

# Mapping File Format

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## Overview

The mapping file contains instructions written in XML for the Data Import Service. These instructions define how to handle certain files and the fields contained in them. In general, these instructions are intended for structured data, such as a document with fixed-width or delimited fields, but they're also flexible enough to be used for unstructured data.

Basically, these mappings define the following about the document:

### *Structure*

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- Document name
- Encoding or character set
- Line separator character
- The number of lines to skip before parsing data

### *Records*

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- Record name
- Record rank, highest parsed first
- The lines contained in the record
- The line structure, if any
- The fields contained in each line
- Any lines contained in the field

### *Filters*

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- Filters a record by comparing against certain criteria

### *Processors*

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- Alters the incoming data in some way

### *Transforms*

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- Allows you to convert to and from dates, numbers, currency, choices, flags, etc.

## XML Basics

The mapping file is written in XML. XML is an abbreviation for “eXtensible Markup Language”. There are several fundamental elements of an XML document that you should know about:

### Header / XML Declaration

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- Optional in some XML documents, but mandatory in a mapping file.
- Specifies the encoding used in this file, you should ensure this is correct!
- Typically, looks like:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

### Tags

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- A *tag* starts with `<` and ends with `>`
- There are three types of *tags*:

*Start-tags:*

```
<section>
```

*End-tags:*

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</section>
```

*Empty-element Tags:*

```
<line-break />
```

### Elements

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- An *element* either begins with a *start-tag* and ends with a matching *end-tag*, or consists of only an *empty-element tag*. If the *element* has a *start-tag* and an *end-tag*, then whatever is between those tags is the element’s *content*. The *content* may contain *elements* (which are then *child elements*) or text.

```
<section>
  This is an XML
  <bold>element</bold>
  it can contain text or more elements.
  <line-break />
</section>
```

## Attributes

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- An *attribute* is a name/value pair that is linked to an *element*. It must be within a *start-tag* or a *empty-element tag*.

```
<section id="First Section">
  <section id="Subsection"></section>
  
</section>
```

## Predefined Entities

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- There are certain characters that cannot be used in XML normally. Fortunately, there are five *predefined entities* that you can use in place of these characters.

Character	Escape Code
<	&lt;
>	&gt;
&	&amp;
'	&apos;
"	&quot;

## Example 1 — Comma Separated, Multiple Record Mappings

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <file-format id="Example 1"
3      encoding="UTF-8"
4      lineSeparator="\r\n"
5      skipLines="1">
6      <record id="Company" rank="100">
7          <filter>
8              <reference>Record Type</reference>
9              <matches>
10                 <constant>C</constant>
11             </matches>
12         </filter>
13         <line delimiter=","
14             escape="\\"
15             quote="&quot;;">
16             <mapping id="Type"/>
17             <mapping id="Company Name"/>
18             <mapping id="Wysk Number">
19                 <process>
20                     <uppercase/>
21                 </process>
22             </mapping>
23         </line>
24     </record>
25     <record id="Person" rank="90">
26         <filter>
27             <reference>Record Type</reference>
28             <matches>
29                 <constant>P</constant>
30             </matches>
31         </filter>
32         <line delimiter=","
33             escape="\\"
34             quote="&quot;;">
35             <mapping id="Type"/>
36             <mapping id="Person Name"/>
37             <mapping id="Wysk Number">
38                 <process>
39                     <uppercase/>
40                 </process>
41             </mapping>
42         </line>
43     </record>
44 </file-format>
```

## Document

```
1 TYPE,NAME,WYSK NO,DATE OF BIRTH
2 "P","Khechar Boorla","3KFYF4M"
3 "P","Jennifer Gohlke","33CFUQZ","1/20/1989"
4 "P","Shahin \"Sean\" Jamea","X3EP99Z"
5 "P","Natalie Hudson","H73L8EZ"
6 "C","Adept Developer, LLC","X3GYFBZ"
7 "P","Steve Parks","33ecdKZ","1/14/1978"
8 "C","Bain Capital, LLC"
9 "P","Mitt \"Mittens\" Romney",,"3/12/1947"
10 "P","Fiona Apple"
11 "M","Björk Guðmundsdóttir"
12 "P","Edward
13 Earl of Wessex","66EQXPZ"
```

## Records

### Person

Index	Record ID	Type	Person Name	Wysk Number
2	Person	P	Khechar Boorla	3KFYF4M
3	Person	P	Jennifer Gohlke	33CFUQZ
4	Person	P	Shahin "Sean" Jamea	X3EP99Z
5	Person	P	Natalie Hudson	H73L8EZ
7	Person	P	Steve Parks	33ECDKZ
9	Person	P	Mitt "Mittens" Romney	
10	Person	P	Fiona Apple	
12, 13	Person	P	Edward Earl of Wessex	66EQXPZ

### Company

Index	Record ID	Type	Company Name	Wysk Number
6	Company	C	Adept Developer, LLC	3KFYF4M
8	Company	C	Bain Capital, LLC	33CFUQZ

### Unmapped

Index	Status
1	Skipped, specified by skipLines attribute.
11	Skipped, line did not get filtered into any records.

