WHAT'S NEW

Record Changes

• The Employer Contributions to Health Savings Account field has been added to the Employee RCW Record (positions 618 - 639) and the Total RCT Record (positions 521 - 550).

Other Changes

- The Social Security Wage Base for tax year 2004 is \$87,900.00. Social Security taxes will be withheld at the rate of 6.2 percent (up to \$87,900 of employee wages). Medicare taxes continue to be withheld at a rate of 1.45 percent on all wages.
- The title of Section 8, previously named Business Services Online Filing (BSO), has been changed to Electronic File Upload.
- Appendix I has been added to reflect Social Security and Medicare wage and tax maximums.
- Section 3.3 has been added under Section 3 Making Corrections. It contains new instructions for correcting Deferred Compensation.
- There are some editorial changes and corrections for clarification.

FILING REMINDERS

Filing Deadline

• File form W-2c and W-3c as soon as possible after you discover an error. Also provide Form W-2c to employees as soon as possible.

Other Filing Reminders

- If you file 250 or more Forms W-2c during a calendar year, you must now file them on magnetic media or electronically, unless the IRS grants you a waiver. (You may be charged a penalty if you fail to file on magnetic media (or electronically) when required.)
 - For purposes of the magnetic media/electronic requirement, only Forms W-2c for the immediate prior year are taken into account. Also, for example, if an employer must file 200 Forms W-2c for the immediate prior year in March and then discovers that another 100 Forms W-2c for the same year must be filed in August, only the 100 Forms W-2c filed in August must be filed on magnetic media or electronically.
- Tax year 2004 is the last year we will accept tape or cartridge submissions.
- A Form 6559 is needed only when submitting magnetic tapes or cartridges.
- We do not accept 8 inch, 5 ¹/₄ inch or Zip diskettes, CDROM, DLX cartridges or 4490 cartridges.
- All submitters must obtain a Personal Identification Number (PIN) through our registration process (see Section 6) and must enter that PIN in the RCA Record.
- Make sure the PIN assigned to the employee who is attesting to the accuracy of the W-2c data is included in the Submitter Record (RCA Record). See Section 6 (PIN/Password Registration Information) for additional information.
- Make sure each data file submitted is complete (Code RCA through RCF Records).

- Employer Record Information: Following the last RCW/RCO Record, create an RCT/RCU Record, then create either:
 - The RCE Record for the next employer in the submission; or
 - An RCF Record if this is the last report in the submission.
- <u>Do NOT</u> create a file that contains any data recorded after the Code RCF Record.
- Be sure to enter the correct tax year in the Employer Record (RCE Record).
- Electronic File Upload
 - If you compress the submission, compress the single file separately prior to sending it via the BSO.
 - <u>Do NOT</u> upload multiple diskette submissions. Copy multiple diskettes into a single file on one of your PC drives. Then, send the single file to us using the BSO at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/bso/bsowelcome.htm</u>.
- Diskette Submission
 - If the size of the wage report exceeds the capacity of a single diskette, a file may be split into multiple files and submitted on multiple diskettes, one file per diskette. However, a better alternative is to file electronically so that splitting the file is unnecessary.
 - If you compress the submission, compress each file separately using any compression software that will compress your files in .ZIP format.
- Electronic Data Transfer (EDT) Submission
 - You cannot compress the file.
- Magnetic Tape/Cartridge Submission
 - Each tape reel or cartridge must be a separate file.
 - You cannot compress the file.

Mailing Addresses for Magnetic Media

- Send tapes/cartridges via the U.S. Postal Service to: SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AWR MAGNETIC MEDIA PROCESSING 5-F-17, NB, METRO WEST PO BOX 33009 BALTIMORE MD 21290-3009
- Send diskettes via the U.S. Postal Service to: SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AWR MAGNETIC MEDIA PROCESSING 5-F-17, NB, METRO WEST PO BOX 33014 BALTIMORE MD 21290-3014
- Send tapes/cartridges/diskettes via other carrier to: SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AWR MAGNETIC MEDIA PROCESSING 5-F-17, NB, METRO WEST 300 N GREENE STREET BALTIMORE MD 21290-0300

FUTURE CHANGES

• Tax year 2005 is the last year we will accept diskette submissions.

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1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Filing Requirements

What's in this publication?

Instructions for reporting Form W-2c information (correcting wage and tax information for tax years 1978 and later) to the Social Security Administration (SSA) on magnetic media or through electronic filing using the MMREF-2 format.

When may I send an MMREF-2 file to SSA using these instructions?

- File Forms W-2c and W-3c as soon as possible after you discover an error. Also provide Form W-2c to employees as soon as possible.
- Use Form W-2c to correct errors on Forms W-2, W-2c, W-2AS, W-2GU, W-2CM or W-2VI filed with SSA.

Who must use these instructions?

- If you are required to file 250 or more Forms W-2c during a calendar year, you must now file them on magnetic media or electronically, unless the IRS grants you a waiver. You may be charged a penalty if you fail to file on magnetic media or electronically when required.
- For purposes of the magnetic media/electronic requirement, only Forms W-2c for the immediate prior year are taken into account.
- Also, for example, if an employer must file 200 Forms W-2c for the immediate prior year in March and then discovers that another 100 Forms W-2c for the <u>same year</u> must be filed in August, only the 100 Forms W-2c that are filed in August must be filed on magnetic media or electronically.
- You may request a waiver on IRS Form 8508, Request for Waiver From Filing Information Returns Magnetically. Submit Form 8508 to the IRS at least 45 days before you file Forms W-2c.
- For further information concerning the filing of information returns to IRS electronically or magnetically:
 - Contact the IRS Martinsburg Computing Center or by telephone toll-free at 1-866-455-7438 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time
 - Visit the IRS website at <u>www.irs.gov</u>

May I use these instructions to report corrections to State and Local Tax Agencies about annual and quarterly wage and tax data?

- Some states will accept the format for the State Record shown in this book; however, arrangements and approval for reporting to State or local taxing agencies must be made with each individual State or local tax agency.
- SSA and IRS do not transfer or process the State Record data.

What if I do not follow the instructions in this publication?

- Your employees' wages may not be properly credited.
- We may not be able to process your submission.
- Your totals of all W-2c reports may not match the Form 941-c totals for the year.

What clarifications do I need before I read this publication?

- The terms tape and 3480/3480E or 3490/3490E cartridges are used interchangeably, unless otherwise indicated.
- The term "W-2c" refers to W-2c, W-2cPR/499R-2c.
- The term "W-3c" refers to W-3c and W-3cPR.

May I send a paper W-3c or W-2c along with my magnetic media?

No, do NOT include any paper forms (W-2, W-3, W-2c or W-3c) with any magnetic media.

Do I have to register before I send you my file?

Yes. See Section 6 for registration information.

Do you have test software that I can use to verify the accuracy of my MMREF-2 file? Yes. See Section 7 for AccuW2C information.

How may I send you my W-2c information using the MMREF-2 format?

- Electronic File Upload (see Section 8)
- Electronic Data Transfer (see Section 9)
- $3\frac{1}{2}$ inch diskettes (see Section 10)
- ¹/₂ inch magnetic tape (see Section 11)
- 3480/3480E cartridges (see Section 11)
- 3490/3490E cartridges (see Section 11)

Note: Electronic filing is considered the "best practice" for submitting Form W-2c to SSA.

1.2 Processing a File

How long does it take to process my file?

Generally, within 120 days. However, data received electronically is usually processed much faster than physical media.

Will you notify me when the file is processed?

No. For all submissions other than paper reports, you can view the status on the BSO (see Section 8).

What do I use as a key to check the status of my submission on the BSO?

- For a diskette or EDT submission, use the "Submitter EIN" in the Submitter Record, along with the related PIN.
- For a tape or cartridge submission, first use the EIN indicated on the Form 6559 submitted with the submission, and the related PIN. If the submission can not be located, use the "Submitter EIN" in the Submitter Record along with the related PIN.
- For a submission transmitted using BSO, use the "transmitter's EIN" and related PIN.

Will you return the magnetic media to me if the file is processed? No.

What if you can't process my file?

- If you select "Postal Service" as your Preferred Method of Problem Notification in position 315 of the Submitter Record, we will return the magnetic media to you with an explanation of the problems that we found.
- If you select "E-Mail/Internet" as your Preferred Method of Problem Notification in position 315 of the Submitter Record, we will send you an e-mail notice containing a link to BSO where you can see a detailed explanation of your errors.

What should I do to correct my file?

- Follow the instructions in the notice you receive.
- Review and correct the information you sent us.
- For assistance call **1-800-772-6270**, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eastern Time.

If I use a service bureau or a reporting representative to submit my file, am I responsible for the accuracy of the file?

Yes.

Do I need to keep a copy of the W-2c information I send you?

Yes. IRS requires that you retain a copy of your W-2c Copy A data or to be able to reconstruct the data for at least four (4) years after the due date of the report.

1.3 Assistance

Who should I call if I have general questions about information in this publication? See Appendix A for a complete list of contact numbers.

Note: For questions concerning using the State Record, contact your State Revenue Agency.

2.0 SPECIAL SITUATIONS

2.1 Agent Determination

I think I should report as an agent How can I determine if I am an agent?

SSA recognizes two types of agents:

- IRS Form 2678 Procedure Agent (Agent Indicator Code "1")
 - An employer that wants to use an agent prepares an IRS Form 2678 (Employer Appointment of Agent) and submits the form to an agent.
 - The agent submits to the IRS the IRS Form(s) 2678 received from an employer(s) along with a written request for authority to act as an agent for an employer(s) and the IRS gives written approval.
- Common Paymaster (Agent Indicator Code "2")
 - A corporation that pays an employee who works for two or more related corporations at the same time.
 - No approval or forms are required to become a common paymaster.

Note: For more information, see Section 7 (Special Rules for Paying Taxes) of the IRS Publication 15-A (Employer's Supplemental Tax Guide).

2.2 State, Local or Federal Government Employer

I am a State, Local or Federal Government Employer making a correction with the following conditions:

- The correction is for tax year 1991, or later, and
- MQGE/Medicare wages and full Social Security Wages are involved, and
- I only need to correct Social Security Wages and/or Social Security Tips.
- There is no change to the total MQGE/Medicare wages and tips previously reported.

How do I do this?

• In addition to correcting the Social Security Wages and/or Social Security Tips, for an employee previously reported for MQGE/Medicare, you must show the total MQGE/Medicare wages previously reported in both the original and correct Medicare wages/tips items - even though there is no change to the Medicare wages/tips previously reported.

2.3 Correcting Tax Year, EIN and EET

I need to change the tax year or EIN. How do I do this?

- To correct an incorrect tax year or EIN on Form W-2, file one Form W-2c showing the incorrect tax year or EIN and show the original amounts that were on the W-2 and the corrected amounts as zero.
- Additionally, a second Form W-2c will be needed to show original amounts as zero and the corrected amounts.

• Contact your ESLO (Employer Services Liaison Officer) for further assistance. See Appendix A for a complete list of contact numbers.

I need to change the EET. How do I do this?

- To correct an EET, contact your ESLO for assistance.
- See Appendix A for a complete list of contact numbers.

2.4 Assistance

Who should I call if I have questions about a special situation?

Call **1-800-772-6270** Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time, or call your local contact shown in Appendix A.

3.0 MAKING CORRECTIONS

3.1 Correcting a Processed File

What can I correct using the MMREF-2 file?

You can correct specific fields that have been processed by SSA, and/or provide correction information to IRS.

What do you mean when you say specific fields are processed by SSA?

- Some money fields processed by SSA are maintained by SSA with the money amounts also forwarded to IRS. These fields can be corrected with a MMREF-2 file, and the correction information is forwarded to IRS.
- Some money fields processed by SSA are not maintained by SSA, but the amounts are forwarded to IRS. Correction information submitted on a MMREF-2 file for these fields is forwarded to IRS.
- Some money fields processed by SSA are not maintained by SSA, but the amounts are forwarded to the responsible trust territory or commonwealth. These money fields can not be corrected with a MMREF-2 file. Corrections can be submitted directly to the trust territory or commonwealth via a paper correction form.

What specific fields can be corrected using the MMREF-2 file, and/or correction information provided to IRS?

- Specific fields are addressed in Appendices B through D depending on the original format used.
- See Appendix B for MMREF-1 fields.
- See Appendix C for MMREF-2 fields.

What types of corrections can I make?

You can make corrections to employer information and employee information.

What kind of employer information can I correct?

You can correct the Employer/Agent EIN, Employment Code, Tax Year, Establishment Number and Third-Party Sick Pay Indicator.

What kind of employee information can I correct?

You can correct most money fields, the Social Security Number/employee name and indicators.

How do I correct information on an employee's earnings file?

- For money amounts to be recorded on an employee's earnings file, the SSN and name originally submitted agreed with the SSN and associated name on our records.
- In order to correct information on an employee's earnings file, the MMREF-2 file must contain the "correct" SSN and "correct" associated name that agree with our records and agree with the SSN and name on an employee's earnings file.
- Employee money corrections we make are based on offsetting the incorrect information and adding the correct information.

- For employee money corrections, this can be accomplished using one employer report (Employer Record, Employee Wage Record(s), and Total Record(s)).
- For other corrections, such as EIN, Employment Code, Tax Year and Establishment Number, <u>two</u> employer reports are needed. The first employer report offsets the incorrect information and the second employer report adds the correct information.
- For further assistance with scenarios that require **two correction reports**, contact your ESLO. See Appendix A for a complete list of contact numbers.

What are the money fields maintained by SSA on an employee's earnings file that I can correct using an MMREF-2 file?

- Wages, Tips and Other Compensation
- Social Security Wages
- Medicare Wages and Tips
- Social Security Tips
- Total Deferred Compensation Contributions
- Non-Qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or Contributions
- Non-Qualified Plan Not Section 457 Distributions or Contributions
- Employer Contributions to a Health Savings Account

How do I correct Name or SSN errors?

- IF money amounts are on the pending file, the SSN and name originally submitted did not agree with the employee's SSN and associated name on our records.
- You can provide information that can move money amounts from the pending file to the correct employee's earnings file by doing the following:
 - In the Employee Wage Record, the "Correct" SSN and "Correct" name (all parts) must match the SSN and associated name on our records.
 - In the Employee Wage Record, all of the fields for the "Incorrect" SSN and "Incorrect" name must match the SSN and name on the record you want to move from the pending file.

What if the associated name for the SSN is wrong on your records?

- You must ask the employee to correct the associated name on our records. Usually, this is done with Form SS-5 (Application for a Social Security Number).
- You <u>cannot</u> correct the name on our records using a MMREF-2 file.

What are the money fields that were forwarded to IRS and are not maintained by SSA?

- Federal Income Tax Withheld
- Social Security Tax Withheld
- Medicare Tax Withheld
- Advance Earned Income Credit
- Dependent Care Benefits
- Military Employee Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay
- Income From the Exercise of Nonstatutory Stock Options
- Allocated Tips
- Medical Savings Account
- Simple Retirement Account
- Qualified Adoption Expenses

- Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000
- Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000
- Employer Cost of Premiums for Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000
- Uncollected Employee Tax on Tips

What are the fields that are forwarded to the trust territories or commonwealth and not maintained by SSA?

- Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam and Northern Mariana Islands
 - Total Wages, Tips and Other Compensation Subject to Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa or Northern Mariana Islands Income Tax Withheld
 - Territorial Tax
- Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
 - Civil Status
 - Spouse's Social Security Number
 - Wages Subject to Puerto Rico Tax
 - Allowances Subject to Puerto Rico Tax
 - Tips Subject to Puerto Rico Tax
 - Puerto Rico Tax
 - Retirement Fund Annual Contributions

Is there a time limit for filing corrections which reduce Social Security Wages/Tips or Medicare Wages/Tips?

Usually, SSA will not reduce Social Security or Medicare wages on an employee's earnings file after the IRS' Statute of Limitations (3 years, 3 months and 15 days). However, SSA can <u>increase</u> Social Security or Medicare wages at any time, even after the Statute of Limitations has passed.

3.2 How to Make Corrections

I reported some employee wages incorrectly (everything else is correct). How do I correct this?

- You must submit one MMREF-2 file.
- For every money field in the RCW and RCO Records that you want to correct, complete the related money fields: "Originally Reported" money and "Correct" money.
- SSA can only correct the latest amount that we have processed for a money field. In order to correct that field, the "Originally Reported" money amount that you submit must match the latest amount that we have processed.
- The "Originally Reported" money field will be the amount reported on the original MMREF-1 money field.
- However, if you have made a prior correction on the money field that you now want to correct, the "Originally Reported" money field will now be the amount reported as the "Corrected" amount on the prior MMREF-2 or W-2c.
- For every money field that you <u>do NOT</u> want to correct, fill the related money fields "Originally Reported" and "Correct" with blanks.
- See Appendix B for specific instructions.

