common mode 5 : Instrument distortion. 6 : Instrument crosstalk 7 : Instrument pulse. 10 : Field (Sensor) noise. 11 : Field (Sensor) resistance 12 : Field (Sensor) leakage 13 : Field (Sensor) tilt. 14 : Field (Sensor) distortion. 15 : Field (Sensor) pulse. 16 : Field (Sensor) gravity
3-6	ubin	Acquisition length in ms	XXXX	
7-10	ubin	Correlation length in ms	XXXX	
11-14	ubin	Pilot length in ms	XXXX	
15-18	ubin	Listening time in ms	XXXX	

Table 9-29

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
19	ubin	Seismic DC offset removal method	X	0 : None 1 : Central Unit 2 : 0.15625 Hz low cut filter 3 : 0.3125 Hz low cut filter 4 : 0.625 Hz low cut filter 5 : 1.25 Hz low cut filter 6 : 2.5 Hz low cut filter 7 : Other low cut filter
20	ubin	System process id	X	
32	ubin	Header block type	B4	Sercel Processing Details Block: 0xB4

## Sercel Stack Details Block

Table 9-30

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-2	ubin	Initial stacking fold	XX	Stacking fold configured in the process type
3-4	ubin	Effective stacking fold	XX	Can be lower than the Initial stacking fold
5	ubin	Type of dump	X	0 : Normal dump 1 : Raw dump 2 : Extra dump
32	ubin	Header block type	B5	Sercel Stack Details Block: 0xB5

## Sercel Additional Vibrator Source Info

Table 9-31

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Number of vibrators per fleet	X	
2	ubin	Number of simultaneous sources	X	
32	ubin	Header block type	B6	Sercel Additional Vibrator Source Info: 0xB6

## Sercel Additional Explosive Source Info

Table 9-32

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-4	ubin	Uphole time in microse-conds	XXXX	
5-8	ubin	Blaster id	XXXX	
9-12	bin	Blaster status	XXXX	
13-16	flt	Time break window in ms	XXXX	
17	ubin	Internal time break	0,1	0 : No 1 : Yes
18	ubin	Number of simultaneous sources	X	
32	ubin	Header block type	B7	Sercel Additional Explosive Source Info Block: 0xB7

## Sercel Trace Label Block

Table 9-33

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-31	ascii	Trace Label	X-X	Naming of Auxiliary channels
32	ubin	Header block type	B8	Trace Label Block: 0xB8



## Sercel Trace Identification Block

Table 9-34

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-2	ubin	Unit Type	XX	0x0000 = Not Defined 0x0200 = FDU1-508 0x0300 = DSU1-508 0x03CD = VE464 DSD
3	ubin	Channel number		
4	ubin	Sensor type number	1-9	Each Sensor Type Number (created in the Line main window's Survey setup) is associated with a specific set of sensor test limits. The Sensor Type Number should not be mistaken for the "Sensor SEG-D code" recorded in Trace Header Extension block # 1
5-6	ubin	Assembly type	XX	0x00xx with xx equal to the quantity of field units connected in the link (in hexa) (ex: 0x0006 : LINK6). 1F (31) is the max value.
7-10	ubin	Assembly serial number	XXXX	
11	ubin	Location in assembly	XX	Position of the unit in a link.
12-13	ubin	Controller type	XX	0x0101: SCI-508 0x0102: CX-508 0x03CD: VE464 DSD
14-17	ubin	Controller serial number	XXXX	
18-21	ubin	Index within acquisition	XXXX	Channel position in the spread
32	ubin	Header block type	B9	Sercel Trace Identification Block: 0xB9

## Sercel Trace Edition and Processing Block

Table 9-35

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Channel overscaling error	0,1	0: No error 1: overscaling error
2-3	ubin	Channel edited status	X	0: No edition 1: mute 2: dead 3: outstanding
4-7	bin	Resynchronisation delay applied	XXXX	in micro-second (four bytes, signed binary)
8	ubin	Noise elimination type	X	0: Off 1: Diversity stack
9-10	ubin	Diversity number of windows	XX	0 if not defined
11	ubin	Channel processing type	XX	00: N/A 01: Raw data 02: Aux stack 03: Correlation, negative part 04: Correlation, positive part 05: Normal correlation 06: Seis stack
12	ubin	Is correlation trace reference recorded?	0,1	1: The trace is recorded.
13-16	ubin	Correlation reference trace index within acquisition	X	
17-20	flt	Removed DC Offset	XX	NAN if unknown
21	ubin	Channel gain scale	X	0: Not Defined 1: 0 dB 2: 12 dB 3: 24 dB

Table 9-35

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
22	ubin	Tilt Correction status	X	0: Not Defined 1: Not applied 2: Applied
23-31		Not defined		
32	ubin	Header block type	BA	Sercel Trace Edition and Processing Block: 0xBA

## Tape Label

### SEG-D V3.0 Tape Label

The first 128 bytes of data on a Rev 3.0 tape must consist of ASCII characters and will constitute a Storage Unit Label. This label is very similar to the RP-66 storage unit label. The Storage Unit Label is also often referred to as the “Tape Label” for historical reasons. The label format is summarized in the table below.

If the tape media supports multiple partitions, SEG-D data may be written to any of the partitions of the tape, each beginning with a Storage Unit Label. Data from one partition can not “run over” into a subsequent partition, each partition must be capable of being decoded in isolation.

On one tape, it is allowed to mix partitions containing SEG-D data with partitions containing non SEG-D formatted information.

Table 9-36

Field	Location	Description	Content generated by 508XT
1	1-4	Storage unit sequence number	Tape Number from input filter setup
2	5-9	SEG-D Revision	SD3.0
3	10-15	Storage unit structure (fixed or variable)	RECORD

Table 9-36

Field	Location	Description	Content generated by 508XT
4	16-19	Binding edition	B2
5	20-29	Maximum block size	0
6	30-39	API Producer organization code	469 (Sercel)
7	40-50	Creation date	Recording date of the tape label
8	51-62	Serial number	Tape Label field from input filter setup
9	63-68	Reserved	
11	69-80	External Label Name	External Tape Label field from input filter setup
12	81-104	Recording Entity Name	Crew Name from crew setup
13	105-118	User defined	User Defined Tape Label field from input filter setup
14	119-128	Max shot records per field record	1

### Field 1

The **Storage Unit Sequence Number** is an integer in the range 1 to 9999 that indicates the order in which the current storage unit occurs in the storage set. The first storage unit of a storage set has sequence number 1, the second 2, and so on. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified with leading blanks if needed to fill out the field (No leading zeros). The rightmost character is in byte 4 of the label. *This field is optional.* If not used, it must be blank (filled with blank characters). This implies that this is the only storage unit within the storage set. Separate Storage Sets should be used for different data types.

### Field 2

The **SEG-D Revision** field indicates which revision of SEG-D was used to record the data on this tape. SD3.0 indicates that the data was recorded using SEG-D, Revision 3.0 (SD2.1 in previous revision) - *This field is required.*

### Field 3

**Storage Unit Structure** is a name indicating the record structure of the storage unit. This name is left justified with trailing blanks if needed to fill out the field. The leftmost character is in byte 10 of the label. For SEG-D, Rev 3 tapes, this field must contain “RECORD” or “FIXREC”. *This field is required.*

“RECORD” — Records may be of variable length, ranging up to the Blocksize length specified in the maximum Block size field of the storage unit label (if not zero). If the maximum Block size specified is zero, then records may be of any length.

“FIXREC” — All records in the storage unit have the same length, namely that specified in the maximum Block size field of the storage unit label. Although all storage units in the same storage set must have a FIXREC structure, the maximum record length may be different in different storage units. When the FIXREC option is used, then the maximum record length field shall not be 0 (zero).

### Field 4

**Binding edition** is the character B in byte 16 of the label followed by a positive integer in the range 1 to 999 (no leading zeros), left justified with trailing blanks if needed to fill out the field. The integer value corresponds to the edition of the Part 3 of the API, RP66 standard used to describe the physical binding of the logical format to the storage unit. *This field is required.*

### Field 5

**Maximum Block Size** is an integer in the range of 0 to 4,294,967,295 ( $2^{32}-1$ ), indicating the maximum block length for the storage unit, or 0 (zero) if undeclared. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified, with leading blanks if necessary to fill out the field (no leading zeros). The rightmost character is byte 29 of the label. A valid value or 0 (zero) must be recorded. A value of 1 means byte stream device (e.g. disk). *It is highly recommended to indicate the maximum block length where possible, as this will determine the size buffer needed to read the data, and will enable reading the data at a more optimal speed (using multi-block read).*

### Field 6

**Producer organization code** is an integer in the range of 0 to 4,294,967,295 ( $2^{32}-1$ ) indicating the organization code of the storage unit producer. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified, with leading blanks if necessary to fill out the field (NO leading zeros). The rightmost character is byte 39 of the label. *This field may be empty, i.e. may contain all blanks, in which case no storage unit producer is specified (i.e. same as RP-66 V2).*

Organization codes are assigned by Energistics, formerly the Petrotechnical Open Standards Consortium (POSC), which maintains the current list of codes. To request a new organization code, contact:

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[info@energistics.org](mailto:info@energistics.org)

## Field 7

**Creation date** is the earliest date that any current information was recorded on the storage unit. The date is represented in the form dd-MMM-yyyy, where yyyy is the year (e.g. 1996), MMM is one of (JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC), and dd is the day of the month in the range 1 to 31. Days 1 to 9 may have one leading blank. The separator is a hyphen (code 4510). *This field is required.*

## Field 8

**Serial number** is an ID used to distinguish the storage unit from other storage units in an archive of an enterprise. The specification and management of serial numbers is delegated to organizations using this standard. If an external label is used the name/number must be a subset of the serial number or the External Label Name in Field 10, and must occupy the rightmost characters in the serial number (or External Label Name). *This field is required.*

## Field 9

This field is reserved and should be recorded as all blanks (code 3210).

