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ANNEX A (normative)

## Offset words to be used for group and block synchronization

The offset words are chosen in such a way that the content in the offset register will not be interpreted as a burst of errors equal to or shorter than five bits when rotated in the polynomial shift register (see annex B).

Only eight bits (i.e.  $d_9$  to  $d_2$ ) are used for identifying the offset words. The remaining two bits (i.e.  $d_1$  and  $d_0$ ) are set to logical level zero.

The six offset words (A, B, C, C', D, E) of the table below are used for all applications. For MMBS applications an additional offset word E is used to maintain synchronization.

Table A.1

Offset word	Binary value									
	$d_9$	$d_8$	$d_7$	$d_6$	$d_5$	$d_4$	$d_3$	$d_2$	$d_1$	$d_0$
A	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
B	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
C	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
C'	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
E <sup>1)</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

The offset words are added (modulo-two) to the checkword  $c_9 - c_0$  to generate the modified check-bits:  $c'_9 - c'_0$  (see 2.3, Error protection).

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<sup>1)</sup> Attention is drawn to the fact that, in the USA (see [15] of annex Q), offset word E (binary value = 0) is used in multiples of four blocks, when RDS and MMBS are simultaneously implemented. Offset word E must not be used in RDS implementations corresponding to this specification.

ANNEX B (informative)

## Theory and implementation of the modified shortened cyclic code

The data format described in this document uses a shortened cyclic block code, which is given the capability of detecting block-synchronization-slip by the addition (modulo-two) of chosen binary sequences (offset words, see annex A) to the check bits of each codeword [4, 6, 7].

### B.1 Encoding procedure

#### B.1.1 Theory

A definitive description of the encoding of the information is given in 3.2.

The code used is an optimum burst-error-correcting shortened cyclic code [5] and has the generator polynomial:

$$g(x) = x^{10} + x^8 + x^7 + x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + 1$$

Each block consists of 16 information bits and 10 check bits. Thus the block length is 26 bits.

The 10-bit checkword of the basic shortened cyclic code may be formed in the usual way, i.e. it is the remainder after multiplication by  $x^{n-k}$  (where  $n-k$  is the number of check bits, 10 here), and then division (modulo-two) by the generator polynomial  $g(x)$ , of the message vector.

Thus if the polynomial  $m(x) = m_{15}x^{15} + m_{14}x^{14} + \dots + m_1x + m_0$

(where the coefficients  $m_n$  are 0 or 1), represents the 16-bit message vector, the basic code vector  $v(x)$  is given by:

$$v(x) = m(x)x^{10} + \frac{m(x)x^{10}}{g(x)} \Big| \text{mod } g(x)$$

The transmitted code vector is then formed by the addition (modulo-two) of the 10-bit offset word,  $d(x)$  (see annex A) to the basic code vector  $v(x)$ .

Thus the transmitted code vector,  $c(x)$ , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} c(x) &= d(x) + v(x) \\ &= d(x) + \frac{m(x)x^{10}}{g(x)} \Big| \text{mod } g(x) \end{aligned}$$

The code vector is transmitted m.s.b. first, i.e. information bits  $c_{25}x^{25}$  to  $c_{10}x^{10}$ , followed by modified check bits  $c_9x^9$  to  $c_0x^0$ .

The encoding process may alternatively be considered in terms of its generator matrix  $G$  which is derived from the generator polynomial. The 16 information bits are expressed as a  $16 \times 1$  column matrix and multiplied by the generator matrix to give the information bits and check bits. The complete transmitted code vector is then formed by the addition of the offset word,  $d(x)$ .

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & 1 & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Figure B.1: Generator matrix of the basic shortened cyclic code in binary notation

Thus,

$$(m_{15}x^{15} + m_{14}x^{14} + \dots + m_0) G = m_{15}x^{25} + m_{14}x^{24} + \dots + m_0x^{10} + c_9x^9 + c_8x^8 + \dots$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} c_9 &= (m_{15} \times 0) \oplus (m_{14} \times 1) \oplus (m_{13} \times 1) \oplus \dots \oplus (m_1 \times 1) \oplus (m_0 \times 0) \\ c_8 &= (m_{15} \times 0) \oplus (m_{14} \times 0) \oplus (m_{13} \times 1) \oplus \dots \oplus (m_1 \times 1) \oplus (m_0 \times 1), \text{ etc.} \\ &(\oplus \text{ indicates modulo-two addition}). \end{aligned}$$

The check bits of the code vector are thus readily calculated by the modulo-two addition of all the rows of the generator matrix for which the corresponding coefficient in the message vector is "1".

Thus for the message vector:

$$m(x) = 0000000000000001$$

The corresponding code vector is:

$$v(x) = 00000000000000010110111001$$

which may be seen to be the bottom row of the generator matrix.

After adding the offset word say  $d(x) = 0110011000$  the transmitted code vector is:

$$c(x) = 00000000000000010000100001$$

Similarly for the all "1"s message vector:

$$m(x) = 1111111111111111$$

it follows that:

$$v(x) = 11111111111111110011001101$$

which on adding an offset word  $d(x) = 0110011000$  becomes:

$$c(x) = 11111111111111110101010101$$

### B.1.2 Shift-register implementation of the encoder

Figure B.2 shows a shift-register arrangement for encoding the transmitted 26-bit blocks. The encoding procedure is as follows:

- At the beginning of each block clear the 10-bit encoder shift-register to the "all-zeroes" state.
- With gates A and B open (i.e. data passes through) and gate C closed (data does not pass through) clock the 16-bit message string serially into the encoder and simultaneously out to the data channel.
- After all the 16 message bits for a block have been entered, gates A and B are closed and gate C opened.
- The encoder shift-register is then clocked a further 10 times to shift the checkword out to the data channel through a modulo-two adder where the offset word,  $d(x)$ , appropriate to the block is added serially bit-by-bit to form the transmitted checkword.
- The cycle then repeats with the next block.

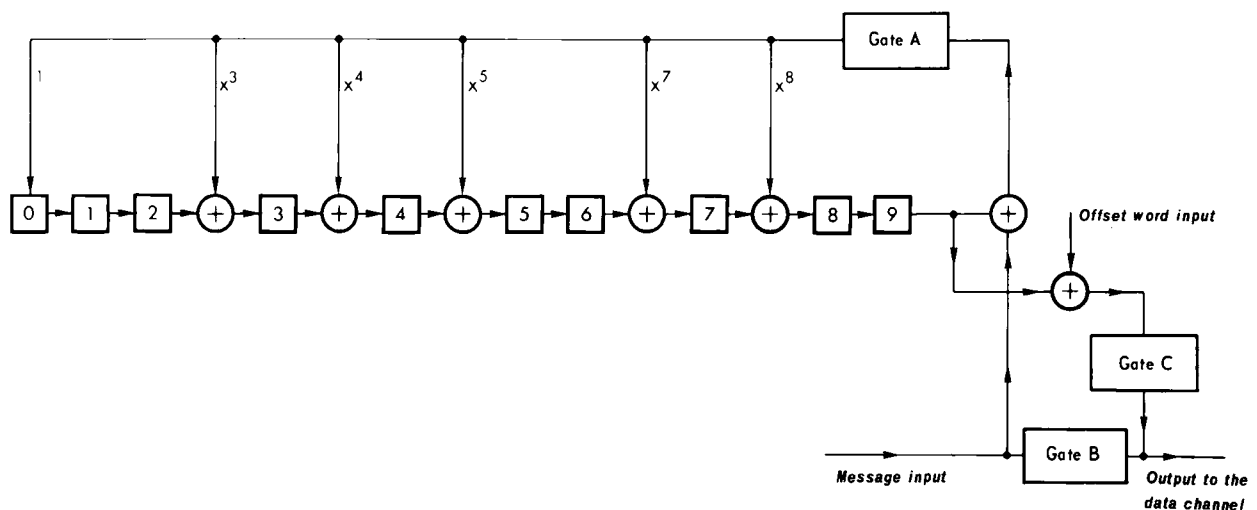


Figure B.2: Shift-register implementation of the encoder





Thus  $\bar{s} = \bar{z}H = 1111011000$

The other syndromes can be calculated in the same way. The syndromes corresponding to offset words A to D calculated using the matrix of figure B.3, are shown in the table below:

Table B.1

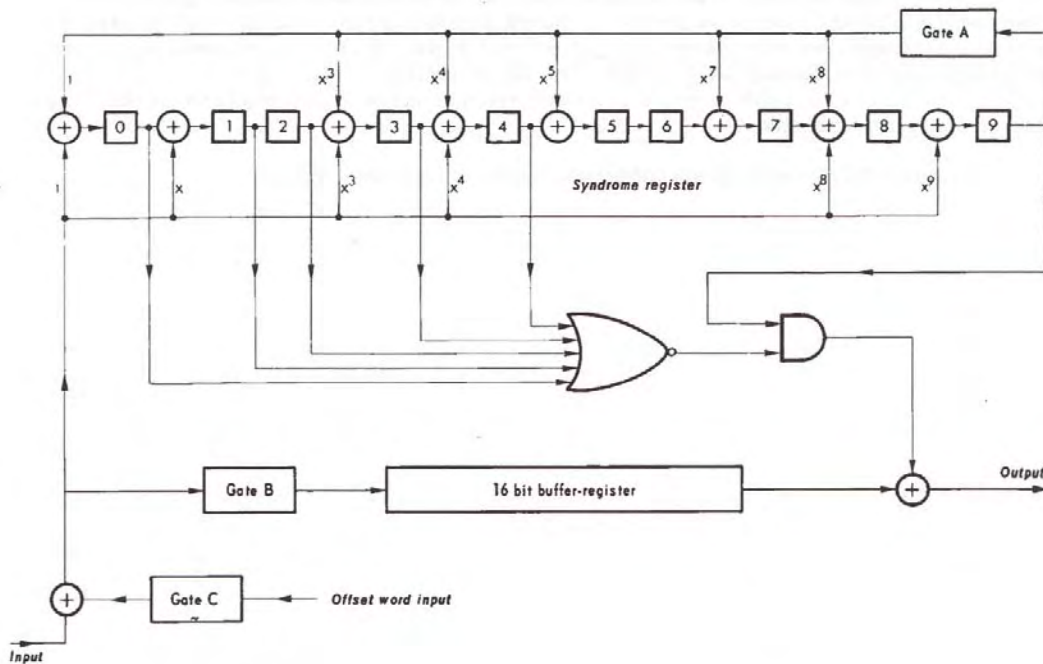
Offset	Offset word $d_9, d_8, d_7, \dots, d_0$	Syndrome $S_9, S_8, S_7, \dots, S_0$
A	0011111100	1111011000
B	0110011000	1111010100
C	0101101000	1001011100
C'	1101010000	1111001100
D	0110110100	1001011000

**B.2.2 Implementation of the decoder**

There are several methods using either hardware or software techniques for implementing the decoder. One possible method is described below.

Figure B.4 shows a shift-register arrangement for decoding the transmitted 26-bit blocks and performing error-correction and detection.

Figure B.4: Shift-register implementation of the decoder



The decoding procedure is as follows, assuming that in this explanation group and block synchronization have already been acquired (see annex C):

- a) At the beginning of each block the 10-bit syndrome-register and the 16-bit buffer-register are cleared to the "all-zeroes" state.
- b) The 16 information bits are fed into the syndrome- and buffer-registers. Gates A and B are open (conducting), and Gate C is closed (not conducting).
- c) With Gate B closed and Gate C open the 10 check-bits are fed into the syndrome-register. The offset word appropriate to the block is then subtracted from the checkword serially bit-by-bit at the modulo-two adder at the input to the decoder.
- d) The 16 information bits in the buffer-register are clocked to the output and the contents of the syndrome-register are rotated with Gate A open.
- e) When the five left-most stages in the syndrome-register are all zero a possible error burst with a maximum length of five bits must lie in the five right-hand stages of the register.
- f) Gate A is closed and the contents of the syndrome register are added bit-by-bit to the bit-stream coming from the buffer-register. If the five left-most stages do not become all zero before the buffer-register is empty, either an uncorrectable error has occurred or the error is in the check-bits.
- g) The cycle then repeats with the next block.

In this implementation of the decoder, in addition to the connections to the syndrome register corresponding to the coefficients of the generator polynomial,  $g(x)$ , there is a second set of connections to perform automatic premultiplication of the received message by  $x^{325}$  modulo  $g(x)$ . This is necessary because the code has been shortened from its natural cyclic length of 341 bits. The remainder of  $x^{325}$  modulo  $g(x)$  is:  $x^9 + x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$ , and the second set of connections to the syndrome register may be seen to correspond to the coefficients in this remainder.

Reference [4] of annex Q gives a further explanation of this decoding technique.

ANNEX C (informative)

## Implementation of group and block synchronization using the modified shortened cyclic code

### C.1 Theory

#### C.1.1 Acquisition of group and block synchronization

To acquire group and block synchronization at the receiver (for example when the receiver is first switched on, on tuning to a new station, or after a prolonged signal-fade) the syndrome  $\bar{s}$  must be calculated for each received 26-bit sequence. That is, on every data-clock pulse the syndrome of the currently stored 26-bit sequence (with the most recently received data bit at one end and the bit received 26 clock pulses ago at the other) is calculated on every clock pulse.

This bit-by-bit check is done continuously until two syndromes corresponding to valid offset words, and in a valid sequence for a group i.e. [A, B, C (or C'), D] are found  $n \times 26$  bits apart (where  $n = 1, 2, 3$ , etc.). When this is achieved, the decoder is synchronized and the offset words which are added to the parity bits at the transmitter are subtracted at the receiver before the syndrome calculation for error correction/ detection is done (see annex B).

#### C.1.2 Detection of loss of synchronization

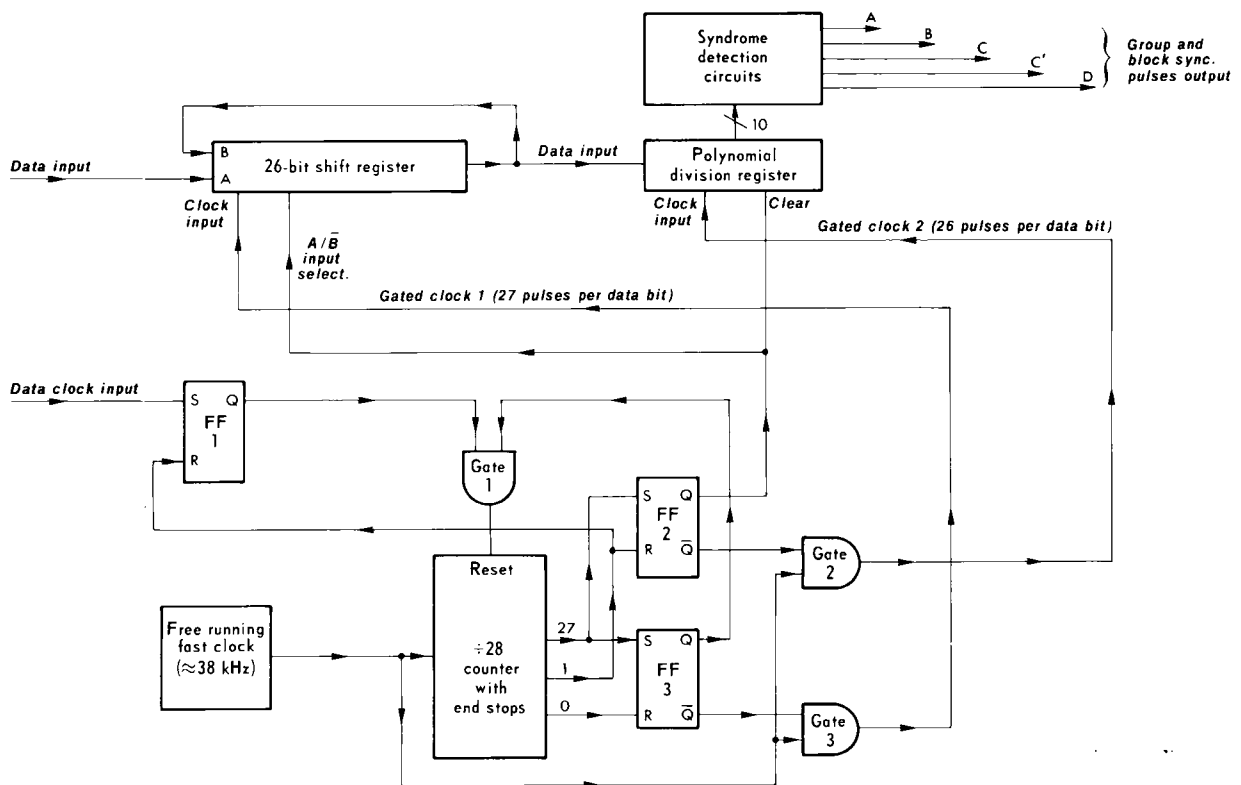
It is very important to detect loss of synchronization as soon as possible. One possibility is to check the syndrome continuously as for acquisition of synchronization. However, errors in the channel will make it difficult to continuously receive the expected syndromes, and therefore the decision must be based on the information from several blocks, e.g. up to 50 blocks. Another possibility is to check the number of errors in each block and base the decision on the number of errors in 50 blocks.

One possibility for detecting block synchronization slips of one bit is to use the PI code, which does not usually change on any given transmission. If the known PI code is received correctly, but is found to be shifted one bit to the right or to the left, then a one bit clock-slip is detected. The decoder can then immediately correct the clock-slip.

