

846 Inventory Inquiry/Advice

X12/V5010/846: 846 Inventory Inquiry/Advice

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Inventory Inquiry/Advice

Functional Group=IB

Purpose: This X12 Transaction Set contains the format and establishes the data contents of the Inventory Inquiry/Advice Transaction Set (846) for use within the context of an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) environment. The transaction set can be used in the following ways: (1) for a seller of goods and services to provide inventory information to a prospective purchaser, with no obligation to the purchaser to acquire these goods or services; (2) for a representative of a seller of goods and services to supply inventory information to that seller; (3) for one location to supply another location with inventory information; and (4) for an inquiry as to the availability of inventory with no obligation on the seller of goods and services to reserve that inventory.

Heading:

Pos	Id	Segment Name	Req	Max Use	Repeat	Notes	Usage
0100	ST	Transaction Set Header	M	1			Must use
0200	BIA	Beginning Segment for Inventory Inquiry/Advice	M	1			Must use
0600	REF	Reference Information	M	1			Must use
0700	PER	Administrative Communications Contact	O	1			Used
LOOP ID - N1					1		
0800	N1	Party Identification	M	1			Must use
1000	N3	Party Location	M	2			Must use
1100	N4	Geographic Location	M	1			Must use

Detail:

Pos	Id	Segment Name	Req	Max Use	Repeat	Notes	Usage
LOOP ID - LIN					10000		
0100	LIN	Item Identification	M	1			Must use
0300	PID	Product/Item Description	O	1			Must use
LOOP ID - QTY					99		
3200	QTY	Quantity Information	M	1			Must use
3550	DTM	Date/Time Reference	M	10			Must use

Summary:

Pos	Id	Segment Name	Req	Max Use	Repeat	Notes	Usage
0100	CTT	Transaction Totals	O	1		N3/0100	Used
0200	SE	Transaction Set Trailer	M	1			Must use

Notes:

3/0100 Number of line items (CTT01) is the accumulation of number of LIN segments. If used, hash total (CTT02) is the sum of the values of the quantities (QTY02) of each QTY segment.

General Usage:

In order to provide GovX.com with visibility to our trading partners on-hand Inventory, we are requiring an inventory data feed from each supplier via EDI 846. Suppliers are required to follow the requirements below;

- GovX would like frequent updates of available inventory throughout the day however at a minimum a file must be sent at least once a day. If only daily files are provided, please transmit during the early morning hours so that the data can be analyzed during our morning processing.
- Inventory does not need to represent an allocation specific to GovX.com
- The files are to represent Corporate level quantities regardless of the number of ship from

locations a supplier may have.

The files are to only include items that both GovX.com and the suppliers have agreed to support.

Suppliers are to include all items being supported even if the on-hand inventory is zero.

- Exclusion of an item will be considered the item being out of stock and may result in that item being removed from the GovX.com consumer website.

ST Transaction Set Header

Pos: 0100	Max: 1
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 2

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To indicate the start of a transaction set and to assign a control number

Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
ST01	143	Transaction Set Identifier Code	M	ID	3/3	Must use

Description: Code uniquely identifying a Transaction Set

CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 318, Included: 1)

<u>Code</u>	<u>Name</u>
846	Inventory Inquiry/Advice

ST02	329	Transaction Set Control Number	M	AN	4/9	Must use
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Description: Identifying control number that must be unique within the transaction set functional group assigned by the originator for a transaction set

Semantics:

1. The transaction set identifier (ST01) is used by the translation routines of the interchange partners to select the appropriate transaction set definition (e.g., 810 selects the Invoice Transaction Set).
2. The implementation convention reference (ST03) is used by the translation routines of the interchange partners to select the appropriate implementation convention to match the transaction set definition. When used, this implementation convention reference takes precedence over the implementation reference specified in the GS08.

BIA Beginning Segment for Inventory Inquiry/Advice

Pos: 0200	Max: 1
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 4

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To indicate the beginning of an Inventory Inquiry/Advice Transaction Set

Element Summary:

Ref	Id	Element Name	Req	Type	Min/Max	Usage
BIA01	353	Transaction Set Purpose Code	M	ID	2/2	Must use
Description: Code identifying purpose of transaction set						
CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 66, Included: 1)						
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
		00		Original		
BIA02	755	Report Type Code	M	ID	2/2	Must use
Description: Code indicating the title or contents of a document, report or supporting item						
CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 541, Included: 1)						
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
		MB		Manufacturer/Distributor Inventory Report		
BIA03	127	Reference Identification	M	AN	1/50	Must use
Description: Reference information as defined for a particular Transaction Set or as specified by the Reference Identification Qualifier						
User Note 1: <i>Unique Reference Number to identify the 846</i>						
BIA04	373	Date	M	DT	8/8	Must use
Description: Date expressed as CCYYMMDD where CC represents the first two digits of the calendar year						

Semantics:

1. BIA03 identifies the number of the inquiry/advice that is transferred.
2. BIA04 identifies the date of the inquiry/advice that is transferred.
3. BIA05 identifies the time of the inquiry/advice that is transferred.