## Field 10 - 12

The **Storage set identifier** is a descriptive name for the storage set. Every storage unit in the same storage set shall have the same value for the **user defined portion** of the storage set identifier in its storage unit label. Included in the **Storage Set Identifier** is the **External Label Name**. The characters in this field are right justified with leading blank characters as required. If the tape does not have a physical label, then this field must be blank. A physical label is optional, but if it exists, then this field is required only if the external label is different from the lower 6 characters of the Serial Number in Field 8. The next field in the Storage set identifier is the **Recording Entity Name**. This must contain the crew number or name, or some other unique identifier which will differentiate the recording entity which recorded this data from any other recording entity within the organization (as included in field 6). The 24 bytes may be any alphanumeric characters. If multiple recording systems are used on a vessel or crew, then data recorded on each system must be clearly distinguished. For example, an

ABC Geophysical crew (party 13), on the M/V Gopher, recording data on two Zip 6000 recording systems might have a Recording Entity Name on tapes recording on the first recording system of:

ABC, Gopher, P13, Zip#1

On the second system, the Recording Entity Name might be:

ABC, Gopher, P13, Zip#2

The Recording Entity Name field is required.

## Field 13

### User Defined

The next 14 bytes in this field may contain any other user input information. The only restriction is that the data must be in ASCII.

## Field 14

**Max Number of shot records per field record.** Field Records are data between File Marks (10 bytes).

It is not acceptable to use an ANSI label (or any other label or data) prior to the Storage Unit Label.

An external, physical label is not required.

## Sercel Tape Label content

Table 9-37

Field	Location	Description	Start - end byte
1	1-4	Storage unit sequence number	Tape Number from input filter setup
2	5-9	SEG-D Revision	SD3.0
3	10-15	Storage unit structure (fixed or variable)	RECORD
4	16-19	Binding edition	B2
5	20-29	Maximum block size	0
6	30-39	API Producer organization code	469 (Sercel)
7	40-50	Creation date	Recording date of the tape label
8	51-62	Serial number	Tape Label field from input filter setup
9	63-68	Reserved	""



Table 9-37

Field	Location	Description	Start - end byte
11	69-80	External Label Name	External Tape Label field from input filter setup
12	81-104	Recording Entity Name	Crew Name from crew setup
13	105-118	User defined	User Defined Tape Label field from input filter setup
14	119-128	Max shot records per field record	1

## Chapter

# 10

## SEG-D Output File Format Rev 3.0 (Wireless)

*This chapter describes Wireless version of the SEG-D format Rev3.0 for the DCM. It includes the following sections:*

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# Overview

## Abbreviations

The abbreviation in the “**fmt**” column gives the format of the value:

- **bcd**: BCD
- **ubin**: unsigned binary
- **bin**: 2’s complement signed binary
- **asc**: ASCII
- **flt**: IEEE single-precision
- **dbl**: IEEE double-precision format

**Note**     *An infinity value means a floating number with all the bits of the exponent set to 1 and all the bits of the mantissa set to 0. It normally means an unavailable value.*

*Numbers with 0x ahead are in hexadecimal format.*

## Block Codes

The table below summarises the block names and codes used by the SEG-D Rev 3.0 standard, and those specifically defined by Sercel. These codes (Hexadecimal) are written in the last byte of the corresponding block.

Table 10-1

Block Name	Size	Code (Hexa)
General Header Block #1	32	None
General Header Block #2	32	2
General Header Block #3 (Timestamp and size header)	32	3
General Header Block #4 (Vessel/Crew identification)	32	10
General Header Block #5 (Survey Area Name)	32	11
General Header Block #6 (Client identification)	32	12
General Header Block #7 (Job identification)	32	13
General Header Block #8 (Line identification)	32	14
Source Description Blocks: Vibrator	32	15

Table 10-1

Block Name	Size	Code (Hexa)
Source Description Blocks: Impulsive	32	16
Additional Source Info Block	32	20
Source Auxiliary Channel Reference Block	32	21
Coordinate Reference System Identification Block	32	55
Position Blocks	32	50
Position Blocks	32	51
Position Blocks	32	52
Scan Type Header	32	30
Scan Type Header	32	31
Scan Type Header	32	32
The Extended Header	32	None
The External Header	X.32	None
General Trailer Block	32	70
Demultiplexed Trace Header	20	None
Trace Header Extension # 1	32	40
Sensor Info Trace Header Extension	32	41
Timestamp Header	32	42
Measurement Header	32	61
Sercel SEG-D Revision Block	32	B0
Sercel Tape Block	32	B1
Sercel File Identification Block	32	B2
Sercel VP Identification Block	32	B3
Sercel Processing Details Block	32	B4

Table 10-1

Block Name	Size	Code (Hexa)
Sercel Trace Label Block	32	B8
Sercel Trace Identification Block	32	B9
Sercel Trace Edition and Processing Block	32	BA
Sercel DCM Trace Header Extension Block	32	D0
Sercel Observer Comments Block	32	D1
Sercel System ID Header Block #1	32	D2
Sercel System ID Header Block #2	32	D3
Sercel System ID Header Block #3	32	D4
Sercel Origins Block	32	D5

**Note** All the details about the SEG-D Rev 3.0 format can be found here:  
[http://www.seg.org/documents/10161/77915/seg\\_d\\_rev3\\_0-jun2012.pdf](http://www.seg.org/documents/10161/77915/seg_d_rev3_0-jun2012.pdf)

## File Header Block

### General Header Block #1

Table 10-2

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-2	bcd	File number of four digits	FFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended file number (GHB#2, byte 1-3) even for values below 9999
3-4	bcd	Format code	8058	32 bit IEEE or 64 bit IEEE
5-10	bcd	General constants, 12 digits	0	0, Not used
11	bcd	Last two digits of year	0-99	UTC conversion of the GPS from the GHB#3, byte 1-8
12H	ubin	Number of additional blocks in general header	F	Sercel systematically use the extended number of additional blocks in general header (GHB#2, byte 23-24)
12L-13	bcd	Julian day, 3 digits	1-366	UTC conversion of the GPS from GHB#3, byte 1-8
14	bcd	Hour of day	0-23	UTC conversion of the GPS from GHB#3, byte 1-8
15	bcd	Minute of hour	0-59	UTC conversion of the GPS from GHB#3, byte 1-8
16	bcd	Second of minute	0-60	UTC conversion of the GPS from GHB#3, byte 1-8. The value 60 is a legal value of this field only during UTC leap seconds
17	bcd	Manufacturer's code	13	Sercel code

Table 10-2

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
18-19	bcd	Manufacturer's serial nb	1	0: N/A 1: 508XT 2: Unite 4: DCM
20-22		Not Used	0	
23	bcd	Base scan interval	FF	Sercel systematically use the sampling interval (CSD, byte 24-26)
24H	ubin	Polarity	0	Untested
24L-25		Not used	0	
26H	bcd	Record type	2,8	0x08:normal 0x02:test record The other values are not used
26L-27	bcd	Record length from time zero (in increments of 0.5 times 1.024 sec)	0x0FFF	0x0FFF in normal recording mode.
28	bcd	Scan type per record	1	Only one scan type per record.
29	bcd	Number of channel sets per scan type (0-99)	FF	Sercel systematically use the extended number of channel set (GHB#2, byte 4-5) even for the values <= 99
30	bcd	Number of 32 byte fields added to the end of each scan type header in order to record the sample skew of all channels (0-99)	FF	Sercel systematically use the extended skew blocks (GHB#2, byte 9-10) ) even for the values <= 99

Table 10-2

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
31	bcd	Extended header length	FF	Sercel systematically use the extended header blocks (GHB#2, byte 6-8) even for the values <= 99
32	bcd	External header length	FF	Sercel systematically use the external header blocks (GHB#2, byte 28-30) even for the values <= 99



## General Header Block #2

Table 10-3

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	ubin	Extended file number	XXX	$2^{24} - 1$
4-5	ubin	Extended Channel Sets/Scan Types	1-XX	The SEG-D V3.0 allows 0
6-8	ubin	Extended Header Blocks	1	
9-10	ubin	Extended Skew Blocks	0	
11	ubin	Major SEG-D Revision Number	3	
12	ubin	Minor SEG-D Revision Number	0	
13-16	ubin	Number of Blocks of General Trailer	0-XXXX	
17-20	ubin	Extended Record Length	0-XXXX	In normal recording mode, it's the maximum length of all the seismic traces. The trace length is peculiar to the channel set.
21-22	ubin	Record set number	0-65535	Swath Number
23-24	ubin	Extended Number of additional Blocks in the General Header	0-XX	
25-27	ubin	Dominant Sampling Interval	XXX	Sample Rate if all the seismic traces have the same sample rate. 0 otherwise. Micro-Second.
28-30	ubin	External Header Blocks	0-XXX	Quantity of 32 bytes blocks.
31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type	2	General Header Block #2: 0x02

## General Header Block #3 (Timestamp and size header)

Table 10-4

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time Zero for this record (SEG-D timestamp)	XXXXXX X	GPS time stamp of the first sample (after resynchronisation if applied)
9-16	ubin	Record Size	XXXXXX X	Total size of the SEG-D record in number bytes
17-24	ubin	Data Size	XXXXXX X	Total size of the headers and data in number of bytes without the general trailer.
25-28	ubin	Header Size	XXXXXX X	Total size of the general headers in number of bytes
29	ubin	Extended Recording Mode	0	1 for Extended Recording Mode, 0 for normal record.
30	ubin	Relative Time Mode	0	Set to 1 if this record does not contain absolute timestamps, 0 for normal record. 0 for the 508
31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type	3	General Header Block #3: 0x03

**General Header Block #4 (Vessel/Crew identification)**

Table 10-5

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	ascii	Abbreviated vessel or crew name	XXX	
4-31	ascii	Vessel or crew name	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	10	General Header Block #4: 0x10

**General Header Block #5 (Survey Area Name)**

Table 10-6

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-31	ascii	Survey Area Name	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	11	General Header Block #5: 0x11

## General Header Block #6 (Client identification)

Table 10-7

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-31	ascii	Client identification	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	12	General Header Block #6: 0x12

## General Header Block #7 (Job identification)

Table 10-8

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-5	ascii	Abbreviated Job Identification	XXX	
6-31	ascii	Job Identification	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	13	General Header Block #7: 0x13

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**General Header Block #8 (Line identification)**

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Table 10-9

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-7	ascii	Line Abbreviation	XXX	
8-31	ascii	Line Identification	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	14	General Header Block #8: 0x14