## Example 2 — Fixed-Width, Multiple Record Mappings

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <file-format id="Example 2"
3      encoding="UTF-8"
4      lineSeparator="\r\n">
5      <record id="Company" rank="100">
6          <filter>
7              <reference>Record Type</reference>
8              <matches>
9                  <constant>C</constant>
10             </matches>
11         </filter>
12         <line length="32">
13             <mapping id="Type">
14                 <span length="1"/>
15             </mapping>
16             <mapping id="Company Name">
17                 <span length="24"/>
18             </mapping>
19             <mapping id="Wysk Number">
20                 <span length="7"/>
21                 <process>
22                     <uppercase/>
23                 </process>
24             </mapping>
25             <process scope="global" order="after">
26                 <trim/>
27             </process>
28         </line>
29     </record>
30     <record id="Person" rank="90">
31         <filter>
32             <reference>Record Type</reference>
33             <matches>
34                 <constant>P</constant>
35             </matches>
36         </filter>
37         <line minLength="40">
38             <mapping id="Type">
39                 <span length="1"/>
40             </mapping>
41             <mapping id="Person Name">
42                 <span length="24"/>
43             </mapping>
44             <mapping id="Wysk Number">
45                 <span length="7"/>
46                 <process>
47                     <uppercase/>
48                 </process>
49             </mapping>
50             <mapping id="DOB">
51                 <span length="8"/>
52                 <process>
53                     <trim/>
54                     <transform>
55                         <datetime pattern="yyyyMMdd"/>
56                         <datetime pattern="MMM d, yyyy"/>
57                     </transform>
58                 </process>
59             </mapping>
```



```
60         <process scope="global" order="after">
61             <trim/>
62         </process>
63     </line>
64 </record>
65 </file-format>
```

Document

1 PKhechar·Boorla·····3KFYF4M·····  
2 PJennifer·Gohlke·····33CFUQZ19890120  
3 PShahin "Sean" Jamea···X3EP99Z·····  
4 PNatalie Hudson·····H73L8EZ·····  
5 CAdept Developer, LLC···X3GYFBZ  
6 PSteve Parks·····33ecdKz19780114  
7 CBain Capital, LLC·····  
8 PMitt "Mittens" Romney·····19470312  
9 PFiona Apple·····  
10 MBjörk Guðmundsdóttir·····  
11 PEdward  
12 Earl of Wessex···66EQXPZ·····

- Represents a space

Records

Person

Index	Record ID	Type	Person Name	Wysk Number	DOB
1	Person	P	Khechar Boorla	3KFYF4M	
2	Person	P	Jennifer Gohlke	33CFUQZ	Jan 20, 1989
3	Person	P	Shahin "Sean" Jamea	X3EP99Z	
4	Person	P	Natalie Hudson	H73L8EZ	
6	Person	P	Steve Parks	33ECDKZ	Jan 14, 1989
8	Person	P	Mitt "Mittens" Romney		Mar 12, 1947
9	Person	P	Fiona Apple		

Company

Index	Record ID	Type	Company Name	Wysk Number
5	Company	C	Adept Developer, LLC	3KFYF4M
7	Company	C	Bain Capital, LLC	33CFUQZ

Unmapped

Index	Status
10	Skipped, line did not get filtered into any records.
11	Skipped, line does not meet length requirement of any records.
12	Skipped, line does not meet length requirement of any records.

## Example 3 — Fixed-Width, Single Record Mapping

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <file-format id="Example 3"
3      encoding="UTF-8"
4      lineSeparator="\r\n">
5      <record id="Entity">
6          <line minLength="36">
7              <mapping id="Type Code">
8                  <span length="1"/>
9              </mapping>
10             <mapping id="Name">
11                 <span length="24"/>
12             </mapping>
13             <mapping id="Wysk Number">
14                 <span length="7"/>
15                 <process>
16                     <uppercase/>
17                 </process>
18             </mapping>
19             <mapping id="DOB">
20                 <span length="8"/>
21                 <process>
22                     <trim/>
23                     <transform>
24                         <datetime pattern="yyyyMMdd"/>
25                         <datetime pattern="MMM dd, yyyy"/>
26                     </transform>
27                 </process>
28             </mapping>
29             <mapping id="Type">
30                 <process>
31                     <set>
32                         <reference>Type Code</reference>
33                     </set>
34                     <trim/>
35                     <replace pattern="^[PCM]"
36                         replacement=""
37                         scope="all"/>
38                     <replace pattern="^[P]$"
39                         replacement="Person"
40                         scope="all"/>
41                     <replace pattern="^[C]$"
42                         replacement="Company"
43                         scope="all"/>
44                     <replace pattern="^[M]$"
45                         replacement="Musician"
46                         scope="all"/>
47                 </process>
48             </mapping>
49             <process scope="global" order="after">
50                 <trim/>
51             </process>
52         </line>
53     </record>
54 </file-format>
```

## Document

```
1 PKhechar·Boorla·····3KFYF4M·····
2 PJennifer·Gohlke·····33CFUQZ19890120
3 PShahin "Sean" Jamea···X3EP99Z·····
4 PNatalie Hudson·····H73L8EZ·····
5 CAdept Developer, LLC···X3GYFBZ
6 PSteve Parks·····33ecdKz19780114
7 CBain Capital, LLCD·····
8 PMitt "Mittens" Romney·····19470312
9 PFiona Apple·····
10 MBjörk Guðmundsdóttir···
11 PEdward
12 Earl of Wessex···66EQXPZ·····
```

