

LIMITED ACCESS DEATH MASTER FILE EXTRACT OUTPUT RECORD SPECIFICATIONS 11/2011 **

POSITION	DESCRIPTION	FIELD SIZE
POSITION 1	DESCRIPTION -BLANK, OR A (ADD), C (CHANGE), OR D (DELETE) ***	FIELD SIZE - 1
POSITION 2-10	DESCRIPTION -SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	FIELD SIZE - 9
POSITION 11-30	DESCRIPTION - LAST NAME	FIELD SIZE – 20 *
POSITION 31-34	DESCRIPTION – NAME SUFFIX	FIELD SIZE – 4 *
POSITION 35-49	DESCRIPTION – FIRST NAME	FIELD SIZE – 15 *
POSITION 50-64	DESCRIPTION – MIDDLE NAME	FIELD SIZE – 15 *
POSITION 65	DESCRIPTION - V OR P CODE (VERIFIED OR PROOF CODE) ***	FIELD SIZE – 1 *
POSITION 66-73	DESCRIPTION – DATE OF DEATH (MM,DD,CC,YY)	FIELD SIZE – 8 *
POSITION 74-81	DESCRIPTION – DATE OF BIRTH (MM,DD,CC,YY)	FIELD SIZE – 8 *
POSITION 82-83	DESCRIPTION – BLANKS *****	**
POSITION 84-88	DESCRIPTION – BLANKS *****	**
POSITION 89-93	DESCRIPTION – BLANKS *****	**
POSITION 94-100	DESCRIPTION – BLANKS	

* Revised 3/2001 to expand the name field, add the middle name, suffix and V/P fields, and adjust remaining field position accordingly.

** Revised November 1, 2011 to remove the State/County Code of Residence, Zip Code – Last Residence, and Zip code – Lump Sum Payment fields as a result of no longer publishing protected state records.

*** BLANK = ONLY ENTIRE REPLACEMENT FULL FILES WILL HAVE A BLANK IN POSITION 1 (ADDs, CHANGES, and DELETEs ARE ONLY ON MONTHLY OR WEEKLY UPDATES).

A = NEW DEATHS TO BE ADDED TO YOUR MASTER DMF DATABASE, OR REPLACE ANY CURRENT MASTER FILES ENTRIES (AS IF CHANGES), FOR VARIOUS REASONS, YOU MAY FIND THAT: AN UPDATE “A” IS FOR AN IDENTICAL ENTRY ON YOUR MASTER DMF – SO REPLACE CURRENT ENTRY OR IGNORE THIS UPDATE

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“A”; OR AN UPDATE “A” IS FOR SAME SSN ON YOUR MASTER FILE, BUT WITH SOME OTHER DIFFERENT DATA – SO REPLACE CURRENT ENTRY WITH THIS LATEST DATA.

C = CHANGES MADE TO THE RECORDS ON THE DMF DURING THAT MONTHLY/WEEKLY PERIOD (SUCH AS IN DATE OF BIRTH OR DEATH, ETC). THIS ENTIRE “C” RECORD FOR THAT SSN SHOULD REPLACE ANY CURRENT RECORD YOU HAVE ON YOUR MASTER DMF, OR BE ADDED IF NO ENTRY FOUND ON YOUR MASTER DMF, (AGAIN FOR VARIOUS REASONS, YOU MAY NOT FIND THE SSN ON YOUR MASTER DATABASE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN KEEPING UP-TO-DATE).

D = DELETES: FOR ANY SSN RECORD PREVIOUSLY ON THE DMF WHICH WAS FOUND TO BE ERRONEOUS AND SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM YOUR MASTER DMF; OR IF (FOR VARIOUS REASONS) NO CURRENT RECORD ON YOUR MASTER FILE, IGNORE THIS DELETE.