### C.2 Shift register arrangement for deriving group and block synchronization information

There are several methods using either hardware or software techniques for deriving group and block synchronization information. One possible method is described below. Figure C.1 shows a block diagram of a shift-register arrangement for deriving group and block synchronization information from the received data stream. It may be seen to comprise five main elements:

- a 26-bit shift-register which may either act as a straight 26-bit delay (A/B input selector high) or as a recirculating shift-register (A/B input selector low);
- a polynomial division circuit comprising a 10-bit shift-register with feedback taps appropriate to the generator polynomial,  $g(x)$ , described in 2.3 and annex B;
- a combinational logic circuit with five outputs indicating the presence of the "correct" syndromes resulting from the five offset words A, B, C, C' and D;
- a fast-running clock operating with a frequency of at least 33.5 kHz;
- a modulo-28 counter with endstops, decoding for states 0, 1 and 27, and associated logic gates 1 to 3 and flip-flops 1 to 3 (FF1 to FF3).



\* The circuit of this register is represented in figure B.2 (annex B)

Figure C.1: Group and block synchronization detection circuit

Assume that the modulo-28 counter is initially on its top endstop (state 27). Then FF2 and FF3 are set and FF1 is reset. The gated clocks to the 26-bit shift-register and the polynomial division circuit (gated clocks 1 and 2) are inhibited and the division circuit shift-register is cleared.

On the next data clock pulse FF1 is set, which in turn resets the modulo-28 counter to state 0. This resets FF3 which enables the fast clock (gated clock 1) to the 26-bit shift-register. This has its input A selected and thus the new data bit is entered into its left-hand end; the shift-register of the polynomial division circuit remains cleared and not clocked. On the next fast clock-pulse FF1 is reset ready for the next data clock-pulse.

Before then, however, the fast clock circulates the 26 bits currently stored in the shift-register around, and thus passes them serially into the polynomial division shift-register where the syndrome (i.e. the remainder of the polynomial division) is calculated. If these 26 bits happened to be a valid code-word then the syndrome would be  $x^{10}d(x)$  modulo  $g(x)$ , e.g. if the offset word is  $d(x) = 0011111100$ , then the corresponding "correct" syndrome for that block would be 0101111111.

It should be noted that the syndromes obtained with this polynomial division register are different from that resulting from the matrix of figure B.3 or the circuit of figure B.4. The syndromes corresponding to offset words A to D are shown in the table below.

**Table C.1**

Offset	Offset word $d_9, d_8, d_7, \dots, d_0$	Syndrome $S_9, S_8, S_7, \dots, S_0$
A	0011111100	0101111111
B	0110011000	0000001110
C	0101101000	0100101111
C'	1101010000	1011101100
D	0110110100	1010010111

When the syndrome corresponding to one of the five offset words is found, a block synchronization pulse is given out of the appropriate one of the five outputs of the combinational logic circuit. With high probability (99.5%) this will only occur when the stored 26 bits are a complete error-free block.

This decoding process must all be achieved in under one data-bit period ( $\approx 842 \mu\text{s}$ ).

On the next data-clock pulse the whole process repeats with the new data bit in the leftmost cell of the 26-bit shift-register and all the other bits shifted along one place to the right. Thus a block synchronization pulse will usually be derived one every 26 bits and will mark the end of each received block.

Moreover, since the circuit identifies which offset word A, B, C, C' or D was added to the block, group synchronization is also achieved.

These group and block synchronization pulses cannot be used directly because with this system false synchronization pulses due to data mimicking or errors will occur. On average (with random data) false synchronization pulses occur once in every 1024/5 bits or approximately six times per second. Similarly, when errors occur, block synchronization pulses will be missed because even with correct block synchronization one of the "correct" syndromes corresponding to one of the five offset words will not result.

Thus it is necessary to have some sort of block synchronization flywheel to eliminate spurious synchronization pulses and fill in the missing ones. This could be achieved with any one of the standard strategies, but should take into account the fixed cyclic rhythm of occurrence of the offset words i.e. A, B, C (or C'), D, A, B ..., etc.

ANNEX D (normative)

Program identification codes and Extended country codes

D.1 PI structure

Code assignments for bits  $b_{11}$  to  $b_0$  should be decided by relevant authorities in each country individually.

**Note:** PI structure for North America begins at section D.6.

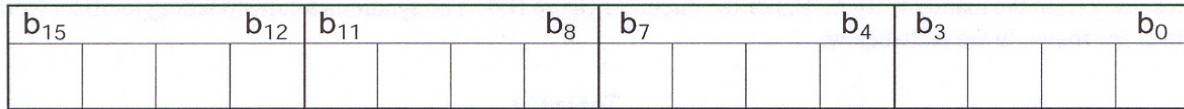


Figure D.1: PI structure

Bits  $b_{15}$  to  $b_{12}$ : Country code

Codes are indicated on the map of figure D.3 and table D.1. Code 0 (Hex) shall not be used for country identification.

Bits  $b_{11}$  to  $b_8$ : Program type in terms of area coverage

Codes are given in D.4.

Bits  $b_7$  to  $b_0$ : Program reference number

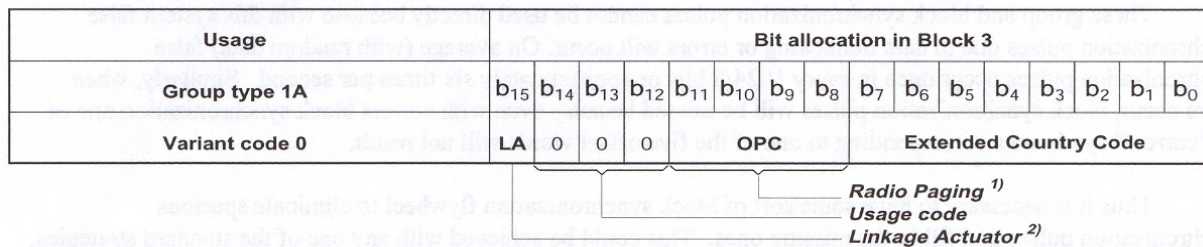
Codes are given in D.5.

*General remark:* All codes are binary-coded Hex numbers.

Codes shall be assigned in such a way that automatic search tuning to other transmitters radiating the same program can locate the same program identification code, i.e. all 16 bits shall be identical. In cases where during a few program hours a network is split to radiate different programs, each of these programs shall carry a different program identification code, by using different coverage-area codes.

D.2 Extended country codes

Extended country codes (see table D.1) shall be transmitted in type 1A groups to render the country code in bits  $b_{15}$  to  $b_{12}$  of the PI code unique. The Extended country code (ECC) is carried in Variant 0 of Block 3 of type 1A groups and consists of eight bits. This Variant should be transmitted at least once every minute.

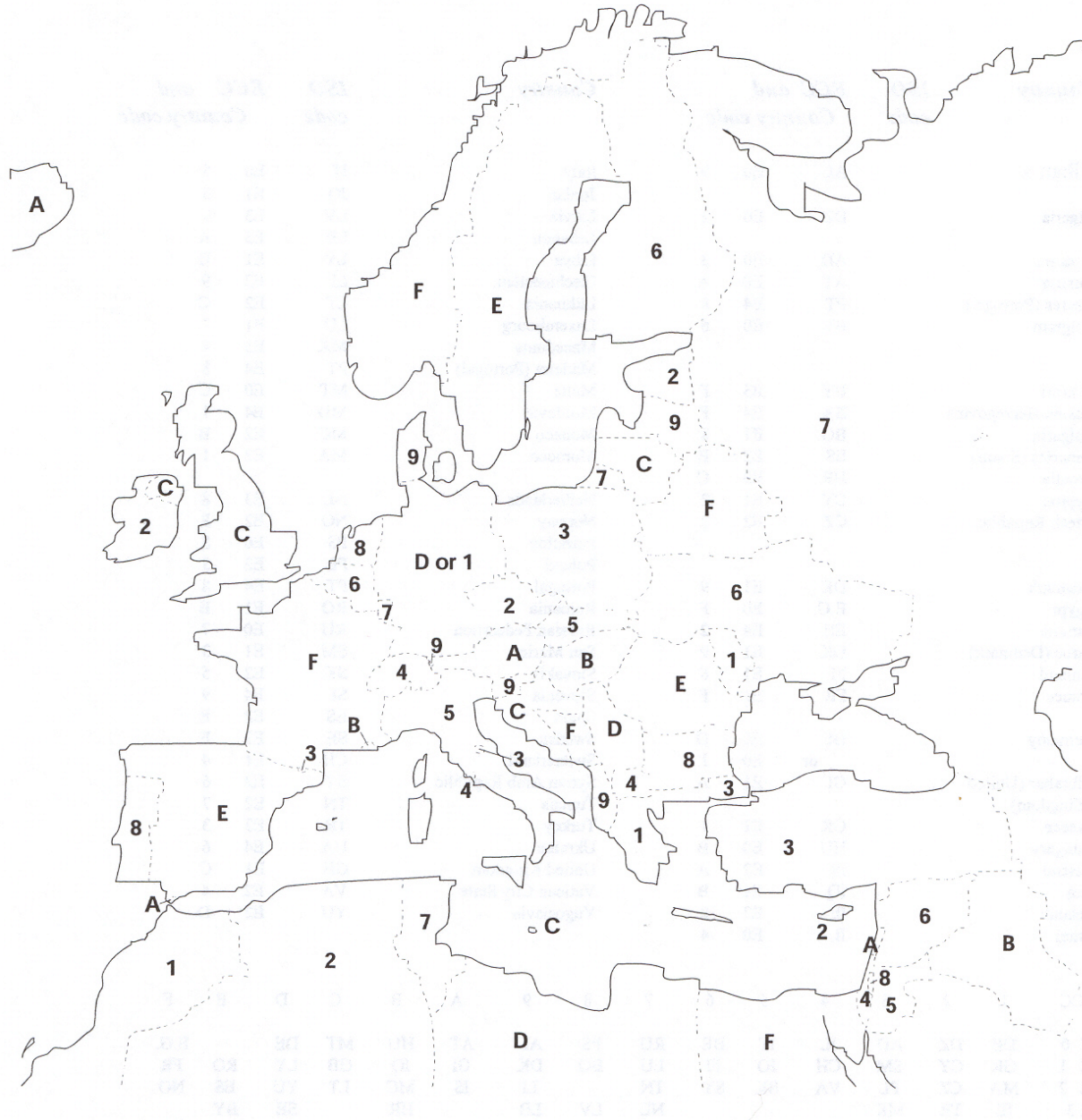


The bit allocation of the Extended country codes is given in figure D.2, and the codes are given in table D.1.

<sup>1)</sup> The Operator Code for Radio Paging using the Enhanced Paging Protocol is defined in annex M (see M 3.2.2 and M.3.2.4).

<sup>2)</sup> The Linkage Actuator is defined in the Method for linking RDS program services (see 3.2.1.8.3).

Figure D.2: Structure of Variant 0 of Block 3 of Type 1A groups (Extended Country Codes)



D.3 Country codes

Figure D.3: Correspondence between geographical locations and the symbols used for the various countries



**Table D.1**  
Symbols used for ECC and PI country codes for the countries in the European Broadcasting Area<sup>1</sup>

<i>Country</i>	<i>ISO code</i>	<i>ECC and Country code</i>			<i>Country</i>	<i>ISO code</i>	<i>ECC and Country code</i>		
Albania	AL	E0	9		Italy	IT	E0	5	
Algeria	DZ	E0	2		Jordan	JO	E1	5	
Andorra	AD	E0	3		Latvia	LV	E3	9	
Austria	AT	E0	A		Lebanon	LB	E3	A	
Azores (Portugal)	PT	E4	8		Libya	LY	E1	D	
Belgium	BE	E0	6		Liechtenstein	LI	E2	9	
					Lithuania	LT	E2	C	
					Luxembourg	LU	E1	7	
					Macedonia		MK	E3	4
					Madeira (Portugal)	PT	E4	8	
Belarus	BY	E3	F		Malta	MT	E0	C	
Bosnia Herzegovina	BA	E4	F		Moldova	MD	E4	1	
Bulgaria	BG	E1	8		Monaco	MC	E2	B	
Canaries (Spain)	ES	E2	E		Morocco	MA	E2	1	
Croatia	HR	E3	C						
Cyprus	CY	E1	2		Netherlands	NL	E3	8	
Czech Republic	CZ	E2	2		Norway	NO	E2	F	
					Palestine	PS	E0	8	
					Poland	PL	E2	3	
Denmark	DK	E1	9		Portugal	PT	E4	8	
Egypt	E.G.	E0	F		Romania	RO	E1	E	
Estonia	EE	E4	2		Russian Federation	RU	E0	7	
Faroe (Denmark)	DK	E1	9		San Marino	SM	E1	3	
Finland	FI	E1	6		Slovakia	SK	E2	5	
France	FR	E1	F		Slovenia	SI	E4	9	
					Spain	ES	E2	E	
Germany	DE	E0	D		Sweden	SE	E3	E	
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Gibraltar (United Kingdom)	GI	E1	A		Syrian Arab Republic	SY	E2	6	
Greece	GR	E1	1		Tunisia	TN	E2	7	
Hungary	HU	E0	B		Turkey	TR	E3	3	
Iceland	IS	E2	A		Ukraine	UA	E4	6	
Iraq	IQ	E1	B		United Kingdom	GB	E1	C	
Ireland	IE	E3	2		Vatican City State	VA	E2	4	
Israel	IL	E0	4		Yugoslavia	YU	E2	D	

ECC	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
E 0	DE	DZ	AD	IL	IT	BE	RU	PS	AL	AT	HU	MT	DE		E.G.
E 1	GR	CY	SM	CH	JO	FI	LU	BG	DK	GI	IQ	GB	LY	RO	FR
E 2	MA	CZ	PL	VA	SK	SY	TN		LI	IS	MC	LT	YU	ES	NO
E 3		IE	TR	MK				NL	LV	LB		HR		SE	BY
E 4	MD	EE				UA		PT	SI						BA

Hex code for Variant 0 in Block 3 of Group type 1A, Bits b<sub>3</sub> to b<sub>6</sub>  
Hex code for Variant 0 in Block 3 of Group type 1A, Bits b<sub>7</sub> to b<sub>4</sub>

<sup>1</sup> The country codes and Extended country codes for countries outside the European Broadcasting Area are given in annex N.

**D.4 Coverage-area codes**

Bits  $b_{11}$  to  $b_8$ :

- I: (International)            The same program is also transmitted in other countries.
- N: (National)                The same program is transmitted throughout the country.
- S: (Supra-regional)         The same program is transmitted throughout a large part of the country.
- R1 . . . R12: (Regional)    The program is available only in one location or region over one or more frequencies, and there exists no definition of its frontiers.
- L: (Local)                    Local program transmitted via a single transmitter only during the whole transmitting time.

Hex-coding rules for bits  $b_{11}$  to  $b_8$ :

**Table D.2**

Area coverage code	L	I	N	S	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10	R11	R12
HEX	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F

**D.5 Program reference number**

Bits  $b_7$  to  $b_0$ :

- | <i>Decimal Numbers</i> | <i>hex</i> |  |
|------------------------|------------|--|
| 00                     | 00         | Not assigned   |
| 01 to 255              | 01 to FF   | In order to clearly identify the different program families, these codes should, in each country, be systematically assigned and generically linked to the program families. |

**D.6 PI Coding for North America**

PI codes in North America are issued and utilized differently than the rest of the world. In areas licenced by the Federal Communications Commission (except Guam), PI codes are calculated by the stations call letters. This gives each station a unique PI code without the need for any outside coordination. These PI codes, as well as those assigned in the 'C' and 'F' ranges for Canada and Mexico respectively, do not make use of coverage area codes (section D.4). Coverage area codes are only valid for the 'B', 'D', and 'E' blocks of PI codes. Broadcasters and receiver manufacturers must make note of this subtle, yet significant, difference of the RBDS standard.

**D.6.1 Call letter conversion method**

NOTE: Call letters or slogan to be displayed by the receiver are sent using the PS (program service) data.

- 1) Assign decimal values to last 3 letters of call letters:

**Table D.3**

LETTER	DECIMAL VALUE	LETTER	DECIMAL VALUE
A	0	N	13
B	1	O	14
C	2	P	15
D	3	Q	16
E	4	R	17
F	5	S	18
G	6	T	19
H	7	U	20
I	8	V	21
J	9	W	22
K	10	X	23
L	11	Y	24
M	12	Z	25

- 2) Assign weighted value according to call letter's position and add together to obtain a DECIMAL value for last 3 letters.

K    3rd letter position    2nd letter position    1st letter position  
 W    3rd letter position    2nd letter position    1st letter position

3rd letter position x 676  
 +    2nd letter position x 26  
 +    1st letter position  
 decimal value for 3 letters = DECIMAL

- 3) If station begins with K, HEX {DECIMAL +4096} (value obtained above + 4096) to obtain four digit PI code.

However, if station begins with W, HEX {DECIMAL +21672} to obtain four digit PI code.

IF K...	HEXADECIMAL +4096]	FOUR DIGIT PI CODE
IF W...	HEXADECIMAL +21672]	= FOUR DIGIT PI CODE

EXCEPTIONS TO ABOVE ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1) CALL LETTERS THAT MAP TO PI CODES = \_ 0 \_ . European receivers will treat a PI code that has a second nibble of zero as a local station (unique broadcast) and will not AF switch. If a station's call letters map to a PI code = \_0\_ , the PI code assignment needs to be reassigned into the A \_ \_ \_ group as follows:

P1 0 P3 P4 → A P1 P3 P4; Examples: 1045 → A145; 30F2 → A3F2; 80A1 → A8A1; etc.