## Source Description Blocks

### Vibrator

Table 10-10

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	ubin	Expanded file number	XXX	
4-6	bin	Source Line Number, Integer	XXX	
7-8	bin	Source Line Number, Fraction	XX	
9-11	bin	Source Point Number, Integer	XXX	
12-13	bin	Source Point Number, Fraction	XX	
14	bin	Source Point Index	1	
15	ubin	Phase Control	3	Weighted sum
16	ubin	Vibrator Type	0	
17-18	bin	Phase angle	0	
19	ubin	Source Id	X	Vp number for Vp and Stack block. Vibrator number for Vibrator position block.
20	ubin	Source Set Number	X	0 for Vp and Stack block. Vp number for Vibrator position block.
21	ubin	Re-shoot Index	X	
22	ubin	Group Index	X	Stack Number, 0 for Vp block
23	ubin	Depth Index	1	
24-25	bin	Offset cross-line	8000	0x8000 (unknown)
26-27	bin	Offset in-line	8000	0x8000 (unknown)

Table 10-10

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
28-29	ubin	Size	0	
30-31	ubin	Offset depth	8000	0x8000 (unknown)
32	ubin	Header block type	15	Source Description Block, Vibrator: 0x15

## Impulsive

Table 10-11

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	ubin	Expanded file number	XXX	
4-6	bin	Source Line Number, Integer	XXX	
7-8	bin	Source Line Number, Fraction	XX	
9-11	bin	Source Point Number, Integer	XXX	
12-13	bin	Source Point Number, Fraction	XX	
14	bin	Source Point Index	1	
15-16	ubin	Depth	0	
17	ubin	Charge Length	0	
18	ubin	Soil Type	FF	
19	ubin	Source Id	X	Source Id
20	ubin	Source Set Number	0	
21	ubin	Re-shoot Index	X	
22	ubin	Group Index	X	0 if single stack, stack number for stack quantity >= 2
23	ubin	Depth Index	1	
24-25	bin	Offset cross-line	8000	0x8000 (unknown)
26-27	bin	Offset in-line	8000	0x8000 (unknown)
28-29	ubin	Size	0	
30-31	ubin	Offset depth	8000	0x8000 (unknown)



Table 10-11

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
32	ubin	Header block type	16	Source Description Block, Explosive: 0x16

## Additional Source Info Block

Table 10-12

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time	XXXXXX X	A time of 0 indicates source fired at start of record
9	ubin	Source Status	0x00, 0x01 or 0xFF	Source Status (1 byte, unsigned binary)  00: Untested/unknown status  01: Source fired OK  FF: Unknown error
10	ubin	Source Id	X	Vib or source number if single, 0 in other cases
11	ubin	Source Moving	0	
12-31	ascii	Error Description	X-X	For vibrator source, the vibrator status. "Ok" in explosive
32	ubin	Header block type	20	Additional Source Info Block: 0x20

## Source Auxiliary Channel Reference Block

Table 10-13

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Source Id		
2	bcd	Channel 1, Scan Type Nbr		
3-4	ubin	Channel 1, Channel Set Nbr		
5-7	ubin	Channel 1, Trace Nbr		
8	bcd	Channel 2, Scan Type Nbr		
9-10	ubin	Channel 2, Channel Set Nbr		
11-13	ubin	Channel 2, Trace Nbr		
14	bcd	Channel 3, Scan Type Nbr		
15-16	ubin	Channel 3, Channel Set Nbr		
17-19	ubin	Channel 3, Trace Nbr		
20	bcd	Channel 4, Scan Type Nbr		
21-22	ubin	Channel 4, Channel Set Nbr		
23-25	ubin	Channel 4, Trace Nbr		
26	bcd	Channel 5, Scan Type Nbr		
27-28	ubin	Channel 5, Channel Set Nbr		
29-31	ubin	Channel 5, Trace Nbr		
32	ubin	Header block type	21	Source Auxiliary Channel Reference Block: 0x21

## Coordinate Reference System Identification Block

Table 10-14

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-31	Ascii	CRS ID	X-X	The Coordinate Reference System (CRS) identification in a textual format.
32	Ubin	Header block type	55	Coordinate Reference System identification Block: 0x55

## Position Blocks

Table 10-15

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time of position	XXXXXXX	TB for (Or 0) for planned positions, \$GGA time for measured positions
9-16	bin	Time of measurement/calculation.	XXXXXXX	Idem time of position
17-20	flt	Vertical error quality estimate	7F800000 (infinite)	
21-24	flt	Horizontal error quality estimate	7F800000 (infinite)	
25-28	flt	Horizontal error quality estimate	7F800000 (infinite)	
29-30	ubin	Horizontal error quality estimate	0xFFFF	

Table 10-15

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
31	ubin	Position type	X	01: Planned/preplot 02: Measured 03: Processed 04: Final 0F: Unknown
32	ubin	Header block type	50	Position Block 1: 0x50
33-40	dbl	First coordinate for coordinate tuple 1		Depend of the Location Data Stanza. Easting normally.
41-48	dbl	Second coordinate for coordinate tuple 1		Depend of the Location Data Stanza. Northing normally.
49-56	dbl	Third coordinate for coordinate tuple 1		Depend of the Location Data Stanza. Elevation normally.
57-58	ubin	Location Data Stanza ID1		
59	ubin	Position 1 Valid.	1	00: Not valid 01: Valid
60	ubin	Position 1 Quality	1	00: Quality Not Ok 01: Quality Ok
61-63		Undefined	0	0x0
64	ubin	Header block type	51	Position Block 2: 0x51
65-72	dbl	First coordinate for coordinate tuple 2	0	
73-80	dbl	Second coordinate for coordinate tuple 2	0	

Table 10-15

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
81-88	dbl	Third coordinate for coordinate tuple 2	0	
89-90	ubin	Location Data Stanza ID2	0	
91	ubin	Position 2 Valid	0	
92	ubin	Position 2 Quality	0	
93-95		Undefined	0	0x0
96	ubin	Header block type	52	Position Block 3: 0x52

## Scan Type Header

Table 10-16

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	bcd	Scan Type Number	01	0x01
2-3	ubin	Channel Set Number	1-65535	
4	ubin	Channel type Identification	X	0x10 : Seis channel 0x70 : Aux channel 0x91 : Source signature/unfiltered 0x92 : Source signature/filtered 0x95 : Source base plate 0x96 : Source reference sweep 0x99 : Source Mass 0x9A : Source Excitation 0x9B : Source Valve 0x9C : Source Overload
5-8	bin	Channel set start time	0	A time stamp header is used
9-12	bin	Channel set end time	0	A time stamp header is used
13-16	ubin	Number of samples in each trace of this channel set	XXXX	
17-20	flt	Sample descale multiplication factor	XXXX	
21-23	ubin	Number of channels in this channel set	XXX	

Table 10-16

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment															
24-26	ubin	Sampling Interval	500, 1000, 2000, 4000	In $\mu$ S															
27	ubin	Array Forming	1																
28	ubin	Number of Trace Header Extensions	X																
29H	ubin	Extended Header flag	0																
29L	ubin	Channel gain control method	3	fixed gain															
30	ubin	Vertical Stack	X																
31	ubin	Streamer Cable number	0																
32	ubin	Header block type	30	Scan Type Header Block 1: 0x30															
33-36	flt	Alias filter frequency in Hz	XXXX	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>SR</td><td>0.5</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr> <td>WTU</td><td>800</td><td>400</td><td>200</td><td>100</td></tr> <tr> <td>QSI</td><td>800</td><td>400</td><td>200</td><td>100</td></tr> </table>	SR	0.5	1	2	4	WTU	800	400	200	100	QSI	800	400	200	100
SR	0.5	1	2	4															
WTU	800	400	200	100															
QSI	800	400	200	100															
37-40	flt	Low cut filter setting in Hz	XXXX	User defined															
41-44	flt	Alias filter slope	257	dB/octave															
45-48	flt	Low cut filter slope	6	dB/octave (First order)															
49-52	flt	Notch frequency setting	0																
53-56	ft	Second notch frequency	0																
57-60	ft	Third notch frequency	0																
61	ubin	Filter phase	1,2	01: Minimum 02: Linear															



Table 10-16

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
62	ubin	Physical unit	X	0x00 : Unknown  0x06 : m.s-2  0x07 : Newton  0x10 : Ampere  0x14 : Millimeter  0x15 : Meter  0x0F : Volt
63		Undefined.	0	
64	ubin	Header block type	31	Scan Type Header Block 2: 0x31
65-68	ubin	Filter delay	0	

Table 10-16

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment															
69-95	ascii	Description	X-X	Associated with the Channel Type identification (Byte 4)  DSD Force (0x91)  DSD Filtered Force (0x92)  DSD Plate Acc (0x95)  DSD Second Plate Acc (0x95)  DSD reference sweep (0x96)  DSD Mass Acc (0x99)  DSD Mass Displacement (0x99)  DSD  Excitation (0x9A)  DSD Valve Displacement (0x9B)  DSD Overload (0x9C)															
96	ubin	Header block type	32	Scan Type Header Block 3: 0x32															
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<b>FDU</b>	800	400	200	100															
<b>DSU</b>	800	400	200	100															

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## The Extended Header

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Table 10-17

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Software version major	X	
2	ubin	Software version minor	X	
3-4	ubin	Software version patch	XX	
5-20	ascii	Software version label		Free Text
21-24	ubin	Number of characters in External Header	XXXX	
25-32				Padded with 0

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## The External Header

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Table 10-18

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-n*	ascii	Concatenation of:  - Info from shooting or navigation system,  - User info from environment setup  - Source comment from operation window	XXXX	

\*Variable size multiple of 32bytes. The quantity of 32 bytes blocks is defined in the General Header Block 2 Byte 28, 29 and 30.