- Represents a space

## Records

### Entity

Index	Record ID	Type Code	Type	Name	Wysk Number	DOB
1	Entity	P	Person	Khechar Boorla	3KFYF4M	
2	Entity	P	Person	Jennifer Gohlke	33CFUQZ	Jan 20, 1989
3	Entity	P	Person	Shahin "Sean" Jamea	X3EP99Z	
4	Entity	P	Person	Natalie Hudson	H73L8EZ	
5	Entity	C	Company	Adept Developer, LLC	X3GYFBZ	
6	Entity	P	Person	Steve Parks	33ECDKZ	Jan 14, 1989
7	Entity	C	Company	Bain Capital, LLCD		
8	Entity	P	Person	Mitt "Mittens" Romney		Mar 12, 1947
9	Entity	P	Person	Fiona Apple		
10	Entity	M	Musician	Björk Guðmundsdóttir		
12	Entity	E		arl of Wessex	66EQXPZ	

### Unmapped

Index	Status
11	Skipped, line does not meet length requirement of any records.

## Example 4 — Date, Time, and Timezone Transforms

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <file-format id="Example 4">
3    <record id="Time Period">
4      <line delimiter="|">
5        <mapping id="Start Date">
6          <process>
7            <trim/>
8            <transform>
9              <datetime pattern="yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ssZZ"/>
10             <datetime pattern="MMM dd, yyyy h:mm:ss a, ZZZ"
11               timezone="CST6CDT"/>
12            </transform>
13          </process>
14        </mapping>
15        <mapping id="End Date">
16          <process>
17            <trim/>
18            <transform>
19              <datetime pattern="yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ssZZ"/>
20              <datetime pattern="MMM dd, yyyy h:mm:ss a, ZZZ"
21                timezone="CST6CDT"/>
22            </transform>
23          </process>
24        </mapping>
25      </line>
26    </record>
27  </file-format>
```

Document

1	1845-12-29	04:00:00-08:00		1845-12-31	00:00:00-08:00
2	1789-11-21	15:05:26-07:00		1789-11-21	23:04:01-07:00
3	2012-10-27	03:26:00-06:00		2012-10-27	04:26:00-06:00
4	2045-02-02	02:47:01-08:00		2045-02-02	02:47:02-08:00
5	1789-11-21	15:05:00-07:00		1789-12-28	15:05:00-07:00
6	1959-01-03	13:00:00-00:00		1959-01-03	13:00:00+07:00
7	2012-11-15	03:13:43-05:00		2013-01-01	00:00:00-05:00

Records

Time Period

Index	Record ID	Start Date	End Date
1	Time Period	Dec 29, 1845 6:00:00 AM, CST6CDT	Dec 31, 1845 2:00:00 AM, CST6CDT
2	Time Period	Nov 21, 1789 4:05:26 PM, CST6CDT	Nov 22, 1789 12:04:01 AM, CST6CDT
3	Time Period	Oct 27, 2012 4:26:00 AM, CST6CDT	Oct 27, 2012 5:26:00 AM, CST6CDT
4	Time Period	Feb 02, 2045 4:47:01 AM, CST6CDT	Feb 02, 2045 4:47:02 AM, CST6CDT
5	Time Period	Nov 21, 1789 4:05:00 PM, CST6CDT	Dec 28, 1789 4:05:00 PM, CST6CDT
6	Time Period	Jan 03, 1959 7:00:00 AM, CST6CDT	Jan 03, 1959 12:00:00 AM, CST6CDT
7	Time Period	Nov 15, 2012 2:13:43 AM, CST6CDT	Dec 31, 2012 11:00:00 PM, CST6CDT

Unmapped

Index	Status

## Example 5 — Nested Line and Mapping Elements

```
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
2  <file-format id="Example 5">
3    <record id="Contractor" rank="90">
4      <line delimiter="," escape="\ " quote="&quot;;">
5        <mapping id="First Name"/>
6        <mapping id="Last Name"/>
7        <mapping id="Street Address">
8          <process>
9            <address type="short"/>
10         </process>
11       </mapping>
12       <mapping id="City, State, Postal Code">
13         <line delimiter=",">
14           <mapping id="City"/>
15           <mapping>
16             <line delimiter=" ">
17               <mapping id="State"/>
18               <mapping>
19                 <line>
20                   <mapping id="Postal Code">
21                     <span length="5"/>
22                   </mapping>
23                   <mapping id="Postal Code Extension">
24                     <span length="4"/>
25                   </mapping>
26                 </line>
27               </process>
28               <replace pattern="^[^0-9]" replacement=""
scope="all"/>
29             </process>
30           </mapping>
31           <process>
32             <uppercase/>
33           </process>
34         </line>
35       </mapping>
36       <process>
37         <trim/>
38         <strip pattern=","/>
39         <capitalize/>
40       </process>
41       <process scope="global" order="after">
42         <trim/>
43         <compress/>
44       </process>
45     </line>
46   </mapping>
47   <mapping id="Phone Number">
48     <process>
49       <replace pattern="^[^0-9]" replacement="" scope="all"/>
50       <transform>
51         <extract pattern="^1?([0-9][0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-9][0-9][0-9])$"
52               output="+1 (\1) \2-\3"/>
53       </transform>
54     </process>
55   </mapping>
56   <mapping id="Have W-2">
57     <process>
```