- 2) CALL LETTERS THAT MAP TO PI CODES = \_ \_ 0 0. If station's PI code ends with 00h, some European receivers will go into a test mode. Therefore, 00h will be reassigned into the A F \_ \_ group as follows:

P1 P2 0 0 → A F P1 P2; Examples: 1C00 → AF1C; 3200 → AF32; 8C00 → AF8C ; etc.

NOTE: For 9 special cases 1000,2000,...,9000 a double mapping occurs utilizing exceptions 1 and 2:  
1000→A100→AFA1;2000→A200→AFA2; ... ;8000→A800→AFA8;9000→A900→AFA9

- 3) TWO STATIONS CARRY THE IDENTICAL PROGRAMMING (example WYAY and WYAI in Atlanta, Georgia). These stations will need to assign the same PI code for both stations. The radio will need an identical PI code match to switch to the alternate frequency. The call letters can still be displayed independently with the PS information. Therefore, either the mapping of WYAY PI code = 4F78 or WYAI PI code = 4F68 will need to be used.
- 4) 3-LETTER-ONLY CALL LETTERS (example KYA in San Francisco). For 3 letter call sign stations, a mapping of pre-assigned PI codes is shown in Table D.4, TABLE OF PI CODE POSSIBILITIES. The mapping of 3-letter-only call letters is reserved in PI codes ranging from 9950 to 9EFF.
- 5) NATIONALLY-LINKED RADIO STATIONS CARRYING DIFFERENT CALL LETTERS (example NPR). These stations will need to be assigned a PI code with a first nibble of B (B\_01 to B\_FF, D\_01 to D\_FF, E\_01 to E\_FF). NOTE: Nibble 2 can only be filled with 1 through F. If a 0 is used, some receivers may not switch to Alternate Frequencies.

**Table D.4**  
**TABLE OF PI CODE POSSIBILITIES**

HEX CODE = FOUR DIGIT PI CODE
HEX[0000-0FFF] RESERVED

<u>CALL LETTERS(K)</u>	<u>DECIMAL + 4096</u>	<u>HEX CODE = FOUR DIGIT PI CODE</u>
KAAA	0 + 4096 = 4096	HEX[4096] = 1000
KAAB	1 + 4096 = 4097	HEX[4097] = 1001
:	:	:
:	:	:
KZZY	17574 + 4096 = 21670	HEX[21670] = 54A6
KZZZ	17575 + 4096 = 21671	HEX[21671] = 54A7

<u>CALL LETTERS(W)</u>	<u>DECIMAL + 21672</u>	<u>HEX CODE = FOUR DIGIT PI CODE</u>
WAAA	0 + 21672 = 21672	HEX[21672] = 54A8
WAAB	1 + 21672 = 21673	HEX[21673] = 54A9
:	:	:
:	:	:
WZZY	17574 + 21672 = 39246	HEX[39246] = 994E
WZZZ	17575 + 21672 = 39247	HEX[39247] = 994F

<u>CALL LETTERS MAPPING TO _ 0 _ _</u>	<u>HEX CODE = FOUR DIGIT PI CODE</u>
1000	A100
1001	A101
:	:
90FF	A9FF

<u>CALL LETTERS MAPPING TO _ _ 0 0</u>	<u>HEX CODE = FOUR DIGIT PI CODE</u>
1000 A100	AFA1
1100	AF11
1200	AF12
:	:
1F00	AF1F
2000 A200	AFA2
2100	AF21
2200	AF22
:	:
AF00	AFAF

Table D.4 (continued)  
TABLE OF PI CODE POSSIBILITIES

<u>CANADA RADIO STATIONS</u>	<u>HEX CODE = FOUR DIGIT PI CODE</u>
?	C000
?	C001
:	:
?	CFFF

<u>MEXICO RADIO STATIONS</u>	<u>HEX CODE = FOUR DIGIT PI CODE</u>
?	F000
?	F001
:	:
?	FFFF

<u>NATIONALLY/REGIONALLY-LINKED RADIO STATIONS CODE<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>HEX CODE = FOUR DIGIT</u>
NPR-1	B_01
CBC English – Radio One	B_02
CBC English – Radio Two	B_03
CBC French => Radio-Canada - Première Chaîne	B_04
CBC French => Radio-Canada - Espace Musique	B_05
CBC (reserved)	B_06
CBC (reserved)	B_07
CBC (reserved)	B_08
CBC (reserved)	B_09
NPR-2	B_0A
NPR-3	B_0B
NPR-4	B_0C
NPR-5	B_0D
NPR-6	B_0E
?	B_0F
:	:
?	B_FF
?	D_01
?	D_02
:	:
?	D_FF
?	E_01
?	E_02
:	:
?	E_FF

<sup>2</sup>In the United States, these codes will be allocated by the administrators of the National Radio Systems Committee. The second nibble of each four digit hex code shall be determined by the broadcaster using the rules for coverage area codes defined in Section D.

**NOTE:** The scheme outlined in this table will map all possible K\_\_\_, W\_\_\_, 3-LETTER-ONLY CALL LETTERS, CALL LETTERS MAPPING TO \_0\_-, CALL LETTERS MAPPING TO \_\_00, and NATIONALLY-LINKED RADIO STATIONS into a four digit hex PI code. Radio will distinguish AM/FM if AM RDS PI codes need to become established.

Table D.4 (continued)

Table D.4 (continued)  
TABLE OF PI CODE POSSIBILITIES

3 LETTER ONLY CALL LETTERS					
CALL	PI	CALL	PI	CALL	PI
KBW	99A5	KOY	9992	WHO	9978
KCY	99A6	KPQ	9993	WHP	999C
KDB	9990	KQV	9964	WIL	999D
KDF	99A7	KSD	9994	WIP	997A
KEX	9950	KSL	9965	WIS	99B3
KFH	9951	KUJ	9966	WJR	997B
KFI	9952	KUT	9995	WJW	99B4
KGA	9953	KVI	9967	WJZ	99B5
KGB	9991	KWG	9968	WKY	997C
KGO	9954	KXL	9996	WLS	997D
KGU	9955	KXO	9997	WLW	997E
KGW	9956	KYW	996B	WMC	999E
KGY	9957	WBT	9999	WMT	999F
KHQ	99AA	WBZ	996D	WOC	9981
KID	9958	WDZ	996E	WOI	99A0
KIT	9959	WEW	996F	WOL	9983
KJR	995A	WGH	999A	WOR	9984
KLO	995B	WGL	9971	WOW	99A1
KLZ	995C	WGN	9972	WRC	99B9
KMA	995D	WGR	9973	WRR	99A2
KMJ	995E	WGY	999B	WSB	99A3
KNX	995F	WHA	9975	WSM	99A4
KOA	9960	WHB	9976	WWJ	9988
KOB	99AB	WHK	9977	WWL	9989

**D.6.2 Examples of assigning PI codes from Call letters:**

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{STATION 1: KGTB} \\ G = 6 \times 676 = 4056 \\ T = 19 \times 26 = 494 \\ B = 1 \times \underline{\quad\quad} = 1 \\ \phantom{B = 1 \times} = 4551 \end{array}$$

SINCE STATION BEGINS WITH K:  $4551 + 4096 = 8647 = \text{STATION DECIMAL VALUE}$   
HEX [8647] = 21C7 = KGTB'S PI CODE

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{STATION 2: WKTI} \\ K = 10 \times 676 = 6760 \\ T = 19 \times 26 = 494 \\ I = 8 \phantom{\phantom{00}} = \underline{\quad 8} \\ \phantom{I = 8 \phantom{\phantom{00}}} = 7262 \end{array}$$

SINCE THIS STATION BEGINS WITH W:  $7262 + 21672 = 28934 = \text{STATION DECIMAL VALUE}$   
HEX [28934] = 7106 = WKTI'S PI CODE

TO CHECK HEX CODE:

$$\begin{array}{r} 4\text{TH DIGIT} \times 4096 \\ + 3\text{RD DIGIT} \times 256 \\ + 2\text{ND DIGIT} \times 16 \\ + 1\text{ST DIGIT} \times 1 \\ \hline \text{SHOULD EQUAL STATION DECIMAL VALUE} \end{array}$$

EXAMPLES OF CHECKS:

KGTB'S CHECK:  
PI = 21C7, FROM STATION DECIMAL VALUE OF 8647

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \times 4096 \\ + 1 \times 256 \\ + 12 \times 16 \\ + 7 \times 1 \\ \hline = 8647 = \text{STATION DECIMAL VALUE} \end{array}$$

WKTI CHECK:  
PI = 7106, FROM STATION DECIMAL VALUE OF 28934

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 \times 4096 \\ + 1 \times 256 \\ + 0 \times 16 \\ + 6 \times 1 \\ \hline = 28934 = \text{STATION DECIMAL VALUE} \end{array}$$



### D.6.3 Application: Receiver functionality to PI code assignments

PI code usage for North America differs from that defined in the CENELEC RDS standard. The RDS standard accepts the usage of coverage area codes for all possible PI codes (see D.4 COVERAGE AREA CODES). Within North America coverage area codes are recognized only in the following blocks:

- B\_01 to B\_FFF
- D\_01 to D\_FF
- E\_01 to E\_FF

All other PI codes do not make use of coverage area codes and must be handed as such within the receiver.

Some current European receivers store PI codes into presets in addition to storing frequencies into presets. This function is to recognize the broadcast first by program rather than frequency. Thus, if a preset is pushed and the PI code has changed, the European RDS receivers would not recognize the new PI code and go into a PI search.

EBU DOC TECH 3260 January 1990 Chapter 4 pg. 49 states:

If however the PI code changes completely, the receiver should initiate a PI search for a frequency whose PI code exactly matches the PI code of the original tuned frequency. Failing an exact PI code match, the receiver should search for a PI code differing only in the regional element (bits 5-8) from the original PI code. If neither of these criterion are met, the receiver should remain on the original tuned frequency.

Therefore, since call letters are used to create the PI code, the receiver would have to do a PI search every time a station would change call letters or a preset is pushed in a new listening area having a station at the same frequency as the preset station. For PI codes < B000h, future receivers could check the AF list associated to a preset and if no AF's are acceptable, a PI search could be initiated. If no identical PI is found, the receiver should return to the original tuned frequency and accept the new PI code.

If a PI search is performed, the regional variant search (the second search to match PI codes differing only in bits 5-8) should be eliminated in a PI search if the tuned PI is below B000h, or within the ranges of C000 to CFFF, and F000 to FFFF.

If a feature similar to European regional variants is desired, a grouping in the B, D, and E blocks could be designated as follows:

If NPR broadcasts break off national programming to go local for a period of time, it could be assigned a PI of B\_01. NOTE: Cannot use 0 as the second nibble because current receivers will not search for AF's: therefore use 4-F for indication of a variant. If no AF's or identical PI's are found via the AF list or an identical PI search, the receiver could, while tuned to NPR station 1 (PI=B101), accept a variant NPR station 2 whose PI varies only in the second nibble (bits 5-8). Thus B201, B301, B401, . . . could be accepted.

PI codes starting with the B, D, and E nibbles yield 765 possibilities for "regional" programming. These PI codes will be shared by the United States, Canada, and Mexico. The problem here becomes that a "telephone book" needs to be kept; however, there should not be too many broadcasts that fit in this category and not many would be used.

ANNEX E (normative)

## Character definition for Program Service name, Program Type Name, RadioText and alphanumeric Radio Paging

Three different alphanumeric character repertoires have been defined; they are reproduced in figures E.1 to E.3. Taken together, they permit the composition of texts indicating the name of the program service and the constitution of radio-data messages or alphanumeric paging calls, and they satisfy all the known requirements of the EBU Active Members as regards radio-data transmission. The three code-tables each contain almost all the characters in the international reference version of ISO Publication 646<sup>1)</sup>. The same codes have been given to each of these characters in all three tables. Care has been taken in the design of the coding tables to ensure that it will be possible to satisfy all the requirements within large geographical areas with each repertoire, and it is therefore likely that some receivers will be equipped to display only the characters included in one of the three repertoires. Nonetheless, it will be necessary to provide information identifying the repertoire in use, in order to ensure that the display corresponds as closely as possible to the intentions of the broadcasting organization when received on a receiver able to display characters from more than one repertoire.

The repertoire tables were designed by the EBU [12] with the view to cover the requirements satisfying the use of languages within the European Broadcasting Area. However a compromise had to be made to keep these tables small in size. As a consequence of this, one or the other character from a particular language was left out, because it is possible to substitute it by another. For example, in Greek, small theta ( $\theta$ ) should be substituted by capital theta ( $\Theta$ ).

In accordance with the practice in the videotext service, where more than one character repertoire is defined also, control codes have therefore been allocated to distinguish between the basic (G0) and two auxiliary (G1 and G2) code-tables. The selection of the required code-table is controlled in videotext by the transmission of the corresponding repertoire control characters; SI (0/15), SO (0/14) and LS2 (1/11 followed by 6/14)<sup>2)</sup>. In radio-data, it is controlled by the transmission of one of the following pairs of repertoire control characters:

- 0/15, 0/15: code-table of figure E.1
- 0/14, 0/14: code-table of figure E.2
- 1/11, 6/14: code-table of figure E.3

These characters do not occupy a space in the display, but have effect on the displayable characters having the same address, and on all characters having numerically higher addresses up to, but not including, the address of another repertoire control character. In default of a repertoire control character, the display coding taking effect at address 0 should be assumed to be in accordance with figure E.1. Hex 0/A (line feed) and 0/D (carriage return) are used as control characters for Radiotext (see 3.1.5.3).

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<sup>1)</sup> Including the figures 0 to 9 and punctuation; nonetheless, in certain cases, codes have been re-allocated to characters taken from the EBU repertoires, in accordance with the provision of ISO Publication 646.

<sup>2)</sup> The notation A/B is used to designate the character appearing on line B of column A in the table.

For example, the name of the second Greek program service could be transmitted in type 0 groups as follows:

Characters:           ΔE YT   EP   O  
Text segment address :    0   1   2   3

Text segment address	Character codes	Characters	Effect
0	0/14, 0/14	SO, SO	Selection of code-table (figure E.2)
0	15/14, 4/5	Δ, E	First two letters
1	5/9, 5/4	Y, T	Second two letters
2	4/5, 5/0	E, P	Third two letters
3	4/15, 2/0	O,	Last letter and space

					Additional displayable characters for:																
					Displayable characters from the code table of ISO Norm 646:							EBU common-core (7 languages)					Complete Latin-based repertoire (25 languages)				
b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	@	P		p	ã	â	á	ä	Á	Â	Ã	ä	
0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	!	A	Q	a	q	ã	ä	α	¹	À	Ä	Å	å
0	0	1	0	0	2	2	2	2	"	B	R	b	r	é	ê	©	²	É	Ê	Æ	æ
0	0	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	#	C	S	c	s	è	é	%	³	È	É	Œ	œ
0	1	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	¤	D	T	d	t	í	î	¸	±	Í	Î	ÿ	ÿ
0	1	0	1	1	5	5	5	5	%	E	U	e	u	ì	ÿ	ě	ı	Ì	ÿ	Ý	ý
0	1	1	0	0	6	6	6	6	&	F	V	f	v	ó	ô	ñ	ñ	Ó	Ô	Õ	õ
0	1	1	1	1	7	7	7	7	'	G	W	g	w	ò	ó	õ	ú	ù	Ø	ø	
1	0	0	0	0	8	8	8	8	(	H	X	h	x	ú	û	π	μ	Ú	Û	Þ	þ
1	0	0	1	1	9	9	9	9	)	I	Y	i	y	ù	ú	£	¢	Ù	Ú	Ŧ	ŧ
1	0	1	0	0	10	10	10	10	*	J	Z	j	z	ñ	ñ	£	÷	Ř	ř	Ŕ	ŕ
1	0	1	1	1	11	11	11	11	+	K	[ <sup>(1)</sup>	k	} <sup>(1)</sup>	ç	ç	¢	°	Č	č	Ć	ć
1	1	0	0	0	12	12	12	12	,	L	\	l		ş	ş	←	¼	Š	š	Ś	ś
1	1	0	1	1	13	13	13	13	-	M	] <sup>(1)</sup>	m	} <sup>(1)</sup>	ß	ş	↑	½	Ž	ž	Ż	ż
1	1	1	0	0	14	14	14	14	.	N	—	n	—	ı	ı	→	¾	Đ	đ	Ɖ	ƈ
1	1	1	1	1	15	15	15	15	/	O	—	o	—	ıı	ıı	↓	§	Ł	ł	ł	ł

Figure E.1: Code table for 218 displayable characters forming the complete EBU Latin-based repertoire. The characters shown in positions marked <sup>(1)</sup> in the table are those of the "international reference version" of ISO Publication 646 that do not appear in the complete Latin-based repertoire given in Appendix 2 of EBU document Tech. 3232 (2nd edition, 1982).

Attention is drawn to the fact that low cost receivers may be able to display only the characters in Column 2 lines 0, 7, 12, 13, 14 and 15; Column 3 lines 0 to 9; Column 4 lines 1 to 15; Column 5 lines 0 to 10.

The code-tables of figures E.1, E.2 and E.3 have also been adopted for the "service identification system" defined in the specifications of the MAC/packet family of systems for satellite broadcasting in Europe (see [13] in annex Q).