I did not complete some money fields in my report for tax year 1991 or later, but everything else is correct - how do I correct the money fields?

- In some situations, we compute the amount for money fields based on the maximum for the tax year.
- In these situations you <u>do NOT</u> need to submit a correction. If you want to verify that the amounts computed by SSA are correct, call **1-800-772-6270** Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time.
- If your situation is <u>NOT</u> one of the following, you will need to submit a correction (see above).
- Situation 1
 - You entered zeros in the following fields:
 - 1) Wages Tips and Other Compensation
 - 2) Social Security Tax Withheld
 - 3) Medicare Tax Withheld

and

- You entered zeros in the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages
 - 2) Medicare Wages & Tips
 - 3) Social Security Tips
- We computed amounts for the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages (Tips included)
 - 2) Medicare Wages & Tips
- Situation 2
 - You entered more than zero in the following fields:
 - 1) Wages Tips and Other Compensation
 - 2) Social Security Tax Withheld

and

- You entered zeros in the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages
 - 2) Medicare Wages & Tips
 - 3) Social Security Tips
 - 4) Medicare Tax Withheld
- We computed amounts for the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages (Tips Included)
 - 2) Medicare Wages & Tips
 - 3) Medicare Tax Withheld
- Situation 3
 - You entered more than zero in the following fields:
 - 1) Wages Tips and Other Compensation
 - 2) Social Security Tax Withheld
 - 3) Medicare Wages & Tips
 - 4) Medicare Tax Withheld

and

- You entered zeros in the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages
 - 2) Social Security Tips
- We computed amounts for the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages (Tips Included)

• Situation 4

- You entered more than zero in the following fields:
 - 1) Wages Tips and Other Compensation
 - 2) Social Security Tax Withheld
 - 3) Medicare Wages & Tips

and

- You entered zeros in the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages
 - 2) Social Security Tips
 - 3) Medicare Tax Withheld
- We computed amounts for the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages (Tips Included)
 - 2) Medicare Tax Withheld
- Situation 5
 - You entered more than zero in the following fields:
 - 1) Wages Tips and Other Compensation
 - 2) Social Security Wages
 - 3) Social Security Tips
 - 4) Social Security Tax Withheld

and

- You entered zeros in the following fields:
 - 1) Medicare Wages & Tips
 - 2) Medicare Tax Withheld
- We computed amounts for the following fields:
 - 1) Medicare Wages & Tips
 - 2) Medicare Tax Withheld
- Situation 6
 - You entered more than zero in the following fields:
 - 1) Wages Tips and Other Compensation
 - 2) Social Security Wages
 - 3) Social Security Tips
 - 4) Social Security Tax Withheld
 - 5) Medicare Tax Withheld

and

- You entered zeros in the following field:
 - 1) Medicare Wages & Tips
- We computed an amount for the following field:
 - 1) Medicare Wages & Tips
- Situation 7
 - You entered more than zero in the following fields:
 - 1) Wages Tips and Other Compensation
 - 2) Social Security Wages
 - 3) Social Security Tips
 - 4) Social Security Tax Withheld
 - 5) Medicare Wages & Tips (must be less than Social Security Wages and Tips combined) and
 - You entered zeros in the following field:
 - 1) Medicare Tax Withheld

- We computed an amount for the following field:
 - 1) Medicare Tax Withheld
- Situation 8
 - You entered more than zero in the following fields:
 - 1) Wages Tips and Other Compensation
 - 2) Medicare Tax Withheld

and

- You entered zeros in the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages
 - 2) Social Security Tax Withheld
 - 3) Medicare Wages & Tips
 - 4) Social Security Tips
- We computed amounts for the following fields:
 - 1) Social Security Wages (Tips Included)
 - 2) Social Security Tax Withheld
 - 3) Medicare Wages & Tips

3.3 Special Instructions for Correcting Deferred Compensation

How do I make a correction to Deferred Compensation if my original submission was in TIB format?

• If you are correcting Deferred Compensation that was originally reported using the TIB format, complete only the original and correct Total Deferred Compensation Contribution fields (positions 552 - 562 and 563 - 573, respectively) in the RCW record.

How do I make a correction to Deferred Compensation if my original submission was in MMREF-1 format?

- If you are correcting Deferred Compensation that was originally reported using the MMREF format and the employee has more than one type of Deferred Compensation, you should complete the original and corrected fields for all of the Deferred Compensation fields.
- If the employee does not have money reported in a Deferred Compensation field, report zeros (0) in the original and corrected fields.

The following is a list of the Deferred Compensation fields that have to be completed in order to make a correction to an original submission in MMREF-1 format:

FIELD NAME	POSITION OF	POSITION OF
	ORIGINAL FIELD	CORRECTED FIELD
Deferred Compensation Contributions to	442 - 452	453 - 463
Section 401(k)		
Deferred Compensation Contributions to	464- 474	475 - 485
Section 403(b)		
Deferred Compensation Contributions to	486 - 496	497 - 507
Section 408(k)(6)		
Deferred Compensation Contributions to	508 - 518	519 - 529
Section 457(b)		
Deferred Compensation Contributions to	530 - 540	541 - 551
Section 501(c)(18)(D)		

Note: Total Deferred Compensation Contributions (original and corrected, positions 552 - 562 and 563 - 573, respectively) should be left blank when correcting an original submission that was in a MMREF-1 format.

Example:

An employee is reported for \$500.00 Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k) and \$300.00 Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6). You want to correct the Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k) to \$700 without changing the Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6) amount.

REPORTED IN MMREF-1 FORMAT AS:					
FIELD NAME	ORIGINALY REPORTED				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k)	\$500.00				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	\$0.00				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	\$300.00				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b)	\$0.00				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)	\$0.00				

COMPLETE MMREF-2 FORMAT AS:						
FIELD NAME	ORIGINAL	CORRECT				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k)	\$500.00	\$700.00				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	\$300.00	\$300.00				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b)	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)	\$0.00	\$0.00				

3.4 Assistance

If you need help in making a correction, call your local contact shown in Appendix A.

4.0 FILE DESCRIPTION

4.1 General

What do I name my file?

For a diskette(s), name the file "W2CREPORT". For all other types of submissions, we do not need a particular file name.

How do I make corrections if my company has multiple locations or payroll systems using the same *EIN*?

- Include all corrections following one Employer Record, or
- Split corrections following multiple Employer Records.

How do I make a correction for an employee who received multiple W-2s with the same EIN? See Appendix D.

What records are optional in an MMREF-2 file and which ones are required? In most correction situations, the following is true:

- Code RCA
 Submitter Record (Required)
- Code RCE Employer Record (Required)
- Code RCW Employee Wage Record (Required)
- Code RCO Employee Wage Record (Optional)
- Code RCS State Record (Optional)
- Code RCT Total Record (Required)
- Code RCU Total Record (Optional)
- Code RCF Final Record (Required)

Where can I find examples of the file layouts? See Appendix E.

4.2 File Requirements

4.2.1 Submitter Record (RCA)

- Must be the first data record on each file.
- Make the address entries specific enough to ensure proper delivery.

4.2.2 Employer Record (RCE)

- Following the last RCW/RCO Record for the employer, create an RCT/RCU and then create either the:
 - RCE Record for the next employer in the submission; or
 - RCF Record, if this is the last report in the submission.

4.2.3 Employee Wage Records (RCW and RCO)

- Following each RCE Record, include the RCW Record(s) for that RCE Record immediately followed by the optional RCO Record(s).
- The RCO Record is required if one or more of the fields must be completed because the field(s) applies to an employee. If just one field applies, the entire record must be completed.
- <u>Do NOT</u> complete an RCO Record if only blanks and zeros would be entered in positions 3 1024.
- RCW Records may be intermixed with RCW-RCO combinations if some employees have information for an RCO Record and some do not.

4.2.4 State Record (RCS)

- The State Record is optional; SSA and IRS do not read or process this information.
- Contact your State Revenue Agency to confirm the use of this record format and questions about covering transmittals, reporting procedures, etc.
- Should follow the related RCW Record (or optional RCO Record).
- If there are multiple State Records for an employee, include all of the State Records for the employee immediately after the related RCW or RCO Record.
- <u>Do NOT</u> generate this record if only blanks would be entered after the Record Identifier.

4.2.5 Total Records (RCT and RCU)

- The RCT Record must be generated for each RCE Record.
- The RCU Record is required if a RCO Record is prepared.
- If just one field applies, the entire record must be completed.
- <u>Do NOT</u> complete an RCU Record if only zeros would be entered in positions 3 -1024.

4.2.6 Final Record (RCF)

- Must be the last record on the file.
- Must appear only once on each file.
- <u>Do NOT</u> create a file that contains any data recorded after the Code RCF Record.

4.3 Assistance

Who should I call if I have questions about the file description?

Call **1-800-772-6270** Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time, or call your local contact shown in Appendix A.

5.0 RECORD SPECIFICATIONS

5.1 General

What character sets may I use?

- ASCII-1 for BSO and diskette submitters.
- EBCDIC or ASCII for EDT and tape/cartridge submitters. See Appendix F for character sets.

What is the length of each record? 1024 bytes.

What is the recommended maximum number of records for an MMREF-2 file? 500,000 records.

What case letters must I use?

For the "Contact E-Mail" field in the RCA Record, positions 262 - 301, use the upper and lower case to show the exact electronic mail address. For all other fields use upper case.

Your instructions address the format for fields in the records I have to create, but how do I know exactly what should be in each field?

- See the IRS publication "Instructions for Forms W-2c and W-3c" at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u>
- Under "Electronic Filing," select Form W-2c/W-3c Instructions

5.2 Rules

What rules do you have for alpha/numeric fields?

- Left justify and fill with blanks.
- Where the "field" shows "Blank," all positions must be blank, not zeros.

What rules do you have for money fields?

If corrections to money fields are necessary the following rules apply, otherwise fill money fields with blanks:

- Must contain only numbers.
- No punctuation.
- No signed amounts (high order signed or low order signed).
- Include both dollars and cents with the decimal point assumed (Example: \$59.60 = 00000005960).
- <u>Do NOT</u> round to the nearest dollar (Example: \$5,500.99 = 00000550099).
- Right justify and zero fill to the left.

What rules do you have for the address fields?

- Fields equate to lines of address printed on correspondence.
- Must conform to U.S. Postal Service rules. For more information:
 - See USPS Publication 28
 - View the U.S. Postal Service website: www.usps.com/businessmail101/addressing/deliveryaddress.htm
 - Call the U.S. Postal Service at 1-800-275-8777
- For State, use only the two-letter abbreviations in Appendix G.
- For Country Codes, use only the two-letter abbreviations in Appendix H. <u>Do NOT</u> use a Country Code when a United States address is shown.

What rules do you have for the submitter EIN?

- Enter the EIN used for registration, if you are registered (see Section 6 for registration information).
- Only numeric characters.
- Omit hyphens.
- <u>Do NOT</u> begin with 07, 08, 09, 17, 18, 19, 28, 29, 49, 69, 70, 78, 79 or 89.
- Must match the EIN on the IRS Forms 941 submitted to IRS.

What rules do you have for the employer EIN?

- Only numeric characters.
- Omit hyphens.
- <u>Do NOT</u> begin with 00, 07, 08, 09, 17, 18, 19, 28, 29, 49, 69, 70, 78, 79 or 89.
- Must match the EIN on the IRS Forms 941 submitted to IRS.

What rules do you have for the format of the employee name?

- Enter the name shown on the individual's Social Security card.
- Must be submitted in the individual name fields:
 - Employee First Name
 - Employee Middle Name or Initial
 - Employee Last Name
- <u>Do NOT</u> include any titles.
- The employee's correct first name, middle name or initial and last name fields must be completed for all corrections.
- If you are correcting the employee's name, the employee's originally reported first name, middle name or initial and last name fields must be completed as originally submitted.

What rules do you have for the SSN?

- Use the number shown on the original/replacement SSN card.
- Only numeric characters.
- Omit hyphens.
- May <u>NOT</u> begin with an 8 or 9.
- May <u>NOT</u> be 111111111, 333333333 or 123456789.

- For valid range numbers, check the latest list of newly issued Social Security Number ranges by accessing the Internet at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u>.
 - Select Social Security Number Verification
 - Select High Group List
- If there is no SSN available for the employee, enter zeros (0) in positions 13 21 of the RCW Record, and have your employee call **1-800-772-1213** or visit the local Social Security office to obtain an SSN. When the SSN is provided, submit the *corrected* SSN to SSA.

5.3 Purpose

What is the purpose of the RCA, Submitter record?

- Identifies the organization submitting the file.
- Describes the file.
- Identifies the organization to be contacted by SSA.
- Identifies the means of contact.

What is the purpose of the RCE, Employer Record?

It identifies the employer whose employee wage and tax information is being reported.

What is the purpose of the RCW and RCO, Employee Wage Records?

It corrects income and tax data for employees.

What is the purpose of the RCS, State Record?

It corrects revenue/taxation and quarterly unemployment compensation data for State filing.

What is the purpose of the RCT and RCU, Total Records?

It reports totals for all RCW (and optional RCO) Records reported since the last RCE Record.

What is the purpose of the RCF, Final Record?

- Indicates the total number of RCW Records reported on the file.
- Indicates the end of the file.

5.4 Assistance

Who should I call if I have questions about the records specifications?

• Call **1-800-772-6270** Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time, or call your local contact shown in Appendix A.

		Submitter's				
		Employer				
		Identification	Personal			
Field	Record	Number	Identification	Software	Submitter	Location
Name	Identifier	(EIN)	Number (PIN)	Code	Name	Address
Position	1-3	4-12	13-29	30-31	32-88	89-110
Length	3	9	17	2	57	22
	Delivery				ZIP Code	
	Address	City	State Abbreviation	ZIP Code	Extension	Blank
	111-132	133-154	155-156	157-161	162-165	166-171
	22	22	2	5	4	6
						Contact
	Foreign State/	Foreign Postal			Contact Phone	Phone
	Province	Code	Country Code	Contact Name	Number	Extension
	172-194	195-209	210-211	212-238	239-253	254-258
	23	15	2	27	15	5
					Preferred	
					Method of	
		Contact			Problem	
		E-mail			Notification	Preparer
	Blank	/Internet	Blank	Contact Fax	Code	Code
	259-261	262-301	302-304	305-314	315	316
	3	40	3	10	1	1
	Resub					
	Indicator	Resub WFID	Blank			

5.5 Code RCA – Submitter Record

Resub Indicator	Resub WFID	Blank
317	318-323	324-1024
1	6	701

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS	
1-3	Record Identifier	3	Constant "RCA".	
4-12	Submitter's Employer Identification Number (EIN)	9	Enter the Submitter's EIN. This EIN should match the EIN on the external label.	
13-29	Personal Identification Number (PIN)	17	Enter the PIN assigned to the employee who is attesting to the accuracy of this file.	
			Left justify and fill with blanks.	
			See Section 6 for further information concerning the difference in using the PIN as a signature and using the PIN to access the Business Services Online (BSO).	
30-31	Software Code	2	Enter one of the following codes to indicate the software used to create your file:	
			• 98 = In-House Program	
			• 99 = Other	
32-88	Submitter Name	57	Enter the name of the organization to whom the notification of unprocessable data should be sent.	
			Left justify and fill with blanks.	
89-110	Location Address	22	Enter the location address (Attention, Suite, Room Number, etc.) for the submitter name.	
			Left justify and fill with blanks.	
111-132	Delivery Address	22	Enter the delivery address (Street or Post Office Box) for the organization to whom the notification of unprocessable data should be sent.	
			Left justify and fill with blanks.	
133-154	City	22	Enter the city of the organization to whom the notification of unprocessable data should be sent.	
			Left justify and fill with blanks.	

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
155-156	State Abbreviation	2	Enter the state of the organization to whom the notification of unprocessable data should be sent.
			Use a postal abbreviation shown in Appendix G.
			For a foreign address, fill with blanks.
157-161	ZIP Code	5	Enter a valid ZIP code.
			For a foreign address, fill with blanks.
162-165	ZIP Code Extension	4	Enter the four-digit extension of the ZIP code.
			If not applicable, fill with blanks.
166-171	Blank	6	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
172-194	Foreign State/Province	23	If applicable, enter the foreign state/province.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
195-209	Foreign Postal Code	15	If applicable, enter the foreign postal code.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.