## General Trailer Block

Table 10-19

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Block type		
2	ubin	ASCII or binary		
3-4		Undefined	0	
5-8	ubin	Block size		
9-24	ascii	Description		Reference on model and revision of data
25-31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type (one byte, unsigned binary).	70	General Trailer Block: 0x70

## Channel Header Blocks

### Demultiplexed Trace Header

Table 10-20

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-2	bcd	Four-digit file number (0-9999)	FFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended file number (DTH, byte 18-20) even for values below 9999
3	bcd	Scan Type Number	1	
4	bcd	Channel Set Number	FF	Sercel systematically use the extended channel set number (DTH, byte 16-17) even for values below 99
5-6	bcd	Trace Number	FFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended trace number (THE#1, byte 22-24) even for values below 9999
7-9	bin	First Timing Word	0	0 with systematic used of the Time Stamp Header
10	bin	Trace Header Extension	X	
11	bin	Sample skew	0	0 with systematic used of the Time Stamp Header
12	bin	Trace edit	0,3	00: No edition 03: Edited
13-15	bin	Time break window	XXX	
16-17	ubin	Extended channel set number	XX	
18-20	bin	Extended file number	XXX	

## Trace Header Extension # 1

Table 10-21

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-3	bin	Receiver line number	FFFFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended receiver line number (THE#1, byte 11-15) even for integer values
4-6	bin	Receiver point number	FFFFFF	Sercel systematically use the extended receiver point number (THE#1, byte 16-20) even for integer values
7	bin	Receiver point index	X	
8	ubin	Re-shoot Index	X	
9	ubin	Group Index	X	0x0 for vertical geophone 1C, vertical accelerometer 1C, hydrophone  0x01, 0x02, 0x03 for geophone 3C, accelerometer 3C (0x01=X in-line, 0x02=Y cross-line, 0x03=Z vertical)
10	ubin	Depth Index	1	
11-15	bin	Extended receiver line number	XXXXX	
16-20	bin	Extended receiver point number	XXXXX	
21	bin	Sensor SEG-D code	X	
22-24	bin	Extended Trace Number	XXX	
25-28	bin	Number of samples	XXXX	
29	ubin	Sensor moving	0	

Table 10-21

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
30		Undefined	0	0x00
31	ubin	Physical unit	06,0F	0F: Volt 06: m.s-2
32	ubin	Header block type	40	Trace Header Extension Block #1: 0x40

### Sensor Info Trace Header Extension

Table 10-22

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Equipment Test Time	0	0
9-12	flt	Sensor Sensitivity	XXXX	Factor to apply to the sample to get the result in the measurement unit.
13	ubin	Equipment Test Result	0	0x0
14-31	ascii	Serial Number	X-X	
32	ubin	Header block type	41	Sensor Info Trace Extension Block:0x41

## Timestamp Header

Table 10-23

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time Zero for this data block	XXXXXX X	GPS time of the first sample. Could be different from the Tb GPS time if resynchronization.
9-31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type	42	Time Stamp Header Block:0x42



## Measurement Header

Table 10-24

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	bin	Time Stamp		
9-12	flt	Measurement Value	XXXX	
13-16	flt	Maximum Value	XXXX	
17-20	flt	Minimum Value	XXXX	
21-22	ubin	Quantity Class	XX	1045: Electrical Resistance: Resistance 1033: Dimensionless: Geophone tilt 1122: Plane angle: Acc Tilt 1045: Electrical Resistance: Leakage 1023: Capacitance: Capacitance 1061: Frequency: Cut-Off frequency See Note 1
23-24	ubin	Unit of Measure	XX	2100: Ohm: Resistance 2142: Euc: Geophone tilt 2110: Radian: Acc Tilt 2100: Ohm: Leakage 2031: Farad: Capacitance 2036: Hertz: Frequency See Note 1

Table 10-24

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
25-26	ubin	Measurement Description code	XX	3000: Sensor Resistance: Resistance  3001: Analog Sensor Tilt: Geophone tilt  3002: Digital Sensor Tilt: Acc Tilt  3003: Sensor Leakage: Leakage  3004: Sensor Capacitance: Capacitance  3005: Sensor Cut-Off: Cut-Off  See Note 1
27-31		Undefined	0	
32	ubin	Header block type	61	Measurement Header Block: 0x61

**Note** Details on:

<http://www.seg.org/web/technical-standards-committee/wiki/-/wiki/Main/SegMeasurements>

## Sercel Blocks

In order to include extra information in the SEG-D file, Sercel has defined the following additional blocks.

### Sercel SEG-D Revision Block

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Table 10-25

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-20	ascii	Sercel SEG-D version Label	UNITE	ASCII text, 20 characters. Left justified, padded with space (0x20) characters.
21	ubin	Sercel SEG-D Version Major	X	0x01
22	ubin	Sercel SEG-D Version Minor	X	0x00
23	ubin	Sercel SEG-D Version Teeny	X	0x00
24-31	ubin	Reserved	X-X	0x00
32	ubin	Header block type	B0	Sercel SEG-D version Block: 0xB0

This block is mandatory for all the Sercel products. It is always inserted at the fourth position in the general header immediately after the 3 first mandatory blocks.

## Sercel Tape Block

Table 10-26

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-4	bin	Input Filter identifier	XXXX	
5-8	bin	Minimum tape number for this filter	XXXX	
9-12	bin	Maximum tape number for this filter	XXXX	
13	bin	Tape number increment for this filter	X	
14-17	bin	Tape Number in this filter	XXXX	
18-21	bin	Maximum number of files per tape	XXXX	
22-25	bin	File rank on tape	XXXX	(File count)
32	ubin	Header block type	B1	Sercel Tape Block: 0xB1

## Sercel File Identification Block

Table 10-27

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-8	ubin	File generation time	X-X	GPS Time of the file generation
32	ubin	Header block type	B2	Sercel File Identification Block: 0xB2

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## Sercel VP Identification Block

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Table 10-28

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-16	ubin	VP uuid	X-X	See Note below
17	ubin	RetrieveType	0,1	0 : Field 1 : Simulator

Table 10-28

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
18-21	ubin	Operating mode	XXXX	bit0 : 1 Normal bit1 : 1 Microseismic bit2 : 1 Shallow bit3 : 1 SQC Dump (VSR) bit4 : 1 Autonomous bit8 : 1 Guidance bit9 : 1 Slip Sweep Possible combinations are: 0x001: Normal 0x002 : Microseismic 0x004 : Shallow 0x008 : SQC Dump 0x010 : Autonomous 0x101 : Guidance + Normal 0x104 : Guidance + Shallow 0x108 : Guidance + SQC Dump 0x110 : Guidance + Autonomous 0x201 : Slip Sweep + Normal 0x204 : Slip Sweep + Shallow 0x208 : Slip Sweep + SQC Dump 0x301 : Slip Sweep + Guidance + Normal 0x304 : Slip Sweep + Guidance + Shallow 0x308 : Slip Sweep + Guidance + SQC Dump
32	ubin	Header block type	B3	Sercel VP Identification Block: 0xB3

**Note** Details on: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Universally\\_unique\\_identifier](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Universally_unique_identifier)

## Sercel Processing Details Block

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Table 10-29

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Type of process	X	0 : N/A 1 : No operation (raw data) 2 : Stack 3 : Correlation After stack 4 : Correlation Before stack

Table 10-29

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
2	ubin	Field retrieve type	X	0 : Normal record. 1 : Instrument noise. 2 : Instrument gain 3 : Instrument phase 4 : Instrument common mode 5 : Instrument distortion. 6 : Instrument crosstalk 7 : Instrument pulse. 10 : Field (Sensor) noise. 11 : Field (Sensor) resistance 12 : Field (Sensor) leakage 13 : Field (Sensor) tilt. 14 : Field (Sensor) distortion. 15 : Field (Sensor) pulse. 16 : Field (Sensor) gravity
3-6	ubin	Acquisition length in ms	XXXX	
7-10	ubin	Correlation length in ms	XXXX	
11-14	ubin	Pilot length in ms	XXXX	
15-18	ubin	Listening time in ms	XXXX	



Table 10-29

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
19	ubin	Seismic DC offset removal method	X	0 : None 1 : Central Unit 2 : 0.15625 Hz low cut filter 3 : 0.3125 Hz low cut filter 4 : 0.625 Hz low cut filter 5 : 1.25 Hz low cut filter 6 : 2.5 Hz low cut filter 7 : Other low cut filter
20	ubin	System process id	X	
32	ubin	Header block type	B4	Sercel Processing Details Block: 0xB4

## Sercel Trace Identification Block

Table 10-30

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-2	ubin	Unit Type	XX	0x0000: Unknown 0x0001: FDU1-408 0x0002: FDU3C 0x0004: FDU2M 0x0009: DSU3-408 0x000F: FDU2S 0x0010: DSU1-408 0x0015: FDU-428 0x0016: DSU3-428 0x0017: QT-428 0x0018: AQDSU 0x001F: RAU Cirrus 0x0025: DSU3SA 0x0026: RAU-428 0x0200: FDU1-508 0x0300: DSU1-508 0x03CD: VE464 DSD 0x0500: WTU-508
3	ubin	Channel number		
4	ubin	Sensor type number	1-9	Each Sensor Type Number (created in the Line main window's Survey setup) is associated with a specific set of sensor test limits. The Sensor Type Number should not be mistaken for the "Sensor SEG-D code" recorded in Trace Header Extension block # 1
5-6	ubin	Assembly type	XX	0x000n with n equal to the quantity of field units connected in the link (ex: 0x0006 = LINK6). 31 is the max value.

Table 10-30

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
7-10	ubin	Assembly serial number	XXXX	
11	ubin	Location in assembly	XX	Position of the unit in a link.
12-13	ubin	Controller type	XX	0x0000: Unknown 0x0026: RAU 428 0x0028: RAU3 0x0083: LAUX 428 0x0088: LAUL 428 0x00C1: LRU 0x00C2: LAUR 428 0x0101: SCI-508 0x0102: CX-508 0x03C2: LCI 428 0x03CD: VE464 DSD 0x0500: WTU-508
14-17	ubin	Controller serial number	XXXX	
18-21	ubin	Index within acquisition	XXXX	Channel position in the spread
32	Ubin	Header block type	B9	Sercel Trace Identification Block: 0xB9

Sercel Trace Edition and Processing Block

Table 10-31

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Channel overscaling error	0,1	0 : No error 1 : overscaling error

Table 10-31

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
2-3	ubin	Channel edited status	X	0000 : No edition 0001 : mute 0002 : dead 0003 : outstanding 1000 : Unknown 1001 : No RAU 1002 : Muted/Forced BIT 1003 : Data Rollover 1004 : Data not recorded 1005 : Parameter Mismatch 1006 : Forced Complete 1007 : Timing Lost 1008 : Reset acquisition 1009 : GPS Lock Lost 1010 : Timing Resync 1011 : Parameter Change 1012 : State Idle 1013 : State Standby 1014 : State Sleep 1015 : State Test 1016 : State Acquire 1017 : State Firmware 1018 : Protocol 1019 : Invalid Channel 1021 : No BIT result 1022 : No Sensor attached 1023 : Unsupported BIT 1024 : Corrupt Data 1025 : BIT Complete 1026 : File error 1027 : Acq type mismatch

Table 10-31

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
4-7	bin	Resynchronisation delay applied	XXXX	in micro-second (four bytes, signed binary)
8	bin	Noise elimination type	X	0 : Off 1 : Diversity stack 2 : Historic 3 : Enhanced diversity stack
9-10	bin	Diversity number of windows	XX	0 if not defined
11	bin	Channel processing type	XX	00 : N/A 01 : Raw data 02 : Aux stack 03 : Correlation, negative part 04 : Correlation, positive part 05 : Normal correlation 06 : Seis stack
12	ubin	Is correlation trace reference recorded?	0,1	1 = The trace is recorded.
13-16	bcd	Correlation reference trace index within acquisition	X	
17-20	ubin	Removed DC Offset	XX	NAN if unknown
21	ubin	Channel gain scale	X	0 : Not defined 1 : 0dB 2 : 12dB 3 : 24dB

Table 10-31

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
22	ubin	Tilt correction status	X	0 : Not defined 1 : Not applied 2 : Applied
23-31		Not defined		
32	ubin	Header block type	BA	Sercel Trace Edition and Processing Block: 0xBA

### Senior Observer Comments Block

Table 10-32

Byte No.	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-31	asc	Observer comment		ASCII text, 31 characters. Left justified, padded with space (0x20) characters.
32	ubin	Header block type	D1	Sercel Observer Comments Block: 0xD1

This general header block is optional. If the observer comment is longer than 31 characters, multiple of these blocks may be added with the comment split between them.