				Latin (ISO Publication 646)						EBU common-core		Part of the EBU complete Latin-based repertoire		Cyrillic etc.		Greek		
b3	b2	b1	b0	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
0	0	0	0	0	0	@	P		p	ā	â	ä	ë	€	ý	Π	π	
0	0	0	1	1	!	A	Q	a	q	ā	ä	í	í	Я	Љ	α	Ω	
0	0	1	0	2	"	B	R	b	r	é	ê	©	²	Б	đ	β	ρ	
0	0	1	1	3	#	C	S	c	s	è	ë	‰	³	Ч	Ш	ψ	σ	
0	1	0	0	4	Ø	D	T	d	t	í	î	ă	±	Д	И	δ	τ	
0	1	0	1	5	%	E	U	e	u	ì	ï	ě	î	Э	Ю	ε	ξ	
0	1	1	0	6	&	F	V	f	v	ó	ô	ñ	ñ	Ф	Щ	φ	Θ	
0	1	1	1	7	'	G	W	g	w	ò	ö	ó	ú	Г	Ь	γ	Γ	
1	0	0	0	8	(	H	X	h	x	ú	û	é	é	Ъ	У	ι	Ξ	
1	0	0	1	9	)	I	Y	i	y	ù	ü	€	ç	И	Й	ι	Υ	
1	0	1	0	10	*	:	J	Z	j	z	ñ	ñ	£	÷	Ж	З	Σ	ζ
1	0	1	1	11	+	;	K	[ <sup>(1)</sup>	k	{ <sup>(1)</sup>	ç	ç	¢	°	К	č	κ	ς
1	1	0	0	12	,	<	L	\	l	ſ	ſ	←	¼	Л	š	λ	Λ	
1	1	0	1	13	-	=	M	] <sup>(1)</sup>	m	{ <sup>(1)</sup>	ß	ğ	↑	½	М	ž	μ	Ψ
1	1	1	0	14	.	>	N	_____	n	_____	ı	ı	→	¾	Н	đ	ν	Δ
1	1	1	1	15	/	?	O	_____	o	_____	ıı	ıı	↓	§	Ы	é	ω	

Figure E.2: Code table for a combined repertoire consisting of the EBU Common-core, Greek and upper-case Cyrillic alphabets (together with certain characters from the EBU complete Latin based repertoire, and the lower-case characters required for texts in Serbo-Croat, Slovenian, Slovakian, Hungarian and Romanian). The characters shown in positions marked (1) in the table are those of the "international reference version" of ISO Publication 646 that do not appear in the "complete Latin-based repertoire" given in Appendix 2 of EBU document Tech. 3232 (2nd edition, 1982) [12].

				Latin (ISO Publication 648)				Arabic		Hebrew	Cyrillic etc.			Greek			
b7	b6	b5	b4	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0 0 0 0	0	0	0	0	@	P		p	پ	ظ	כ	ל	€	ý	Π	π	
0 0 0 1	1	!	1	A	Q	a	q	ت	ر	ב	מ	Я	Љ	α	Ω		
0 0 1 0	2	"	2	B	R	b	r	ة	ر	ג	ע	Б	д'	β	ρ		
0 0 1 1	3	#	3	C	S	c	s	ث	ف	ג	א	Ч	Ш	ψ	σ		
0 1 0 0	4	⊘	4	D	T	d	t	د	ق	ה	ה	Д	Ц	δ	τ		
0 1 0 1	5	%	5	E	U	e	u	و	ك	ו	א	Э	Ю	ε	ξ		
0 1 1 0	6	&	6	F	V	f	v	خ	ل	ז	ז	Ф	Щ	φ	θ		
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Figure E.3: Code table for a combined repertoire consisting of the ISO Publication 646 Latin-based alphabet, Greek, upper-case Cyrillic and Hebrew and Arabic. The characters shown in positions marked (1) in the table are those of the "international reference version" of ISO Publication 646 that do not appear in the "complete Latin-based repertoire" given in Appendix 2 of EBU document Tech. 3232 (2nd edition, 1982) [12].

ANNEX F (normative)  
Program Type codes  
(North America)

Table F.1

Number	Code	Program type	8-Character Display <sup>1</sup>	16-Character Display <sup>1</sup>
0	0	No program type or undefined	None	None
1	1	News	News	News
2	10	Information	Inform	Information
3	11	Sports	Sports	Sports
4	100	Talk	Talk	Talk
5	101	Rock	Rock	Rock
6	110	Classic Rock	Cls_Rock	Classic_Rock
7	111	Adult Hits	Adlt_Hit	Adult_Hits
8	1000	Soft Rock	Soft_Rck	Soft_Rock
9	1001	Top 40	Top_40	Top_40
10	1010	Country	Country	Country
11	1011	Oldies	Oldies	Oldies
12	1100	Soft	Soft	Soft
13	1101	Nostalgia	Nostalga	Nostalgia
14	1110	Jazz	Jazz	Jazz
15	1111	Classical	Classicl	Classical

Table F.1 is continued overleaf

<sup>1</sup> These terms are recommended for 8-character and 16-character radio displays, respectively.

Table F.1 (continued from previous page)

Number	Code	Program type	8-Character Display <sup>1</sup>	16-Character Display <sup>1</sup>
16	10000	Rhythm and Blues	R_&_B	Rhythm_and_Blues
17	10001	Soft Rhythm and Blues	Soft_R&B	Soft_R_&_B
18	10010	Foreign Language	Language	Foreign_Language
19	10011	Religious Music	Rel_Musc	Religious_Music
20	10100	Religious Talk	Rel_Talk	Religious_Talk
21	10101	Personality	Persnlty	Personality
22	10110	Public	Public	Public
23	10111	College	College	College
24-28	11000-11100	Unassigned		
29	11101	Weather	Weather	Weather
30	11110	Emergency Test	Test	Emergency_Test
31	11111	Emergency	ALERT !	ALERT!_ALERT!

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<sup>1</sup> These terms are recommended for 8-character and 16-character radio displays, respectively.

**Definition of the terms used to denote Program Type**

1	<b>News</b>	News reports, either local or network in origin.
2	<b>Information</b>	Programming that is intended to impart advice.
3	<b>Sports</b>	Sports reporting, commentary, and/or live event coverage, either local or network in origin.
4	<b>Talk</b>	Call-in and/or interview talk shows either local or national in origin.
5	<b>Rock</b>	Album cuts.
6	<b>Classic Rock</b>	Rock oriented oldies, often mixed with hit oldies, from a decade or more ago.
7	<b>Adult Hits</b>	An up-tempo contemporary hits format with no hard rock and no rap.
8	<b>Soft Rock</b>	Album cuts with a generally soft tempo.
9	<b>Top 40</b>	Current hits, often encompassing a variety of rock styles.
10	<b>Country</b>	Country music, including contemporary and traditional styles.
11	<b>Oldies</b>	Popular music, usually rock, with 80% or greater non-current music.
12	<b>Soft</b>	A cross between adult hits and classical, primarily non-current soft-rock originals.
13	<b>Nostalgia</b>	Big-band music.
14	<b>Jazz</b>	Mostly instrumental, includes both traditional jazz and more modern "smooth jazz."
15	<b>Classical</b>	Mostly instrumentals, usually orchestral or symphonic music.
16	<b>Rhythm and Blues</b>	A wide range of musical styles, often called "urban contemporary."
17	<b>Soft Rhythm and Blues</b>	Rhythm and blues with a generally soft tempo.
18	<b>Foreign Language</b>	Any programming format in a language other than English.



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19	<b>Religious Music</b>	Music programming with religious lyrics.
20	<b>Religious Talk</b>	Call-in shows, interview programs, etc. with a religious theme.
21	<b>Personality</b>	A radio show where the on-air personality is the main attraction.
22	<b>Public</b>	Programming that is supported by listeners and/or corporate sponsors instead of advertising.
23	<b>College</b>	Programming produced by a college or university radio station.
24-28	<b>Unassigned</b>	
29	<b>Weather</b>	Weather forecasts or bulletins that are non-emergency in nature.
30	<b>Emergency Test</b>	Broadcast when testing emergency broadcast equipment or receivers. Not intended for searching or dynamic switching for consumer receivers.. Receivers may, if desired, display “TEST” or “Emergency Test”.
31	<b>Emergency</b>	Emergency announcement made under exceptional circumstances to give warning of events causing danger of a general nature. Not to be used for searching - only used in a receiver for dynamic switching.

**Note:** These definitions can differ slightly between various language versions.

Program Type codes  
(Europe)

Table F.2

Number	Code	Program Type	8-character display <sup>1</sup>	16-character display <sup>1</sup> )
0	00000	No program Type or undefined	None	None
1	00001	News	News	News
2	00010	Current Affairs	Affairs	Current Affairs
3	00011	Information	Info	Information
4	00100	Sport	Sport	Sport
5	00101	Education	Educate	Education
6	00110	Drama	Drama	Drama
7	00111	Culture	Culture	Cultures
8	01000	Science	Science	Science
9	01001	Varied	Varied	Varied Speech
10	01010	Pop Music	Pop M	Pop Music
11	01011	Rock Music	Rock M	Rock Music
12	01100	Easy Listening Music <sup>2)</sup>	Easy M	Easy Listening
13	01101	Light classical	Light M	Light Classics M
14	01110	Serious classical	Classics	Serious Classics
15	01111	Other Music	Other M	Other Music

Table F.2 is continued overleaf

<sup>1</sup>) These short terms are recommended for the eight character and sixteen character display of the radio in English. Other language versions are available from the EBU and the RDS Forum on the Internet World Wide Web site at URL: <http://www.rds.org.uk/>.

<sup>2</sup>) In earlier versions of this standard, the term used was “M.O.R. Music”. Easy Listening is a more frequently used equivalent.

Number	Code	Program type	8-character display <sup>1</sup>	16-character display <sup>1</sup>
16	10000	Weather	Weather	Weather & Metr
17	10001	Finance	Finance	Finance
18	10010	Children's programs	Children	Children's Progs
19	10011	Social Affairs	Social	Social Affairs
20	10100	Religion	Religion	Religion
21	10101	Phone In	Phone In	Phone In
22	10110	Travel	Travel	Travel & Touring
23	10111	Leisure	Leisure	Leisure & Hobby
24	11000	Jazz Music	Jazz	Jazz Music
25	11001	Country Music	Country	Country Music
26	11010	National Music	Nation M	National Music
27	11011	Oldies Music	Oldies	Oldies Music
28	11100	Folk Music	Folk M	Folk Music
29	11101	Documentary	Document	Documentary
30	11110	Alarm Test	TEST	Alarm Test
31	11111	Alarm	Alarm !	Alarm - Alarm !

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<sup>1</sup> These short terms are recommended for the eight character and sixteen character display of the radio in English. Other language versions are available from the EBU and the RDS Forum on the Internet World Wide Web site at URL: <http://www.rds.org.uk/>.

**Definition of the terms used to denote Program Type**

1	<b>News</b>	Short accounts of facts, events and publicly expressed views, reportage and actuality.
2	<b>Current affairs</b>	Topical program expanding or enlarging upon the news, generally in different presentation style or concept, including debate, or analysis.
3	<b>Information</b>	Program the purpose of which is to impart advice in the widest sense.
4	<b>Sport</b>	Program concerned with any aspect of sport.
5	<b>Education</b>	Program intended primarily to educate, of which the formal element is fundamental.
6	<b>Drama</b>	All radio plays and serials.
7	<b>Culture</b>	Programs concerned with any aspect of national or regional culture, including language, theater, etc.
8	<b>Science</b>	Programs about the natural sciences and technology.
9	<b>Varied</b>	Used for mainly speech-based programs usually of light-entertainment nature, not covered by other categories. Examples include: quizzes, panel games, personality interviews.
10	<b>Pop</b>	Commercial music, which would generally be considered to be of current popular appeal, often featuring in current or recent record sales charts.
11	<b>Rock</b>	Contemporary modern music, usually written and performed by young musicians.
12	<b>Easy Listening</b> <sup>2)</sup>	Current contemporary music considered to be "easy-listening", as opposed to Pop, Rock or Classical, or one of the specialized music styles, Jazz, Folk or Country. Music in this category is often but not always, vocal, and usually of short duration.
13	<b>Light classics</b>	Classical Musical for general, rather than specialist appreciation. Examples of music in this category are instrumental music, and vocal or choral works.
14	<b>Serious classics</b>	Performances of major orchestral works, symphonies, chamber music etc., and including Grand Opera.
15	<b>Other music</b>	Musical styles not fitting into any of the other categories. Particularly used for specialist music of which Rhythm & Blues and Reggae are examples.
16	<b>Weather</b>	Weather reports and forecasts and Meteorological information.
17	<b>Finance</b>	Stock Market reports, commerce, trading etc.

<sup>2)</sup> In earlier versions of this standard, the term used was "M.O.R. Music". Easy Listening is a more frequently used equivalent.

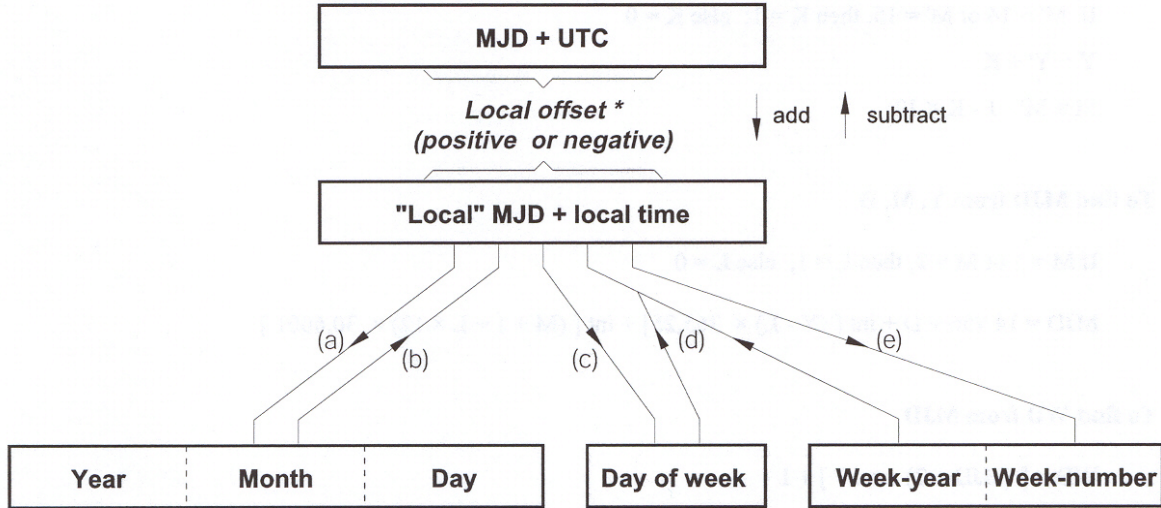
18	<b>Children’s programs</b>	For programs targeted at a young audience, primarily for entertainment and interest, rather than where the objective is to educate.
19	<b>Social Affairs</b>	Programs about people and things that influence them individually or in groups. Includes: sociology, history, geography, psychology and society.
20	<b>Religion</b>	Any aspect of beliefs and faiths, involving a God or Gods, the nature of existence and ethics.
21	<b>Phone In</b>	Involving members of the public expressing their views either by phone or at a public forum.
22	<b>Travel</b>	Features and programs concerned with travel to near and far destinations, package tours and travel ideas and opportunities. <b>Not for use for <i>Announcements about problems, delays, or roadworks affecting immediate travel where TP/TA should be used.</i></b>
23	<b>Leisure</b>	Programs concerned with recreational activities in which the listener might participate. Examples include, Gardening, Fishing, Antique collecting, Cooking, Food & Wine etc.
24	<b>Jazz Music</b>	Polyphonic, syncopated music characterized by improvisation.
25	<b>Country Music</b>	Songs which originate from, or continue the musical tradition of the American Southern States. Characterized by a straightforward melody and narrative story line.
26	<b>National Music</b>	Current Popular Music of the Nation or Region in that country’s language, as opposed to International ‘Pop’ which is usually US or UK inspired and in English.
27	<b>Oldies Music</b>	Music from the so-called “golden age” of popular music.
28	<b>Folk Music</b>	Music which has its roots in the musical culture of a particular nation, usually played on acoustic instruments. The narrative or story may be based on historical events or people.
29	<b>Documentary</b>	Program concerned with factual matters, presented in an investigative style.
30	<b>Alarm Test</b>	Broadcast when testing emergency broadcast equipment or receivers. Not intended for searching or dynamic switching for consumer receivers.. Receivers may, if desired, display “TEST” or “Alarm Test”.
31	<b>Alarm</b>	Emergency announcement made under exceptional circumstances to give warning of events causing danger of a general nature. Not to be used for searching - only used in a receiver for dynamic switching.

**Note:** These definitions can slightly differ between various language versions.

ANNEX G (informative)

Conversion between time and date conventions

The types of conversion which may be required are summarized in the diagram below.



\* Offsets are positive for longitudes east of Greenwich and negative for longitudes west of Greenwich.

Figure G.1: Conversion routes between Modified Julian Date (MJD) and Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)

The conversion between MJD + UTC and the "local" MJD + local time is simply a matter of adding or subtracting the local offset. This process may, of course, involve a "carry" or "borrow" from the UTC affecting the MJD. The other five conversion routes shown on the diagram are detailed in the formulas below.