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POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
210-211	Country Code	2	If one of the following applies, fill with blanks:
			• One of the 50 states of the U.S.A.
			District of Columbia
			• Military Post Office (MPO)
	• Amo		American Samoa
			• Guam
			Northern Mariana Islands
			Puerto Rico
			Virgin Islands
			Otherwise, enter the applicable Country Code (see Appendix H).
212-238	Contact Name	27	Enter the name of the person to be contacted by SSA concerning problems in processing your submission.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
239-253	Contact Phone Number	15	Enter the telephone number (including the area code) for the contact name.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
254-258	Contact Phone Extension	5	Enter the telephone extension for the contact name.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
259-261	Blank	3	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
262-301	Contact E-Mail	40	If applicable, enter your e-mail/Internet address.
			This field may be upper and lower case.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
302-304	Blank	3	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
305-314	Contact Fax	10	If applicable, enter your fax number (including area code).
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
			For U.S. and U.S. territories only.
315	Preferred Method Of Problem Notification Code	1	 Enter one of the following codes: 1 = E-mail/Internet 2 = Postal Service
316	Preparer Code	1	• Enter one of the following codes to indicate who prepared this file:
			• A = Accounting Firm
			• L = Self-prepared
			• S = Service Bureau
			• P = Parent Company
			• O = Other
			Note: If more than one code applies, use code that best describes who prepared this file.
317	Resub Indicator	1	Enter "1" if this file is being resubmitted.
			Otherwise, enter "0".
318-323	Resub Wage File Identifier (WFID)	6	If you entered a "1" in the Resub Indicator field (position 317), enter the WFID displayed on the notice sent to you by SSA.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
324-1024	Blank	701	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

Field Name Position Length	Record Identifier 1-3 3	Tax Year 4-7 4	Employer's/ Agent's Originally Reported EIN 8-16 9	Employer's/ Agent's Correct EIN 17-25 9	Agent Indicator Code 26 1	Agent for EIN 27-35 9
	Employer's					
	Originally	Employer's				
	Reported Establishment	Correct Establishment	Employer's	Location	Delivery	
	Number	Number	Name	Address	Address	City
[36-39	40-43	44-100	101-122	123-144	145-166
	4	4	57	22	22	22
						Foreign
	State		ZIP Code		Foreign State/	Postal
-	Abbreviation	ZIP Code	Extension	Blank	Province	Code
	167-168	169-173	174-177	178-181	182-204	205-219
	2	5	4	4	23	15
		Employer's Originally	Employer's	Originally Reported		
		Reported	Correct	Third-Party	Correct Third-	
		Employment	Employment	Sick Pay	Party Sick	D1 1
г	Country Code	Code	Code	Indicator	Pay Indicator	Blank
	220-221	222	223	224	225	226-1024
L	2	1	1	1	1	799

5.6 Code RCE – Employer Record

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
1-3	Record Identifier	3	Constant "RCE".
4-7	Tax Year	4	Enter the tax year being corrected (CCYY).
8-16	Employer's/Agent's Originally Reported EIN	9	Enter the incorrectly reported data. Otherwise, fill with blanks.
17-25	Employer's/Agent's Correct EIN	9	Enter only <u>numeric</u> characters.
			This is a required field.
26	Agent Indicator Code	1	 If applicable, enter one of the following codes: 1 = 2678 Agent 2 = Common Pay Master <i>Note: If more than one code applies, use the one that best describes your status as an agent.</i>
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
27-35	Agent for EIN	9	If you entered a "1" in the Agent Indicator Code field (position 26), enter the Employer's EIN for which you are an Agent.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
36-39	Employer's Originally Reported Establishment Number	4	Enter the incorrectly reported data. Otherwise, fill with blanks.
40-43	Employer's Correct Establishment Number	4	For multiple RCE Records with the same EIN, you may use this field to designate store or factory locations or types of payroll. Enter any combination of blanks, numbers or letters.
			Otherwise fill with blanks.
44-100	Employer's Name	57	Enter the employer's name. Left justify and fill with blanks.
101-122	Location Address	22	Enter the location address (Attention, Suite, Room Number, etc.) for the employer's name.
123-144	Delivery Address	22	Left justify and fill with blanks.
123-144	Delivery Address		Enter the employer's delivery address (Street or Post Office Box).
			Left justify and fill with blanks.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
145-166	City	22	Enter the employer's city.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
167-168	State Abbreviation	2	Enter the employer's State.
			Use a postal abbreviation shown in Appendix G.
			For a foreign address, fill with blanks.
169-173	ZIP Code	5	Enter a valid ZIP code.
			For a foreign address, fill with blanks.
174-177	ZIP Code	4	Enter the four-digit extension of the ZIP code.
	Extension		
			If this field is not applicable, fill with blanks.
178-181	Blank	4	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
182-204	Foreign State/Province	23	If applicable, enter the foreign state/province.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
205-219	Foreign Postal Code	15	If applicable, enter the foreign postal code.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
220-221	Country Code	2	If one of the following applies, fill with blanks:
			• One of the 50 states of the U.S.A.
			District of Columbia
			Military Post Office (MPO)
			American Samoa
			• Guam
			Northern Mariana Islands
			Puerto Rico
			Virgin Islands
			Otherwise, enter the applicable Country Code (see
			Appendix H).
222	Employer's	1	Enter the incorrectly reported type of employment
	Originally		code.
	Reported		
	Employment Code		Otherwise, fill with blanks.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
223	Employer's Correct Employment Code	1	This field must be completed.
			Enter one of the correct type of employment codes:
			• A = Agriculture
			• H = Household
			• M = Military
			• Q = Medicare Qualified Government Employment
			• X = Railroad
			• R = Regular (All others)
224	Originally	1	Enter the incorrectly reported indicator.
	Reported Third- Party Sick Pay Indicator		If not making a correction, fill with a blank.
225	Correct Third-Party Sick Pay Indicator	1	Enter the correct indicator.
	······································		Enter "1" for a sick pay indicator.
			Otherwise, enter "0".
			If not making a correction, fill with a blank.
226-1024	Blank	799	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

Field Vame	Record Identifier	Employee's Originally Reported Social Security Number (SSN)	Employee's Correct Social Security Number (SSN)	Employee's Originally Reported First Name	Employee's Originally Reported Middle Name or Initial	Employee's Originally Reported Last Name
ition	1-3	4-12	13-21	22-36	37-51	52-71
ngth	3	9	9	15	15	20
	Employee's Correct First	Employee's Correct Middle Name	Employee's Correct Last Name	Location	Delivery	City
	Name	or Initial		Address	Address	City
	72-86	87-101	102-121	122-143	144-165	166-187
ļ	15	15	20	22	22	22
	State Abbreviation	ZIP Code	ZIP Code Extension	Blank	Foreign State/ Province	Foreign Postal Code
	188-189	190-194	195-198	199-203	204-226	227-241
	2	5	4	5	23	15
	Country Code	Originally Reported Wages, Tips and Other Compensation	Correct Wages, Tips and Other Compensation	Originally Reported Federal Income Tax Withheld	Correct Federal Income Tax Withheld	Originally Reported Social Security Wages
	242-243	244-254	255-265	266-276	277-287	288-298
	2	11	11	11	11	11
	Corrected Social Security Wages	Originally Reported Social Security Tax Withheld 310-320	Correct Social Security Tax Withheld	Originally Reported Medicare Wages/Tips	Correct Medicare Wages/Tips	Originally Reported Medicare Tax Withheld
	299-309 11	11	321-331 11	<u>332-342</u> 11	343-353 11	354-364 11
	Correct Medicare Tax Withheld	Originally Reported Social Security Tips	Correct Social Security Tips	Originally Reported Advance Earned Income Credit	Correct Advance Earned Income Credit	Originally Reported Dependent Care Benefits
	365-375	376-386	387-397	398-408	409-419	420-430
	11	11	11	11	11	11
	Correct Dependent Care Benefits	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k)	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k)	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	Originally Reported Deferred Compensatio Contribution to Section 408(k)(6)
	431-441	442-452	453-463	464-474	475-485	486-496
	11	11	11	11	11	11

5.7 Code RCW – Employee Wage Record

Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6) 497-507 11	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b) 508-518 11	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b) 519-529 11	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D) 530-540 11	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D) 541-551 11	Originally Reported Total Deferred Compensation Contributions 552-562 11
Correct Total Deferred Compensation Contributions 563-573	Originally Reported Military Employees Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay 574-584	Correct Military Employees Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay 585-595	Originally Reported Non- qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or Contributions 596-606	Correct Non- qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or Contributions 607-617	Originally Reported Employer Contributions to a Health Savings Account 618-628
11	11	11	11	11	11
Correct Employer Contributio to a Healtl Savings Account 629-639 11	ns 457			Originally Reported Employer Cost of Premiums for Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,00 706-716 11	Term Life e Insurance
Originally Reported Income fro the Exercis of Nonstatuto Stock Optic 728-738 11	m Correct se Income from the Exercise o ry Nonstatutory	-	Originall Reported Statutor Employe Indicato 1003 1	d Correct y Statutory e Employee	Originally Reported Retirement Plan Indicator 1005 1
Correct Retiremen Plan Indicat 1006 1	-	Correct Third-Pa Sick Pay Indicat 1008 1	•	24	

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
1-3	Record Identifier	3	Constant "RCW".
4-12	Employee's Originally Reported Social Security	9	Use only if employee's SSN was reported incorrectly on the original report.
	Number (SSN)		Enter the incorrectly reported SSN. Otherwise, fill with blanks.
13-21	Employee's Correct Social Security Number (SSN)	9	 Enter the employee's SSN. Use the number shown on the original/replacement SSN card issued to the employee by SSA. Enter only numeric characters. Omit hyphens. May <u>NOT</u> begin with an 8 or 9. May <u>NOT</u> be 111111111, 333333333 or 123456789. If the SSN is not available, enter "zeros" (0). This is a required field.
22-36	Employee's Originally Reported First Name	15	Enter the incorrectly reported first name. Left justify and fill with blanks.
37-51	Employee's Originally Reported Middle Name or Initial	15	Enter the incorrectly reported middle name or initial. Left justify and fill with blanks.
52-71	Employee's Originally Reported Last Name	20	Enter the incorrectly reported last name. Left justify and fill with blanks.
72-86	Employee's Correct First Name	15	Enter the correct first name. Left justify and fill with blanks. This is a required field .
87-101	Employee's Correct Middle Name or Initial	15	Enter the correct middle name or initial. Left justify and fill with blanks.
			This is a required field.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
102-121	Employee's Correct	20	Enter the correct last name.
	Last Name		
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			This is a required field.
122-143	Location Address	22	Enter the employee's location address (Attention,
			Suite, Room Number, etc.) for the employee
			named.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
144-165	Delivery Address	22	Enter the employee's delivery address (Street or
			Post Office box).
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
166-187	City	22	Enter the employee's city.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
188-189	State Abbreviation	2	Enter the employee's State.
			Use a postal abbreviation from Appendix G.
			Ose a postal aboreviation from Appendix O.
			For a foreign address, fill with blanks.
190-194	ZIP Code	5	Enter a valid ZIP code.
105 100		4	For a foreign address, fill with blanks.
195-198	ZIP Code Extension	4	Enter the four-digit ZIP code extension.
			If not applicable, fill with blanks.
199-203	Blank	5	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
204-226	Foreign	23	If applicable, enter the foreign state/province.
	State/Province		
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
227-241	Foreign Postal Code	15	If applicable, enter the foreign postal code.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
242-243	Country Code	2	If one of the following applies, fill with blanks:
IMPORTANT	NOTE: Positions 244 -	- 749 of the R	 One of the 50 states of the U.S.A. District of Columbia Military Post Office (MPO) American Samoa Guam Northern Mariana Islands Puerto Rico Virgin Islands Otherwise, enter the applicable Country Code (see Appendix H). <i>CW Record are for correcting money amounts</i>
			, the <u>originally reported</u> amount and the <u>correct</u>
	be entered for each mon		ing corrected.
244-254	Originally Reported Wages, Tips and Other Compensation	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data. Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
255-265	Correct Wages, Tips and Other	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Compensation		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
266-276	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Federal Income Tax Withheld		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
277-287	Correct Federal	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Income Tax		
	Withheld		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
288-298	Originally Reported Social Security	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Wages		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
299-309	Correct Social	11	The sum of this field and the Social Security Tips
	Security Wages		field should <u>not</u> exceed the annual maximum
			Social Security wage base for the tax year being
			corrected. (See Appedix I.)
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
310-320	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Social Security Tax		
	Withheld		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
321-331	Correct Social	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Security Tax Withheld		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
332-342	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Medicare		
	Wages/Tips		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
343-353	Correct Medicare Wages/Tips	11	This amount must equal, or exceed, the sum of the fields for Social Security Wages and Social Security Tips related to the corrections.
			The amount should not exceed the annual maximum Medicare wage base for the tax year being corrected. (See Appendix I.)
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
354-364	Originally Reported Medicare Tax	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Withheld		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
365-375	Correct Medicare Tax Withheld	11	Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
376-386	Originally Reported Social Security Tips	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Social Security Tips		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
387-397	Correct Social Security Tips	11	The sum of this field and the Social Security Wages field should not exceed the annual maximum Social Security wage base for the tax year being reported. (See Appendix I.)
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
398-408	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Advance Earned		
	Income Credit		Right justify and zero fill.
			No positivo emounto
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
409-419	Correct Advance	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Earned Income		
	Credit		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
420-430	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Dependent Care		
	Benefits		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction fill with blanks
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands,
			American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana
			Islands employees.
431-441	Correct Dependent	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Care Benefits		
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands,
			American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana
			Islands employees.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
442-452	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Deferred Compensation		Right justify and zero fill.
	Contributions to		Right Justify and 2010 mil.
	Section 401(k)		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
453-463	Correct Deferred	11	Enter the amount of contributions to the 401(k).
	Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k)		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
464-474	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Deferred Compensation Contributions to		Right justify and zero fill.
	Section 403(b)		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
POSITION 475-485	FIELD NAME Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	LENGTH 11	 Enter the amount of contributions to the 403(b). Right justify and zero fill. No negative amounts. If not making a correction, fill with blanks. Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online. Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana
486-496	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	11	Islands employees.Enter the incorrectly reported data.Right justify and zero fill.No negative amounts.If not making a correction, fill with blanks.Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands, amplayees
497-507	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	11	Islands employees.Enter the amount of contributions to the 408(k)(6).Right justify and zero fill.No negative amounts.If not making a correction, fill with blanks.Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.

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POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
508-518	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Deferred Compensation		Right justify and zero fill.
	Contributions to		
	Section 457(b)		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
519-529	Correct Deferred	11	Enter the amount of contributions to the 457(b).
	Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b)		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
530-540	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Deferred Compensation Contributions to		Right justify and zero fill.
	Section		No negative amounts.
	501(c)(18)(D)		If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
541-551	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to	11	Enter the amount of contributions to the $501(c)(18)(D)$.
	Section $501(c)(18)(D)$		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was via a MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
552-562	Originally Reported Total Deferred	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Compensation		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was in TIB format.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
563-573	Correct Total Deferred	11	Enter the amount of contributions to the plan(s).
	Compensation		Right justify and zero fill.
	Controlutions		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Only use if original submission was in TIB format.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
574-584	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Military Employees		
	Basic Quarters,		Right justify and zero fill.
	Subsistence and		
	Combat Pay		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Valid for tax years 1995 – 2001 only.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
585-595	Correct Military	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Employees Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay		No negative amounts.
	and Combat 1 ay		If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Valid for tax years 1995 – 2001 only.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
596-606	Originally Reported Non-qualified Plan	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Section 457 Distributions or		Right justify and zero fill.
	Contributions		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
607-617	Correct Non-	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	qualified Plan		
	Section 457		No negative amounts.
	Distributions or		
	Contributions		If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.

618-628 Originally Reported 11 Enter t Employer	the incorrectly reported data.
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	not apply to Puerto Rico or Northern ana Islands employees.
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	gative amounts.
	making a correction, fill with blanks.
	not apply to Puerto Rico or Northern ana Islands employees.
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-	justify and zero fill.
	gative amounts.
If not n	making a correction, fill with blanks.
Ameri	not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, ican Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana is employees.
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1	gative amounts.
	making a correction, fill with blanks.
	not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, ican Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana
	s employees.