REF Reference Information

Pos: 0600	Max: 1
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 2

User Option (Usage): Must use
Purpose: To specify identifying information

Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
REF01	128	Reference Identification Qualifier	M	ID	2/3	Must use
		Description: Code qualifying the Reference Identification				
		CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 1731, Included: 1)				
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
		IA		Internal Vendor Number		
REF02	127	Reference Identification	M	AN	1/50	Must use

Description: Reference information as defined for a particular Transaction Set or as specified by the Reference Identification Qualifier

User Note 1: One iteration of the REF segment is required for the GovX.com assigned internal vendor ID (REF01=IA).

Syntax Rules:

1. R0203 - At least one of REF02 or REF03 is required.

Semantics:

1. REF04 contains data relating to the value cited in REF02.

PER Administrative Communications Contact

Pos: 0700	Max: 1
Heading - Optional	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 6

User Option (Usage): Used

Purpose: To identify a person or office to whom administrative communications should be directed

Element Summary:

Ref	Id	Element Name	Req	Type	Min/Max	Usage
PER01	366	Contact Function Code	M	ID	2/2	Must use

Description: Code identifying the major duty or responsibility of the person or group named

CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 238, Included: 1)

Code	Name
IC	Information Contact

PER02	93	Name	O	AN	1/60	Used
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Description: Free-form name

PER03	365	Communication Number Qualifier	X	ID	2/2	Used
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Description: Code identifying the type of communication number

CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 42, Included: 2)

Code	Name
EM	Electronic Mail
TE	Telephone

PER04	364	Communication Number	X	AN	1/256	Used
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Description: Complete communications number including country or area code when applicable

PER05	365	Communication Number Qualifier	X	ID	2/2	Used
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Description: Code identifying the type of communication number

CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 42, Included: 2)

Code	Name
EM	Electronic Mail
TE	Telephone

PER06	364	Communication Number	X	AN	1/256	Used
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Description: Complete communications number including country or area code when applicable

Syntax Rules:

1. P0304 - If either PER03 or PER04 is present, then the other is required.
2. P0506 - If either PER05 or PER06 is present, then the other is required.
3. P0708 - If either PER07 or PER08 is present, then the other is required.

Loop Party Identification

Pos: 0800 Repeat: 1
 Optional
 Loop: N1 Elements: N/A

User Option (Usage): Used

Purpose: To identify a party by type of organization, name, and code

Loop Summary:

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Segment Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Max Use</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Usage</u>
0800	N1	Party Identification	M	1		Must use
1000	N3	Party Location	M	2		Must use
1100	N4	Geographic Location	M	1		Must use

N1 Party Identification

Pos: 0800	Max: 1
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N1	Elements: 4

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To identify a party by type of organization, name, and code

Element Summary:

Ref	Id	Element Name	Req	Type	Min/Max	Usage						
N101	98	Entity Identifier Code	M	ID	2/3	Must use						
<p>Description: Code identifying an organizational entity, a physical location, property or an individual</p> <p>CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 1500, Included: 1)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Code</th> <th>Name</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>RL</td> <td>Reporting Location</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>							Code	Name	RL	Reporting Location		
Code	Name											
RL	Reporting Location											
N102	93	Name	M	AN	1/60	Must use						
<p>Description: Free-form name</p>												
N103	66	Identification Code Qualifier	X	ID	1/2	Used						
<p>Description: Code designating the system/method of code structure used for Identification Code (67)</p> <p>CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 241, Included: 2)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Code</th> <th>Name</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>91</td> <td>Assigned by Seller or Seller's Agent</td> </tr> <tr> <td>92</td> <td>Assigned by Buyer or Buyer's Agent</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>							Code	Name	91	Assigned by Seller or Seller's Agent	92	Assigned by Buyer or Buyer's Agent
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N104	67	Identification Code	X	AN	2/80	Used						
<p>Description: Code identifying a party or other code</p>												

Syntax Rules:

1. R0203 - At least one of N102 or N103 is required.
2. P0304 - If either N103 or N104 is present, then the other is required.

Comments:

1. This segment, used alone, provides the most efficient method of providing organizational identification. To obtain this efficiency the "ID Code" (N104) must provide a key to the table maintained by the transaction processing party.
2. N105 and N106 further define the type of entity in N101.