Table G.1: Symbols used

MJD	Modified Julian Day
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
Y	Year from 1900 (e.g. for 2003, Y = 103)
M	Month from January (= 1) to December (= 12)
D	Day of month from 1 to 31
WY	"Week number" Year from 1900
WN	Week number according to ISO 2015
WD	Day of week from Monday (= 1) to Sunday (= 7)
K, L, M', W, Y'	Intermediate variables
x	Multiplication
int	Integer part, ignoring remainder
mod 7	Remainder (0-6) after dividing integer by 7

a) To find Y, M, D from MJD

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$$Y' = \text{int} [ (\text{MJD} - 15\,078,2) / 365,25 ]$$

$$M' = \text{int} \{ [ \text{MJD} - 14\,956,1 - \text{int} (Y' \times 365,25) ] / 30,6001 \}$$

$$D = \text{MJD} - 14\,956 - \text{int} (Y' \times 365,25) - \text{int} (M' \times 30,6001)$$

If  $M' = 14$  or  $M' = 15$ , then  $K = 1$ ; else  $K = 0$

$$Y = Y' + K$$

$$M = M' - 1 - K \times 12$$

## b) To find MJD from Y, M, D

If  $M = 1$  or  $M = 2$ , then  $L = 1$ ; else  $L = 0$

$$\text{MJD} = 14\,956 + D + \text{int} [ (Y - L) \times 365,25 ] + \text{int} [ (M + 1 + L \times 12) \times 30,6001 ]$$

## c) To find WD from MJD

$$\text{WD} = [ (\text{MJD} + 2) \bmod 7 ] + 1$$

## d) To find MJD from WY, WN, WD

$$\text{MJD} = 15\,012 + \text{WD} + 7 \times \{ \text{WN} + \text{int} [ (\text{WY} \times 1\,461 / 28) + 0,41] \}$$

## e) To find WY, WN from MJD

$$W = \text{int} [ (\text{MJD} / 7) - 2\,144,64 ]$$

$$\text{WY} = \text{int} [ (W \times 28 / 1\,461) - 0,0079 ]$$

$$\text{WN} = W - \text{int} [ (\text{WY} \times 1\,461 / 28) + 0,41 ]$$

**Example:**

$$\text{MJD} = 45\,218$$

$$Y = (19)82$$

$$M = 9 \text{ (September)}$$

$$D = 6$$

$$W = 4\,315$$

$$\text{WY} = (19)82$$

$$\text{WN} = 36$$

$$\text{WD} = 1 \text{ (Monday)}$$

**Note:** These formulas are applicable between the inclusive dates: 1st March 1900 to 28th February 2100.

ANNEX H (informative)

## Specification of the ARI System

### H.1 Frequency of the subcarrier

H.1.1 Nominal value: 57 kHz

H.1.2 Tolerances:

Mono:  $\pm 6$  Hz

Stereo: The phase relationship between the pilot tone and the subcarrier is such that when both sine waves are crossing the time axis simultaneously, the slopes have to be the same. Since the tolerance of the pilot tone can be  $\pm 2$  Hz, the frequency of the subcarrier can deviate by  $\pm 6$  Hz.

### H.2 Frequency deviation

$\pm 3.5$  kHz, if used simultaneously with RDS on the same transmitter

### H.3 Modulation

AM

### H.4 Traffic announcement identification

H.4.1 Modulation frequency: 125 Hz (57 kHz divided by 456)

H.4.2 Tolerance: derived from 57 kHz subcarrier

H.4.3 Modulation depth:  $m = 30\%$

### H.5 Traffic area identification

H.5.1 Modulation frequencies: derived from the subcarrier frequency

Table H.1

Traffic area	Frequency (Hz)	Frequency division ratio
A	23.7500	2400
B	28.2738	2016
C	34.9265	1632
D	39.5833	1440
E	45.6731	1248
F	53.9773	1056

H.5.2 Modulation depth:  $m = 60\%$



ANNEX J (normative)

Language identification

To enable a broadcaster to indicate the spoken language he is currently transmitting, the 8 bit language identification codes in Table J.1<sup>1</sup> shall be used.

In Group 1A, Variant 3, Block 3 the Language identification code is allocated according to figure J.1. When implemented, this variant should be transmitted at least once every two seconds.

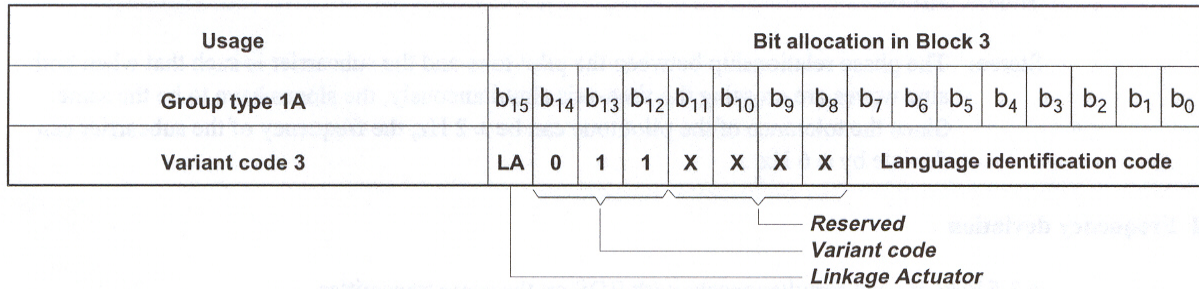


Figure J.1

Table J.1

a) European languages written in Latin-based alphabets:

<u>Code</u> (Hexadecimal)	<u>Language</u>	<u>Code</u> (Hexadecimal)	<u>Language</u>
00	Unknown/not applicable	20	Polish
01	Albanian	21	Portuguese
02	Breton	22	Romanian
03	Catalan	23	Romansh
04	Croatian	24	Serbian
05	Welsh	25	Slovak
06	Czech	26	Slovene
07	Danish	27	Finnish
08	German	28	Swedish
09	English	29	Turkish
0A	Spanish	2A	Flemish
0B	Esperanto	2B	Walloon
0C	Estonian	2C	
0D	Basque	2D	
0E	Faroese	2E	
0F	French	2F	
10	Frisian	30	)
11	Irish	31	)
12	Gaelic	32	) _ Reserved for
13	Galician	33	) national assignment
14	Icelandic	34	)
15	Italian	35	)

<sup>1</sup>This Table is in accordance with ETS 300 250: "Specification of the D2-MAC/packet system" EBU/ETSI-JTC European Telecommunication Standard, 1993.

<u>Code</u> (Hexadecimal)	<u>Language</u>	<u>Code</u> (Hexadecimal)	<u>Language</u>
16	Lappish	36	)
17	Latin	37	)
18	Latvian	38	)
19	Luxembourgian	39	)
1A	Lithuanian	3A	) _ Reserved for
1B	Hungarian	3B	) national assignment
1C	Maltese	3C	)
1D	Dutch	3D	)
1E	Norwegian	3E	)
1F	Occitan	3F	)

*b) Other languages:*

<u>Code</u> (Hexadecimal)	<u>Language</u>	<u>Code</u> (Hexadecimal)	<u>Language</u>
7F	Amharic	5F	Marathi
7E	Arabic	5E	Ndebele
7D	Armenian	5D	Nepali
7C	Assamese	5C	Oriya
7B	Azerbaijan	5B	Papamiento
7A	Bambora	5A	Persian
79	Belorussian	59	Punjabi
78	Bengali	58	Pushtu
77	Bulgarian	57	Quechua
76	Burmese	56	Russian
75	Chinese	55	Ruthenian
74	Churash	54	Serbo-Croat
73	Dari	53	Shona
72	Fulani	52	Sinhalese
71	Georgian	51	Somali
70	Greek	50	Sranan Tongo
6F	Gujurati	4F	Swahili
6E	Gurani	4E	Tadzhik
6D	Hausa	4D	Tamil
6C	Hebrew	4C	Tatar
6B	Hindi	4B	Telugu
6A	Indonesian	4A	Thai
69	Japanese	49	Ukrainian
68	Kannada	48	Urdu
67	Kazakh	47	Uzbek
66	Khmer	46	Vietnamese
65	Korean	45	Zulu
64	Laotian	44	
63	Macedonian	43	
62	Malagasay	42	
61	Malaysian	41	
60	Moldavian	40	Background sound/ Clean feed

ANNEX K (informative)

RDS logo<sup>1</sup>



**Note:** The wording "RADIO DATA SYSTEM" may be omitted.

When EON is implemented, the following logos may be used:



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ANNEX L (informative)

## Open data registration

### L.1 (USA)

Every data application using the Open Data Applications (ODA) feature (see 3.1.4) must be transmitted together with an Application Identification (AID) number (see 3.1.5.4). The AID number, for each ODA *in the United States*, is allocated by the RDS Registrations Office at the address shown in the following Registration Form. Forms must be completed fully (every question must be answered - the RDS Registrations Office will advise, if difficulty is experienced) and sent to the RDS Registrations Office, together with the nominal fee of US \$495 (make check payable to "National Association of Broadcasters"), which is payable in advance. Subject to satisfactory completion, an AID number will be allocated and a copy of the Form will be returned to the applicant.

Transmissions carrying an AID *must* adhere fully to the details, specifications and references of the relevant registration. (Any subsequent updates, that do not *change* the fundamental requirements for the transmission of that ODA, may allow continued use of the same AID, but advice should be sought from the RDS Registrations Office.)

Details will be kept in the EBU/RDS Forum ODA Directory, which will be published, from time to time, and an up-to-date version of the Directory will be maintained on the RDS Forum Web site at URL: <http://www.rds.org.uk/>.

*Users of an AID must satisfy themselves as to the validity of using it and the accuracy of all related information and must accept all due consequence. The RDS Registrations Office is not liable for any incidental, special or consequential damages arising out of the use or inability to use an AID, whether in transmission or reception equipment.*

**Note:** AID codes are Internationally allocated and recognized. Application forms for the U.S. and Europe are included for payment convenience only.

Form overleaf...

<p><b>RDS Open Data Applications - Registration Form</b></p> <p><i>This Form will be published in full, except last two answers, if specifically not permitted.</i></p>
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To:	RDS Registrations Office NAB Science and Technology Department 1771 N Street, NW Washington, DC 20036-2891 USA	Application Date:
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<i>Question</i>	<i>Information</i>	<i>Comment</i>
Applicants Name:		Title/Name of contact
Organisation:		Company Name
Organisation Address:		Street 1
		Street 2
		Town/City
		Area/County
		Postal Code
		Country
Application Name:		5 or 6 words, maximum
Application Description:	<i>Please use additional pages if desired.</i>	Give as much detail as possible.
Open Data mode: (see 3.1.5.4)		Choose one mode, only
ODA details, specifications and references:	<b>Tick, if publication not permitted</b> [ <input type="checkbox"/> ]  <i>Please attach additional pages.</i>	Give <i>all</i> details, proprietary documents and references.
Capacity requirement for both the ODA and AID groups:	<b>Tick, if publication not permitted</b> [ <input type="checkbox"/> ] a) ..... ODA groups/second b) ..... type 3A groups/minute  <i>Please use additional pages if desired.</i>	Indicate: ODA groups/second <i>and</i> type 3A groups/minute. Describe any constraints.

Applicant represents and warrants that it is the owner of all rights in and to the application described herein,

and that the application does not infringe any rights, whether common law, statutory, legal or equitable, of any third party.

Neither NAB, CEMA, EIA nor the NRSC shall be liable for disclosure of Confidential Information if made in response to an order of a court or authorized agency of government; provided that when possible notice shall first be given to the applicant/registrant so that a protective order, if desired, may be sought by that party.

Applicant hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold NAB, CEMA, EIA, the NRSC and the officers, directors, employees, agents and assigns of any of them (hereinafter "the indemnified parties") harmless against any and all claims, liabilities, judgments, penalties, and taxes, civil and criminal, and all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, which may arise out of or are related to Applicant's representations, warranties, application and/or registration thereof or the actions or failure to act of the indemnified parties with regard to same.

The application/registration system in the United States shall be governed in accordance with the substantive law of the District of Columbia.

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**Applicant Signature**

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**Date**

L.2 (USA)

Data application designers need to consider a number of questions regarding their application and the RDS system interface, so that the RDS bearer is kept in conformity with best implementation practice. The following questions should be carefully considered (the RDS Registrations Office will advise, if difficulty is experienced) and the following Check List must be completed and attached to all applications.

<p><b>RDS Open Data Applications - Check List</b></p> <p><i>This Check List will not be published.</i></p>
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<i>Question</i>	<i>Considered</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Does the application behave correctly when not all RDS groups are received?	Tick, if considered [ ]	Necessary for mobile RDS applications
Does the application provide the means to identify the Service Provider?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Does the application allow for future proofing, by upgrading?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Does the application require sub-sets of associated applications?	Tick, if considered [ ]	Use of variant codes and/or other groups (e.g. clock-time)
Does the application include provision to reference other transmissions carrying the same service?	Tick, if considered [ ]	PI and AF
Does the application include an additional layer of error protection?	Tick, if considered [ ]	RDS already has considerable capability
Does the application include encryption?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Does the application include data compression?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Have you defined the capacity requirements for the application?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Have you defined the capacity requirements for the AID under normal conditions?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Is your application able to assume and lose the use of a group type?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
If so, have you defined the AID signaling when use of a channel is assumed?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
If so, have you defined the AID signaling when use of the channel ceases?	Tick, if considered [ ]	

ANNEX L (informative)

## Open data registration

### L.3 (Europe)

Every data application using the Open Data Applications (ODA) feature (see 3.1.4) must be transmitted together with an Application Identification (AID) number (see 3.1.5.4). The AID number, for each ODA *outside the United States*, is allocated by the RDS Registrations Office at the address shown in the following Registration Form. Forms must be completed fully (every question must be answered - the RDS Registrations Office will advise, if difficulty is experienced) and sent to the RDS Registrations Office, together with the nominal fee of CHF 500, which is payable in advance. Subject to satisfactory completion, an AID number will be allocated and a copy of the Form will be returned to the applicant.

Transmissions carrying an AID *must* adhere fully to the details, specifications and references of the relevant registration. (Any subsequent updates, that do not *change* the fundamental requirements for the transmission of that ODA, may allow continued use of the same AID, but advice should be sought from the RDS Registrations Office.)

Details will be kept in the EBU/RDS Forum ODA Directory, which will be published, from time to time, and an up-to-date version of the Directory will be maintained on the RDS Forum Web site at URL: <http://www.rds.org.uk/>.

*Users of an AID must satisfy themselves as to the validity of using it and the accuracy of all related information and must accept all due consequence. The RDS Registrations Office is not liable for any incidental, special or consequential damages arising out of the use or inability to use an AID, whether in transmission or reception equipment.*

Form overleaf...



### RDS Open Data Applications - Registration Form

*This Form will be published in full, except last two answers, if specifically not permitted.*

To:	RDS Registrations Office European Broadcasting Union / Union Européenne de Radio-Télévision Ancienne Route 17A Case postale 67 CH-1218 Grand Saconnex GE SWITZERLAND - SUISSE	Application Date:
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<i>Question</i>	<i>Information</i>	<i>Comment</i>
Applicants Name:		Title/Name of contact
Organisation:		Company Name
Organisation Address:		Street 1
		Street 2
		Town/City
		Area/County
		Postal Code
		Country
Application Name:		5 or 6 words, maximum
Application Description:	<i>Please use additional pages if desired.</i>	Give as much detail as possible.
Open Data mode: (see 3.1.5.4)		Choose one mode, only
ODA details, specifications and references:	<b>Tick, if publication not permitted</b> [ <input type="checkbox"/> ]  <i>Please attach additional pages.</i>	Give <i>all</i> details, proprietary documents and references.
Capacity requirement for both the ODA and AID groups:	<b>Tick, if publication not permitted</b> [ <input type="checkbox"/> ]  a) ..... ODA groups/second b) ..... type 3A groups/minute  <i>Please use additional pages if desired.</i>	Indicate: ODA groups/second <i>and</i> type 3A groups/minute. Describe any constraints.

**L.4 (Europe)**

Data application designers need to consider a number of questions regarding their application and the RDS system interface, so that the RDS bearer is kept in conformity with best implementation practice. The following questions should be carefully considered (the RDS Registrations Office will advise, if difficulty is experienced) and the following Check List must be completed and attached to all applications.

**RDS Open Data Applications - Check List**  
*This Check List will not be published.*

<i>Question</i>	<i>Considered</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Does the application behave correctly when not all RDS groups are received?	Tick, if considered [ ]	Necessary for mobile RDS applications
Does the application provide the means to identify the Service Provider?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Does the application allow for future proofing, by upgrading?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Does the application require sub-sets of associated applications?	Tick, if considered [ ]	Use of variant codes and/or other groups (e.g. clock-time)
Does the application include provision to reference other transmissions carrying the same service?	Tick, if considered [ ]	PI and AF
Does the application include an additional layer of error protection?	Tick, if considered [ ]	RDS already has considerable capability
Does the application include encryption?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Does the application include data compression?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Have you defined the capacity requirements for the application?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Have you defined the capacity requirements for the AID under normal conditions?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
Is your application able to assume and lose the use of a group type?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
If so, have you defined the AID signaling when use of a channel is assumed?	Tick, if considered [ ]	
If so, have you defined the AID signaling when use of the channel ceases?	Tick, if considered [ ]	

ANNEX M (normative)

## Coding of Radio Paging (RP)

### M.1. Introduction

The following radio paging systems described in this annex:

- The Basic Paging Protocol.
- The Enhanced Paging Protocol.

While the basic protocol offers all the basic features necessary for a national service, the enhanced paging offers a great number of improvements such as:

- An easy-to-implement international service.
- Multi operator and/or multi area paging services.

More than these features, the enhanced paging offers a dramatically increased battery life time.

The message labeling has also been improved: a message call counter and a repetition flag have been added for a better reliability of the paging service.

The following abbreviations are used in this annex:

CCF	Current Carrier Frequency
OPC	Operator Code
PAC	Paging Area Code
SI	System Information
VAS	Value Added Services
CS	Cycle Selection
CT	Clock Time
ECC	Extended Country Code
EPP	Enhanced Paging Protocol
IT	Interval Numbering
NI	National International
PIN	Program Item Number
STY	Sub TYPE group

### M.2 Basic paging protocol

#### M.2.1 Coding characteristics for paging

##### M.2.1.1 General

M.2.1.1.1 Group type 4A<sup>1)</sup>, clock-time and date (CT), is transmitted at the start of every minute.