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POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
706-716	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Employer Cost of		
	Premiums for Group		Right justify and zero fill.
	Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000		No pagativo emounto
	Over \$30,000		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
717-727	Correct Employer	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Cost of Premiums for		
	Group Term Life		No negative amounts.
	Insurance Over		
	\$50,000		If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
728-738	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
720 730	Income from the	11	Enter the meoreetry reported data.
	Exercise of Non-		Right justify and zero fill.
	statutory Stock		
	Options		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
739-749	Correct Income from	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	the Exercise of Non-		
	statutory Stock		No negative amounts.
	Options		
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
750 1002	D11-	252	Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
750-1002 1003	Blank Originally Departed	253	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
1003	Originally Reported Statutory Employee	1	Enter the incorrectly reported indicator.
	Indicator		If not making a correction, fill with a blank.
1004	Correct Statutory	1	Enter the correct indicator.
	Employee Indicator	_	
			Enter "1" for a statutory employee indicator.
			Otherwise, enter "0".
			If not making a correction, fill with a blank.
1005	Originally Reported	1	Enter the incorrectly reported indicator.
1005	Retirement Plan	1	Enter the meoreetry reported indicator.
	Indicator		If not making a correction, fill with a blank.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
1006	Correct Retirement	1	Enter the correct indicator.
	Plan Indicator		
			Enter "1" for a retirement plan indicator.
			Otherwise, enter "0".
			If not making a correction, fill with a blank.
1007	Originally Reported	1	Enter the incorrectly reported indicator.
	Third-Party Sick Pay		
	Indicator		If not making a correction, fill with a blank.
1008	Correct Third-Party	1	Enter the correct indicator.
	Sick Pay Indicator		
			Enter "1" for a sick pay indicator.
			Otherwise, enter "0".
			If not making a correction, fill with a blank.
1009-1024	Blank	16	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

					Originally	
					Reported	Correct
				Correct	Uncollected	Uncollected
Field	Record		Originally Reported	Allocated	Employee Tax	Employee
Name	Identifier	Blank	Allocated Tips	Tips		1 .
					on Tips	Tax on Tips
Position	1-3	4-12	13-23	24-34	35-45	46-56
Length	3	9	11	11	11	11
	Originally				Originally	
	Reported	Correct	Originally	Correct	Reported	Correct
	Medical	Medical	Reported Simple	Simple	Qualified	Qualified
	Savings	Savings	Retirement	Retirement	Adoption	Adoption
	Account	Account	Account	Account	Expenses	Expenses
	57-67	68-78	79-89	90-100	101-111	112-122
	11	11	11	11	11	11
	Originally					
	onginany					
	Reported					
	e .	Correct				
	Reported	Correct Uncollected	Originally Reported	Correct		
	Reported Uncollected		Originally Reported Uncollected	Uncollected		
	Reported Uncollected Social	Uncollected	0 1			
	Reported Uncollected Social Security or	Uncollected Social Security	Uncollected	Uncollected		
	Reported Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on	Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax	Uncollected Medicare Tax on	Uncollected Medicare Tax		
	Reported Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group	Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of		
	Reported Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life	Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term	Blank	
	Reported Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance	Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance	Blank 167-1024]
	Reported Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000		-

5.8 Code RCO – Employee Wage Record

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
1-3	Record Identifier	3	Constant "RCO" (alphabetic O).
4-12	Blank	9	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
IMPORTANT	NOTE: Positions 13 -	166 of the RC	CO Record are for correcting money amounts
			nts, the <u>originally</u> reported amount and the <u>correct</u>
amount <u>must</u>	be entered for each mor	iey amount be	eing corrected.
13-23	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Allocated Tips		
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands,
			American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana
			Islands employees.
24-34	Correct Allocated	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Tips		No negative amounts.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
			Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands,
			American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana
			Islands employees.
35-45	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Uncollected		Dight institution of game fill
	Employee Tax on Tips		Right justify and zero fill.
	11ps		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
46-56	Correct Uncollected	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Employee Tax on		
	Tips		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction fill with blanks
57-67	Originally Reported	11	If not making a correction, fill with blanks. Enter the incorrectly reported data.
57-07	Medical Savings	11	Enter the meoneetry reported data.
	Account		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
68-78	Correct Medical	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Savings Account		
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
79-89	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Simple Retirement Account		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
90-100	Correct Simple Retirement Account	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	rectionent / recount		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
101-111	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Qualified Adoption Expenses		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			i to negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
112-122	Correct Qualified Adoption Expenses	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Adoption Expenses		No negative amounts.
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
123-133	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
125 155	Uncollected Social	11	Enter the meoreeury reported data.
	Security or RRTA		Right justify and zero fill.
	Tax on Cost of Group Term Life		No negative amounts.
	Insurance Over		
	\$50,000		If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
134-144	Correct Uncollected	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost		No negative amounts.
	of Group Term Life		
	Insurance Over \$50,000		If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
	\$20,000		

POSITION	FIELD NAME	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
145-155	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Uncollected		
	Medicare Tax on		Right justify and zero fill.
	Cost of Group Term		
	Life Insurance Over		No negative amounts.
	\$50,000		
			If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
156-166	Correct Uncollected	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Medicare Tax on		
	Cost of Group Term		No negative amounts.
	Life Insurance Over		
	\$50,000		If not making a correction, fill with blanks.
167-1024	Blank	858	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

5.9	Code RCS – State Record	
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Field Name Position Length	Record Identifier 1-3 3	State Code 4-5 2	Originally Reported Taxing Entity Code 6-10 5	Correct Taxing Entity Code 11-15 5	Employee's Originally Reported Social Security Number (SSN) 16-24 9	Employee's Correct Social Security Number (SSN) 25-33 9
Length	5	2	5	5	1	<u>,</u>
[Employee's Originally Reported First Name 34-48 15	Employee's Originally Reported Middle Name or Initial 49-63 15	Employee's Originally Reported Last Name 64-83 20	Employee's Correct First Name 84-98 15	Employee's Correct Middle Name or Initial 99-113 15	Employee's Correct Last Name 114-133 20
L	-	I				
	Location Address	Delivery Address	City	State Abbreviation	ZIP Code	ZIP Code Extension
	134-155	156-177	178-199	200-201	202-206	207-210
ļ	22	22	22	2	5	4
ļ	Blank 211-215 5	Foreign State/ Province 216-238 23	Foreign Postal Code 239-253 15	Optional Code 254-255 2	Country Code 256-257 2	Originally Reported Reporting Period 258-263 6
[Correct Reporting Period 264-269	Blank 270-275	Originally Reported State Quarterly Unemployment Insurance Total Wages 276-286	Correct State Quarterly Unemploy- ment Insurance Total Wages 287-297	Originally Reported Number of Weeks Worked 298-299	Correct Number of Weeks Worked 300-301
	6	6	11	11	2	2
	Originally Reported Date First Employed 302-309	Correct Date First Employed 310-317	Originally Reported Date of Separation 318-325	Correct Date of Separation 326-333	Blank 334-343	Originally Reported State Employer Account Number 344-363
	8	8	8	8	10	20
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Correct State Employer Account Number 364-383	Blank 384-395	State Code 396-397	Originally Reported State Taxable Wages 398-408	Correct State Taxable Wages 409-419	Originally Reported State Income Tax Withheld 420-430
20	12	2	11	11	11
Correct State Income Tax Withheld 431-441 11	Other State Data 442-461 20	Originally Reported Tax Type Code 462 1	Correct Tax Type Code 463 1	Originally Reported Local Taxable Wages 464-474 11	Correct Local Taxable Wages 475-485 11
Originally Reported State Control Number 486-492 7	Correct State Control Number 493-499 7	Supplemental Data 1 500-649 150	Supplemental Data 2 650-799 150	Blank 800-1024 225	

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS	
1-3	Record Identifier	3	Constant "RCS".	
4-5	State Code	2	Enter the appropriate postal NUMERIC Code (see Appendix G).	
6-10	Originally Reported Taxing Entity Code	5	Enter the incorrectly reported data.	
11-15	Correct Taxing Entity Code	5	Enter the correct code.	
16-24	Employee's Originally Reported Social Security Number (SSN)	9	Use only if employee's SSN was reported incorrectly on the original report. Enter the incorrectly reported SSN.	
			If this field is not used, fill with blanks.	
25-33	Employee's Correct Social Security Number (SSN)	9	Enter the employee's SSN. Use the number shown on the original/replacement SSN card issued to the employee by SSA. Enter only numeric characters. If the SSN is not available, enter "zeros" (0).	
			This is a required field.	
34-48	Employee's Originally Reported First Name	15	Enter the incorrectly reported first name. Left justify and fill with blanks.	
49-63	Employee's Originally Reported Middle Name or Initial	15	Enter the incorrectly reported middle name or initial. Left justify and fill with blanks.	
64-83	Employee's Originally Reported Last Name	20	Enter the incorrectly reported last name. Left justify and fill with blanks.	
84-98	Employee's Correct First Name	15	Enter the correct first name. Left justify and fill with blanks. This is a required field.	
99-113	Employee's Correct Middle Name or Initial	15	Enter the correct middle name or initial. Left justify and fill with blanks.	
			This is a required field.	

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
114-133	Employee's Correct	20	Enter the correct last name.
	Last Name		
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			This is a required field.
134-155	Location Address	22	Enter the employee's location address (Attention,
			Suite, Room Number, etc.) for the employee
			named.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
156-177	Delivery Address	22	Enter the employee's mailing address (Street or
			Post Office box).
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
178-199	City	22	Enter the employee's city.
200.201			Left justify and fill with blanks.
200-201	State Abbreviation	2	Enter the employee's State.
			Use a postal abbreviation from Appendix G.
			For a foreign address, fill with blanks.
202-206	ZIP Code	5	Enter a valid ZIP code.
			For a foreign address, fill with blanks.
207-210	ZIP Code Extension	4	Enter the four-digit extension of the ZIP code.
207 210			
			If not applicable, fill with blanks.
211-215	Blank	5	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
216-238	Foreign	23	If applicable, enter the foreign state/province.
	State/Province		Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
239-253	Foreign Postal Code	15	If applicable, enter the foreign postal code.
			Left justify and fill with blanks.
			Otherwise, fill with blanks.
254-255	Optional Code	2	To be defined by State/local agency.
			Applies to unemployment reporting.

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POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
256-257	Country Code	2	If one of the following applies, fill with blanks:
			• One of the 50 states of the U.S.A.
			District of Columbia
			• Military Post Office (MPO)
			American Samoa
			• Guam
			Northern Mariana Islands
			Puerto Rico
			Virgin Islands
			Otherwise, enter the applicable Country Code
			(see Appendix H).
258-263	Originally Reported	6	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Reporting Period		
			Applies to unemployment reporting.
264-269	Correct Reporting	6	Enter the last month and four-digit year for the
	Period		correct calendar quarter.
			Applies to unemployment reporting.
270-275	Blank	6	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
276-286	Originally Reported State Quarterly	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Unemployment		Right justify and zero fill.
	Insurance Total		
	Wages		No negative amounts.
			Applies to unemployment reporting.
287-297	Correct State	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Quarterly		
	Unemployment		No negative amounts.
	Insurance Total Wages		Applies to unemployment reporting.
298-299	Originally Reported	2	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
270 277	Number of Weeks	2	Enter the medicerty reported data.
	Worked		Applies to unemployment reporting.
300-301	Correct Number of	2	Enter the correct number of weeks worked.
	Weeks Worked		
			Applies to unemployment reporting.
302-309	Originally Reported	8	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Date First Employed	-	
	r J Z		Applies to unemployment reporting.
310-317	Correct Date First	8	Enter the correct date.
	Employed		
			Applies to unemployment reporting.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS		
318-325	Originally Reported	8	Enter the incorrectly reported data.		
	Date of Separation				
			Applies to unemployment reporting.		
326-333	Correct Date of	8	Enter the correct date.		
	Separation				
224.242		10	Applies to unemployment reporting.		
334-343	Blank	10	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.		
344-363	Originally Reported	20	Enter the incorrectly reported data.		
	State Employer				
264 202	Account Number	20	Applies to unemployment reporting.		
364-383	Correct State	20	Enter the correct account number.		
	Employer Account Number		Applies to unemployment reporting.		
384-395	Blank	12	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.		
396-397	State Code	2	Enter the appropriate postal numeric code. (See		
390-397	State Coue	2	Appendix G.)		
			Appendix (0.)		
			Applies to Income Tax.		
398-408	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.		
	State Taxable Wages				
	0		Right justify and zero fill.		
			No negative amounts.		
			Applies to Income Tax.		
409-419	Correct State Taxable	11	Right justify and zero fill.		
	Wages				
			No negative amounts.		
			Applies to Income Tex		
420-430	Originally Reported	11	Applies to Income Tax.		
420-430	State Income Tax	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.		
	Withheld		Right justify and zero fill.		
	withinera		Right justify and zero ini.		
			No negative amounts.		
			Applies to Income Tax.		
431-441	Correct State Income	11	Right justify and zero fill.		
	Tax Withheld				
			No negative amounts.		
			Applies to Income Tax.		
442-461	Other State Data	20	To be defined by State/local agency.		
			Applies to Income Tax.		

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
462	Originally Reported	1	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Tax Type Code		
			Applies to Income Tax.
463	Correct Tax Type	1	Enter the correct code:
	Code		
			• C = City Income Tax
			• D = County Income Tax
			• E = School District Income Tax
			• F = Other Income Tax
			Applies to Income Tax.
464-474	Originally Reported	11	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	Local Taxable Wages		
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			Applies to Income Tax.
475-485	Correct Local	11	Right justify and zero fill.
	Taxable Wages		
			No negative amounts.
			Applies to Income Tax.
486-492	Originally Reported	7	Enter the incorrectly reported data.
	State Control Number		
			Applies to Income Tax.
493-499	Correct State Control	7	Enter the correct Control Number.
	Number		
			Applies to Income Tax.
500-649	Supplemental Data 1	150	To be defined by user.
650-799	Supplemental Data 2	150	To be defined by user.
800-1024	Blank	225	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

Field Name Position	Record Identifier 1-3	Total Number of RCW Records 4-10	Total Originally Reported Wages, Tips and Other Compensation 11-25	Total Correct Wages, Tips and Other Compensation 26-40	Total Originally Reported Federal Income Tax Withheld 41-55	Total Correct Federal Income Tax Withheld 56-70
Length	3	7	15	15	15	15
g	Total Originally Reported Social Security Wages	Total Correct Social Security Wages	Total Originally Reported Social Security Tax Withheld	Total Correct Social Security Tax Withheld	Total Originally Reported Medicare Wages/Tips	Total Correct Medicare Wages/Tips
	71-85	86-100	101-115	116-130	131-145	146-160
	15	15	15	15	15	15
	Total Originally Reported Medicare Tax Withheld 161-175	Total Correct Medicare Tax Withheld 176-190	Total Originally Reported Social Security Tips 191-205	Total Correct Social Security Tips 206-220	Total Originally Reported Advance Earned Income Credit 221-235	Total Correct Advance Earned Income Credit 236-250
	15	15	15	15	15	15
	Total Originally Reported Dependent Care Benefits 251-265	Total Correct Dependent Care Benefits 266-280	Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k) 281-295	Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k) 296-310	Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b) 311-325	Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b) 326-340
				15		
	15 Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	15 Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	15 Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b)	Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b)	15 Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)	15 Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)
	341-355	356-370	371-385	386-400	401-415	416-430
	15	15	15	15	15	15
	15	1.5	1.5	15	1.5	15

5.10 Code RCT – Total Record

Total Originally Reported Total Deferred Compensation Contributions 431-445	Total Correct Total Deferred Compensation Contributions 446-460	Total Originally Reported Military Employees Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay 461-475	Total Correct Military Employees Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay 476-490	Total Originally Reported Non- qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or Contributions 491-505	Total Correct Non-qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or Contributions 506-520
15	15	15	15	15	15
Total Originally Reported Employer Contributions to a Health Savings Account	Total Correct Employer Contributions to a Health Savings Account	Total Originally Reported Non- qualified Plan Not Section 457 Distributions or Contributions	Total Correct Non-qualified Plan Not Section 457 Distributions or Contributions	Blank	Total Originally Reported Employer Cost of Premiums for Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,00
521-535	536-550	551-565	566-580	581-640	641-655
15	15	15	15	60	15
Total Correct Employer Cost of Premiums for Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,00	Total Originally Reported Income from the Exercise of Nonstatutory Stock Options	Total Correct Income from the Exercise of Nonstatutory Stock Options	Blank 701 1024		
656-670	671-685	686-700	701-1024		
15	15	15	324		