N3 Party Location

Pos: 1000	Max: 2
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N1	Elements: 2

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To specify the location of the named party

Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
N301	166	Address Information	M	AN	1/55	Must use
		Description: Address information				
N302	166	Address Information	O	AN	1/55	Used
		Description: Address information				

N4 Geographic Location

Pos: 1100	Max: 1
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N1	Elements: 4

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To specify the geographic place of the named party

Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
N401	19	City Name	M	AN	2/30	Must use
		Description: Free-form text for city name				
N402	156	State or Province Code	M	ID	2/2	Must use
		Description: Code (Standard State/Province) as defined by appropriate government agency				
N403	116	Postal Code	M	ID	3/15	Must use
		Description: Code defining international postal zone code excluding punctuation and blanks (zip code for United States)				
N404	26	Country Code	O	ID	2/3	Used
		Description: Code identifying the country				

Syntax Rules:

1. E0207 - Only one of N402 or N407 may be present.
2. C0605 - If N406 is present, then N405 is required.
3. C0704 - If N407 is present, then N404 is required.

Comments:

1. A combination of either N401 through N404, or N405 and N406 may be adequate to specify a location.
2. N402 is required only if city name (N401) is in the U.S. or Canada.

Loop Item Identification

Pos: 0100 Repeat: 10000
 Mandatory
 Loop: LIN Elements: N/A

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To specify basic item identification data

Loop Summary:

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Segment Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Max Use</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Usage</u>
0100	LIN	Item Identification	M	1		Must use
0300	PID	Product/Item Description	O	1		Must use
3200		Loop QTY	M		99	Must use

LIN Item Identification

Pos: 0100	Max: 1
Detail - Mandatory	
Loop: LIN	Elements: 7

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To specify basic item identification data

Element Summary:

Ref	Id	Element Name	Req	Type	Min/Max	Usage
LIN01	350	Assigned Identification	O	AN	1/20	Used
		Description: Alphanumeric characters assigned for differentiation within a transaction set				
LIN02	235	Product/Service ID Qualifier	M	ID	2/2	Must use
		Description: Code identifying the type/source of the descriptive number used in Product/Service ID (234)				
		CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 519, Included: 1)				
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
		VN		Vendor's (Seller's) Item Number		
LIN03	234	Product/Service ID	M	AN	1/48	Must use
		Description: Identifying number for a product or service				
LIN04	235	Product/Service ID Qualifier	X	ID	2/2	Used
		Description: Code identifying the type/source of the descriptive number used in Product/Service ID (234)				
		CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 519, Included: 2)				
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
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Syntax Rules:

1. P0405 - If either LIN04 or LIN05 is present, then the other is required.
2. P0809 - If either LIN08 or LIN09 is present, then the other is required.
3. P1011 - If either LIN10 or LIN11 is present, then the other is required.
4. P1213 - If either LIN12 or LIN13 is present, then the other is required.
5. P1415 - If either LIN14 or LIN15 is present, then the other is required.
6. P1617 - If either LIN16 or LIN17 is present, then the other is required.
7. P1819 - If either LIN18 or LIN19 is present, then the other is required.
8. P2021 - If either LIN20 or LIN21 is present, then the other is required.
9. P2223 - If either LIN22 or LIN23 is present, then the other is required.
10. P2425 - If either LIN24 or LIN25 is present, then the other is required.
11. P2627 - If either LIN26 or LIN27 is present, then the other is required.
12. P2829 - If either LIN28 or LIN29 is present, then the other is required.
13. P3031 - If either LIN30 or LIN31 is present, then the other is required.

Semantics:

1. LIN01 is the line item identification

Comments:

1. See the Data Dictionary for a complete list of IDs.
2. LIN02 through LIN31 provide for fifteen different product/service IDs for each item. For example: Case, Color, Drawing No., U.P.C. No., ISBN No., Model No., or SKU.

User Note 1:

The Vendor Item # (VN) is required. However, all item identifiers are recommended.

PID Product/Item Description

Pos: 0300	Max: 1
Detail - Optional	
Loop: LIN	Elements: 3

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To describe a product or process in coded or free-form format

Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
PID01	349	Item Description Type	M	ID	1/1	Must use
Description: Code indicating the format of a description						
CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 3, Included: 1)						
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
		F		Free-form		
PID02	750	Product/Process Characteristic Code	O	ID	2/3	Used
Description: Code identifying the general class of a product or process characteristic						
CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 238, Included: 1)						
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
		08		Product		
PID05	352	Description	X	AN	1/80	Must use
Description: A free-form description to clarify the related data elements and their content						

Syntax Rules:

1. C0403 - If PID04 is present, then PID03 is required.
2. R0405 - At least one of PID04 or PID05 is required.
3. C0703 - If PID07 is present, then PID03 is required.
4. C0804 - If PID08 is present, then PID04 is required.
5. C0905 - If PID09 is present, then PID05 is required.