```

58             <transform>
59                 <boolean format="any"/>
60                 <boolean format="truefalse"/>
61             </transform>
62         </process>
63     </mapping>
64     <mapping id="SSN">
65         <process>
66             <replace pattern="^[0-9]" replacement="" scope="all"/>
67             <transform>
68                 <extract pattern="^([0-9][0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-
69 9][0-9][0-9])$"
69                                     output="\1-\2-\3"/>
70             </transform>
71         </process>
72     </mapping>
73 </line>
74 </record>
75 </file-format>

```



Document

1 Adam,Creel,2901 Donegal Ln,"Pearland, TX 77581-5008",899-921-2637,Y,481-48-2066  
2 Eric,Armstrong,,, (844) 322-0809,Yes,501-17-1482  
3 Laura,Bowles,350 LIMESTONE CIR,"Irvington, AL",8444586101,TRUE,751015965  
4 Avis,Chatfield,7600 WASHINGTON AVE,"Brittow, VA 20136-2053",844.213.4374,1,  
5 Ben,Dixon,4000 Smiling Wood Ln,"Houston, TX 77086",+1 (855) 065-6931,N,574-39-0162  
6 Chris,Estrada,PO BOX 1052,"Daphne, AL 36526-7635",+ 1 855-543-3426,No,516-27-8662  
7 Anushka,Sen,109 Lakeside Terrace,"PANAMA CITY, FL 32404-7545",,false  
8 Doug,Wyatt,PO BOX 510,"Miami, FL 32301", (811)-973-2585,0,408-05-2354

Records

Contractor

Index	Street Address	City, State, Postal Code	City	State	Postal Code	Postal Code Extension
1	2901 Donegal Ln	Pearland, TX 77581-5008	Pearland	TX	77581	5008
2						
3	350 Limestone Cir	Irvington, AL	Irvington	AL		
4	7600 Washington Ave	Brittow, VA 20136-2053	Brittow	VA	20136	2053
5	4000 Smiling Wood Ln	Houston, TX 77086	Houston	TX	77086	
6	Po Box 1052	Daphne, AL 36526-7635	Daphne	AL	36526	7635
7	109 Lakeside Ter	PANAMA CITY, FL 32404-7545	Panama City	FL	32404	7545
8	Po Box 510	Miami, FL 32301	Miami	FL	32301	

Contractor, Continued

Index	First Name	Last Name	Phone Number	SSN	Have W-2
1	Adam	Creel	+1 (899) 921-2637	481-48-2066	true
2	Eric	Armstrong	+1 (844) 322-0809	501-17-1482	true
3	Laura	Bowles	+1 (844) 458-6101	751-01-5965	true
4	Avis	Chatfield	+1 (844) 213-4374		true
5	Ben	Dixon	+1 (855) 065-6931	574-39-0162	false
6	Chris	Estrada	+1 (855) 543-3426	516-27-8662	false
7	Anushka	Sen			false
8	Doug	Wyatt	+1 (811) 973-2585	408-05-2354	false

Unmapped

Index	Status

## Recipes

*Processor: Generic field value cleanup, intended to go in first line element.*

```
1 <process scope="global" order="after">
2   <trim/>
3   <replace pattern="\n" replacement=", " scope="all"/>
4   <compress/>
5   <strip pattern=", "/>
6 </process>
```

*Processor: Format integer, removing leading zeros.*

```
1 <process>
2   <replace pattern="^[^0-9]" replacement="" scope="all"/>
3   <transform>
4     <integer/>
5   </transform>
6 </process>
```

*Processor: Format generic numeric type.*

```
1 <process>
2   <replace pattern="^[^0-9]" replacement="" scope="all"/>
3 </process>
```

*Processor: Remove "N/A" fields.*

```
1 <process>
2   <replace pattern="^N/A$" replacement="" scope="all"/>
3 </process>
```

*Processor: Remove "NULL" fields.*

```
1 <process>
2   <replace pattern="^NULL$" replacement="" scope="all"/>
3 </process>
```

*Transform: Excel "Accounting Format" with two decimal places.*

```
1 <process>
2   <transform>
3     <number pattern="#,##0.00;(#,##0.00)"/>
4   </transform>
5 </process>
```

*Mapping: 3-letter country code normalize*

```
1 <mapping id="Country Code">
2   <span length="3"/>
3   <process>
4     <trim/>
5     <replace pattern="USA" replacement="US" scope="all"/>
6     <set if="empty">
7       <constant>US</constant>
8     </set>
9     <uppercase/>
10  </process>
11 </mapping>
```

### *Mapping: 2-letter state normalize*

```
1  <mapping id="State">
2    <span length="2"/>
3    <process>
4      <trim/>
5      <uppercase/>
6    </process>
7  </mapping>
```

### *Mapping: Separate full postal code into postal code and extension*

```
1  <mapping id="Full Postal Code">
2    <span length="9"/>
3    <process>
4      <replace pattern="^[0-9]" replacement="" scope="all"/>
5    </process>
6    <line>
7      <mapping id="Postal Code">
8        <span length="5"/>
9      </mapping>
10     <mapping id="Postal Code Extension">
11       <span length="4"/>
12     </mapping>
13   </line>
14 </mapping>
```

### *Mapping: US Phone Number, with optional country code*

```
1  <mapping id="Phone Number">
2    <process>
3      <replace pattern="^[0-9]" replacement="" scope="all"/>
4      <transform>
5        <extract pattern="^1?([0-9][0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-9][0-9][0-9])$"
6          output="+1 (\1) \2-\3"/>
7      </transform>
8    </process>
9  </mapping>
```

### *Mapping: Social Security Number*