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
1-3	Record Identifier	3	Constant "RCT".
4-10	Total Number of	7	Enter the total number of RCW Records reported
	RCW Records		since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			T Record are for totaling money amounts reported
			Complete only those total fields that summarize
		r	we all other total fields <u>blank.</u>
11-25	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Wages,		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	Tips and Other Compensation		(Code RCE).
	Compensation		Right justify and zero fill.
			Right justify and zero mi.
			No negative amounts.
26-40	Total Correct Wages,	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Tips and Other		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Compensation		(Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
41-55	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Federal		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Income Tax		(Code RCE).
	Withheld		Pight justify and zero fill
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
56-70	Total Correct Federal	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Income Tax	_	RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Withheld		(Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
71-85	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Social		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Security Wages		(Code RCE).
			Pight justify and zero fill
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			110 nogative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
86-100	Total Correct Social	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Security Wages		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
			(Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
101-115	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Social		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Security Tax Withheld		(Code RCE).
	withincid		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
116-130	Total Correct Social	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Security Tax		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Withheld		(Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
131-145	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Medicare		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Wages and Tips		(Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
146-160	Total Correct	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Medicare Wages and		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	Tips		(Code RCE).
			For tax year 1991 and later, this field must equal,
			or exceed, the sum of the fields for Social
			Security Wages and Social Security Tips related
			to the correction.
			Right justify and zero fill.
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
161-175	Total Originally Reported Medicare Tax Withheld	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
176-190	Total Correct Medicare Tax Withheld	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
191-205	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Social		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Security Tips		(Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
206-220	Total Correct Social	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Security Tips		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
221-235	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Advance		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Earned Income		(Code RCE).
	Credit		Right justify and zero fill.
			No pogetive emounts
236-250	Total Correct	15	No negative amounts. Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
230-230	Advance Earned	13	RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Income Credit		(Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
251-265	Total Originally Reported Dependent Care Benefits	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
266-280	Total Correct Dependent Care Benefits	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
281-295	Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	Section 401(k)		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
296-310	Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	Section 401(k)		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
311-325	Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
326-340	Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
341-355	Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	Section 408(k)(6)		Right justify and zero fill.
356-370	Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	15	No negative amounts. Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
371-385	Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b)	15	No negative amounts. Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
386-400	Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b)	15	No negative amounts. Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
401-415	Total Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill. No negative amounts.
416-430	Total Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill. No negative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
431-445	Total Originally Reported Total Deferred Compensation Contributions	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
	Controlutions		No negative amounts.
446-460	Total Correct Total Deferred Compensation Contributions	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
461-475	Total Originally Reported Military Employees Basic Quarters, Subsistence and	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
	Combat Pay		No negative amounts.
			Valid for tax years 1995 – 2001 only.
476-490	Total Correct Military Employees Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer (Code RCE) Record. Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
			Valid for tax years 1995 – 2001 only.
491-505	Total Originally Reported Non- qualified Plan Section 457	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	Distributions or Contributions		Right justify and zero fill.
506-520	Total Correct Non-	15	No negative amounts. Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	Contributions		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
521-535	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Employer		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Contributions to a		(Code RCE).
	Health Savings		
	Account		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
536-550	Total Correct	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Employer		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Contributions to a		(Code RCE).
	Health Savings		
	Account		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
551-565	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Non-		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	qualified Plan Not		(Code RCE).
	Section 457		
	Distributions or		Right justify and zero fill.
	Contributions		
			No negative amounts.
566-580	Total Correct Non-	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	qualified Plan Not		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Section 457		(Code RCE).
	Distributions or		
	Contributions		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
581-640	Blank	60	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.
641-655	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Employer		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Cost of Premiums		(Code RCE).
	for Group Term Life		
	Insurance Over		Right justify and zero fill.
	\$50,000		
			No negative amounts.
656-670	Total Correct	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Employer Cost of		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Premiums for Group		(Code RCE).
	Term Life Insurance		
	Over \$50,000		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
671-685	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported Income		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	From the Exercise of		(Code RCE).
	Nonstatutory Stock		
	Options		Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
686-700	Total Correct Income	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	From the Exercise of		RCW) reported since the last Employer Record
	Nonstatutory Stock		(Code RCE).
	Options		
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
701-1024	Blank	324	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

Field Name Position Length	Record Identifier 1-3 3	Number of RCO Records 4-10 7	Total Originally Reported Allocated Tips 11-25 15	Total Correct Allocated Tips 26-40 15	Total Originally Reported Uncollected Employee Tax on Tips 41-55 15	Total Correct Uncollected Employee Tax on Tips 56-70 15
Zengen	Total Originally Reported Medical Savings Account 71-85 15	Total Correct Medical Savings Account 86-100 15	Total Originally Reported Simple Retirement Account 101-115 15	Total Correct Simple Retirement Account 116-130 15	Total Originally Reported Qualified Adoption Expenses 131-145 15	Total Correct Qualified Adoption Expenses 146-160 15
	Total Originally Reported Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000 161-175 15	Total Correct Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance over \$50,000 176-190 15	Total Originally Reported Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance over \$50,000 191-205 15	Total Correct Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000 206-220 15	Blank 221-1024 804	

5.11 Code RCU – Total Record

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
1-3	Record Identifier	3	Constant "RCU".
4-10	Number of RCO Records	7	Enter the total number of RCO Records reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
in the RCO Re	ecords for the preceding	RCE Record.	U Record are for totaling money amounts reported Complete only those total fields that summarize ave all other total fields <u>blank</u> .
11-25	Total Originally Reported Allocated Tips	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill. No negative amounts.
26-40	Total Correct Allocated Tips	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill. No negative amounts.
41-55	Total Originally Reported Uncollected Employee Tax on Tips	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
56-70	Total Correct Uncollected Employee Tax on Tips	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	-		Right justify and zero fill.
71-85	Total Originally Reported Medical Savings Account	15	No negative amounts.Enter the total for all Employee Records (CodeRCO) reported since the last Employer Record(Code RCE).Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
86-100	Total Correct Medical Savings Account	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
101-115	Total Originally Reported Simple Retirement Account	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
116-130	Total Correct Simple Retirement Account	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
			Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
131-145	Total Originally Reported Qualified Adoption Expenses	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
			No negative amounts.
146-160	Total Correct Qualified Adoption Expenses	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE). Right justify and zero fill.
1.61.155		1-	No negative amounts.
161-175	Total Originally Reported Uncollected Social Security or RRTA	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code RCO) reported since the last Employer Record (Code RCE).
	Tax on Cost of Group Term Life		Right justify and zero fill.
	Insurance Over \$50,000		No negative amounts.

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
176-190	Total Correct	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Uncollected Social		RCO) reported since the last Employer Record
	Security or RRTA		(Code RCE).
	Tax on Cost of		
	Group Term Life		Right justify and zero fill.
	Insurance Over		
	\$50,000		No negative amounts.
191-205	Total Originally	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Reported		RCO) reported since the last Employer Record
	Uncollected		(Code RCE).
	Medicare Tax on		
	Cost of Group Term		Right justify and zero fill.
	Life Insurance Over		
	\$50,000		No negative amounts.
206-220	Total Correct	15	Enter the total for all Employee Records (Code
	Uncollected		RCO) reported since the last Employer Record
	Medicare Tax on		(Code RCE).
	Cost of Group Term		
	Life Insurance Over		Right justify and zero fill.
	\$50,000		
			No negative amounts.
221-1024	Blank	804	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

5.12 Code RCF – Final Record

Field	Record	Number of	
Name	Identifier	RCW Records	Blank
Position	1-3	4-12	13-1024
Length	3	9	1012

POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	SPECIFICATIONS
1-3	Record Identifier	3	Constant "RCF".
4-12	Number of RCW Records	9	Enter the total number of RCW Records reported on the entire file. Right justify and zero fill.
13-1024	Blank	1012	Fill with blanks. Reserved for SSA use.

6.0 PIN/PASSWORD REGISTRATION INFORMATION

6.1 Obtaining a PIN/Password

Must I get a Personal Identification Number (PIN) before I submit my file? Yes.

Where can I find information about the PIN/Password?

- Access the Internet at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u>
 - Under "Magnetic Tape, Cartridge, or Diskette Filers," select Register for a PIN

When is the BSO available?

- The BSO is available, including holidays:
 - Monday through Friday, 5:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., Eastern Time
 - Saturday, 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Eastern Time
 - Sunday, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Eastern Time

How do I get a PIN/Password?

- Access the Internet at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/bso/bsowelcome.htm</u>
 Select *Registration*, or
- Call 1-800-772-6270 Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Eastern Time.

What information do I have to provide to get a PIN?

- The Employer Identification Number (EIN) of the company you work for. If you are a third-party submitter, you need the EIN of your own company, not the EIN of the company(s) for which the wage report(s) is/are being submitted. *Note: If you are self-employed, you do not need to provide an EIN.*
- Your Social Security Number (SSN).
- Your name as shown on your Social Security card (first name, middle initial and last name).
- Your date of birth.
- Your telephone number (optional), and e-mail address and/or (optional) fax number to contact you.
- Your mailing address.
- Company name.
- Company phone number.

How do you approve my request?

- We match your name, date of birth and SSN against SSA records and verify that you work for the company that will submit the file. If the information is verified, we issue a PIN immediately.
- You will create your own password as part of the registration process.
- Your employer will be notified of your registration.

6.2 Using a PIN/Password

How do I use the PIN I receive?

A PIN can be used as an electronic signature and to use the Business Services Online (BSO).

- As an Electronic Signature
 - Employer Submitter: You will use the PIN as your signature for the file in the MMREF format. Insert your PIN into the file in the Personal Identification Number (PIN) field in the RCA Record positions 13-29. This should be the PIN of the person responsible for the file and attesting to its accuracy. It would generally be the same individual who would be signing the attestation statement on the Form W-3c. You will be attesting that "under penalties of perjury, you declare that you have examined this file's data and that to the best of your knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete."
 - Third-Party or Payroll Practitioner Submitter: You will use the PIN as your signature for the file in the Personal Identification Number (PIN) field in the RCA Record positions 13-29. This should be the PIN of the person responsible for the file and attesting to its accuracy. This attestation is based on the information available and assurances provided by the client. You should include as part of your standard business practices a provision in your contractual agreement that requires your client to give assurances that the file you are attesting to is to the best of their knowledge true, correct and complete.
- To use the BSO
 - As a designated individual authorized by your company, you will use your PIN to use the BSO to carry out various payroll activities. You'll need your PIN (and password) to upload files and to check the status of your file. The person uploading the file or checking the status of the file will use his or her own PIN and password. This does not have to be the same person whose PIN is inserted in the file as explained above.

How do I use my password?

- You must use the password with the PIN to use the BSO (see Section 7). You must change your password at least once every 365 days to keep your PIN from expiring.
- If you do not use the services on BSO, you still need to change your password yearly to retain your PIN.

When may I start using my PIN and password? Immediately.

How long may I use the PIN?

Indefinitely, as long as you change your password once a year before it expires.

6.3 Assistance

Who should I call if I have problems with registration?

Call 1-800-772-6270 Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

7.0 ACCUW2C SOFTWARE

7.1 General

What is AccuW2C 2004?

A self-extracting compressed file you can download from the Internet to your IBM compatible personal computer to verify that your file complies with the MMREF-2 format for tax year 2004.

When and where can I find AccuW2C 2004?

- Starting in August 2004, access the Internet at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u>
 - Under "Employer Information Website Index," select *Wage Reporting Software*
 - Under "SSA Software," select ACCUWAGE Information and Software

Will the AccuW2C software identify all errors in the file?

- This software identifies many, but not all, wage submission format errors.
- AccuW2C does not verify names and SSNs.
- The likelihood that SSA will reject the file is greatly reduced.

7.2 Assistance

Who should I call if I have a problem with the AccuW2C software? Call **1-888-772-2970** Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

8.0 ELECTRONIC FILE UPLOAD

8.1 General

What is Electronic File Upload?

Electronic File Upload is a feature of the Business Services Online (BSO). The BSO is a suite of business services that allows employers to conduct business with SSA. Electronic File Upload allows you to transmit an electronic file containing an MMREF-2 report correction to SSA over the internet. In addition to uploading a report correction, you may also upload a test file to verify transmission capability. In order to upload a file to SSA, you need to access the BSO.

8.2 Accessing the BSO

Who can use BSO?

Anyone with access to the Internet.

Do I have to register to use BSO?

Yes. See Section 6 for registration information.

Is there a charge to use BSO?

No, except for the charges from your Internet service provider.

How do I connect to BSO?

- Access the Internet at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u>
 - Under "Electronic Filing," select Business Services Online

How do I log on to BSO?

You will be prompted to enter your PIN and password.

8.3 Data Requirements

What are the data requirements for uploaded files?

- Data must be recorded in the American Standard Code for Information Interchange-1 (ASCII-1) character set (see Appendix F).
- Any file name may be used.
- Virus scan the file before submission.
- We encourage you to file combined reports to avoid creating a separate file for each employer. Review Appendix E, example 3, to see how multiple employers can be combined into one file.
- We prefer files without record delimiters. If record delimiters are used (CR Carriage Return followed by LF -Line Feed), they must follow the last character of each record, *except* the Code RCF Record.

- If you use record delimiters in your file, the following requirements apply:
 - Each record must be followed immediately by a single record delimiter.
 - Each record delimiter must consist of a carriage-return/line feed (CR/LF) and placed immediately following character position 1024. Typically, this is accomplished by pressing the "Enter" key at the end of each record (i.e., after position 1024).
 - The ASCII-1 hexadecimal value for the carriage return character is 0D (zero and letter D); the ASCII-1 hexadecimal value for the line feed is 0A (zero and letter A). The ASCII-1 decimal values for the two characters are 13 and 10, respectively.
 - <u>Do NOT</u> place a record delimiter before the first record of the file.
 - <u>Do NOT</u> place record delimiters after a field within a record.
- <u>Do NOT</u> upload multiple diskette submissions. Combine the files into a single file on your PC hard drive. Then, send this single file using BSO. Make sure that the file is complete (RCA through RCF Records).
- The record length <u>MUST</u> be exactly 1024 bytes.

May I compress the file?

- Yes. We recommend this; it will reduce your transmission time.
- <u>Do NOT</u> compress more than one data file together.

What compression software may I use?

You may use any compression software that will compress your files in .ZIP format.

When may I upload my files using BSO?

You may submit <u>corrected</u> files all year.

Do I have to send a Form 6559? No.

8.4 Testing

May I upload a test file using BSO?

- Yes. We encourage first-time users of BSO to submit a test file.
- Go to: <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u>
 - Under "Electronic Filing," select Business Services Online
 - Select Login
 - Select I Accept on the Attestation Page
 - Enter the PIN and password
 - Under "Wage Reporting Services," select Submit a W2 Wage File
 - Select Test option
- Test files only verify a successful transmission of a file; the data on the file is not read.
- Test files are deleted.

8.5 Additional Information

How can I receive additional information on the BSO?

- To receive a BSO Employer Handbook, call **1-800-772-6270** Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time
- To <u>view or print</u> the handbook:
 - Access the Internet at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer</u>
 - Under "Employer Information Website Index," select Forms & Publications
 - Under "W2C Filing Specifications," select Business Services Online (BSO) Handbook for Tax Year 2004

8.6 Assistance

Who should I contact if I have problems using the BSO?

Call **1-888-772-2970** Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time or send an e-mail message to <u>bso.support@ssa.gov</u>.

9.0 ELECTRONIC DATA TRANSFER (EDT) FILING

9.1 General

What is EDT?

An Electronic Data Transfer (EDT) system that connects SSA's National Computer Center with various States, Federal agencies and SSA sites via a dedicated telecommunication line. This system uses Sterling Commerce's Connect:Direct (formerly Network Data Mover - NDM) software.

Who can use EDT filing? Federal and State agencies.

9.2 Data Requirements

What are the data requirements for EDT files?

- Data must be in the unpacked mode.
- We prefer data recorded in EBCDIC, but will accept ASCII.
- Each physical record (a block of logical records) must be a uniform length of 1024 characters.
- Physical records <u>must NOT</u> be prefixed by block descriptor words.
- The blocking factor must not exceed 27. We prefer 27 logical records per block.
- The block size must be a multiple of 1024 characters and must not exceed 27,648 characters.
- Choose the option in your system which permits you to designate record length and block size.
- Remove line feeds, carriage returns and all other record delimiters from your records.
- <u>Do NOT</u> use any internal labels.

May I compress the file I send you through EDT?

No.

Do I have to fax a Form 6559 to you?

No. This form is not necessary for an EDT submission.

9.3 Assistance

Who should I call if I have questions about EDT?

- Call **1-888-772-2970** Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eastern Time, or send an e-mail to <u>edt@ssa.gov</u>.
- Call your local contact shown in Appendix A.

10.0 DISKETTE FILING

NOTE: Tax year 2005 is the last year we will accept diskette submissions.

10.1 Media Requirements

What are the media requirements for diskettes?

- 3 ¹/₂ inch MS-DOS or Windows compatible diskettes, "double density," 720 kilobytes or "high density," 1.44 megabytes.
- If a diskette was previously used, reformat it before using. <u>Do NOT</u> make it a bootable disk.
- Virus scan the diskette before submission.

10.2 Data Requirements

What are the data requirements for diskettes?