Semantics:

1. Use PID03 to indicate the organization that publishes the code list being referred to.
2. PID04 should be used for industry-specific product description codes.
3. PID08 describes the physical characteristics of the product identified in PID04. A "Y" indicates that the specified attribute applies to this item; an "N" indicates it does not apply. Any other value is indeterminate.
4. PID09 is used to identify the language being used in PID05.

Comments:

1. If PID01 equals "F", then PID05 is used. If PID01 equals "S", then PID04 is used. If PID01 equals "X", then both PID04 and PID05 are used.
2. Use PID06 when necessary to refer to the product surface or layer being described in the segment.
3. PID07 specifies the individual code list of the agency specified in PID03.

Loop Quantity Information

Pos: 3200 Repeat: 99
 Mandatory
 Loop: QTY Elements: N/A

User Option (Usage): Must use
Purpose: To specify quantity information

Loop Summary:

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Segment Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Max Use</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Usage</u>
3200	QTY	Quantity Information	M	1		Must use
3550	DTM	Date/Time Reference	M	10		Must use

QTY Quantity Information

Pos: 3200	Max: 1
Detail - Mandatory	
Loop: QTY	Elements: 3

User Option (Usage): Must use
Purpose: To specify quantity information

Element Summary:

Ref	Id	Element Name	Req	Type	Min/Max	Usage
QTY01	673	Quantity Qualifier	M	ID	2/2	Must use

Description: Code specifying the type of quantity

CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 1123, Included: 1)

Code	Name
33	Quantity Available for Sale (stock quantity)

QTY02	380	Quantity	M	R	1/15	Must use
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Description: Numeric value of quantity

QTY03	C001	Composite Unit of Measure	M	Comp		Must use
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Description: To identify a composite unit of measure (See Figures Appendix for examples of use)

QTY03-01	355	Unit or Basis for Measurement Code	M	ID	2/2	Must use
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Description: Code specifying the units in which a value is being expressed, or manner in which a measurement has been taken

CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 844, Included: 1)

Code	Name
EA	Each

Semantics:

1. QTY04 is used when the quantity is non-numeric.

User Note 1:

Please send multiple QTY/DTM segments if quantities are available on different dates.
 For example: 15 are available on 4/30/2014 and 25 are available on 6/1/2014

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QTY*33*15*EA
DTM*018*20140430
QTY*33*25*EA
DTM*018*20140601
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DTM Date/Time Reference

Pos: 3550	Max: 10
Detail - Mandatory	
Loop: QTY	Elements: 2

User Option (Usage): Must use
Purpose: To specify pertinent dates and times

Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
DTM01	374	Date/Time Qualifier	M	ID	3/3	Must use

Description: Code specifying type of date or time, or both date and time

CodeList Summary (Total Codes: 1280, Included: 2)

<u>Code</u>	<u>Name</u>
018	Available
036	Expiration

User Note 1:
Discontinue Date

DTM02	373	Date	M	DT	8/8	Must use
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Description: Date expressed as CCYYMMDD where CC represents the first two digits of the calendar year

User Note 1:
Available to Ship Date (DTM01=018)
 - *Required (if not discontinued)*
 - *If the quantity noted for a particular item is available today enter today's date.*

Expiration Date (DTM01=036)

Syntax Rules:

1. R020305 - At least one of DTM02, DTM03 or DTM05 is required.
2. C0403 - If DTM04 is present, then DTM03 is required.
3. P0506 - If either DTM05 or DTM06 is present, then the other is required.

User Note 1:

DTM(018) is required unless the product is discontinued in which case DTM(036) should be used.

CTT Transaction Totals

Pos: 0100	Max: 1
Summary - Optional	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 1

User Option (Usage): Used

Purpose: To transmit a hash total for a specific element in the transaction set

Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
CTT01	354	Number of Line Items	M	NO	1/6	Must use

Description: Total number of line items in the transaction set

Syntax Rules:

1. P0304 - If either CTT03 or CTT04 is present, then the other is required.
2. P0506 - If either CTT05 or CTT06 is present, then the other is required.

Comments:

1. This segment is intended to provide hash totals to validate transaction completeness and correctness.

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Transaction Set Trailer

Pos: 0200	Max: 1
Summary - Mandatory	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 2

User Option (Usage): Must use

Purpose: To indicate the end of the transaction set and provide the count of the transmitted segments (including the beginning (ST) and ending (SE) segments)

Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
SE01	96	Number of Included Segments	M	NO	1/10	Must use
		Description: Total number of segments included in a transaction set including ST and SE segments				
SE02	329	Transaction Set Control Number	M	AN	4/9	Must use
		Description: Identifying control number that must be unique within the transaction set functional group assigned by the originator for a transaction set				

Comments:

1. SE is the last segment of each transaction set.