## Sercel System ID Header Block 1

Table 10-33

Byte No.	Fmt	Description		Value
1-2	ubin	System ID	XX	Identifier of this set of System ID headers. Numbered incrementally within a SEG-D file, starting at 1.
3-4	ubin	System Type	XX	0 : None 1 : Unknown 2 : CM408 3 : Seal 4 : 408XL 5 : Seal428 6 : 428XL 7 : Seabed 8 : Unite or DCM 9 : VE 464 10 : 508XT
5-6	ubin	System software version - Major	XX	
7-8	ubin	System software version - Minor	XX	
9-10	ubin	System software version - Patch	XX	
11-12	ubin	System software version - Hotfix	XX	



Table 10-33

Byte No.	Fmt	Description		Value
13-20	asc	Server ID		ASCII text, 8 characters.  Left justified, padded with space (0x20) characters.  Some form of identifier for the server that the system was running on. For DCM this would typically be the Sercel Server ID used for licensing purposes
32	ubin	Header block type	D2	Sercel System ID Header Block 1: 0xD2

## Sercel System ID Header Block 2

Table 10-34

Byte Nb	Fmt	Description	Notes	Comment
1-16	asc	System software version - Label		ASCII text, 16 characters. Left justified, padded with space (0x20) characters.
17-31	asc	System software version – Build ID		ASCII text, 15 characters. Left justified, padded with space (0x20) characters.
32	ubin	Header block type	D3	Sercel System ID Header Block 1: 0xD3

## Sercel System ID Header Block 3

Table 10-35

Byte Nb	Fmt	Description	Notes	Comment
1-16	asc	Application name		ASCII text, 16 characters. Left justified, padded with space (0x20) characters.
17-31	asc	Application mode		ASCII text, 15 characters. Left justified, padded with space (0x20) characters.
32	ubin	Header block type	D4	Sercel System ID Header Block 1: 0xD4

## Sercel Origins Block

Table 10-36

Byte Nb	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1-2	ubin	Origin 1 System ID	XX	The first recorded source of Meta-data/data for this SEG-D file. In the DCM, this would typically refer to the System ID Headers for the system that produced the original SEG-D imported to create the VP within the DCM.
3-4	ubin	Origin 2 System ID	XX	The second recorded source of Metadata/data for this SEG-D file.
5-6	ubin	Origin 3 System ID	XX	
7-8	ubin	Origin 4 System ID	XX	
9-10	ubin	Origin 5 System ID	XX	
11-12	ubin	Origin 6 System ID	XX	
13-14	ubin	Origin 7 System ID	XX	
15-16	ubin	Origin 8 System ID	XX	
17-18	ubin	Origin 9 System ID	XX	
19-20	ubin	Origin 10 System ID	XX	
32	ubin	Header block type	XX	Sercel System ID Header Block 1: 0xD5

This general header block is mandatory.

It is used to track up to 10 Systems (in processing order) that were involved in the production or processing of data/Meta-data of this SEG-D file.

Typically, we would expect to see at least Origin1 filled with the ID of the shooting system (i.e. a 508XT). However, because of the ability for the DCM to run in basecamp mode, or to re-import its own files, we could see more origins filled.

## Sercel DCM Trace Header Extension Block

Table 10-37

Byte Nb	Fmt	Description	Value	Comment
1	ubin	Gain	X	0 : Unknown 1 : 0 dB 2 : 12 dB 3 : 24 dB 4 : 36 dB
2	ubin	Data source	X	0 : Unknown 1 : RAU 2 : DH 3 : SEG-D v1 4 : SEG-D v3
32	ubin	Header block type	D0	Sercel System ID Header Block 1: 0xD0

This trace header extension is mandatory.



### IMPORTANT

Patch 07: Extra auxes added for DCM use

Auxes used for correlation will be added in the SEG-D file just after auxes declared in the process type if the process type is "Correl Before" or "Correl After" and if the check box "Add auxes for DCM use" is checked. The check box is available only for process type "Correl Before" and "Correl After".

Auxiliaries

Line #	Processing	Truncated Pilot
1	1. Aux from field1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	1. Aux from field1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2 row(s)

Correl with : 1. Aux from field1

☒ Add auxes for DCM use

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It will be raw data not truncated. There will be one aux trace added for each stack.

In the trace header of these auxes traces:

- traceHeader/sercelTraceEditionProcessingBlock/channelProcessingType = “1 – Raw data”
- traceHeader/timestampBlock/timeZero = [T0 date of the corresponding stack in GPS time (us)]
- traceHeader/sercelTraceLabelBlock/label =  
DCM\_STACK\_%stackNb%\_%basic\_label%

where :

1. %stackNb% is the stack number
  2. % basic\_label% is the label of the basic used.
-

## Tape Label

### SEG-D V3.0 Tape Label

The first 128 bytes of data on a Rev 3.0 tape must consist of ASCII characters and will constitute a Storage Unit Label. This label is very similar to the RP-66 storage unit label. The Storage Unit Label is also often referred to as the “Tape Label” for historical reasons. The label format is summarized in the table below.

If the tape media supports multiple partitions, SEG-D data may be written to any of the partitions of the tape, each beginning with a Storage Unit Label. Data from one partition can not “run over” into a subsequent partition, each partition must be capable of being decoded in isolation.

On one tape, it is allowed to mix partitions containing SEG-D data with partitions containing non SEG-D formatted information.

Table 10-38

Field	Location	Description	Content generated by 508XT
1	1-4	Storage unit sequence number	Tape Number from input filter setup
2	5-9	SEG-D Revision	SD3.0
3	10-15	Storage unit structure (fixed or variable)	RECORD
4	16-19	Binding edition	B2
5	20-29	Maximum block size	0
6	30-39	API Producer organization code	469 (Sercel)
7	40-50	Creation date	Recording date of the tape label

Table 10-38

Field	Location	Description	Content generated by 508XT
8	51-62	Serial number	Tape Label field from input filter setup
9	63-68	Reserved	
11	69-80	External Label Name	External Tape Label field from input filter setup
12	81-104	Recording Entity Name	Crew Name from crew setup
13	105-118	User defined	User Defined Tape Label field from input filter setup
14	119-128	Max shot records per field record	1

### Field 1

The **Storage Unit Sequence Number** is an integer in the range 1 to 9999 that indicates the order in which the current storage unit occurs in the storage set. The first storage unit of a storage set has sequence number 1, the second 2, and so on. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified with leading blanks if needed to fill out the field (No leading zeros). The rightmost character is in byte 4 of the label. *This field is optional.* If not used, it must be blank (filled with blank characters). This implies that this is the only storage unit within the storage set. Separate Storage Sets should be used for different data types.

## Field 2

The **SEG-D Revision** field indicates which revision of SEG-D was used to record the data on this tape. SD3.0 indicates that the data was recorded using SEG-D, Revision 3.0 (SD2.1 in previous revision) - *This field is required.*

## Field 3

**Storage Unit Structure** is a name indicating the record structure of the storage unit. This name is left justified with trailing blanks if needed to fill out the field. The leftmost character is in byte 10 of the label. For SEG-D, Rev 3 tapes, this field must contain “RECORD” or “FIXREC”. *This field is required.*

“RECORD” — Records may be of variable length, ranging up to the Blocksize length specified in the maximum Block size field of the storage unit label (if not zero). If the maximum Block size specified is zero, then records may be of any length.

“FIXREC” — All records in the storage unit have the same length, namely that specified in the maximum Block size field of the storage unit label. Although all storage units in the same storage set must have a FIXREC structure, the maximum record length may be different in different storage units. When the FIXREC option is used, then the maximum record length field shall not be 0 (zero).

## Field 4

**Binding edition** is the character B in byte 16 of the label followed by a positive integer in the range 1 to 999 (no leading zeros), left justified with trailing blanks if needed to fill out the field. The integer value corresponds to the edition of the Part 3 of the API, RP66 standard used to describe the physical binding of the logical format to the storage unit. *This field is required.*

## Field 5

**Maximum Block Size** is an integer in the range of 0 to 4,294,967,295 ( $2^{32}-1$ ), indicating the maximum block length for the storage unit, or 0 (zero) if undeclared. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified, with leading blanks if necessary to fill out the field (no leading zeros). The rightmost character is byte 29 of the label. A valid value or 0 (zero) must be recorded. A value of 1 means byte stream device (e.g. disk). *It is highly recommended to indicate the maximum block length where possible, as this will determine the size buffer needed to read the data, and will enable reading the data at a more optimal speed (using multi-block read).*

## Field 6

**Producer organization code** is an integer in the range of 0 to 4,294,967,295 ( $2^{32}-1$ ) indicating the organization code of the storage unit producer. This number is represented using the characters 0 to 9, right justified, with leading blanks if necessary to fill out the field



(NO leading zeros). The rightmost character is byte 39 of the label. *This field may be empty, i.e. may contain all blanks, in which case no storage unit producer is specified (i.e. same as RP-66 V2).*

Organization codes are assigned by Energistics, formerly the Petrotechnical Open Standards Consortium (POSC), which maintains the current list of codes. To request a new organization code, contact:

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## Field 7

**Creation date** is the earliest date that any current information was recorded on the storage unit. The date is represented in the form dd-MMM-yyyy, where yyyy is the year (e.g. 1996), MMM is one of (JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC), and dd is the day of the month in the range 1 to 31. Days 1 to 9 may have one leading blank. The separator is a hyphen (code 4510). *This field is required.*

## Field 8

**Serial number** is an ID used to distinguish the storage unit from other storage units in an archive of an enterprise. The specification and management of serial numbers is delegated to organizations using this standard. If an external label is used the name/number must be a subset of the serial number or the External Label Name in Field 10, and must occupy the rightmost characters in the serial number (or External Label Name). *This field is required.*

## Field 9

This field is reserved and should be recorded as all blanks (code 3210).