- Data must be recorded in the American Standard Code for Information Interchange-1 (ASCII-1) character set (see Appendix L).
- Your file must be named "W2CREPORT".
- The file name "W2CREPORT" <u>must</u> be in the root directory. Example: a:\w2creport
- <u>Do NOT</u> add an extension (".dat",".bak").
- <u>Do NOT</u> include more than one file per diskette.
- <u>Do NOT</u> include any other files on the diskette.
- If the number of data records exceeds the capacity of a single diskette, continue onto one or more subsequent diskettes; i.e., volumes.
 - Begin Volume 1 with an RCA Record.
 - Begin each volume after volume 1 with the record following the last record on the preceding volume. For example: Volume 1 ends with an RCE Record. Volume 2 begins with the related RCW Record(s).
- Indicate the proper sequence (e. g., VOL 2 of 3) on the external diskette label.
- We encourage you to file combined reports to avoid creating a separate file and a diskette for each employer. Review Appendix E, examples 2 and 3, to see how multiple employers can be combined into one file.
- We prefer files without record delimiters. If record delimiters are used (CR Carriage Return followed by LF Line Feed), they must follow the last character of each record except the RCF Record.
- If you use record delimiters in your file, the following requirements apply:
 - Each record must be followed immediately by a single record delimiter.
 - Each record delimiter must consist of a carriage-return/line feed (CR/LF) and placed immediately following character position 1024. Typically, this is accomplished by pressing the "Enter" key at the end of each record (i.e., after position 1024).
 - The ASCII-1 hexadecimal value for the carriage return character is 0D (zero and letter D); the ASCII-1 hexadecimal value for the line feed is 0A (zero and letter A). The ASCII-1 decimal values for the two characters are 13 and 10, respectively.
 - <u>Do NOT</u> place a record delimiter before the first record of the file.

- <u>Do NOT</u> place record delimiters after a field within a record.
- If information is reported using a random file, the record length <u>must</u> be exactly 1024 bytes.

May I compress the file I send you on diskette? Yes.

What compression software may I use?

You may use any compression software that will compress your files in .ZIP format.

10.3 Testing

Do you accept test files via diskette?

No. You may use the AccuW2C software.

10.4 Addressing/Packaging

How do I label my diskette?

• Affix an external label like the example shown in the box below.

SSA AWR MMF	EF-2	
EIN:		
NAME:		
CITY:	ST:	
ZIP CODE:	PHONE NUMBER:	
INV#:		
VOL: OF		

- Label fill-ins must agree with the RCA Record data.
 - EIN Enter submitter's EIN.
 - NAME Enter submitter's name.
 - CITY Enter submitter's city.
 - ST Enter submitter's state.
 - ZIP CODE Enter submitter's ZIP code.
 - PHONE NUMBER Enter submitter's phone number.
 - INV# The inventory number is any type of identification you assign for inventory control purposes. If not applicable, leave blank.
 - VOL___OF___ Enter the volume number if more than one diskette is submitted. Example: VOL 1 of 3, 2 of 3, 3 of 3

Do I have to include a Form 6559 with a diskette(s)?

No.

How should I package my diskette?

- <u>Do NOT</u> use paper clips, rubber bands or staples on diskettes.
- Insert each diskette in its own protective sleeve before packaging.
- Send the diskette in a container to prevent damage in transit.
- Use disposable containers. Special mailers for diskettes are available commercially. We do not return special containers.

10.5 Sending

Where do I send my diskette(s)?

• Send your diskette via the <u>U.S. Postal Service</u> to the following address (a Return Receipt is recommended):

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AWR MAGNETIC MEDIA PROCESSING 5-F-17, NB, METRO WEST PO BOX 33014 BALTIMORE MD 21290-3014

• Send your diskette via <u>another carrier</u> to the following address:

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AWR MAGNETIC MEDIA PROCESSING 5-F-17, NB, METRO WEST 300 N GREENE STREET BALTIMORE MD 21290-0300

Note: The contact telephone number for carrier assistance is (410) 966-9125.

10.6 Assistance

Who should I call if I have questions about diskette filing?

• Call **1-800-772-6270** Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time, or call your local contact shown in Appendix A.

11.0 MAGNETIC TAPE/CARTRIDGE FILING

NOTE: Tax year 2004 is the last year we will accept tape or cartridge submissions.

11.1 Media Requirements

What are the media requirements for tapes/cartridges?

- 1/2-inch magnetic tape, 3480/3480E cartridges, or 3490/3490E cartridges.
- If a tape was previously used, degauss, erase and reformat the tape before using it.
- Recording densities for tape reels: 800, 1600, and 6250 characters per inch (CPI). We prefer tape reels recorded at 6250 CPI.
- Recording density for 3480 and 3490 cartridges is 38,000 CPI.
- Internal labels must not contain security encoded bytes.
- We prefer tapes with IBM OS/VS STANDARD header and trailer labels <u>or</u> tapes with no internal labels.
- Never begin a magnetic tape with a tapemark.
- Each segment (record) of a set of labels (i.e., VOL1 + HDR1 + HDR2 = a set of header labels) must contain 99 or fewer characters.
- Write header and trailer labels in the same density as the data records.
- Header labels must precede data and be separated from the data by one (1) tapemark.
- Trailer labels must follow the data and must be separated from the data by one (1) tapemark. Two (2) tapemarks must follow the trailer labels.
- If using no-label tape, write end-of-reel tapemarks directly after the last block of data.

11.2 Data Requirements

What are the data requirements for tapes/cartridges?

- Data in the unpacked mode.
- We prefer data recorded in EBCDIC, but will accept ASCII.
- Each physical record (a block of logical records) must be a uniform length of 1024 characters.
- Physical records <u>must NOT</u> be prefixed by block descriptor words.
- The blocking factor must not exceed 27. We prefer 27 logical records per block.
- The block size must be a multiple of 1024 characters and must not exceed 27,648 characters.
- Choose the option in your system which permits you to designate record length and block size. Also, be sure to remove line feeds, carriage returns and all other record delimiters from your records.
- Each reel or cartridge <u>must</u> be a separate file; i.e., it must start with an RCA Record and end with an RCF Record.
- We do not accept multiple-reel or multiple-cartridge tape files.

May I compress the file I send you on magnetic tape or cartridge? No.

11.3 Testing

Do you accept test files via magnetic tape or cartridge?

• No. You may use the AccuW2C software.

11.4 Addressing/Packaging

How should I label my tape/cartridge?

• Affix an external label like the example shown in the box below.

SSA AWR MMR	EF-2	
EIN:		-
NAME:		_
CITY:	ST:	-
ZIP CODE:	PHONE NUMBER:	_
INV#:		

- Label fill-ins must agree with the RCA Record data.
 - EIN Enter submitter's EIN.
 - NAME Enter submitter's name.
 - CITY Enter submitter's city.
 - ST Enter submitter's state.
 - ZIP CODE Enter submitter's ZIP code.
 - PHONE NUMBER Enter submitter's phone number.
 - INV# The inventory number is any type of identification you assign for your inventory control purposes. If this block is not applicable, leave blank.

How do I obtain Form 6559 or 6559A?

The forms are available by accessing the website at <u>www.irs.gov</u> or <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/employer/pub.htm</u>.

Do I have to include a Form 6559 with a magnetic tape/cartridge? Yes.

How do I complete the Form 6559?

- The information on the Form 6559 must agree with the information on the tape or cartridge.
- The submitter of the file must sign the form.
- If the submitter is a "reporting representative" (e.g., a service bureau), the reporting representative may sign on behalf of all employers on the file if the reporting representative:
 - Has the authority to sign an affidavit on Form 6559 under an administrative agreement (oral, written or implied) valid under State law; <u>and</u>

- Has the responsibility, conferred by the employer or payer (oral, written or implied), to request
 the taxpayer identifying number of employees reported on the magnetic media file; and
- Signs the affidavit and adds the caption "REPORTING REPRESENTATIVE."
- If the file contains Employer Records for both United States and other jurisdiction codes, check both the "United States" and "Other" boxes on the front of the Form 6559.

When do I use the Form 6559-A?

- If the file contains more than two (2) employers, use Form 6559-A to summarize the remaining employers included on the file.
- List the employers in the same order as they are reported on the file.
- We accept a facsimile Form 6559-A.

How should I package my tape or cartridge?

- Send the tape or cartridge in a box with proper packing to prevent damage in transit.
- It is not necessary to use an oversized box; specially-sized boxes are available commercially.
- Use disposable tape containers. We do not return special containers.

11.5 Sending

Where do I send my magnetic tape or cartridge?

• Send your tape/cartridge via the U.S. Postal Service to the following address (a Return Receipt is recommended):

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AWR MAGNETIC MEDIA PROCESSING 5-F-17, NB, METRO WEST PO BOX 33009 BALTIMORE MD 21290-3009

• Send your tape/cartridge via another carrier to the following address:

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AWR MAGNETIC MEDIA PROCESSING 5-F-17, NB, METRO WEST 300 N GREENE STREET BALTIMORE MD 21290-0300

Note: The contact telephone number for carrier assistance is (410) 966-9125.

11.6 Assistance

Who should I call if I have questions about magnetic tape/cartridge filing?

- Call 1-800-772-6270 Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time, or
- Call your local contact shown in Appendix A.

12.0 APPENDIX A - CONTACTS FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

Depending on your state, call one of the telephone numbers listed below. Most are of the telephone numbers listed <u>are not</u> toll-free telephone numbers.

Note: For questions concerning using the State Record, contact your State Revenue Agency.

	CALLS FROM	TELEPHONE	LOCATION
*	Alabama	(334) 223-7013	Montgomery, AL
	Alaska	(206) 615-2125	Seattle, WA
	American Samoa	(510) 970-8247	San Francisco, CA
	Arizona	(510) 970-8247	San Francisco, CA
+	Arkansas	(501) 324-5130	Little Rock, AR
	California	(510) 970-8247	San Francisco, CA
+	Colorado	(303) 844-2364	Denver, CO
	Connecticut	(617) 565-2895	Boston, MA
	Delaware	(215) 597-4632	Philadelphia, PA
	District of Columbia	(215) 597-4632	Philadelphia, PA
	Florida-North	(904) 398-8925 x100	Jacksonville, FL
	Florida-South	(305) 672-4517	Miami Beach, FL
*	Georgia-North	(770) 531-1615 x227	Gainesville, GA
*	Georgia-South	(912) 264-0417 x109	Brunswick, GA
	Guam	(510) 970-8247	San Francisco, CA
	Hawaii	(510) 970-8247	San Francisco, CA
	Idaho	(206) 615-2125	Seattle, WA
	Illinois	(312) 575-4244	Chicago, IL
	Indiana	(312) 575-4244	Chicago, IL
	Iowa	(816) 936-5649	Kansas City, MO
	Kansas	(816) 936-5649	Kansas City, MO
*	Kentucky	(859) 294-5153 x3055	Lexington, KY
*	Kentucky	(859) 219-1461 x111	Nicholasville, KY
+	Louisiana	(504) 240-7321	New Orleans, LA
	Maine	(617) 565-2895	Boston, MA
	Maryland	(215) 597-4632	Philadelphia, PA
	Massachusetts	(617) 565-2895	Boston, MA
	Michigan	(312) 575-4244	Chicago, IL
	Minnesota	(312) 575-4244	Chicago, IL
*	Mississippi	(601) 693-4859	Meridian, MS
	Missouri	(816) 936-5649	Kansas City, MO
+	Montana	(303) 844-2364	Denver, CO
	Nebraska	(816) 936-5649	Kansas City, MO
	Nevada	(510) 970-8247	San Francisco, CA
	New Hampshire	(617) 565-2895	Boston, MA
	New Jersey	(212) 264-1117	New York, NY
+	New Mexico	(505) 346-7244	Albuquerque, NM
	New York	(212) 264-1117	New York, NY

CALLS FROM	TELEPHONE	LOCATION
* North Carolina	(919) 790-2877 x3007	Raleigh, NC
+ North Dakota	(303) 844-2364	Denver, CO
Northern Mariana Islands	(510) 970-8247	San Francisco, CA
Ohio	(312) 575-4244	Chicago, IL
+ Oklahoma	(501) 324-5130	Little Rock, AR
Oregon	(206) 615-2125	Seattle, WA
Pennsylvania	(215) 597-4632	Philadelphia, PA
# Puerto Rico	(787) 766-5574	San Juan, PR
Rhode Island	(617) 565-2895	Boston, MA
* South Carolina	(864) 582-1091 x260	Spartanburg, SC
+ South Dakota	(303) 844-2364	Denver, CO
* Tennessee	(615) 781-5803 x206	Nashville, TN
+ Texas-Central/South	(512) 916-5391	Austin, TX
+ Texas-North/Dallas	(817) 978-3123	Fort Worth, TX
+ Texas-East	(281) 449-2955	Houston, TX
+ Texas-West	(505) 346-7244	Albuquerque, NM
+ Utah	(303) 844-2364	Denver, CO
Vermont	(617) 565-2895	Boston, MA
# Virgin Islands	(787) 766-5574	San Juan, PR
Virginia	(215) 597-4632	Philadelphia, PA
Washington	(206) 615-2125	Seattle, WA
West Virginia	(215) 597-4632	Philadelphia, PA
Wisconsin	(312) 575-4244	Chicago, IL
+ Wyoming	(303) 844-2364	Denver, CO

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*	Alternate Contact	(404) 562-1315	Atlanta, GA
+	Alternate Contact	(800) 314-1964	Denver, CO or
	Alternate Contact	(214) 767-4272	Dallas, TX
#	Alternate Contact	(866) 638-6497	San Juan, PR

13.0 APPENDIX B - CORRECTABLE MMREF-1 FIELDS THROUGH A MMREF-2 FILE

None of the fields in the following records can be corrected with a MMREF-2 file:

- Code RA Submitter Record
- Code RS State Record
- Code RT Total Record
- Code RU Total Record
- Code RF Final Record

Some MMREF-1 fields can be corrected with a MMREF-2 file. The table below contains the records and a list of MMREF-1 fields that **can** be corrected with a MMREF-2 file.

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RE	1-2	Record Identifier	2	
RE	3-6	Tax Year	4	Yes
RE	7	Agent Indicator Code	1	No
RE	8-16	Employer /Agent EIN	9	Yes
RE	17-25	Agent for EIN	9	No
RE	26	Terminating Business	1	No
RE	27-30	Establishment Number	4	Yes
RE	31-39	Other EIN	9	No
RE	40-96	Employer Name	57	No
RE	97-118	Location Address	22	No
RE	119-140	Delivery Address	22	No
RE	141-162	City	22	No
RE	163-164	State Abbreviation	2	No
RE	165-169	ZIP Code	5	No
RE	170-173	ZIP Code Extension	4	No
RE	174-178	Blank	5	
RE	179-201	Foreign State/Province	23	No
RE	202-216	Foreign Postal Code	15	No
RE	217-218	Country Code	2	No
RE	219	Employment Code	1	Yes
RE	220	Tax Jurisdiction Code	1	No
RE	221	Third-Party Sick Pay Indicator	1	Yes
RE	222-512	Blank	291	
RW	1-2	Record Identifier	2	
RW	3-11	Social Security Number (SSN)	9	Yes

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RW	12-26	Employee First Name	15	Yes
RW	27-41	Employee Middle Name or Initial	15	Yes
RW	42-61	Employee Last Name	20	Yes
RW	62-65	Suffix	4	No
RW	66-87	Location Address	22	No
RW	88-109	Delivery Address	22	No
RW	110-131	City	22	No
RW	132-133	State Abbreviation	2	No
RW	134-138	ZIP Code	5	No
RW	139-142	ZIP Code Extension	4	No
RW	143-147	Blank	5	
RW	148-170	Foreign State/Province	23	No
RW	171-185	Foreign Postal Code	15	No
RW	186-187	Country Code	2	No
RW	188-198	Wages, Tips and Other Compensation	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	199-209	Federal Income Tax Withheld	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	210-220	Social Security Wages	11	Yes
RW	221-231	Social Security Tax Withheld	11	Yes
RW	232-242	Medicare Wages & Tips	11	Yes
RW	243-253	Medicare Tax Withheld	11	Yes
RW	254-264	Social Security Tips	11	Yes
RW	265-275	Advance Earned Income Credit	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
RW	276-286	Dependent Care Benefits	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	287-297	Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k)	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	298-308	Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.