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<sup>1)</sup> The transmitted CT (see 3.1.5.6 and 3.2.3) must be accurate, otherwise the CT codes must all be set to zero.

M.2.1.1.2 Group type 1A, program-item number (PIN), is transmitted at least once per second. The five last bits of its block 2 are used for radio paging codes as follows:

- bits B<sub>4</sub>-B<sub>2</sub>: 3-bit transmitter network group designation
- bits B<sub>1</sub>-B<sub>0</sub>: battery saving interval synchronization and identification.

M.2.1.1.3 Group type 7A is used to convey the paging information.

M.2.1.2 Transmitter network group designation

The first three bits of the five last bits of block 2 of Group type 1A (radio paging codes, as defined in M.2.1.1.2) are used to designate the transmitter network to a group of pager group codes. Pagers not belonging to the designated group codes must not lock to the transmitter.

The group designations are as follows:

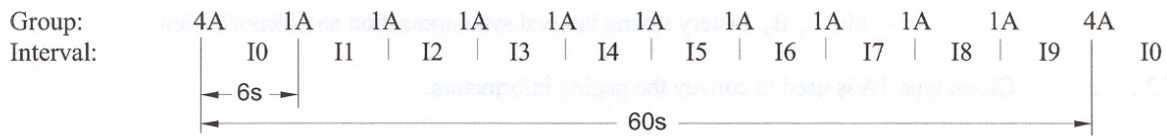
Table M.1

B <sub>4</sub>	B <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	Group codes	Number of group codes
0	0	0	No basic paging on channel	
0	0	1	00-99	100
0	1	0	00-39	40
0	1	1	40-99	60
1	0	0	40-69	30
1	0	1	70-99	30
1	1	0	00-19	20
1	1	1	20-39	20

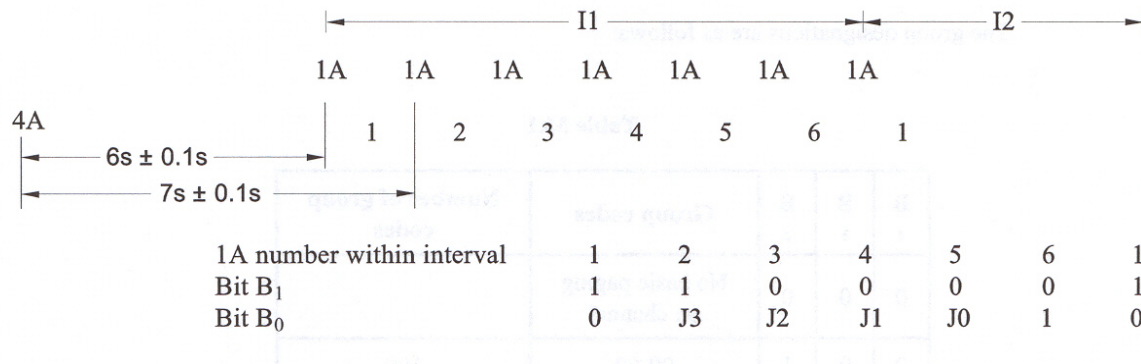
The transmitter network group designation makes it possible to distribute the paging calls over one to four networks, e.g. several networks during day-time and a single network during the night-time. The number of group codes in each network is shown below for the different number of networks in operation.

Number of transmitter networks	Number of group codes respectively
1	100
2	40/60
3	40/30/30
4	20/20/30/30

M.2.1.3 Transmission sequence (battery saving)



Timing within intervals:



For battery saving purposes, each minute is divided into ten intervals of equal length (I0 ... I9). Each paging receiver belongs to the interval corresponding to the last digit of its individual code (digit 0 belongs to I0 and so on). Paging calls are placed within the interval corresponding to the last digit or within the two intervals following that interval.

To enable the receivers to synchronize to the correct interval, the last two bits, B<sub>1</sub> and B<sub>0</sub>, of the five last bits of block 2 of Group type 1A are used. The start of an interval is indicated by the transmission of two 1A groups with B<sub>1</sub> = 1 (in interval I0 the first 1A group is replaced by 4A). The first 1A (or 4A for I0) group is transmitted at the start interval and the other one second later. Within an interval at least three more 1A groups are transmitted (bit B<sub>1</sub> = 0). Bit B<sub>0</sub> of 1A groups number 2, 3, 4 and 5 is used to sequentially transmit the four bits J3, J2, J1, J0 of the BCD-coded interval number 0 ... 9. Excessive 1A groups within an interval have their bit B<sub>0</sub> = 1.

For the paging receiver, one minute is the interval between two consecutive 4A groups. This minute contains either 685 or 686 RDS groups. For the paging receiver, one second is the interval between two consecutive 1A groups. This second contains 11 or 12 RDS groups. Consequently, for a paging receiver, the duration of the relevant time intervals is equal to one second or one minute plus or minus the length of one RDS group.

The receiver may enter battery saving mode after start of its interval:

- if at least 10 groups differing from group type 7A have been received;
- if a paging call, belonging to an interval different from the receivers' own and the two preceding intervals, has been received;
- after the start of the third interval after its own interval.

The receiver shall be considered to have lost its interval synchronization:

- if there is a paging call within the receivers' own interval to a receiver not belonging to the interval or the two preceding intervals, or
- if an error-free reception of the interval marking (J3, J2, J1, J0) is not the one expected.

Checking of J3, J2, J1, J0 is not necessary each time the receiver leaves battery saving mode.

#### *M.2.1.4 Locking to a channel*

*M.2.1.4.1* The receiver searches for one of the offset words A ... D. When this is found, it searches for the next expected offset word at a distance of:  $n$  times 26 bits,  $n = 1 \dots 6$ . When two offset words have been found, the receiver is synchronized to both block and group. After block and group synchronization, the receiver must find the correct country code (within the PI-code) and group designation of the transmitter network.

*M.2.1.4.2* When scanning the frequency band, block and group synchronization must occur within 1 sec. and correct country code and group designation must be found within 2 sec. after block and group synchronization. Otherwise the receiver must leave the channel.

*M.2.1.4.3* When locking to the channel after battery saving mode, block and group synchronization and the reception of correct country code and transmitter group designation must occur within 15 sec. Otherwise the receiver shall leave the channel.

*M.2.1.4.4* For quick scanning, the information about alternative frequencies in group type 0A may be used.

#### *M.2.1.5 Loss of synchronization*

*M.2.1.5.1* Clockslip may be detected by using the fact that the program identification (PI) code is rarely altered. By calculating the syndrome for this block and the block shifted plus/minus one bit, it is possible to see whether clockslip has occurred. If the information becomes correct after a one bit shift, it is considered that a clockslip has occurred, all received data is shifted accordingly and the receiver is correctly synchronized.

*M.2.1.5.2* When 43 out of the last received 45 blocks have a syndrome different from zero (for the respective offset words), the channel locking is lost and the receiver shall scan the band for a better channel.

*M.2.1.5.3* If the group code of the receiver is no longer in accordance with the transmitter group designation code, the receiver shall leave the channel and scan the band for a new channel.

M.2.1.6 Group type 7A message format

M.2.1.6.1 General

Group type 7A:

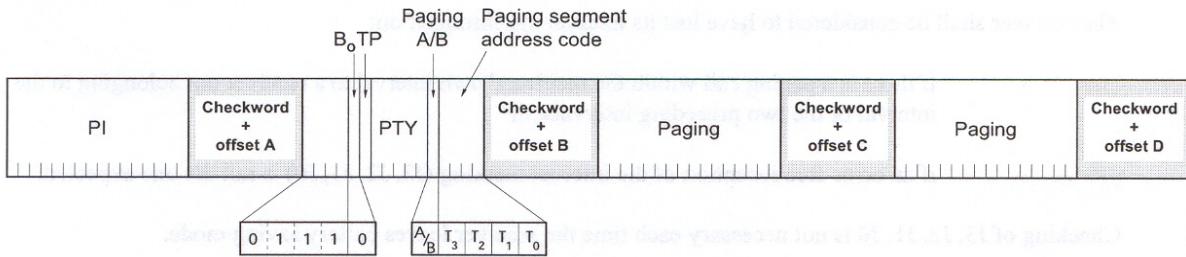


Figure M.1: Group type 7A message format for Radio Paging

Block 1 comprises the PI code found as the first block of every RDS group type. Blocks 3 and 4 are used for paging information.

In block 2 the five last bits are used to control the paging information. Bit AB, paging A/B, is used as a flag which changes its value between different paging calls thus indicating the start of a new or repeated call. Bits T<sub>3</sub>-T<sub>0</sub> are used as a 4-bit paging segment address code and to indicate the type of additional message that follows:

Table M.2

T <sub>3</sub>	T <sub>2</sub>	T <sub>1</sub>	T <sub>0</sub>	Message contents:
0	0	0	0	No additional message
0	0	0	1	Part of functions message
0	0	1	X	10 digit numeric message or part of functions message
0	1	X	X	18 digit numeric message or 15 digit numeric message in international paging
1	X	X	X	Alphanumeric message
X indicates state 0 or 1				

M.2.1.6.2 Paging without additional message

Group type 7A:

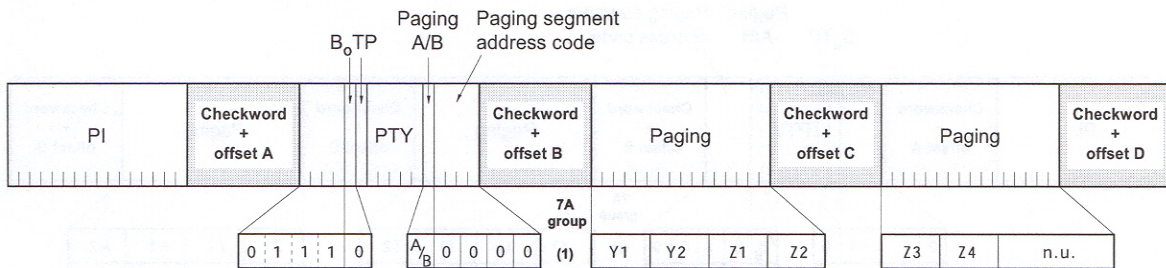


Figure M.2: Group type 7A paging without additional message

Y1Y2 denotes the group code  
 Z1...Z4 denotes the individual code within the group  
 Yn and Zn denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9  
 n.u. 8 last bits of block 4 not used.

The paging segment address code, used to indicate the contents of blocks 3 and 4, is set to 0000.

M.2.1.6.3 Paging with additional numeric message

The additional numeric message is transmitted in one or two 7A groups following the first 7A group of the call. Other group types may be transmitted in between:

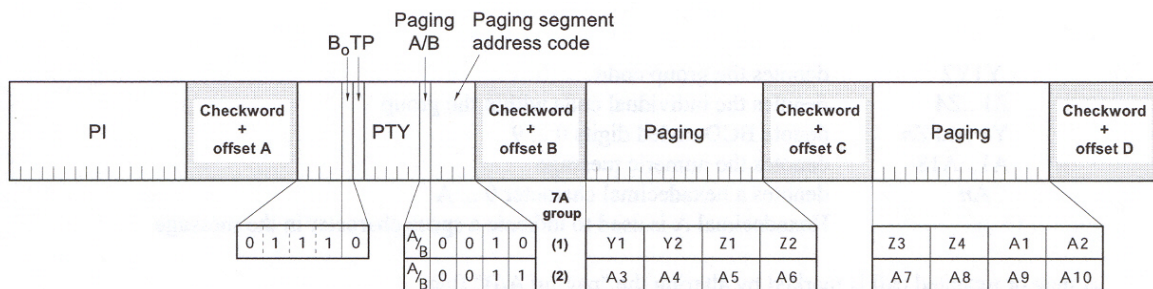
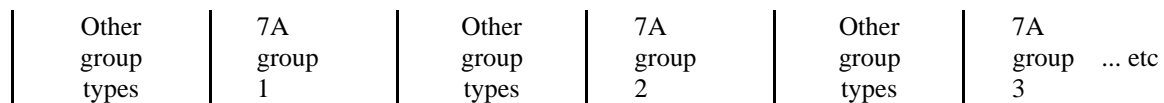


Figure M.3: Group type 7A paging with additional 10 digit message



Third 7A group only transmitted in case of an 18 digit message.

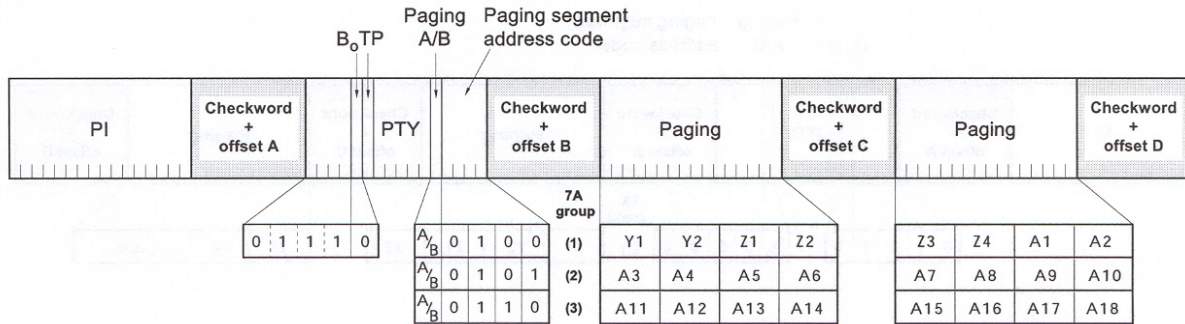


Figure M.4: Group type 7A paging with additional 18 digit message

The paging segment address code is used to indicate the contents of blocks 3 and 4 in respective groups:

Table M.3

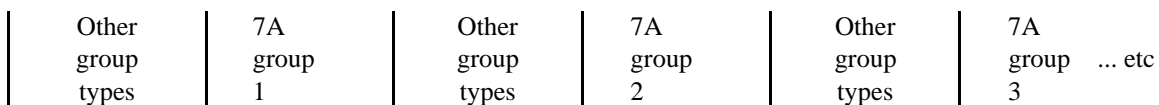
T <sub>3</sub>	T <sub>2</sub>	T <sub>1</sub>	T <sub>0</sub>	Contents of blocks 3 and 4
				<b>10 digit message:</b>
0	0	1	0	Group and individual code Y1Y2 Z1...Z4 plus message digits A1...A2
0	0	1	1	Message digits A3...A10
				<b>18 digit message:</b>
0	1	0	0	Group and individual code Y1Y2 Z1...Z4 plus message digits A1...A2
0	1	0	1	Message digits A3...A10
0	1	1	0	Message digits A11...A18

Y1Y2 denotes the group code  
 Z1...Z4 denotes the individual code within the group  
 Y<sub>n</sub> and Z<sub>n</sub> denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9  
 A1...A18 denotes the numeric message  
 A<sub>n</sub> denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... A  
 Hexadecimal A is used to indicate a space character in the message

A new or repeated call is marked by altering the "paging A/B" flag.

M.2.1.6.4 Paging with additional alphanumeric message

The additional message is transmitted in consecutive 7A groups. Other group types may be transmitted in between:



Each of the groups contains 4 characters coded in 8 bits each

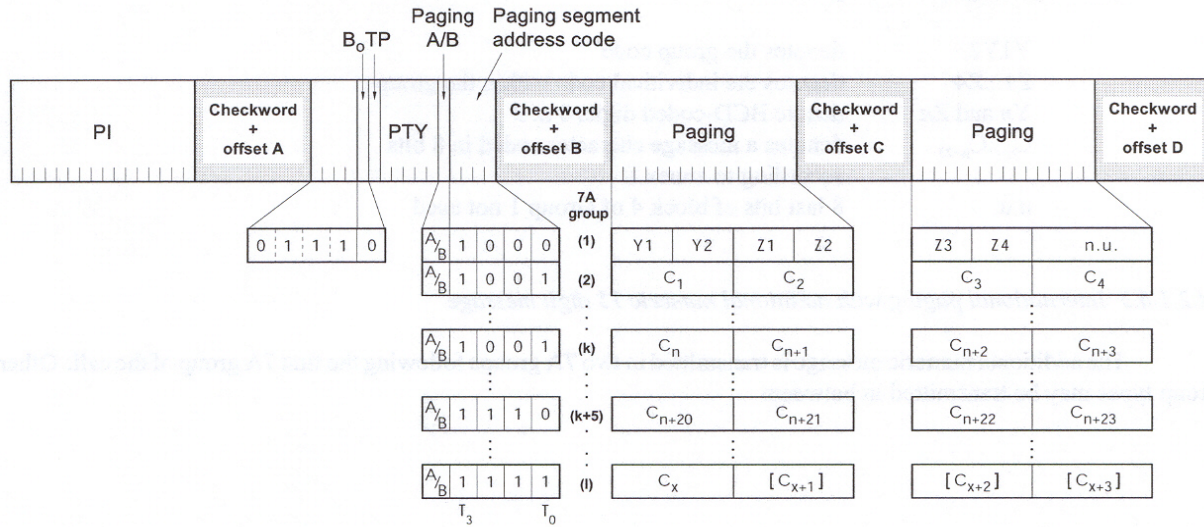


Figure M.5: Group type 7A paging with additional alphanumeric message

The paging segment address code is used to indicate the contents of blocks 3 and 4 in respective groups:

Table M.4

$T_3$	$T_2$	$T_1$	$T_0$	Contents of blocks 3 and 4
1	0	0	0	Group and individual code Y1Y2 Z1 to Z4
1	0	0	1	Message characters $C_n \dots C_{n+3}$
1	0	1	0	Message characters $C_{n+4} \dots C_{n+7}$
1	0	1	1	Message characters $C_{n+8} \dots C_{n+11}$
1	1	0	0	Message characters $C_{n+12} \dots C_{n+15}$
1	1	0	1	Message characters $C_{n+16} \dots C_{n+19}$
1	1	1	0	Message characters $C_{n+20} \dots C_{n+23}$
1	1	1	1	End of alphanumeric message: last four or fewer message characters

Paging segment address code is repeated cyclically 1001 ... 1110 for every 24 characters of the message transmitted ( $n$  is increased by 24 for each cycle).