## Field 10 - 12

The **Storage set identifier** is a descriptive name for the storage set. Every storage unit in the same storage set shall have the same value for the **user defined portion** of the storage set identifier in its storage unit label. Included in the **Storage Set Identifier** is the **External Label Name**. The characters in this field are right justified with leading blank characters as required. If the tape does not have a physical label, then this field must be blank. A physical label is optional, but if it exists, then this field is required only if the external label is different from the lower 6 characters of the Serial Number in Field 8. The next field in the Storage set identifier is the **Recording Entity Name**. This must contain the crew number or name, or some other unique identifier which will differentiate the recording entity which recorded this

data from any other recording entity within the organization (as included in field 6). The 24 bytes may be any alphanumeric characters. If multiple recording systems are used on a vessel or crew, then data recorded on each system must be clearly distinguished. For example, an ABC Geophysical crew (party 13), on the M/V Gopher, recording data on two Zip 6000 recording systems might have a Recording Entity Name on tapes recording on the first recording system of:

ABC, Gopher, P13, Zip#1

On the second system, the Recording Entity Name might be:

ABC, Gopher, P13, Zip#2

The Recording Entity Name field is required.

## Field 13

### User Defined

The next 14 bytes in this field may contain any other user input information. The only restriction is that the data must be in ASCII.

## Field 14

**Max Number of shot records per field record.** Field Records are data between File Marks (10 bytes).

It is not acceptable to use an ANSI label (or any other label or data) prior to the Storage Unit Label.

An external, physical label is not required.

## Sercel Tape Label content

Table 10-39

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## Chapter

# 11

## Observer Report Format (Wireless)

*This chapter includes the following sections:*

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- [Observer Report JSON Format \(page 286\)](#)
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## Observer Report JSON Format

### Introduction to the JSON format

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JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) is an open data-interchange format based on a subset of the JavaScript Programming Language. The JSON filename extension is `.json`.

JSON is a text format that is completely language independent but uses conventions that are familiar to programmers of the C-family of languages, including C, C++, C#, Java, JavaScript, Perl, Python, and many others. These properties make JSON an ideal data-interchange language.

ECMA-404 and RFC 7159 standards defined the JSON format: The ECMA standard describes only the allowed syntax, whereas the RFC also provides some semantic and security considerations.

References:

JSON Website: <http://json.org/>

RFC 7159 Standard: <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7159>

ECMA-404 Standard: <http://www.ecma-international.org/publications/files/ECMA-ST/ECMA-404.pdf>

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## Observer Report JSON Output Rules

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RAW Observer Report JSON output format follows the hereafter structure:

## Example of JSON Observer Report

<p>"Line Report":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Total number of traces":</li> <li>• "Number of Auxes":</li> <li>• "Number of Seis traces":</li> <li>• "Number of dead Seis traces":</li> <li>• "Number of live Seis traces":</li> <li>• "Spread first line":</li> <li>• "Spread first number":</li> <li>• "Spread number":</li> <li>• "Spread type":</li> <li>• "Internal time break":</li> <li>• "Acquisition error description":</li> <li>• "Filter type":</li> <li>• "Dead Seis":</li> <li>• "Live Seis": "</li> </ul> <p>"Shot Report":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Sample rate":</li> <li>• "Source line number":</li> <li>• "Source point number":</li> <li>• "Source point index":</li> <li>• "Source Set Number":</li> <li>• "Source Easting":</li> <li>• "Source Northing":</li> <li>• "Source Elevation":</li> <li>• "COG Easting":</li> <li>• "COG Northing":</li> <li>• "COG Elevation":</li> <li>• "Acquisition length":</li> <li>• "Number of samples" :</li> <li>• "Type of source":</li> <li>• "Shot number":</li> <li>• "TB window":</li> <li>• "Shot date time":</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Uphole time":</li> <li>• "Blaster id":</li> <li>• "Blaster status":</li> <li>• "Record length":</li> <li>• "Pilot length":</li> <li>• "Sweep length":</li> <li>• "Swath name":</li> <li>• "Operating mode":</li> <li>• "Swath Id":</li> <li>• "Observer Comments":</li> </ul> <p>"Noise Report":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Noise elimination type":</li> <li>• "Low trace percentage":</li> <li>• "Low trace value":</li> <li>• "Number of windows":</li> </ul> <p>"Process Report":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Type of process":</li> <li>• "Autocorrelation peak time":</li> <li>• "Correlation Pilot No.":</li> <li>• "Acquisition number":</li> <li>• "Max of max Aux":</li> <li>• "Max of max Seis":</li> <li>• "Dump stacking fold":</li> <li>• "GPS time of acquisition TB":</li> <li>• "Max time values":</li> </ul> <p>"Record Report":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "File number":</li> <li>• "Record type":</li> <li>• "Test record type":</li> <li>• "Type of dump":</li> <li>• "Processing time":</li> </ul> <p>"Others":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Software version":</li> <li>• "User text":</li> </ul>
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```
"Obs_Report_Result": {

  "Observer_Report": {

    "Line Report": {

      "Total number of traces": "44",
      "Number of Auxes": "0",
      "Number of Seis traces": "44",
      "Number of dead Seis traces": "0",
      "Number of live Seis traces": "44",
      "Spread first line": "N\A",
      "Spread first number": "N\A",
      "Spread number": "N\A",
      "Spread type": "N\A",
      "Internal time break": "0",
      "Acquisition error description": "N\A",
      "Filter type": "0.8FN Lin Phase",
      "Dead Seis": "",
      "Live Seis": "1:3-1 (1-2)\n1:2-4 (3-4)\n1:5-44 (5-44)"
    },

    "Shot Report": {

      "Sample rate": "2000",
      "Source line number": "1.00",
      "Source point number": "7831.00",
      "Source point index": "1",
      "Source Set Number": "0",
      "Source Easting": "0.00",
      "Source Northing": "0.00",
      "Source Elevation": "0.00",
      "COG Easting": "N\A",
      "COG Northing": "N\A",
```

```
"COG Elevation": "N\A",
"Acquisition length": "60002",
"Number of samples": "30001",
"Type of source": "impulsive",
"Shot number": "1864552994",
"TB window": "0",
"Shot date time": "20160727 16:00:00",
"Uphole time": "0",
"Blaster id": "0",
"Blaster status": "0",
"Record length": "60002",
"Pilot length": "0",
"Sweep length": "0",
"Swath name": "sw1",
"Operating mode": "normal",
"Swath Id": "1",
"Observer comments": ""
```

```
"Noise Report": {

"Noise elimination type": "none",
"Low trace percentage": "N\A",
"Low trace value": "N\A",
"Number of windows": "0"
},
```

```
"Process Report": {

"Type of process": "Raw Data",
"Autocorrelation peak time": "N\A",
"Correlation Pilot No.": "0",
"Acquisition number": "N\A",
```

## Observer Report Format (Wireless)

### Observer Report JSON Format > Example of JSON Observer Report

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```
"Max of max Aux": "N\A",
"Max of max Seis": "N\A",
"Dump stacking fold": "1",
"GPS time of acquisition TB": "1153670417000000",
"Max time values": "N\A"
},

"Record Report": {

"File number": "8831",
"Record type": "normal",
"Test record type": "normal",
"Type of dump": "normal",
"Processing time": "1156768624497000"
},

"Others": {

"Software version": "3.1.0.0",
"User text": ""
}

}
```

## Observer Report XML Format

### Introduction to XML format

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XML (eXtensible Markup Language) is a markup language that defines a set of rules for encoding documents in a format that is both human-readable and machine-readable. The XML filename extension is `.xml`.

It is a textual data format with strong support via Unicode for different human languages. Although the design of XML focuses on documents, the language is widely used for the representation of arbitrary data structures such as those used in web services.

The W3C's XML 1.0 (Fifth Edition) specification and several other related specifications, - all of them free open standards- define XML.

References:

XML Website: <http://www.w3.org/XML/>

W3C's XML 1.0 Specifications: <http://www.w3.org/TR/rec-xml>

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## Observer Report XML Output Rules

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Observer report format corresponds to an XML file Microsoft office schema like:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<?mso-application progid="Excel.Sheet"?>
<Workbook xmlns="urn:schemas-microsoft-
com:office:spreadsheet">
<Worksheet ss:Name="OBS_REPORT">
<Table>
<Row>
<Cell><Data ss:Type="String">Id</Data></Cell>
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XML files can be opened with Microsoft Office Excel and compatible spreadsheet editors. One record contains 61 data fields so the hereafter example only represents a part of the complete report.