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RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RW	309-319	Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	320-330	Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457(b)	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	331-341	Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	342-352	Military Employees Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees. Valid for tax years 1995 – 2001 only.
RW	353-363	Non-qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or Contributions	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	364-374	Employer Contributions to a Health Savings Account	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	375-385	Non-qualified Plan Not Section 457 Distributions or Contributions	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RW	386-407	Blank	22	_
RW	408-418	Employer Cost of Premiums for Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
RW	419-429	Income from the Exercise of Nonstatutory Stock Options	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
RW	430-485	Blank	56	
RW	486	Statutory Employee Indicator	1	Yes
RW	487	Blank	1	
RW	488	Retirement Plan Indicator	1	Yes
RW	489	Third-Party Sick Pay Indicator	1	Yes
RW	490-512	Blank	23	
RO	1-2	Record Identifier	2	
RO	3-11	Blank	9	

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RO	12-22	Allocated Tips	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RO	23-33	Uncollected Employee Tax on Tips	11	Yes
RO	34-44	Medical Savings Account	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RO	45-55	Simple Retirement Account	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RO	56-66	Qualified Adoption Expenses	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RO	67-77	Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	Yes
RO	78-88	Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	Yes
RO	89-264	Blank	176	
RO	265	Civil Status	1	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	266-274	Spouse's Social Security Number (SSN)	9	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	275-285	Wages Subject to Puerto Rico Tax	11	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	286-296	Commissions Subject to Puerto Rico Tax	11	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	297-307	Allowances Subject to Puerto Rico Tax	11	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	308-318	Tips Subject to Puerto Rico Tax	11	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	319-329	Total Wages, Commissions, Tips and Allowances Subject to Puerto Rico Tax	11	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	330-340	Puerto Rico Tax Withheld	11	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	341-351	Retirement Fund Annual Contributions	11	No Applies to Puerto Rico employees only.
RO	352-362	Blank	11	

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RO	363-373	Total Wages, Tips and Other Compensation Subject to Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa or Northern Mariana Islands Income Tax	11	No Applies to Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees only.
RO	374-384	Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa or Northern Mariana Islands Income Tax Withheld	11	No Applies to Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees only.
RO	385-512	Blank	128	

14.0 APPENDIX C - CORRECTABLE MMREF-2 FIELDS

Some MMREF-2 fields can be corrected with a MMREF-2 file. None of the fields in the following records can be corrected with a MMREF-2 file:

- Code RCA Submitter Record
- Code RCS State Record
- Code RCT Total Record
- Code RCU Total Record
- Code RCF Final Record

Some MMREF-2 fields can be corrected with a MMREF-2 file. The table below contains the records and a list of MMREF-2 fields that **can** be corrected with a MMREF-2 file.

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RCE	1-3	Record Identifier	3	
RCE	4-7	Tax Year	4	Yes
RCE	8-16	Employer's/Agent's Originally Reported EIN	9	No
RCE	17-25	Employer's/Agent's Correct EIN	9	Yes
RCE	26	Agent Indicator Code	1	No
RCE	27-35	Agent for EIN	9	No
RCE	36-39	Employer's Originally Reported Establishment Number	4	No
RCE	40-43	Employer's Correct Establishment Number	4	Yes
RCE	44-100	Employer's Name	57	No
RCE	101-122	Location Address	22	No
RCE	123-144	Delivery Address	22	No
RCE	145-166	City	22	No
RCE	167-168	State Abbreviation	2	No
RCE	169-173	ZIP Code	5	No
RCE	174-177	ZIP Code Extension	4	No
RCE	178-181	Blank	4	
RCE	182-204	Foreign State/Province	23	No
RCE	205-219	Foreign Postal Code	15	No
RCE	220-221	Country Code	2	No
RCE	222	Employer's Originally Reported Employment Code (Type of Employment)	1	No
RCE	223	Correct Employment Code (Type of Employment)	1	Yes
RCE	224	Originally Reported Third-Party Sick Pay Indicator	1	No

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?		
RCE	225	Correct Third-Party Sick Pay Indicator	1	Yes		
RCE	226-1024	Blank	799			
RCW	1-3	Record Identifier	3			
RCW	4-12	Employee's Originally Reported Social Security Number (SSN)	9	No		
RCW	13-21	Employee's Correct Social Security Number (SSN)	9	Yes		
RCW	22-36	Employee's Originally Reported First Name	15	No		
RCW	37-51	Employee's Originally Reported Middle Name or Initial	15	No		
RCW	52-71	Employee's Originally Reported Last Name	20	No		
RCW	72-86	Employee's Correct First Name	15	Yes		
RCW	87-101	Employee's Correct Middle Name or Initial	15	Yes		
RCW	102-121	Employee's Correct Last Name	20	Yes		
RCW	122-143	Location Address	22	No		
RCW	144-165	Delivery Address	22	No		
RCW	166-187	City	22	No		
RCW	188-189	State Abbreviation	2	No		
RCW	190-194	ZIP Code	5	No		
RCW	195-198	ZIP Code Extension	4	No		
RCW	199-203	Blank	5			
RCW	204-226	Foreign State/Province	23	No		
RCW	227-241	Foreign Postal Code	15	No		
RCW	242-243	Country Code	2	No		
RCW	244-254	Originally Reported Wages, Tips and Other Compensation	11	No		
RCW	255-265	Correct Wages, Tips and Other Compensation	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, or Northern Mariana Islands employees.		
RCW	266-276	Originally Reported Federal Income Tax Withheld	11	No		
RCW	277-287	Correct Federal Income Tax Withheld	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, or Northern Mariana Islands employees.		
RCW	288-298	Originally Reported Social Security Wages	11	No		
RCW	299-309	Correct Social Security Wages	11	Yes		
RCW	310-320	Originally Reported Social Security Tax Withheld	11	No		

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RCW	321-331	Correct Social Security Tax Withheld	11	Yes
RCW	332-342	Originally Reported Medicare Wages/Tips	11	No
RCW	343-353	Correct Medicare Wages/Tips	11	Yes
RCW	354-364	Originally Reported Medicare Taxes Withheld	11	No
RCW	365-375	Correct Medicare Taxes Withheld	11	Yes
RCW	376-386	Originally Reported Social Security Tips	11	No
RCW	387-397	Correct Social Security Tips	11	Yes
RCW	398-408	Originally Reported Advance Earned Income Credit	11	No
RCW	409-419	Correct Advance Earned Income Credit	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.
RCW	420-430	Originally Reported Dependent Care Benefits	11	No
RCW	431-441	Correct Dependent Care Benefits	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RCW	442-452	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k)	11	No
RCW	453-463	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 401(k)	11	Yes Only use if original submission was via an MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online. Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin
				Islands, American Samoa, Guam, or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RCW	464-474	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	11	No
RCW	475-485	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 403(b)	11	Yes Only use if original submission was via an MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online.
				Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RCW	486-496	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	11	No

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RCW	497-507	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 408(k)(6)	11	Yes Only use if original submission was via an MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online. Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RCW	508-518	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457 (b)	11	No
RCW	519-529	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 457 (b)	11	Yes Only use if original submission was via an MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online. Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or
RCW	530-540	Originally Reported Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)	11	Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RCW	541-551	Correct Deferred Compensation Contributions to Section 501(c)(18)(D)	11	Yes Only use if original submission was via an MMREF-1 file, paper W-2 or W-2 Online. Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or
RCW	552-562	Originally Reported Total Deferred Compensation Contributions	11	Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RCW	563-573	Correct Total Deferred Compensation Contributions	11	Yes Only use if original submission was in TIB format. Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RCW	574-584	Originally Reported Military Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay	11	No
RCW	585-595	Correct Reported Military Basic Quarters, Subsistence and Combat Pay	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees. Valid for tax years 1995 – 2001 only.

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?		
RCW	596-606	Originally Reported Non- qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or Contributions	11	No		
RCW	607-617	Correct Non-qualified Plan Section 457 Distributions or Contributions	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.		
RCW	618-628	Originally Reported Employer Contributions to a Health Savings Account	11	No		
RCW	629-639	Correct Employer Contributions to a Health Savings Account	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, or Northern Mariana Islands employees.		
RCW	640-650	Originally Reported Non- qualified Plan Not Section 457 Distributions or Contributions	11	No		
RCW	651-661	Correct Non-qualified Plan Not Section 457 Distributions or Contributions	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.		
RCW	662-705	Blank	44			
RCW	706-716	Originally Reported Employer Cost of Premiums for Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	No		
RCW	717-727	Correct Employer Cost of Premiums for Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.		
RCW	728-738	Originally Reported Income from the Exercise of Non- statutory Stock Options	11	No		
RCW	739-749	Correct Income from the Exercise of Non-statutory Stock Options	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico employees.		
RCW	750-1002	Blank	253			
RCW	1003	Originally Reported Statutory Employee Indicator	1	No		
RCW	1004	Correct Statutory Employee Indicator	1	Yes		
RCW	1005	Originally Reported Retirement Plan Indicator	1	No		
RCW	1006	Correct Retirement Plan Indicator	1	Yes		
RCW	1007	Originally Reported Third-Party Sick Pay Indicator	1	No		
RCW	1008	Correct Third-Party Sick Pay Indicator	1	Yes		
RCW	1009- 1024	Blank	16			

RECORD	POSITION	FIELD	LENGTH	CORRECTABLE?
RCO	1-3	Record Identifier	3	
RCO	4-12	Blank	9	
RCO	13-23	Originally Reported Allocated Tips	11	No
RCO	24-34	Correct Allocated Tips	11	Yes Does not apply to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam or Northern Mariana Islands employees.
RCO	35-45	Originally Reported Uncollected Employee Tax on Tips	11	No
RCO	46-56	Correct Uncollected Employee Tax on Tips	11	Yes
RCO	57-67	Originally Reported Medical Savings Account	11	No
RCO	68-78	Correct Medical Savings Account	11	Yes
RCO	79-89	Originally Reported Simple Retirement Account	11	No
RCO	90-100	Correct Simple Retirement Account	11	Yes
RCO	101-111	Originally Reported Qualified Adoption Expenses	11	No
RCO	112-122	Correct Qualified Adoption Expenses	11	Yes
RCO	123-133	Originally Reported Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	No
RCO	134-144	Correct Uncollected Social Security or RRTA Tax on Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	Yes
RCO	145-155	Originally Reported Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	No
RCO	156-166	Correct Uncollected Medicare Tax on Cost of Group Term Life Insurance Over \$50,000	11	Yes
RCO	167-1024	Blank	858	

15.0 APPENDIX D - EXAMPLE OF REPORTING W-2C INFORMATION

Background

The ABC Corporation issued two W-2s to an employee with a Social Security Number (SSN) of 999-55-8888. The amount of Social Security Wages on the second W-2 was incorrect and needs to be corrected to \$3,000.00.

Original W-2s Submitted	W-2 (#1)	W-2 (#2)
Social Security Wages	9000.00	5000.00
Social Security Tax	675.00	225.00
Wages, Tips and Other Compensation	9000.00	3000.00
Federal Income Tax Withheld	1800.00	600.00

Correction Techniques

This problem can be corrected by (1) preparing and submit a W-2c for the incorrect W-2, <u>or</u> (2) preparing and submitting a W-2c that combines and corrects the data reported on both W-2s. Examples of these correction techniques are shown below.

• Prepare and submit a W-2c for the incorrect W-2, where:

	Original	Correct
Social Security Wages	5000.00	3000.00

• Prepare and submit a W-2c that combines the data reported on both W-2s:

First, compute combined originally reported Social Security Wages:

9000.00 (Social Security Wages originally reported on W-2 #1)

<u>+ 5000.00</u> (Social Security Wages originally reported on W-2 #2)

A 14000.00 (combined Social Security Wages originally reported)

Second, compute difference between amount originally reported and correct Social Security Wages:

5000.00 (Social Security Wages originally reported on W-2 #2)

<u>- 3000.00</u> (Social Security Wages that should have been reported on W-2 #2)

B 2000.00 (difference between originally reported and correct Social Security Wages)

Third, compute the combined correct amount of Social Security Wages by subtracting the difference between reported and correct Social Security Wages from the combined Social Security Wages originally reported.

A 14000.00 (combined social Security Wages originally reported)

B <u>- 2000.00</u> (difference between reported and correct Social Security Wages)

C12000.00(combined correct Social Security Wages)

Finally, prepare and submit the W-2c, with the combined correct Social Security Wages:

	Original	Correct
Social Security Wages	14000.00	12000.00

16.0 APPENDIX E - RECORD SEQUENCING EXAMPLES

Each example makes use of only a small number of employees and employers. Actual MMREF-2 files may contain many more employees and employers than these examples. If only a small number of corrections to a previously filed Form W-2 data is being made, they are not required to be filed on magnetic media or electronically; however, doing so will enhance the timeliness and accuracy of the corrections process.

EXAMPLE 1	EXAMPLE 2
A company needs to submit form W-2c	A local government agency needs to submit Form
information for three of its employees. The	W-2c information for four of its employees. One
company has one EIN, no Establishments and	employee works in employment code "R" (Regular)
only one employment code. The file should be	and the other three employees work in employment
sequenced as follows:	code "Q" - Medicare Qualified Government
	Employment (MQGE). The file should be sequenced
	as follows:
RCA (ACE TRUCKERS)	RCA (COUNTY PAYROLL)
RCE (Ace Truckers)	RCE (County DPW – Regular Employee)
RCW	RCW
RCW	RCT
RCW	RCE (County DPW – MQGE Employees)
RCT	RCW
RCF	RCW
	RCW
	RCT
	RCF

EXAMPLE 3	EXAMPLE 4
The SMF Corporation needs to submit form	The ABC company needs to submit Form W-2c
W-2c information for one of its employees in	information for two of its employees correcting
Establishment 0001, for two of its employees in	information on the RCW and RCO Records. Also the
Establishment 0002 and for three employees in	ABC Company needs to submit correction
a subsidiary corporation with a different EIN.	information on the RCS Record.
The file should be sequenced as follows:	
RCA (SMF CORPORATION)	RCA (ABC COMPANY)
RCE (SMF Corporation - Establishment 0001)	RCE (ABC Company)
RCW	RCW
RCT	RCO
RCE (SMF Corporation - Establishment 0002)	RCS
RCW	RCW
RCW	RCO
RCT	RCS
RCE (SMF Industries, Inc – a Subsidiary)	RCT
RCW	RCU
RCW	RCF
RCT	
RCF	

17.0 APPENDIX F - ACCEPTABLE CHARACTER SETS

The following charts contain the character sets that we can either directly read or translate. The translations are shown character for character, i.e., unpacked. The charts do not show every character for each character set, just the most commonly used characters.

EBCDIC			ASCII-1		ASCII-2			
(For tape/o	(For tape/cartridge or EDT only)							
Character	Hexadecimal Value	Decimal Value	Character	Hexadecimal Value	Decimal Value	Character	Hexadecimal Value	Decimal Value
+0	C0	192	0	30	48	0	B0	176
А	C1	193	1	31	49	1	B1	177
В	C2	194	2	32	50	2	B2	178
С	C3	195	3	33	51	3	B3	179
D	C4	196	4	34	52	4	B4	180
Е	C5	197	5	35	53	5	B5	181
F	C6	198	6	36	54	6	B6	182
G	C7	199	7	37	55	7	B7	183
Н	C8	200	8	38	56	8	B8	184
Ι	C9	201	9	39	57	9	B9	185
J	D1	209	А	41	65	А	C1	193
Κ	D2	210	В	42	66	В	C2	194
L	D3	211	С	43	67	С	C3	195
М	D4	212	D	44	68	D	C4	196
Ν	D5	213	Е	45	69	Е	C5	197
0	D6	214	F	46	70	F	C6	198
Р	D7	215	G	47	71	G	C7	199
Q	D8	216	Н	48	72	Н	C8	200
R	D9	217	Ι	49	73	Ι	C9	201
S	E2	226	J	4A	74	J	CA	202
Т	E3	227	Κ	4B	75	Κ	CB	203
U	E4	228	L	4C	76	L	CC	204
V	E5	229	М	4D	77	М	CD	205
W	E6	230	Ν	4E	78	Ν	CE	206
Х	E7	231	0	4F	79	0	CF	207
Y	E8	232	Р	50	80	Р	D0	208
Ζ	E9	233	Q	51	81	Q	D1	209
0	F0	240	R	52	82	R	D2	210
1	F1	241	S	53	83	S	D3	211
2	F2	242	Т	54	84	Т	D4	212
3	F3	243	U	55	85	U	D5	213
4	F4	244	V	56	86	V	D6	214
5	F5	245	W	57	87	W	D7	215
6	F6	246	Х	58	88	Х	D8	216
7	F7	247	Y	59	89	Y	D9	217
8	F8	248	Z	5A	90	Z	DA	218
9	F9	249	Blank	20	32	Blank	A0	160
Blank	40	64	Apostrophe	27	39	Apostrophe	A7	167
Hyphen	60	96	Hyphen	2D	45	Hyphen	AD	173
Apostrophe	7D	125						

