

## Configuring

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## Type tab for IMBs

On the **Type** tab, you specify the name of the Intelligent Mail barcode (IMB) area and whether to create a BCOCA or text barcode.

### Fields on the **Type** tab

Field	Value	Description								
Barcode name	Any combination of a-z, A-Z, 0-9, special characters, and blanks.	The name of the barcode area. For example, you could name the barcode "IMB".								
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