File number	Sample rate	Record type	Source line number	Source point number	Source point index	Source Set Number
524	1000	normal	1036.00	1589.00	1	0
525	1000	normal	1036.00	1589.00	1	0
526	1000	normal	1036.00	1589.00	1	0
527	1000	normal	1036.00	1589.00	1	0

Source Easting	Source Northing	Source Elevation	COG Easting	COG Northing	COG Elevation	Acquisition length
368982.70	6833574.50	299.80	368982.70	6833574.50	299.80	9999
368982.70	6833574.50	299.80	368982.70	6833574.50	299.80	9999
368982.70	6833574.50	299.80	368982.70	6833574.50	299.80	9999
368982.70	6833574.50	299.80	368982.70	6833574.50	299.80	9999

Number of samples	Total number of traces	Number of Auxes	Number of Seis traces	Number of dead Seis traces	Number of live Seis traces	Type of source
10000	562	1	561	1	560	impulsive

10000	562	1	561	4	557	impulsive
10000	562	1	561	6	555	impulsive
10000	562	1	561	10	551	impulsive

Shot number	TB window	Shot date time	Test record type	Spread first line	Spread first number	Spread number
1629905388	0	20151219 14:25:29	normal	1036	1309	0
263662769	0	20151219 14:28:25	normal	1036	1309	0
1858682677	0	20151219 14:46:50	normal	1036	1309	0
1223825221	0	20151219 14:48:46	normal	1036	1309	0



## Chapter

# 12

## Organization Codes

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Code	Organization
0	Subcommittee On Recommended Format For Digital Well Data, Basic Schema
1	Operator
2	Driller
3	Mud Logger
9	Amerada Hess
10	Analysts, The
15	Baker Hughes Inteq
20	Baroid
30	Birdwell
40	Reeves (1 Jan 99; formerly BPB)
50	Brett Exploration
60	Cardinal
65	Center Line Data
66	Subcommittee On Recommended Format For Digital Well Data, DLIS Schema
70	Century Geophysical
77	CGG Logging, Massey France
80	Charlene Well Surveying
90	Compagnie de Services Numerique
95	Comprobe
100	Computer Data Processors
110	Computrex
115	COPGO Wood Group
120	Core Laboratories
125	CRC Wireline, Inc.
126	Crocker Data Processing Pty Ltd

## Organization Codes

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130	Digigraph
137	Tucker Technologies (formerly Digital Logging Inc.), Tulsa, OK.
140	Digitech
145	Deines Perforating
148	Drillog Petro-Dynamics Limited
150	Baker Atlas (formerly Dresser Atlas)
160	Earthworm Drilling
170	Electronic Logging Company
180	Elgen
190	El Toro
200	Empire
205	Encom Technology, Ltd.
206	Ensigh Geophysics, Ltd.
210	Frontier
215	Geolog
217	Geoshare
218	GEO-X Systems Ltd.
220	G O International
230	Gravilog
240	Great Guns Servicing
250	Great Lakes Petroleum Services
260	GTS
268	Guardian Data Seismic Pty. Ltd.
270	Guns
280	Halliburton Logging
285	Horizon Production Logging

Code	Organization
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300	Jetwell
305	Landmark Graphics
310	Lane Wells
315	Logicom Computer Services (UK) Ltd
320	Magnolia
330	McCullough Tool
332	Mitchell Energy Corporation
335	Paradigm Geophysical (formerly Mincom Pty Ltd)
337	MR-DPTS Limited
338	NRI On-Line Inc
339	Oilware, Inc.
340	Pan Geo Atlas
342	Pathfinder Energy Services
345	Perfco
350	Perfojet Services
360	Perforating Guns of Canada
361	Petcom, Inc.
362	Petroleum Exploration Computer Consultants, Ltd.
363	Petrologic Limited
366	Phillips Petroleum Company
368	Petroleum Geo-Services (PGS)
370	Petroleum Information
380	Petrophysics
390	Pioneer
392	The Practical Well Log Standards Group

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400	Ram Guns
410	Riley's Datashare
418	RODE
420	Roke
430	Sand Surveys
440	Schlumberger
450	Scientific Software
460	Seismograph Service
462	SEGDEF
463	SEG Technical Standards High Density Media Format Subcommittee
464	Shell Services Company
465	Stratigraphic Systems, Inc.
467	Sperry-Sun Drilling Services
468	SEPTCO
469	Sercel, Inc.
470	Triangle
475	Troika International
480	Welex
490	Well Reconnaissance
495	Wellsite Information Transfer Specification (WITS)
500	Well Surveys
510	Western
520	Westronics
525	Winters Wireline
530	Wireline Electronics
540	Worth Well

Code	Organization
560	Z & S Consultants Limited
999	Reserved for local schemas
1000	POSC

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*DFM: 124*
- traces (SEGD) *DFM: 128*
- windows (SEGD) *DFM: 131*

Nunits, len, width (SPS) *DFM: 12*,  
*DFM: 13*, *DFM: 23*, *DFM: 24*,  
*DFM: 56*, *DFM: 57*, *DFM: 68*,  
*DFM: 69*Nyquist *FM1l: 75*, *FM2: 239***O**

## Observer

- privileges *FM1l: 604*

## Offset

- to coord. location (SPS) *DFM: 9*,  
*DFM: 18*, *DFM: 53*,  
*DFM: 63*

## Open

· session *FM1: 3, FM2: 10*

Operation window *FM1: 601*

Optical Fibre

· TFOI, connecting *IM: 289, IM: 413*

Organization

· code *DFM: 292*

Outstanding

· VP *FM2: 100*

## P

Parameters

· acquisition *FM2: 77*

· loading to WTU *FM2: 94*

Password

· expiry date *FM1: 604*

· opening a session *FM1: 5*

Paste *FM2: 6*

Peripherals *IM: 133, IM: 181,*

*IM: 191, IM: 351, FM1: 489*

Permission *FM1: 604*

PFT

· software, installing *IM: 255*

PFT lists

· archive *FM2: 289*

· Assigning markers *FM2: 288*

Phase

· angle (SEGD) *DFM: 123*

· Control (SEGD) *DFM: 123*

· Linear *FM1: 80, FM2: 239, FM2: 240*

· Minimum *FM1: 75, FM2: 239, FM2: 240*

Pilot length (SEGD) *DFM: 132*

Ping *IM: 30*

Plug

· cleaning *IM: 281*

Point (to) *FM2: 4*

Point Code

· SPS *DFM: 15, DFM: 26, DFM: 59, DFM: 71*

Point Depth (SPS) *DFM: 15,*

*DFM: 26, DFM: 59, DFM: 71*

Point Index

· SPS *DFM: 15, DFM: 16, DFM: 26, DFM: 29, DFM: 59, DFM: 60, DFM: 71, DFM: 74*

Point number

· SPS *DFM: 15, DFM: 16, DFM: 26, DFM: 29, DFM: 59, DFM: 60, DFM: 71, DFM: 74*

Point record

· description (SPS) *DFM: 26, DFM: 71*

· specification (SPS) *DFM: 15, DFM: 59*

Polarity

· SEG D *DFM: 120*

Pos. proc. contractor (SPS) *DFM: 9,*

*DFM: 18, DFM: 53, DFM: 63*

POSC *DFM: 292*

Positioning

· contractor (SPS) *DFM: 9, DFM: 18, DFM: 53, DFM: 62*

Post-plot date of issue (SPS)

*DFM: 9, DFM: 18, DFM: 53, DFM: 62*



## Power

- requirements *IM: 31*

## P-P bar/m,prim/bubble (SPS)

*DFM: 25, DFM: 70*

## Prestack within field units (SEGD)

*DFM: 130*

Printer *IM: 192*Privileges *FM1l: 604*

## Process

- Type, SEG *DFM: 131*
- VPs *FM2: 42*

## Project code and description (SPS)

*DFM: 10, DFM: 20, DFM: 54, DFM: 65*

## Projection

- type (SPS) *DFM: 9, DFM: 19, DFM: 53, DFM: 64*
- zone (SPS) *DFM: 9, DFM: 19, DFM: 53, DFM: 64*

**Q**

## QC

- age *FM2: 100*
- age, max. *FM2: 37*
- Time *FM2: 100*

## Quadrant bearing of H256 (SPS)

*DFM: 10, DFM: 20, DFM: 54, DFM: 65*

## Quality Control

- check records (SPS) *DFM: 14, DFM: 58*

QuietSeis *IM: 2***R**

## R,S,X file quality control (SPS)

*DFM: 14, DFM: 58*

## Rate

- refresh *FM2: 18*
- sample *FM1l: 74*

Raw SEG-D *FM2: 37*Real-time alerts *FM2: 28*Reaper window *FM2: 309*

## Receiver

- code (Rx) tables (SPS) *DFM: 12, DFM: 56*
- index (SPS) *DFM: 17, DFM: 30, DFM: 61, DFM: 75*
- line number (SEGD) *DFM: 138*
- point easting (SEGD) *DFM: 140*
- point elevation (SEGD) *DFM: 140*
- point index (SEGD) *DFM: 138*
- point northing (SEGD) *DFM: 140*
- point number (SEGD) *DFM: 138*

## Record

- identification (SPS) *DFM: 15, DFM: 16, DFM: 59, DFM: 60*
- length (SEGD) *DFM: 131*
- type (SEGD) *DFM: 120*

## Record length

- SEG *DFM: 120*

## Refraction

- delay, SEG *DFM: 130*

## Refresh

- rate *FM2: 18*

## Relation record

- description (SPS) **DFM: 29**,  
**DFM: 74**
- specification (SPS) **DFM: 16**,  
**DFM: 60**

## Remote

- user **FM1: 4**

Remote Connection **FM1: 4**

## Resistance

- error (SEGD) **DFM: 141**
- high limit (SEGD) **DFM: 141**
- low limit (SEGD) **DFM: 141**
- value (SEGD) **DFM: 141**

## Revision Number (SEGD)

**DFM: 122**

RMS normalization **FM1: 419**Role **FM1: 604**RSSI **FM2: 100****S**

## Sample

- int. Record Len. (SPS) **DFM: 11**,  
**DFM: 55**
- int., Record Length (SPS)  
**DFM: 21, DFM: 66**
- Rate **FM1: 74**
- skew extensions, number of  
**DFM: 120**
- skew, SEG D **DFM: 137**
- to mV conversion factor  
**DFM: 147**

## Sample Rate

- SEG D **DFM: 128**

## Samples

- in trace, number of **DFM: 128**

- per trace, number of **DFM: 135**,  
**DFM: 138**

## Scale

- factor (SPS) **DFM: 10**,  
**DFM: 20, DFM: 54**,  
**DFM: 64**

## Scan Type

- Header (SEGD) **DFM: 124**
- Number (SEGD) **DFM: 137**
- per record (SEGD) **DFM: 120**

## Scheduled

- BIT VPs, generate **FM2: 51**
- tests **FM2: 80**

SCI-508 **IM: 19**Scrollbar **FM2: 4**

## Second

- Notch Frequency (SEGD)  
**DFM: 126**
- of minute (SEGD) **DFM: 119**

## SEGD

- format, Rev 2.1 **DFM: 152**
- Trace Blocking **FM2: 213**

Seis traces, number of **DFM: 128**

## Seismic

- datum (SPS) **DFM: 15**,  
**DFM: 26, DFM: 59**,  
**DFM: 71**
- instrument header records (SPS)  
**DFM: 21, DFM: 66**
- receiver header records (SPS)  
**DFM: 23, DFM: 68**
- source header records (SPS)  
**DFM: 23, DFM: 69**