```
1  <mapping id="SSN">
2    <process>
3      <replace pattern="^[0-9]" replacement="" scope="all"/>
4      <transform>
5        <extract pattern="^([0-9][0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-9])([0-9][0-9][0-9][0-9])$"
6          output="\1-\2-\3"/>
7      </transform>
8    </process>
9  </mapping>
```

## Data Import Service

The Wysk DIS is easy to interface with through a mapping file.

- 1) On each `<record>` element that you want to import add the `spname` attribute.  
Format: `[DatabaseName].[dbo].[StoredProcedureName]`
- 2) Under each of those `<record>` elements, on each `<mapping>` element that you want to import, add the `spvar` attribute.  
Format: `@VariableName`

All other records and mappings that don't specify these additional attributes will be ignored by the DIS.

## Element Documentation

### <file-format>

The <file-format> element is the *root element* of the document. Everything else will go in here.

Attribute	Description
id	A short, descriptive name of the document.
encoding	A valid character set name, common values include: ISO-8859-1 – Default ASCII CP1251 UTF-8 UTF-16BE UTF-16LE

Valid Child Elements	Multiple
<record>	Yes

**Valid Content**  
None

### <record>

The <record> element contains a filter for the record and the lines inside the record.

Attribute	Description
id	A short, descriptive name of the record.
rank	The highest ranked record is the first that will be tried when trying to parse a line. If the record does not accept the line, the next highest ranked record is tried.
spname	The name of a stored procedure to use when importing this record. Must be of the form: [DatabaseName].[dbo].[StoredProcedureName]

Valid Child Elements	Multiple
<line>	Yes
<filter>	No

**Valid Content**  
None

## <filter>

The <filter> element allows you to specify a condition that must be true for the parent record to be parsed.

### *Attribute*

None

<i>Valid Child Elements</i>	<i>Multiple</i>
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<i>Expression Values</i>	
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<reference>	No
-------------	----

<constant>	No
------------	----

<i>Expression Patterns</i>	
----------------------------	--

<regex>	No
---------	----

<i>Expression Operations</i>	
------------------------------	--

<matches>	No
-----------	----

<not>	No
-------	----

<allof>	Yes
---------	-----

<oneof>	Yes
---------	-----

### *Valid Content*

None

## <allof>

The <allof> element allows you to combine if statements inside a filter so that only if all of them are true will the filter pass.

### *Attribute*

None

<i>Valid Child Elements</i>	<i>Multiple</i>
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<if>	Yes
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## <oneof>

The <oneof> element allows you to combine if statements inside a filter so that if only one of them are true the filter pass.

### *Attribute*

None

<i>Valid Child Elements</i>	<i>Multiple</i>
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<if>	Yes
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## <if>

The <if> element allows you to specify a condition that must be true for the parent record to be parsed.

### *Attribute*

*None*

### *Valid Child Elements*

### *Multiple*

#### *Expression Values*

<reference>

No

<constant>

No

#### *Expression Patterns*

<regex>

No

#### *Expression Operations*

<matches>

No

## <line>

The <line> element contains the processors, transforms, and mappings that make up the bulk of your mapping document. A record may have several lines to indicate that it spans multiple lines in the document.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
<code>length</code>	If specified, the record must be exactly this long to be parsed.
<code>minLength</code>	If specified, the record must be at least this long to be parsed.
<code>maxLength</code>	If specified, the record must be at most this long to be parsed.
<code>delimiter</code>	Specifies that the line's mappings will be delimited by one or more characters.
<code>quote</code>	If delimiter is specified, this is the character used to specify a field that may contain delimiters inside it.
<code>escape</code>	If delimiter and quote are both specified, this is the character used to escape quotes that are inside a quoted field.

<i>Valid Child Elements</i>	<i>Multiple</i>
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<code>&lt;mapping&gt;</code>	Yes
<code>&lt;process&gt;</code>	Yes

### *Valid Content*

None



## <mapping>

The <mapping> element tells the parser where to find a value of a field in an arbitrary line of text. The mapping element can also be thought of as a “field” in the “record”. If no index is set manually, the index is automatically set where 0 is the first mapping, 1 is the next mapping, and so on.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
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<code>id</code>	A short, descriptive name for this value.
<code>index</code>	If the parent line is delimited, manually set the index of this value where 0 is the first value on the line.
<code>spvar</code>	The name of a variable in the stored procedure that was specified in the <record> element. It must take the form of: <code>@VariableName</code>

<i>Valid Child Elements</i>	<i>Multiple</i>
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<code>&lt;process&gt;</code>	Yes
<code>&lt;span&gt;</code>	No
<code>&lt;line&gt;</code>	No

### *Valid Content*

None

## <span>

The <span> element sets a logical span in an arbitrary line of text. This span is used by the parser to retrieve the value of a field. An invalid span element will prevent the record from being parsed.

Valid attribute combinations are:

- `Length`
- `start, length`
- `start, end`

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
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<code>length</code>	The length of this span. If start is not specified, it is relative to the last mapping elements span end position or 0.