18.0 APPENDIX G - POSTAL ABBREVIATIONS AND NUMERIC CODES

		NUMERIC			NUMERIC
STATE	ABBREVIATION	CODE*	STATE	ABBREVIATION	CODE*
Alabama	AL	01	Montana	MT	30
Alaska	AK	02	Nebraska	NE	31
Arizona	AZ	04	Nevada	NV	32
Arkansas	AR	05	New Hampshire	NH	33
California	CA	06	New Jersey	NJ	34
Colorado	CO	08	New Mexico	NM	35
Connecticut	СТ	09	New York	NY	36
Delaware	DE	10	North Carolina	NC	37
District of Columbia	DC	11	North Dakota	ND	38
Florida	FL	12	Ohio	OH	39
Georgia	GA	13	Oklahoma	OK	40
Hawaii	HI	15	Oregon	OR	41
Idaho	ID	16	Pennsylvania	PA	42
Illinois	IL	17	Rhode Island	RI	44
Indiana	IN	18	South Carolina	SC	45
Iowa	IA	19	South Dakota	SD	46
Kansas	KS	20	Tennessee	TN	47
Kentucky	KY	21	Texas	TX	48
Louisiana	LA	22	Utah	UT	49
Maine	ME	23	Vermont	VT	50
Maryland	MD	24	Virginia	VA	51
Massachusetts	MA	25	Washington	WA	53
Michigan	MI	26	West Virginia	WV	54
Minnesota	MN	27	Wisconsin	WI	55
Mississippi	MS	28	Wyoming	WY	56
Missouri	МО	29		-	

18.1 U.S. States

*Use on Code RS State Records only

18.2 U.S. Territories and Possessions and Military Post Offices	18.2	U.S. Territories	and Possessions a	nd Military	Post Offices
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		MILITARY POST	
TERRITORIES AND		OFFICES	
POSSESSIONS	ABBREVIATION	formerly APO and FPO	ABBREVIATION
American Samoa	AS	Alaska and the Pacific	AP
Guam	GU	Canada, Europe, Africa	AE
		and Middle East	
Northern Mariana Islands	MP	Central and South America	AA
Puerto Rico	PR	Contingency Operations	AC
Virgin Islands	VI		

19.0 APPENDIX H - COUNTRY CODES

COUNTRY	CODE	COUNTRY	CODE
Afghanistan	AF	Cayman Islands	CJ
Albania	AL	Central African Republic	СТ
Algeria	AG	Chad	CD
Andorra	AN	Chile	CI
Angola	AO	China, People's Republic of	СН
Anguilla	AV	Christmas Island (Indian Ocean)	KT
Antarctica	AY	Clipperton Island	IP
Antigua and Barbuda	AC	Cocos (Keeling) Islands	СК
Argentina	AR	Colombia	СО
Armenia	AM	Comoros	CN
Aruba	AA	Congo	CG
Ashmore and Cartier Islands	AT	Cook Islands	CW
Australia	AS	Coral Sea Islands Territory	CR
Austria	AU	Costa Rica	CS
Azerbaijan	AJ	Cote d'ivoire (Ivory Coast)	IV
Bahamas, The	BF	Croatia	HR
Bahrain	BA	Cuba	CU
Baker Island	FQ	Cyprus	CY
Bangladesh	BG	Czech Republic	EZ
Barbados	BB	Denmark	DA
Bassas da India	BS	Djibouti	DJ
Belarus	BO	Dominica	DO
Belgium	BE	Dominican Republic	DR
Belize	BH	East Timor	TT
Benin	BN	Ecuador	EC
Bermuda	BD	Egypt	EG
Bhutan	BT	El Salvador	ES
Bolivia	BL	Equatorial Guinea	EK
Bosnia-Herzegovina	BK	Eritrea	ER
Botswana	BC	Estonia	EN
Bouvet Island	BV	Ethiopia	ET
Brazil	BR	Europa Island	EU
British Indian Ocean Territory	IO	Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas)	FK
Brunei	BX	Faroe Islands	FO
Bulgaria	BU	Fiji	FJ
Burkina Faso	UV	Finland	FI
Burma	BM	France	FR
Burundi	BY	French Guiana	FG
Cambodia	СВ	French Polynesia	FP
Cameroon	СМ	French Southern and Antarctic	FS
Canada	СА	Lands	
Cape Verde	CV	Gabon	GB

COUNTRY	CODE	COUNT
Gambia, The	GA	Korea,
Gaza Strip	GZ	Kuwai
Georgia	GG	Kyrgyz
Germany	GM	Laos
Ghana	GH	Latvia
Gibraltar	GI	Lebano
Glorioso Islands	GO	Lesoth
Greece	GR	Liberia
Greenland	GL	Libya
Grenada	GJ	Liechte
Guadeloupe	GP	Lithua
Guatemala	GT	Luxem
Guernsey	GK	Macau
Guinea	GV	Maced
Guinea-Bissau	PU	Madag
Guyana	GY	Malaw
Haiti	НА	Malays
Heard Island and McDonald Island	HM	Maldiv
Honduras	НО	Mali
Hong Kong	HK	Malta
Howland Island	HQ	Man, I
Hungary	HU	Marsh
Iceland	IC	Martin
India	IN	Maurit
Indonesia	ID	Maurit
Iran	IR	Mayot
Iraq	IZ	Mexico
Iraq-Saudi Arabia Neutral Zone	IY	Micror
Ireland	EI	Midwa
Israel	IS	Moldo
Italy	IT	Monac
Jamaica	JM	Mongo
Jan Mayan	JN	Monts
Japan	JA	Moroc
Jarvis Island	DQ	Mozan
Jersey	JE	Nambi
Johnston Atoll	JQ	Nauru
Jordan	JO	Navass
Juan de Nova Island	JU	Nepal
Kazakhstan	KZ	Nether
Kenya	KE	Nether
Kingman Reef	KQ	New C
Kiribati	KP	New Z
Korea, Democratic People's	KI	Nicara
Republic of (North)		Niger
Republic of (Horun)	1	Inigel

COUNTRY	CODE
Korea, Republic of (South)	CODE KS
Kuwait	KU
Kyrgyzstan	KG
Laos	LA
Latvia	
Lebanon	LE
Lesotho	
Liberia	LI
Libya	LY
Liechtenstein	
Lithuania	LH
Luxembourg	LU
Macau	MC
Macedonia	MK
Madagascar	MA
Malawi	MI
Malaysia	MY
Maldives	MV
Mali	ML
Malta	MT
Man, Isle of	IM
Marshall Islands	RM
Martinique	MB
Mauritania	MR
Mauritius	MP
Mayotte	MF
Mexico	MX
Micronesia, Federated States of	FM
Midway Islands	MQ
Moldova	MD
Monaco	MN
Mongolia	MG
Montserrat	MH
Morocco	MO
Mozambique	MZ
Nambia	WA
Nauru	NR
Navassa Island	BQ
Nepal	NP
Netherlands	NL
Netherlands Antilles	NT
New Caledonia	NC
New Zealand	NZ
Nicaragua	NU
Niger	NG

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COUNTRY	CODE	COUNTRY
Nigeria	NI	Sri Lanka
Niue	NE	Sudan
Norfolk Island	NF	Suriname
Northern Ireland	UK	Svalbard
Norway	NO	Swaziland
Oman	MU	Sweden
Pakistan	РК	Switzerland
Palau	PS	Syria
Palmyra Atoll	LQ	Taiwan
Panama	PM	Tajikistan
Papua New Guinea	PP	Tanzania, United Republic of
Paracel Islands	PF	Thailand
Paraguay	PA	Togo
Peru	PE	Tokelau
Philippines	RP	Tonga
Pitcairn Island	PC	Trinidad and Tobago
Poland	PL	Tromelin Island
Portugal	РО	Tunisia
Qatar	QA	Turkey
Reunion	RE	Turkmenistan
Romania	RO	Turks and Caicos Islands
Russia	RS	Tuvalu
Rwanda	RW	Uganda
St Kitts and Nevis	SC	Ukraine
St Helena	SH	United Arab Emirates
St Lucia	ST	United Kingdom
St Pierre and Miquelon	SB	Uruguay
St Vincent and the Grenadines	VC	Uzbekistan
Samoa	WS	Vanuatu
San Marino	SM	Vatican City
Sao Tome and Principe	TP	Venezuela
Saudi Arabia	SA	Vietnam
Senegal	SG	Virgin Islands (British)
Seychelles	SE	Wake Island
Sierra Leone	SL	Wallis and Futuna
Singapore	SN	West Bank
Slovakia	LO	Western Sahara
Slovenia	SI	Yemen
Solomon Islands	BP	Yugoslavia
Somalia	SO	Zambia
South Africa	SF	Zimbabwe
South Georgia and South	SX	Other Countries
Sandwich Islands		
Spain	SP	
Spratly Islands	PG	

20.0 APPENDIX I – MAXIMUM WAGE AND TAX TABLE

	SO	SOCIAL SECURITY		SOCIAL SECURITY MEDICARE		
YEAR	Employee and Employer Tax Rate	Maximum Amount of Taxed Earnings	Employee Maximum Annual Tax	Employee and Employer Tax Rate	Maximum Amount of Taxed Earnings	Employee Maximum Annual Tax
1978	6.050 %	\$17,700.00	\$1,070.85			
1979	6.130 %	\$22,900.00	\$1,403.77			
1980	6.130 %	\$25,900.00	\$1,587.67			
1981	6.650 %	\$29,700.00	\$1,975.05			
1982	6.700 %	\$32,400.00	\$2,170.80			
1983	6.700 %	\$35,700.00	\$2,391.90			
1984	6.700 %	\$37,800.00	\$2,532.60			
1985	7.050 %	\$39,600.00	\$2,791.80			
1986	7.150 %	\$42,000.00	\$3,003.00			
1987	7.150 %	\$43,800.00	\$3,131.70			
1988	7.510 %	\$45,800.00	\$3,439.58			
1989	7.510 %	\$48,000.00	\$3,604.80			
1990	7.650 %	\$51,300.00	\$3,924.45			
1991	6.200 %	\$53,400.00	\$3,310.80	1.450 %	\$125,000.00	\$1,812.50
1992	6.200 %	\$55,500.00	\$3,441.00	1.450 %	\$130,200.00	\$1,887.90
1993	6.200 %	\$57,600.00	\$3,571.20	1.450 %	\$135,000.00	\$1,957.50
1994	6.200 %	\$60,600.00	\$3,757.20	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
1995	6.200 %	\$61,200.00	\$3,794.40	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
1996	6.200 %	\$62,700.00	\$3,887.40	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
1997	6.200 %	\$65,400.00	\$4,054.80	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
1998	6.200 %	\$68,400.00	\$4,240.80	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
1999	6.200 %	\$72,600.00	\$4,501.20	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
2000	6.200 %	\$76,200.00	\$4,724.40	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
2001	6.200 %	\$80,400.00	\$4,984.80	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
2002	6.200 %	\$84,900.00	\$5,263.80	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
2003	6.200 %	\$87,000.00	\$5,394.00	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum
2004	6.200 %	\$87,900.00	\$5,449.80	1.450 %	No Maximum	No Maximum

21.0 APPENDIX J - GLOSSARY

TERM	DESCRIPTION
AccuWage	A self-extracting compressed file that you can download from SSA's employer Internet site to your IBM compatible personal computer to verify that your file complies with the MMREF-1 format for this tax year.
AccuW2C	A self-extracting compressed file that you can download from SSA's employer Internet site to your work station to verify that your file complies with the MMREF-2 format for a given tax year.
Agent	An agent as defined in this publication is either a Form 2678 Procedure Agent approved by IRS or is a common paymaster (a corporation that pays an employee who works for two or more related corporations at the same time).
ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange. One of the acceptable character sets used for electronic processing of data.
BDW	Block Descriptor Word. A control field used in electronic data processing to identify the length of a physical record on a magnetic tape. The BDW usually precedes the physical record.
Block	A number of logical records grouped and written together as a single unit on a magnetic tape or Electronic Data Transfer (EDT) for reporting W-2 Copy A data to SSA.
BPI	Bytes per inch. Same as characters per inch.
BSO	Business Services Online. A suite of business services for companies to conduct business with the Social Security Administration.
Byte	A computer unit of measure; one byte contains eight bits and stores one character.
Character	A letter, number or punctuation symbol.
Character set	A group of unique electronic definitions for all letters, numbers and punctuation symbols; example: EBCDIC, ASCII.
Common paymaster	The corporation that pays an employee who works for two or more intra- related corporations at the same time.
СРІ	Characters Per Inch. The number of characters recorded per inch on magnetic tape.
Decimal value	A character's equivalent in a numbering system using base 10.
EBCDIC	Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code. One of the acceptable character sets used for electronic processing of data.
EDT	Electronic Data Transfer. A system that connects SSA's National Computer Center with various states, Federal agencies and SSA sites via a dedicated telecommunication line.

TERM	DESCRIPTION
EIN	Employer Identification Number. A nine digit number assigned by the IRS to an organization for Federal tax reporting purposes.
Establishment number	A four-position identifier determined by the employer which further distinguishes the employer reported in a Code RE Record.
File	Each file must begin with a Code RCA Record and end with a Code RCF Record.
Form 2678	Employer Appointment of Agent. An IRS form used to request an agent.
Form 499R-2/W-2PR	A bilingual form sent to SSA, used to report wage and tax data for employees in Puerto Rico.
Form 499R-2c/W-2cPR	A bilingual form sent to SSA used to correct a previously filed form 499R-2/W-2PR.
Form 6559	Transmitter Report and Summary of Magnetic Media. A form sent to SSA, used by magnetic tape and cartridge submitters as a transmittal that accompanies a tape or cartridge.
Form 6559A	Form 6559 Continuation Sheet. A form sent to SSA, used if more than two employers are being reported on a magnetic tape or cartridge.
Form 8508	An IRS form used to request from IRS a waiver of filing W-2 reports on magnetic media.
Form 8809	An IRS form used to request from IRS an extension for filing W-2 reports.
Form W-2	Wage and Tax Statement. An IRS form sent to SSA used to report wage and tax data for employees.
Form W-2AS	Wage and Tax Statement. An IRS form sent to SSA used to report wage and tax data for employees in American Samoa.
Form W-2c	Corrected Wage and Tax Statement. An IRS form sent to SSA used to correct W-2 Copy A information.
Form W-2CM	Wage and Tax Statement. An IRS form sent to SSA used to report wage and tax data for employees in Northern Mariana Islands.
Form W-2GU	Wage and Tax Statement. An IRS form sent to SSA used to report wage and tax data for employees in Guam.
Form W-2VI	Wage and Tax Statement. An IRS form sent to SSA used to report wage and tax data for employees in the Virgin Islands.
Form W-3	Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements. An IRS form sent to SSA with Forms W-2.
Form W-3c	Transmittal of Corrected Wage and Tax Statements. An IRS form sent to SSA with Forms W-2c.
Form W-3cPR	Transmittal of Corrected Income and Tax Statements. An IRS transmittal form sent to SSA with Forms 499R-2c/W-2cPR for employees in Puerto Rico.

TERM	DESCRIPTION
Form W-3PR	Transmittal of Withholding Statements. An IRS form sent to SSA with Forms 499R-2/W-2PR for employees in Puerto Rico.
Form W-3SS	Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements. An IRS transmittal form sent to SSA with Forms W-2GU, W-2AS, W-2VI and W-2CM.
Header labels	Sets of records that precede data records on a magnetic tape file.
Hexadecimal	A numbering system using base 16 rather than base 10.
Internal labels	Sets of records that precede (i.e., header labels) and follow (i.e., trailer labels) data records on a magnetic tape file.
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
Logical record	For the purpose of this publication, any of the required or optional Records defined in Section 4.
MMREF-1	Magnetic Media Reporting and Electronic Filing -1. Specifications for submitting Annual W-2 Copy A information to SSA.
MMREF-2	Magnetic Media Reporting and Electronic Filing-2. Specifications for submitting <i>corrections</i> of W-2 Copy A information to SSA.
MQGE	Medicare Qualified Government Employment. This applies to Federal, State and local employees who have wages that are subject to ONLY the health insurance tax but not Social Security.
Physical record	A number of logical records grouped and written together as a single unit on a magnetic tape or EDT for reporting W-2 Copy A data to SSA.
Record Descriptor Word	RDW – A control field used in electronic processing to identify the length of a logical record. The RDW usually precedes the logical record.
Reporting representative	An individual or organization authorized to submit wage and tax reports for one or more employers.
Retirement plan indicator	An indicator used when an employee has participated in an employer maintained retirement plan or a collectively bargained plan; this indicator is not applicable for nonqualified plan or section 457 plan contributions.
SSA	Social Security Administration
State employer account number	An number assigned by a state to an employer for the purpose of filing wage and tax reports to state or local government taxing agencies.
Statutory employee indicator	An indicator used when employee wages are subject to Social Security and Medicare withholding but not to Federal income tax withholding.
Submitter	Person, organization, or reporting representative submitting a file to SSA.
Tapemark	A single-character control record used for separating internal labels and files on magnetic tape.
Third-party sick pay indicator	An indicator used when a third-party sick pay payer files a W-2 for an insured's employee or an employer reporting sick pay payments made by a third party.

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TERM	DESCRIPTION
Trailer labels	Sets of records that follow data records on a magnetic tape file.
WFID	Wage File Identifier. A unique number assigned by SSA to a WageReport submission (formerly TLCN [Tape Library Control Number]).