End of message is indicated by the transmission of paging segment address code 1111 or by a new call (indicated by altering the "paging A/B" flag).

Maximum length of message is 80 characters.

Y1Y2 denotes the group code  
 Z1...Z4 denotes the individual code within the group  
 Y<sub>n</sub> and Z<sub>n</sub> denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9  
 C<sub>n</sub>...C<sub>n+23</sub> denotes a message character coded in 8 bits according to annex E  
 n.u. 8 last bits of block 4 of Group 1 not used

*M.2.1.6.5 International paging with additional numeric 15 digit message*

The additional numeric message is transmitted in two 7A groups following the first 7A group of the call. Other group types may be transmitted in between:

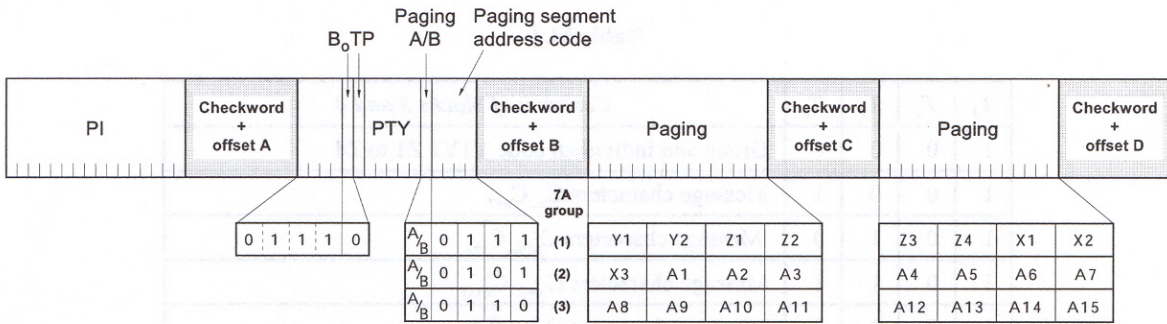
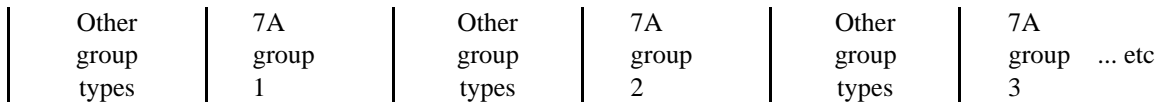


Figure M.6: Group type 7A paging with additional international 15 digit message

The paging segment address code is used to indicate the contents of block 3 and 4 in respective groups:

Table M.5

$T_3$	$T_2$	$T_1$	$T_0$	Contents of blocks 3 and 4 International 15 digit message
0	1	1	1	Group and individual code plus country code digit 1 and 2
0	1	0	1	Country code digit 3 plus additional information digits 1 to 7
0	1	1	0	Additional information digits 8 to 15

$Y1Y2$  denotes the group code  
 $Z1...Z4$  denotes the individual code  
 $X1...X3$  denotes the country code according to CCITT Rec. E212  
 $X_n, Y_n$  and  $Z_n$  denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9  
 $A1...A15$  denotes the additional numeric message  
 $A_n$  denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... A.  
 Hexadecimal A is used to indicate a space character in the message.

A new or repeated call is marked by altering the "paging A/B" flag.

M.2.1.6.6 Functions message in international paging

The functions message is transmitted in one 7A group following the first 7A group of the call.

Other group types may be transmitted in between:

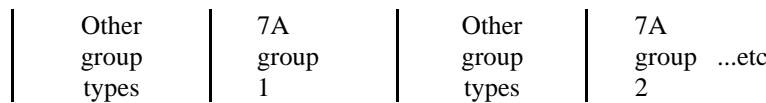
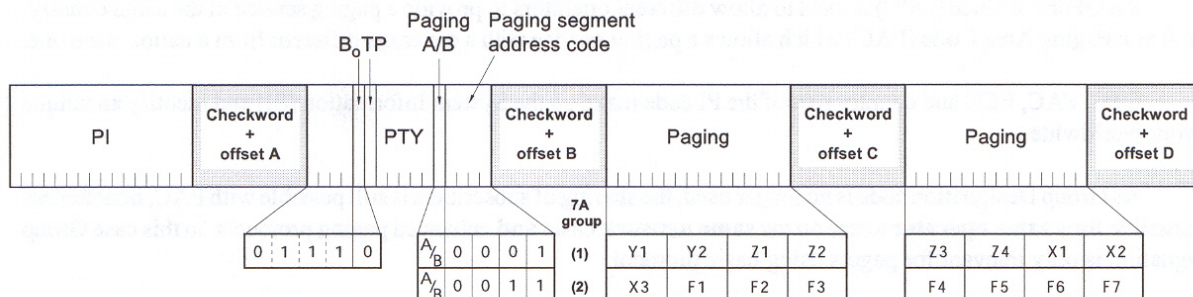


Figure M.7: Functions message in international paging



The paging segment address code is used to indicate the contents of block 3 and 4 in respective groups:

**Table M.6**

$T_3$	$T_2$	$T_1$	$T_0$	<i>Contents of blocks 3 and 4 Functions message</i>
0	0	0	1	Group and individual code plus country code digit 1 and 2
0	0	1	1	Country code digit 3 plus functions message number 1 to 7

$Y_1Y_2$  denotes the group code  
 $Z_1...Z_4$  denotes the individual code  
 $X_1...X_3$  denotes the country code according to CCITT Rec. E212  
 $X_n, Y_n$  and  $Z_n$  denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9  
 $F_1...F_7$  denotes the functions message (e.g. for future applications such as control of paging receivers)  
 $F_n$  denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... F

A new or repeated functions message is marked by altering the "paging A/B" flag.

### M.3 Enhanced Paging

#### M.3.1 Introduction

Beside the paging system described in paragraph M.2, and that will be referred as "basic paging", this chapter introduces an "enhanced paging" protocol keeping the compatibility with the existing one.

The aim of enhanced paging protocol is to upgrade the battery life time of the pager, as well as easily permit regional and international paging, multi operator and multi services operation.

#### M.3.2 Multi operator / area paging

In order to offer real international paging services, it is important to identify completely the country during the channel locking, and so to use the Extended Country Code (ECC) as defined in 1A group, variant 0.

An OPerator Code (OPC) is used to allow different operators to provide a paging service in the same country, as well as a Paging Area Code (PAC) which allows a paging service with a coverage different from a nation wide one.

OPC, PAC, ECC and country part of the PI code make up the System Information (SI) and identify an unique network worldwide.

As Group Designation code is no longer used, the sharing of subscribers is still possible with PAC, nonetheless it is possible for a **same operator** to use on the **same network** basic **and** enhanced paging protocols, in this case Group Designation is only relevant for pagers using basic protocol.

Several ways of transmitting System Information (SI) are possible and may be alternatively used on the same network either at the operator's choice or for compatibility of the paging protocol with other applications. By using the group type 1A block 4 to transmit SI information, setting to zero the day of the month, then the rest of the block will not be interpreted by receivers using PIN and thus is free for radio paging information.

Note: **This coding of block 4 applies to all Variants of type 1A groups.**

For efficient scanning and channel locking of the receivers, SI must be transmitted as often as possible and to preserve compatibility with existing paging systems, 1A groups sent as second markers will be used.

### M.3.2.1 Paging Area Code

This code is defined for each country and operator. 6 bits are assigned to enable the definition of 63 paging service areas.

The figure zero transmitted by an encoder means it sends messages for all paging areas of the paging service provider, and the figure zero assigned to a pager means that it belongs to all paging service areas and as a consequence does not need to look for PAC information.

### M.3.2.2 Operator Code

OPC allows to have more than one operator to function in a country. Within a country, each operator should have its own unique code. OPC is coded on 4 bits to allow 15 operators.

The figure zero is not valid for an operator, and means that enhanced paging protocol is not implemented on the channel (see note 1 in M.3.2.4.3).

### M.3.2.3 Extended Country Code

In order to uniquely define each country for enhanced international service, ECC is used as defined in 1A group, variant 0.

For the majority of pagers which are used in national mode, checking the country part of the PI code will be sufficient for channel locking, full ECC being checked in a second step, especially for pagers set in international mode.

### M.3.2.4 Description of usage of 1A group variants for paging

#### M.3.2.4.1 Use of 1A variant 0 when PIN information is transmitted

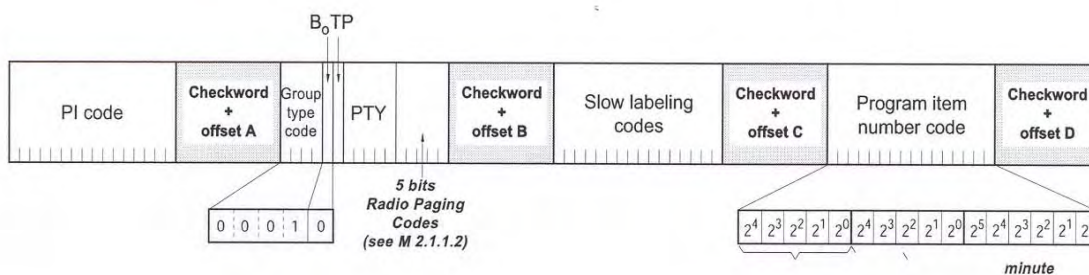


Figure M.8: variant 0 of 1A group with PIN

1A group, variant 0 is defined for transmitting ECC which is part of the paging System Information. The four bits  $2^{11} - 2^8$  of the slow labeling code (see Figure 8a and M.10a ) which are used to transmit the OPERator Code (OPC).

**It is important that broadcasters using type 1A group, variant 0, without transmitting paging, set these four bits to zero.**

Pagers for which PAC is set to zero do not need any more information than that contained in block 3 of variant 0 and

PI's country part to lock to a channel.

M.3.2.4.2 Use of 1A variant 2 when PIN information is transmitted

<sup>1)</sup> and <sup>2)</sup>: See notes below figure M.10b

n.u. means not used

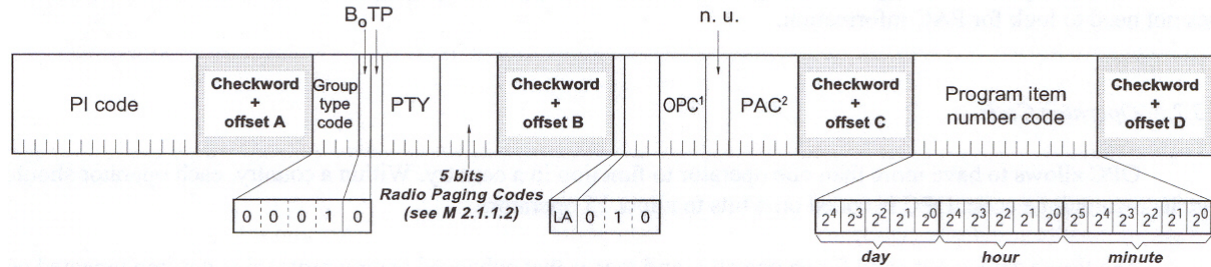


Figure M.9: variant 2 of 1A group with PIN

Variant 2 is dedicated to paging and will transmit OPC and PAC.

The four bits  $2^{11}$ -  $2^8$  of the slow labeling code (see Figure 9a and M.10b) transmit the OPC as in variant 0.

The two bits  $2^7$ -  $2^6$  of the slow labeling code (see Figure 9a and M.10b) are set to zero, and must be ignored by the pager.

All values are reserved for future use.

The six bits  $2^5$ -  $2^0$  of the slow labeling code (see Figure 9a and M.10b) transmit the PAC.

M.3.2.4.3 Use of PIN field when no valid PIN information is transmitted

By setting to zero the five first bits (day information bits) of block 4, all receivers except enhanced protocol pagers will disregard the rest of the block which does not represent valid PIN information.

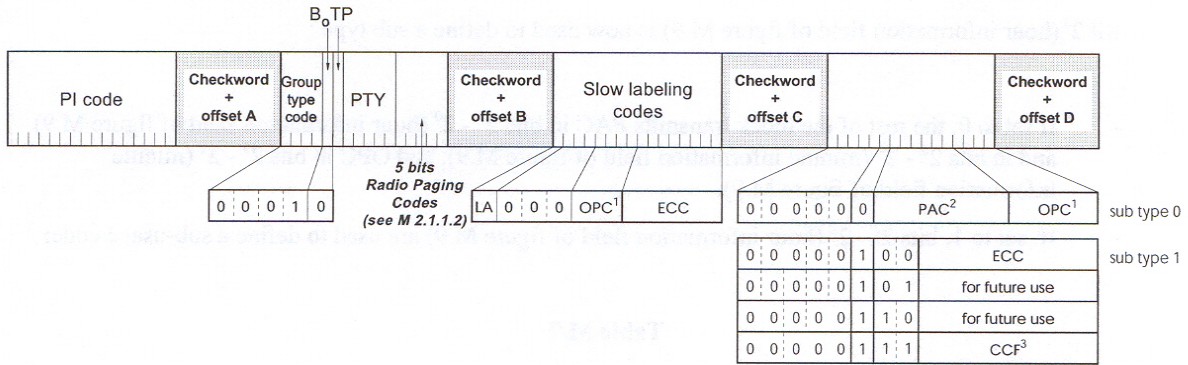
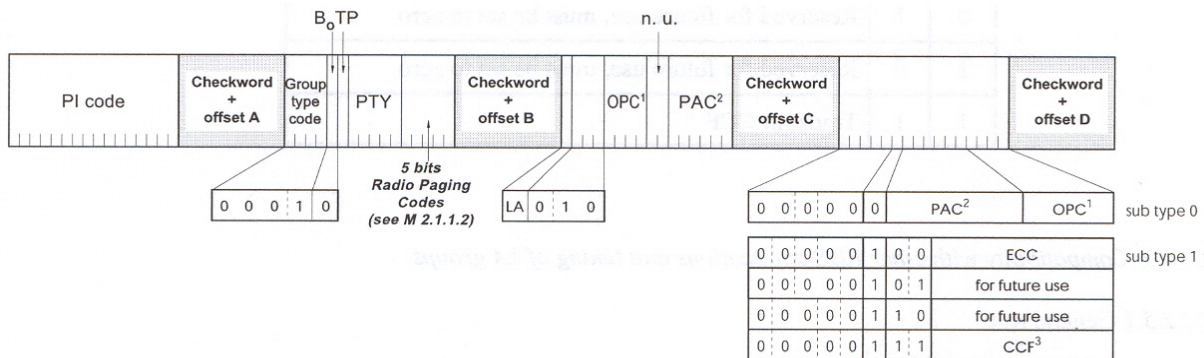


Figure M.10a: variant 0 of 1A group without PIN

Figure M.10b: variant 2 of 1A group without PIN



Notes:

1. OPC : OPerator code (see M.3.2.2). If these 4 bits are set to 0, it indicates that there is no enhanced paging service on the channel.
2. PAC : PAging Area Code (see M.3.2.1).
3. CCF : CurrenT Carrier Frequency. This code represents the frequency value of the carrier to which the receiver is locked according to AF (see 3.2.1.6.1).



The eleven remaining bits are used to transmit the paging System Information. This gives an efficient tool to preserve compatibility with applications requiring other 1A variants.

Bit  $2^4$  (hour information field of figure M.9) is now used to define a sub type :

- If set to 0, the rest of the block transmits PAC in bits  $2^3 - 2^0$  (hour information field of figure M.9) and in bits  $2^5 - 2^4$  (minute information field of figure M.9), and OPC in bits  $2^3 - 2^0$  (minute information field of figure M.9).
- If set to 1, bits  $2^3 - 2^2$  (hour information field of figure M.9) are used to define a sub-usage code:

**Table M.7**

$2^3$	$2^2$	<i>Usage of the remaining 8 bits</i>
0	0	Transmit ECC
0	1	Reserved for future use, must be set to zero
1	0	Reserved for future use, must be set to zero
1	1	Transmit CCF

*M.3.2.5 Compatibility with other RDS applications and timing of 1A groups*

*M.3.2.5.1 General rule*

If no other RDS application using 1A group is broadcast on the network, it is strongly recommended to use variant 2 of 1A group. The following paragraph explains the different possibilities. More detailed information is given however in the implementation guidelines .

*M.3.2.5.2 Compatibility and timing of 1A groups*

Group type 4A is transmitted at the start of every minute. Group type 1A is transmitted at least once per second. The OPC code is transmitted in the blocks 3 and 4 in order to allow receivers to process a fast locking on or a fast leaving of the channel in case variants of 1A groups, different from 0 and 2, are transmitted.