<code>start</code>	The start index of this span, where 0 is the beginning of the text. This must be a positive integer that is less than or equal to end index.
<code>end</code>	The end index of this span, where 0 is the beginning of the text. This must be a positive integer that is greater than or equal to start index.

### *Valid Child Elements*

None

### *Valid Content*

None

## <process>

The <process> element instructs the parser to modify the resulting value(s) in some way. If a processor is set to *before*, and there are child mappings/nested line elements, the mapping closest to the processor will be parsed and processed first, followed by the next closest and so on. If a processor is set to *after*, and there are child mappings/nested line elements, the mapping closest to the processor will be parsed *but not processed*, followed by the next closest until there are no more mappings to parse, then the furthest from the processor is processed, followed by the next furthest until the parser returns to the parent element. This can drastically affect how nested lines are handled if you use *global* processors.

### Attribute      Description

<i>scope</i>	Specifies if this processor will be run on nested lines or not. <i>local</i> – Default; Run this on local line/mapping only. <i>global</i> – Run this on local line/mapping and also child lines/mappings.
<i>order</i>	Specifies the order this processor should be run relative to any children. <i>before</i> – Default; Run this before parsing globally. <i>after</i> – Run this after parsing globally.

### Valid Child Elements      Multiple

<transform>	Yes
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#### Processor Actions

<address>	Yes
<append>	Yes
<prepend>	Yes
<insert>	Yes
<left>	Yes
<right>	Yes
<substring>	Yes
<replace>	Yes
<capitalize>	Yes
<lowercase>	Yes
<uppercase>	Yes
<compress>	Yes
<trim>	Yes
<strip>	Yes
<pad>	Yes
<set>	Yes

### Valid Content

None

## <transform>

The <transform> element takes a string value and puts it through a series of transformations. The last transformation in the element is responsible for transforming the value back into a string.

### Attribute

None

Valid Child Elements	Multiple
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<transform>	Yes
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#### Transformations

<datetime>	Yes
<boolean>	Yes
<number>	Yes
<integer>	Yes
<decimal>	Yes
<split>	Yes
<join>	Yes
<extract>	Yes

#### Processor Actions

<address>	Yes
<append>	Yes
<prepend>	Yes
<insert>	Yes
<left>	Yes
<right>	Yes
<substring>	Yes
<replace>	Yes
<capitalize>	Yes
<lowercase>	Yes
<uppercase>	Yes
<compress>	Yes
<trim>	Yes
<strip>	Yes
<pad>	Yes
<set>	Yes

### Valid Content

None

## Expression Values

### *Valid Content*

None

### **<reference>**

The **<reference>** element specifies that the referenced ID be parsed, and the field content should be used in place of this tag.

### *Valid Child Elements*

None

### *Valid Content*

Must contain the ID of a **<mapping>** element.

### **<constant>**

The **<constant>** element specifies a constant piece of text.

### *Valid Child Elements*

None

### *Valid Content*

Any text, line breaks are ignored.

## Expression Patterns

### <regex>

The <regex> element specifies a regular expression pattern that will be used to match against another value.

#### *Valid Child Elements*

*None*

#### *Valid Content*

Must contain a valid regular expression pattern.

## Expression Operations

### <matches>

The <matches> element is an expression that allows you to match a reference or constant to either a regular expression, reference, or constant. Matching a regular expression to a regular expression will always return false.

<i>Valid Child Elements</i>	<i>Multiple</i>
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<i>Expression Values</i>	
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<reference>	No
-------------	----

<constant>	No
------------	----

<i>Expression Patterns</i>	
----------------------------	--

<regex>	No
---------	----

#### *Valid Content*

None

### <not>

The <not> element is negates any expression found within it.

<i>Valid Child Elements</i>	<i>Multiple</i>
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<i>Expression Operations</i>	
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<matches>	No
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<not>	No
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#### *Valid Content*

None

# Processor Actions

## <address>

The <address> action attempts to clean up addresses into a consistent format.

Attribute	Description
type	Specifies how we should return the normalized addresses. full – Default; Expand abbreviations. short – Abbreviate where possible.

### Valid Child Elements

None

## <append>

The <append> action appends text to the field value. If the text attribute is specified, no child elements are allowed.

Attribute	Description
text	The text to append.

### Valid Child Elements Multiple

Expression Values	
<reference>	No
<constant>	No

## <prepend>

The <prepend> action prepends text to the field value. If the text attribute is specified, no child elements are allowed.

Attribute	Description
text	The text to append.

### Valid Child Elements Multiple

Expression Values	
<reference>	No
<constant>	No

## <insert>

The <insert> action inserts text at the specified index. If the [text](#) attribute is specified, no child elements are allowed.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
<a href="#">text</a>	The text to append.
<a href="#">index</a>	The index of the character to insert before inside the field value, where 0 is the start of the string.

### *Valid Child Elements*      *Multiple*

#### *Expression Values*

<a href="#">&lt;reference&gt;</a>	No
<a href="#">&lt;constant&gt;</a>	No

## <left>

The <left> action gets an arbitrary number of characters starting from the left of the field value.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