Select **FM2: 4**

## Selecting

- table cells **FM2: 6**

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- Senior
    - Observer, privileges **FM1l: 604**
  - Sensor
    - sensitivity (SEGD) **DFM: 145**
  - Sensor Type
    - Number (sensor tests) **DFM: 140**
    - SEG D code **DFM: 139**
  - Sequence
    - Line, SPS **DFM: 53, DFM: 62**
  - Server
    - log on to **FM1l: 4**
    - start/stop **FM2: 12**
  - Session
    - manager **FM1l: 605**
    - opening **FM1l: 3, FM2: 10**
  - Sets, channel **DFM: 120**
  - Settings
    - browser **FM1l: 6**
    - help **FM1l: 6**
  - Setup
    - AGC **FM1l: 419**
    - Filtering, seismic trace display **FM1l: 417**
    - Normalization, seismic traces **FM1l: 419**
    - Time, exponential **FM1l: 419**
  - SH geophone **IM: 285**
  - Shock-mount
    - NAS4000 **IM: 219**
  - Shooting
    - system, connecting **IM: 42**
  - Shot
    - Depth, charge len. (SPS) **DFM: 14, DFM: 58**
    - depth, charge len. (SPS) **DFM: 24, DFM: 70**
    - number (SEGD) **DFM: 128**
  - Size
    - vert. stk fold (SPS) **DFM: 13, DFM: 57**
  - Size, vert. stk fold (SPS) **DFM: 24, DFM: 69**
  - Skew, sample, number of extensions **DFM: 120**
  - Sleep
    - time, WTU **FM2: 86**
    - WTU **FM2: 50**
  - Slip-sweep
    - mode used (SEGD) **DFM: 132**
  - Software
    - version (SEGD) **DFM: 132**
  - SoH **FM2: 50**
  - Soil, drill method (SPS) **DFM: 14, DFM: 25, DFM: 58, DFM: 70**
  - Source
    - aux nb (SEGD) **DFM: 132**
    - code (Sx) tables (SPS) **DFM: 13, DFM: 57**
    - easting (SEGD) **DFM: 132**
    - elevation (SEGD) **DFM: 132**
    - Line Number (SEGD) **DFM: 123**
    - northing (SEGD) **DFM: 132**
    - Point Index (SEGD) **DFM: 123**
    - Point Number (SEGD) **DFM: 123**
    - Set Number (SEGD) **DFM: 123**
  - Source Devices **FM2: 221**
  - Spacing
    - **IM: 290**
    - FDU **IM: 290**
    - FDU-508
      - Spacing **IM: 290**

## Spread

- number (SEGD) **DFM: 129**
- type (SEGD) **DFM: 129**

## SPS

- format, initial **DFM: 1**,  
**DFM: 280**
- Rev. 2.1 **DFM: 45**
- Sercel (over 10000 traces)  
**DFM: 38**

## Stacking Fold

- SEG D **DFM: 131**

## Stacks, number of

- Low **DFM: 147**
- Noisy **DFM: 147**

Stake ID **FM2: 117**

- correcting with GPS position  
**FM2: 117**
- loading to Position **FM2: 167**
- updating **FM2: 119**

## Stake ID mapping

- Aided assignment **FM2: 178**
- Auto-assignment **FM2: 178**
- Manual assignment **FM2: 182**

## Starting

- DCM server **FM2: 12**

State of Health **FM2: 50**, **FM2: 158**Static correction (SPS) **DFM: 15**,  
**DFM: 26**, **DFM: 59**, **DFM: 71**

## Stopping

- DCM server **FM2: 12**

Streamer cable number (SEGD)  
**DFM: 127**Subarrays, number of **DFM: 25**,  
**DFM: 70**Subscan exponent **DFM: 124**Sum VP/WTU **FM2: 107**Super-spread **FM2: 44**

## Surface

- elevation, SPS **DFM: 15**,  
**DFM: 59**

## Surface elevation

- SPS **DFM: 27**, **DFM: 72**

## Swath

- first line (SEGD) **DFM: 129**
- first number (SEGD) **DFM: 129**

## Sweep

- freq start, end (SPS) **DFM: 13**,  
**DFM: 57**
- frequency start,end (SPS)  
**DFM: 24**, **DFM: 69**
- length (SEGD) **DFM: 132**
- type, length (SPS) **DFM: 13**,  
**DFM: 24**, **DFM: 57**,  
**DFM: 69**

**T**

## Table

- how to select **FM2: 6**

## Tape

- drive **IM: 22**
- Label **FM2: 211**
- label (SEGD) **DFM: 132**
- number of files **FM2: 212**
- number, SEG D **DFM: 132**
- type, format, density (SPS)  
**DFM: 11**, **DFM: 21**,  
**DFM: 55**, **DFM: 66**

Tape/disk identifier (SPS) **DFM: 9**,  
**DFM: 18**, **DFM: 53**, **DFM: 62**

## Taper

- length start, end (SPS) **DFM: 13**,  
**DFM: 24**, **DFM: 57**,  
**DFM: 69**
- TB
  - window, SEGD **DFM: 128**
- Tb to T0 time (SEGD) **DFM: 130**
- Test
  - Record, type (SEGD) **DFM: 128**
  - Spread **FM11: 84**
- Tests
  - on request **FM2: 84**
- Text
  - box **FM2: 4**
- Text file
  - event definition **FM2: 246**
- TFOI
  - connecting **IM: 289**, **IM: 413**
- TFOI-508 **IM: 10**
- Theft Alarm
  - WTU **FM2: 29**
- Third Notch Frequency (SEGD)  
**DFM: 126**
- Threshold
  - Hold/Var (SEGD) **DFM: 131**
  - type tables (SEGD) **DFM: 131**
- Tilt
  - error (SEGD) **DFM: 141**
  - limit (SEGD) **DFM: 141**
  - value (SEGD) **DFM: 141**
- Tilt Model
  - create **FM2: 44**, **FM2: 111**
  - WTU parameters, load **FM2: 77**
- Time
  - delay, FTB-SOD (SPS) **DFM: 11**,  
**DFM: 21**, **DFM: 55**,  
**DFM: 66**
  - exponential, trace display  
**FM11: 419**
  - SPS **DFM: 15**, **DFM: 27**,  
**DFM: 59**, **DFM: 72**
- Time break
  - SEGD **DFM: 129**
  - window, SEGD **DFM: 137**
- To channel (SPS) **DFM: 16**,  
**DFM: 29**, **DFM: 61**, **DFM: 74**
- To receiver (SPS) **DFM: 17**,  
**DFM: 29**, **DFM: 61**, **DFM: 75**
- Toggle
  - button **FM2: 4**
- Topo view
  - Complete window **FM2: 108**
  - Data Harvester **FM2: 315**
- Total number of traces (SEGD)  
**DFM: 128**
- Towing depth **DFM: 25**, **DFM: 70**
- Trace
  - blocking **FM2: 213**
  - data block **DFM: 135**
  - edit (SEGD) **DFM: 137**
  - Number (SEGD) **DFM: 137**
  - number of samples in **DFM: 128**
- Trace Header
  - Extension (SEGD) **DFM: 137**
  - Extension Block 1 (SEGD)  
**DFM: 138**
  - Extension block 2 (SEGD)  
**DFM: 140**
  - Extension block 3 (SEGD)  
**DFM: 141**
  - Extension block 4 (SEGD)  
**DFM: 142**

- Extension block 5 (SEGD) **DFM: 143**
- Extension block 6 (SEGD) **DFM: 144**
- Extension block 7 (SEGD) **DFM: 146**
- Extensions (SEGD) **DFM: 126, DFM: 138**
- SEG D **DFM: 137**

## Traces

- total number of **DFM: 128**

## Traces, number of

- Aux **DFM: 128**
- Dead seis **DFM: 128**
- Live seis **DFM: 128**
- Seismic **DFM: 128**

## Trailer, general **DFM: 122**

## Type

- Model, Polarity (SPS) **DFM: 11, DFM: 12, DFM: 13, DFM: 21, DFM: 23, DFM: 24, DFM: 55, DFM: 56, DFM: 57, DFM: 66, DFM: 68, DFM: 69**
- of process (SEGD) **DFM: 131**
- of source (SEGD) **DFM: 128**

# U

## Unit

- serial number (SEGD) **DFM: 144**
- type (SEGD) **DFM: 144**

## Units

- spacing X, Y (SPS) **DFM: 12, DFM: 13, DFM: 23,**

**DFM: 24, DFM: 56, DFM: 57, DFM: 68, DFM: 69**

## Updating

- stake ID **FM2: 119**

## Uphole

- time (SEGD) **DFM: 129**
- time (SPS) **DFM: 15, DFM: 26, DFM: 59, DFM: 71**

## URL

- opening a session **FM1I: 4**

# V

## VE464

- connecting **IM: 39**

## Vertical

- datum description (SPS) **DFM: 9, DFM: 19, DFM: 53, DFM: 64**
- Stack (SEGD) **DFM: 126**

## Vibrator

- type (SEGD) **DFM: 123**

## Vibroiseis (SPS) **DFM: 13, DFM: 57**

## View

- Topo, Complete window **FM2: 108**
- Topo, Data Harvester **FM2: 315**

## VP

- Process **FM2: 42**

# W

## Wake up

- time, WTU **FM2: 86**

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Water

- depth (SPS) **DFM: 15**,  
**DFM: 26**, **DFM: 59**,  
**DFM: 71**
- gun (SPS) **DFM: 14**, **DFM: 58**

Weathering thickness (SPS)

- DFM: 14**, **DFM: 25**, **DFM: 58**,  
**DFM: 70**

Weekly calendar **FM2: 85**

Window

- TB **DFM: 128**

Working hours **FM2: 85**

WTU

- parameters, loading **FM2: 94**
- position, load to Position  
**FM2: 167**

WTU assignment

- Automatic checks **FM2: 183**

WTU list

- import from PFT **FM2: 287**

WTU parameters

- group, create **FM2: 90**
- summary **FM2: 74**

## Y

Year (SEGD) **DFM: 119**