**** **V** (VERIFIED = REPORT VERIFIED WITH A FAMILY MEMBER OR SOMEONE ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE FAMILY. **P** (PROOF) = DEATH CERTIFICATE (OR REQUIRED INFORMATION) OBSERVED.
N OR BLANK = PRIOR TO USING V OR P CODES, OR FAIRLY RELIABLE SOURCE, BUT NO INFORMATION MEETING V OR P REQUIREMENTS.

***** ALWAYS BLANK AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 2011, PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LIST FOR VALID VALUES PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 1, 2011.

NOTE: LIMITED ACCESS SUBSCRIBERS MUST NOT TAKE ANY ACTION AGAINST ANY INDIVIDUAL WITHOUT FURTHER INVESTIGATION TO VERIFY ANY DEATH LISTED, EVEN IF V OR P CODES ARE PRESENT. FURTHER, SSA DOES NOT GUARANTEE THE ACCURACY OF THE DEATH MASTER FILE.

DMF – STATE / COUNTRY / OTHER SOURCE CODE

STATE CODES	STATE CODES
1 ALABAMA	2 ALASKA
3 ARIZONA	4 ARKANSAS
5 CALIFORNIA	6 COLORADO
7 CONNECTICUT	8 DELAWARE
9 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	10 FLORIDA
11 GEORGIA	12 HAWAII
13 IDAHO	14 ILLINOIS
15 INDIANA	16 IOWA
17 KANSAS	18 KENTUCKY
19 LOUISIANA	20 MAINE
21 MARYLAND	22 MASSACHUSETTS
23 MICHIGAN	24 MINNESOTA
25 MISSISSIPPI	26 MISSOURI
27 MONTANA	28 NEBRASKA
29 NEVADA	30 NEW HAMPSHIRE
31 NEW JERSEY	32 NEW MEXICO
33 NEW YORK	34 NORTH CAROLINA

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STATE CODES	STATE CODES
35 NORTH DAKOTA	36 OHIO
37 OKLAHOMA	38 OREGON
39 PENNSYLVANIA	40 PUERTO RICO
41 RHODE ISLAND	42 SOUTH CAROLINA
43 SOUTH DAKOTA	44 TENNESSEE
45 TEXAS	46 UTAH
47 VERMONT	48 VIRGIN ISLANDS
49 VIRGINIA	50 WASHINGTON
51 WEST VIRGINIA	52 WISCONSIN
53 WYOMING	54 NEW YORK CITY

COUNTRY CODES	COUNTRY CODES
55 ASIA	56 CANADA
57 CENTRAL AMERICA AND WEST INDIES	58 EUROPE
59 MEXICO	60 OCEANIA (AUSTRALIA AND ISLANDS IN THE PACIFIC)
61 PHILIPPINE ISLANDS	62 SOUTH AMERICA
63 AREAS UNDER U.S. ADMINISTRATION: [CANAL ZONE, CANTON ISLANDS, CAROLINE ISLANDS, MARIANA ISLANDS (OTHER THAN GUAM), MARSHALL ISLANDS, MIDWAY ISLANDS, WAKE ISLANDS]	64 AMERICAN SAMOA
65 GUAM	97 NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
SPACES	

NOTE: IF ANY OTHER VALUES ARE SHOWN IN THESE TWO CODE POSITIONS, YOU SHOULD **IGNORE** THEM. FOR YOUR PURPOSES, IT MEANS THAT SSA DOES NOT HAVE A STATE/COUNTY CODE FOR YOU.

NOTE: It has been determined that the zeros are present on the DMF when a Date of Death is deleted. This occurs whenever a correction is made to a previously reported death, whether or not the corrected death was related to our special death processing run. In other words, whenever a previously reported death is corrected, NTIS receives a correction in their regular update files which includes zeros in the data of death along with a “delete” indicator. Customers should be processing these records using the “delete” indicator along with the zeros to remove any previously reported death from your versions of the DMF. If there is no previously reported death in your records, you should remove the deleted record from your version of the DMF.