<a href="#">length</a>	The amount of characters to retrieve.

### *Valid Child Elements*

*None*

## <right>

The <right> action gets an arbitrary number of characters starting from the right of the field value.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
<a href="#">length</a>	The amount of characters to retrieve.

### *Valid Child Elements*

*None*



## <state>

The <state> action attempts to clean up state names or identifiers into a consistent format.

Attribute	Description
type	Specifies how we should return the normalized state name(s). <code>full</code> – Default; Expand abbreviations. <code>short</code> – Abbreviate where possible.

### Valid Child Elements

None

## <substring>

The <substring> action gets a span of characters in an arbitrary line of text.

Valid attribute combinations are:

- `length`
- `start, length`
- `start, end`

Attribute	Description
length	The length of this span. If start is not specified, it is relative to the last mapping elements span end position or 0.
start	The start index of this span, where 0 is the beginning of the text. This must be a positive integer that is less than or equal to end index.
end	The end index of this span, where 0 is the beginning of the text. This must be a positive integer that is greater than or equal to start index.

### Valid Child Elements

None

## <replace>

The <replace> action finds the specified pattern and replaces it with the specified text.

Attribute	Description
pattern	A regular expression pattern.
replacement	Text that will replace anything that matches the pattern in the field value.
scope	<code>all</code> – Default; Replace every instance. <code>first</code> – Only replace the first instance.

### Valid Child Elements

None

## <capitalize>

The <capitalize> action capitalizes the string as a proper noun.  
“WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW” turns into “What You Should Know”.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
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None

### *Valid Child Elements*

None

## <lowercase>

The <lowercase> action changes the field value to all lower case characters.  
“What You Should Know” turns into “what you should know”.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
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None

### *Valid Child Elements*

None

## <uppercase>

The <uppercase> action changes the field value to all upper case characters.  
“What You Should Know” turns into “WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW”.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
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None

### *Valid Child Elements*

None

## <compress>

The <compress> action merges consecutive whitespace into a single space.  
“What    You    Should    Know” turns into “What You Should Know”.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
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None

### *Valid Child Elements*

None

<trim>

The <trim> action removes whitespace from the beginning and end of the field value.  
“        What You Should Know        ” turns into “What You Should Know”.

Attribute      Description

None

Valid Child Elements

None

<strip>

The <strip> action removes the specified character(s) from the beginning and end of the field value.  
If *pattern* is a comma, then “,,,,,What You Should Know,,,,,” turns into “What You Should Know”.

Attribute      Description

*pattern*        The text to strip.

Valid Child Elements

None

<pad>

The <pad> action pads the field value with text to the specified length.

Attribute      Description

*type*            *left* – Default; Appends to the left.  
                  *right* – Append to the right.  
*with*            The text to pad with.  
*length*         The length to pad to.

Valid Child Elements

None

<set>

The <set> action sets the field value explicitly. If the *text* attribute is specified, no child elements are allowed.

Attribute      Description

*text*            The text to set the field value to.  
*if*              *always* – Default; Always sets the field value.  
                  *empty* – Sets only if the field value is currently empty. (Empty is a blank string or null.)

Valid Child Elements

Expression Values

<reference>	No
<constant>	No

## Transformations

### <datetime>

The <datetime> transform converts dates and times to and from different formats. It also supports converting from one timezone into another, or using an alternative chronology. Any changes created by the [timezone](#) or [chronology](#) attributes will automatically account for timezone differences, daylight savings time, and leap years.

Attribute	Description
<a href="#">pattern</a>	A valid datetime pattern used to convert the date, time, and timezone information. <i>See Appendix A.</i>
<a href="#">timezone</a>	If converting a string to a datetime, and no timezone was specified by the pattern, assume this one. If converting a string to a datetime, but timezone was specified by the pattern, change the date and time to reflect the appropriate timezone. If converting a datetime to a string, change the date and time to reflect the appropriate timezone. <i>See Appendix B.</i>
<a href="#">chronology</a>	<a href="#">ISO</a> – Default; Use the standard modern calendar. <a href="#">ISO8601</a> – Alias for <a href="#">ISO</a> <a href="#">GregorianJulian</a> – Use the Gregorian Julian calendar. <a href="#">Gregorian</a> – Use the Gregorian calendar. <a href="#">Julian</a> – Use the strict Julian calendar. <a href="#">Coptic</a> – Use the Coptic calendar. <a href="#">Buddhist</a> – Use the Buddhist calendar. <a href="#">Ethiopic</a> – Use the Ethiopic calendar. <i>See Appendix C.</i>

### <boolean>

The <boolean> transform converts between boolean (yes/no) values. Case-insensitive.  
If the format is [any](#), this transform cannot be the last transform in a <transform> element.

Attribute	Description
<a href="#">format</a>	<a href="#">any</a> – Default; Looks at all available formats to determine what the value is. <a href="#">truefalse</a> – Only TRUE and FALSE are allowed. <a href="#">yn</a> – Only Y and N are allowed. <a href="#">yesno</a> – Only YES and NO are allowed. <a href="#">bit</a> – Only 1 and 0 are allowed.

### <number>

The <number> transform converts and formats arbitrary numbers.

Attribute	Description
<a href="#">pattern</a>	A valid number pattern for conversion and formatting. <i>See Appendix D.</i>

## <integer>

The <integer> transform converts and outputs arbitrary integers.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
radix	The base, or radix, of the number to convert to/from.

## <decimal>

The <decimal> transform converts and outputs arbitrary decimals.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
None	

## <extract>

The <extract> finds a regular expression pattern within the field value and allows you to output a string that uses the capturing groups found by the regular expression.

The strings \$1, \$2, ... \$9 are replaced by capturing groups 0 through 9.

The strings \1, \2, ... \9 are replaced by capturing groups 0 through 9.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
pattern	A valid regular expression pattern.
output	The replacement string.

## <split>

The <split> transform splits strings and outputs several strings. Only certain transforms can operate on this array of strings, but all processors are supported.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
separator	The character(s) to split the string on.

## <join>

The <join> transform joins together an array of strings into one single string.

<i>Attribute</i>	<i>Description</i>
separator	The character(s) to put between each string.

## Appendix A — Datetime Patterns

Symbol	Meaning	Presentation	Examples
-----	-----	-----	-----
G	era	text	AD
C	century of era ( $\geq 0$ )	number	20
Y	year of era ( $\geq 0$ )	year	1996
x	weekyear	year	1996
w	week of weekyear	number	27
e	day of week	number	2
E	day of week	text	Tuesday; Tue
Y	year	year	1996
D	day of year	number	189
M	month of year	month	July; Jul; 07
d	day of month	number	10
a	halfday of day	text	PM
K	hour of halfday (0~11)	number	0
h	clockhour of halfday (1~12)	number	12
H	hour of day (0~23)	number	0
k	clockhour of day (1~24)	number	24
m	minute of hour	number	30
s	second of minute	number	55
S	fraction of second	number	978
z	time zone	text	Pacific Standard Time; PST
Z	time zone offset/id	zone	-0800; -08:00; America/Los_Angeles
'	escape for text	delimiter	
''	single quote	literal	'

## Appendix B — Common Timezone IDs

Standard Offset	Canonical ID	Aliases
<b>-11:00</b>	Pacific/Pago_Pago	Pacific/Samoa, US/Samoa
<b>-10:00</b>	America/Adak	America/Atka, US/Aleutian
<b>-10:00</b>	Etc/GMT+10	
<b>-10:00</b>	HST	
<b>-10:00</b>	Pacific/Honolulu	US/Hawaii
<b>-09:00</b>	America/Anchorage	US/Alaska
<b>-09:00</b>	Etc/GMT+9	
<b>-08:00</b>	Etc/GMT+8	
<b>-08:00</b>	PST8PDT	
<b>-07:00</b>	Etc/GMT+7	
<b>-07:00</b>	MST	
<b>-07:00</b>	MST7MDT	
<b>-06:00</b>	CST6CDT	
<b>-06:00</b>	Etc/GMT+6	
<b>-05:00</b>	EST	
<b>-05:00</b>	EST5EDT	
<b>-05:00</b>	Etc/GMT+5	

## Appendix C — Available Chronologies

ID	Description
<b>ISO</b>	Based on the ISO8601 standard and suitable for use after about 1600
<b>GregorianJulian</b>	Historically accurate calendar with Julian followed by Gregorian
<b>Gregorian</b>	The Gregorian calendar system used for all time (proleptic)
<b>Julian</b>	The Julian calendar system used for all time (proleptic)
<b>Buddhist</b>	The Buddhist calendar system which is an offset in years from GJ
<b>Coptic</b>	The Coptic calendar system which defines 30 day months
<b>Ethiopic</b>	The Ethiopic calendar system which defines 30 day months



## Appendix D — Number Patterns

The number patterns support different kinds of numbers, including integers (123), fixed-point numbers (123.4), scientific notation (1.23E4), percentages (12%), and currency amounts (\$123). All of these can be localized. A negative subpattern is optional, in case you want to format negative numbers differently.

Number patterns have the follow syntax:

Symbol	Location	Localized?	Meaning
0	Number	Yes	Digit
#	Number	Yes	Digit, zero shows as absent
.	Number	Yes	Decimal separator or monetary decimal separator
-	Number	Yes	Minus sign
,	Number	Yes	Grouping separator
E	Number	Yes	Separates mantissa and exponent in scientific notation. <i>Need not be quoted in prefix or suffix.</i>
;	Subpattern boundary	Yes	Separates positive and negative subpatterns
%	Prefix or suffix	Yes	Multiply by 100 and show as percentage
\u2030	Prefix or suffix	Yes	Multiply by 1000 and show as per mille
¤(\u00A4)	Prefix or suffix	No	Currency sign, replaced by currency symbol. If doubled, replaced by international currency symbol. If present in a pattern, the monetary decimal separator is used instead of the decimal separator.
'	Prefix or suffix	No	Used to quote special characters in a prefix or suffix, for example, "'#'" formats 123 to "#123". To create a single quote itself, use two in a row: "' o' 'clock".

## Appendix E — Valid SQL Type Formats

### *Date and Time*

Standard	Datetime Pattern
<b>Default</b>	MMM dd yyyy hh:mmaa
<b>Default + milliseconds</b>	MMM dd yyyy hh:mm:ss:SSSaa
<b>U.S.</b>	MM/dd/yyyy
<b>ODBC canonical</b>	yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss
<b>ODBC canonical + milliseconds</b>	yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss.SSS
<b>ISO8601</b>	yyyy-MM-dd 'T' HH:mm:ss.SSS
<b>ISO8601 + timezone</b>	yyyy-MM-dd 'T' HH:mm:ss.SSSZZ

### *Date*

Standard	Datetime Pattern
<b>Default</b>	MM/dd/yyyy
<b>ISO8601</b>	yyyy-MM-dd
<b>ANSI</b>	yy.MM.dd

### *Time*

Standard	Datetime Pattern
<b>Default (24h)</b>	HH:mm:ss
<b>Default (24h) + milliseconds</b>	HH:mm:ss:SSS
<b>Default (12h)</b>	hh:mmaa
<b>Default (12h) + milliseconds</b>	hh:mm:ss:SSSaa

### *Money*

Standard	Number Pattern
<b>Default (USD)</b>	\$#,##0.00