A pager using enhanced protocol may alternatively find the relevant System Information (SI) in 1A group variant 0, 1A group variant 2 or in block 4 of any 1A group when no PIN is broadcast. This protocol allows to remain compatible with other applications as it will be recommended below :

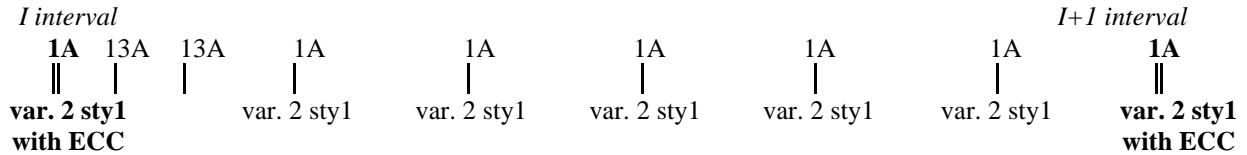
**General remarks :**

1. *Var. means variant, sty means sub type.*
2. *In case of interval 0, the first 1A group is replaced by 4A group. For M.3.2.5.2.3 and M.3.2.5.2.4, variant 0, sub type 0 is obligatory for 1A group as 2nd marker.*
3. *It is recommended to insert by at least one type 1A group, variant 2, sub type 1 with ECC, or one type 1A group variant 0, sub type 0 per interval as 1st marker, or as 2nd marker for interval 0.*
4. *1B groups are broadcast with valid PIN in order to respect the 0.5 second repetition time.*
5. *When two 1B groups are broadcast between two 1A groups, the first one must be as close as possible of the first 1A or 4A groups, or the second one must be as close as possible of the second 1A or 4A groups.*
6. *1B groups are 0.5 second far between 1A groups.*
7. *The use of 1A group, variants 0 or 2 during the broadcasting of the PIN is obligatory, which means that the compatibility with other applications is restricted during this period (< 2 seconds).*
8. *13A groups are optional and are just represented here for information.*

*M.3.2.5.2.1* Network not using PIN nor other variants of 1A group

SI is transmitted in 1A group variant 2 (ECC in block 4).

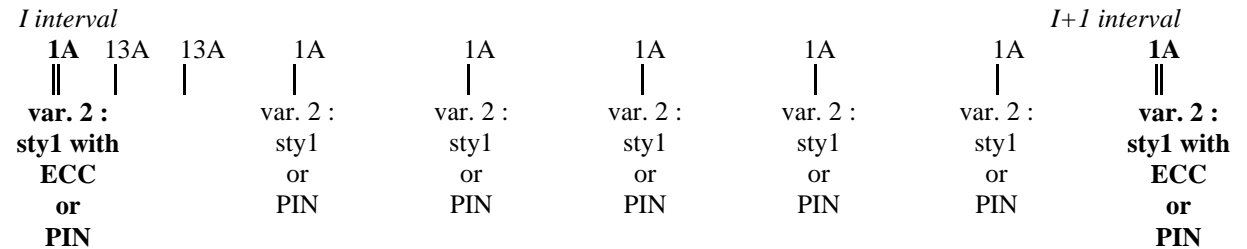
*Start of :*



*M.3.2.5.2.2* Network using PIN but no other variants of 1A group

When no PIN information is valid, SI is transmitted in 1A group variant 2. When valid PIN information is present, SI is transmitted in 1A group variant 2, but ECC is not available.

*Start of :*

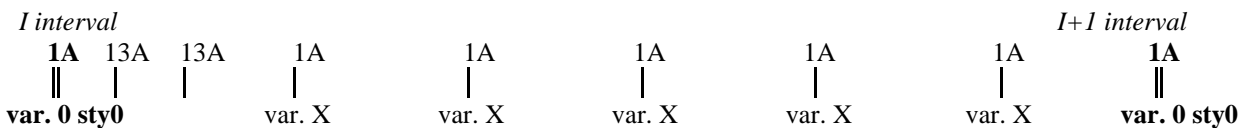


*M.3.2.5.2.3* Network not using PIN but other variants of 1A group

A mixing of 1A group, variant 0 and variant X (X ≠ 0) will be used according to each system requirements.

Beginning of a paging interval is always using a 1A group, variant 0, the PIN field is used to transmit SI when other variants of 1A group are transmitted.

*Start of :*



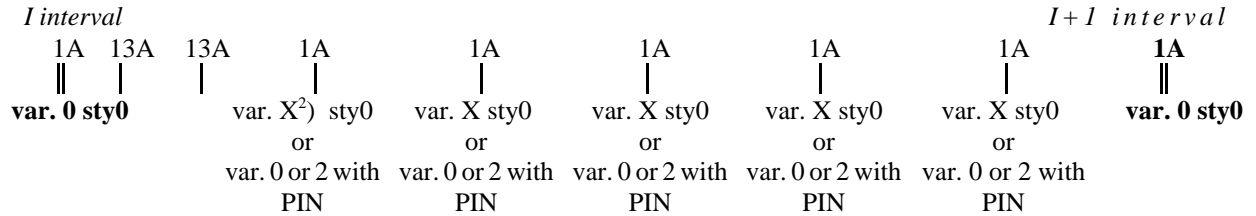
Notes :

1. If X ≠ 0 and X ≠ 2, sub type must be 0 in block 4.
2. If X = 0, sub type can be either 0 or 1 interleaved.
3. If X = 2, sub type must be 1.
4. var. x sty x means Variant x, Sub type x

M.3.2.5.2.4 Network using PIN and other variants of 1A group

A mixing of the above two methods is used, the only constraint being to transmit OPC every second, PAC each two seconds and ECC at least once in the interval.

Start of :



M.3.2.6 Services using multi operator/area

Knowing that operator and area are coded individually, a pager can select the right network without any risk of error. Combinations of different operators and/or areas are possible by programming SI for all the elementary services in the pager.

M.3.2.7 Locking criteria

The pagers designed to be used with this new enhanced paging protocol must ignore the criteria described in paragraphs M.2.1.4 and M.2.1.5, and respect the following ones:

- M.3.2.7.1 The pager searches for one of the offset words A...D. When this is found, it searches for the next expected offset word at a distance of: n times 26 bits, n = 1 ... 6. When two offset words have been found, the pager is synchronized to both block and group. After block and group synchronization, the pager must find the correct System Information (country part of the PI code, OPERator Code and Paging Area Code in the national mode, country part of the PI code, Extended Country Code and OPERator Code in the international mode). Otherwise the pager must leave the channel.
- M.3.2.7.2 The pager shall leave the channel within one second if OPC (1A group) is set to 0.
- M.3.2.7.3 When scanning the frequency band, block and group synchronization must occur within one second and correct System Information must be found within two<sup>3</sup>) seconds after block and group synchronization. Otherwise the pager must leave the channel.
- M.3.2.7.4 When locking to the channel after battery saving mode, block and group synchronization and the reception of the correct System Information must occur within two<sup>3</sup>) seconds. Otherwise the pager must leave the channel.
- M.3.2.7.5 When locking to the channel after battery saving mode, the reception of the parity of the minute for pagers operating in the 120 seconds cycle mode must occur within 6 seconds.

M.3.2.8 Loss of synchronization

- M.3.2.8.1 When 43 out of the last received 45 blocks have a syndrome different from 0 (for the respective offset words), the channel locking is lost and the pager shall scan the band for a better channel.

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<sup>2</sup>) X≠0 and X≠2

<sup>3</sup>) If PIN is broadcast at the same time, the pager must find the correct SI within three seconds after block and group synchronization.

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*M.3.2.8.2* If the System Information is no longer in accordance with the one programmed in the pager, the pager shall leave the channel and scan the band for a new one.

*M.3.2.9 International paging*

To be able to receive international calls, the user must activate the pager's international mode. The pager contains a list of countries covered by the user's subscription with the relevant operator codes.

Because the user can forget to activate the pager's international mode, it is recommended that the pager first check ECC before displaying the first message after locking.

*M.3.2.9.1 Selection of the channel*

To select the correct channel, the pager must check the full SI. These codes, broadcast in 1A groups, are stored in a table which indicates to the pager which local operator is providing the international connection with its own paging service provider.

*M.3.2.9.2 International alphanumeric/variable length numeric or function messages*

The figures M.17, M.18 and M.19 describe the new international message format. The pager must check the 6-digits national address + the 3-digits country code (according to CCITT Rec. E212) + the 4-bits OPC code, which together define its unique international address. This OPC code is the original one (from the national paging service provider) and has no link with the one broadcast in the 1A group.

**M.3.3 Extension of paging addressing mode**

The basic paging system allows 1 million addresses. Knowing that pagers have 2 or more addresses, and that transmitter network group designation can limit the use of address range, the coding is extended using hexadecimal coding instead of BCD coding. Only the digit Z4 (see M.2.1.6.2) of the individual address remains BCD-coded to keep the compatibility with interval numbering.

Thus the new total capacity becomes :  $16^5 \times 10 = 10\,485\,760$  addresses.

This extension can be implemented on existing network independently of the other enhanced features, but must be introduced in case of enhanced paging protocol implementation.

For basic paging protocol, the group designation code assignment is described below :

**Table M.8**

<i>B<sub>4</sub></i>	<i>B<sub>3</sub></i>	<i>B<sub>2</sub></i>	<i>Group codes</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
0	0	0	No basic paging on channel	
0	0	1	00 - FF	100
0	1	0	00 - 3F + A0 - DF	50
0	1	1	40 - 9F + E0 - FF	50
1	0	0	40 - 6F + E0 - EF	25
1	0	1	70 - 9F + F0 - FF	25
1	1	0	00 - 1F + A0 - BF	25
1	1	1	20 - 3F + C0 - DF	25

### M.3.4 Battery saving mode

The principle of the battery saving mode described in paragraph M.2.1.3 is based on a time division of 10 intervals per minute during which only the pagers belonging to the transmitted interval (in accordance with digit Z4 of its individual code (see M.2.1.6.2)) are activated. The enhanced protocol provides tools to dramatically improve the performances achieved with basic paging in this field.

#### M.3.4.1 Message notification / 13A groups sub type description

##### M.3.4.1.1 Introduction

The 13A group is organized in sub types. Sub types 0, 1 and 2 are transmitted at the beginning of each interval (just following the first 1A group), this group informs the pager of the possibility of presence of messages: if there is no message, the pager can immediately enter the battery saving mode instead of waiting until the end of its interval.

If the pager misses the 13A group, it must follow the rules described in M.3.4.4.

By transmitting the number of the current interval at the beginning of the interval instead of collecting it in many 1A groups, the acquisition can be optimized, thus improving the battery life time.

##### M.3.4.1.2 Message notification

Each pager is identified by a group code Y1Y2 followed by an individual code Z1Z2Z3Z4 (see M.2.1.6.2).

The last digit Z4 indicates the interval number. The Z2Z3 digits determine a sub group for message notification to which a pager belongs. Thus 256 sub groups have been defined (00-FF).

For a given interval and a given minute, the 256 sub groups are represented by 50 bits transmitted in two 13A groups, each bit indicating if a message for at least one pager belonging to the corresponding sub group will be transmitted during the considered interval. However, one 13A group can be used instead of two, if type 7A group traffic is important, which is the case for alphanumeric messages. In that case only 25 notification bits are used.

In worst case of traffic it is even possible to skip 13A group transmission.

The correspondence between the hexadecimal-coded ZZZ3 digits and the address notification bit, is given in the tables of section M.3.6.

The address notification bit is set to 1 if at least one pager belonging to a sub group attached to this notification bit will receive a message, otherwise the address notification bit is set to 0.

M.3.4.1.3 Sub type description

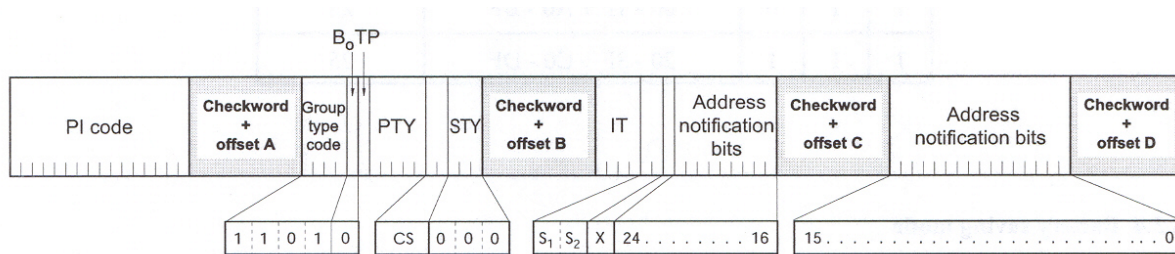


Figure M.11a: sub type 000 - Group type 13A

The 13A group, sub type 000, is used when only 25 address notification bits (one 13A group) are used. This group is immediately located after the 1A group starting the interval.

**STY** denotes the sub type of the group.

**X** is reserved for future use.

**CS** (Cycle Selection) denotes the parity of the minute if a two minute cycle is implemented, and indicates if only one minute cycle or a mixing of both (one and two minutes cycle) is implemented.

Table M.9

CS		
0	0	1 minute cycle
0	1	reserved for future use
1	0	2 minutes cycle or mixed (even)
1	1	2 minutes cycle or mixed (odd)

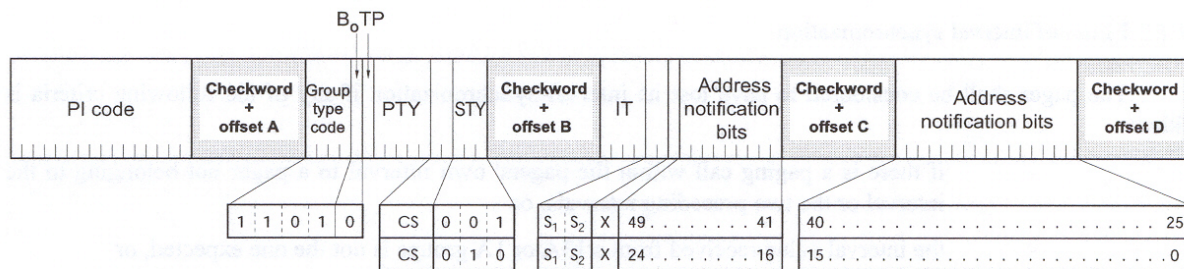
**IT** denotes the paging interval numbering.

**S<sub>1</sub>** and **S<sub>2</sub>** indicate whether messages are sorted or not.

Table M.10

$S_1$	$S_2$	
0	0	not sorted
0	1	reserved for future use
1	0	sorted in ascending order
1	1	sorted in descending order

Figure M.11b: Sub type 001 and 010 - Group type 13A



The 13A group, sub type 001, is used when 50 address notification bits (two 13A groups) are used. This group is immediately located after the 1A group starting the interval and represent high order notification bits.

The 13A group, sub type 010, is the second of the two 13A groups when 50 address notification bits (two 13A groups) are used. This group is immediately located after the 13A group, sub type 001, and represent low order notification bits.

**Warning:..” replace by “Warning : the address notification bits do not refer to the same pagers sub groups in sub types 000 (25 bits) and 001 with 010 (50 bits).**

The sub type 011 will be used to carry information for Value Added Services (VAS) pagers.

#### M.3.4.2 One or two minutes cycles

##### M.3.4.2.1 Cycle structure

120 seconds or 60 seconds main cycle is used depending on the pager programming. A pager operating on a 120 seconds cycle wakes up from battery saving mode once every two minutes either during an even or odd minute according to its Z3 digit (see chapter M.3.6). A pager operating on a 60 seconds cycle wakes up from battery saving mode once every minute.

1A group cycle structure is described in M.3.2.5.

If no 13A group is broadcast or if the receiver cannot decode the CS correctly, one minute cycle time has to be followed.



*M.3.4.2.2 Priority between the different kinds of group*

When 13A groups are used, they must follow immediately the 1A or 4A group (sub types 000, sub types 001 or 010).

Either zero, one or two 13A groups may be used, and the number may be changed dynamically by the operator or encoder as a function of paging traffic.

13A groups will be inserted automatically by encoders.

*M.3.4.2.3 Loss of interval synchronization*

The pager shall be considered to have lost its interval synchronization if any of the following criteria is fulfilled:

- if there is a paging call within the pagers' own interval to a pager not belonging to the interval or the two preceding intervals, or
- the interval value received from a 13A or 1A groups is not the one expected, or
- the parity of the minute is not the one expected for two minutes cycle receivers.

*M.3.4.3 Organisation of the messages within an interval*

At the broadcaster's discretion messages may be sent in random order or with the individual address value of the pager sorted, two minutes in ascending order and two minutes in descending order. A pager may enter battery saving mode when its address has been passed.

*M.3.4.4 Battery saving mode criteria*

The pagers designed to be used with this new enhanced paging protocol must ignore the criteria described in paragraph M.2.1.3

The pager may enter the battery saving mode after the start of its own interval if any of the following criteria is fulfilled:

- if at least 10 groups differing from 7A group have been received;
- if a paging call, belonging to an interval different from the pagers' own and the two preceding intervals, has been received;
- after the start of the third interval after its own interval;
- if the address notification bits in the beginning of the interval in the 13A sub group types 000, 001 or 010 corresponding to the pagers' address are set to zero and the related 13A groups have been received correctly;
- if at least one paging call having individual address value below or above the pagers' own (according to the sorting order) have been received.

M.3.5 Group type 7A message format

M.3.5.1 General

The group type 7A message format is as described in the chapter M.2.1.6, without any change. The table M.2 is extended to new types of messages:

Table M.11

$T_3$	$T_2$	$T_1$	$T_0$	Message contents:
0	0	0	0	No additional message
0	0	0	1	Part of functions message
0	0	1	X	10 digit numeric message or part of functions message
0	1	X	X	18 digit numeric message or 15 digit numeric message in international paging
1	X	X	X	Variable-length message
1	1	1	1	Last group of a variable-length message
<i>X indicates state 0 or 1</i>				

**NOTE:** If variable-length (numeric, international numeric, international alphanumeric, functions, international functions) or tone-only paging calls are received by pagers designed according to the specification EN 50067:1992 then incorrect display of messages may result.

M.3.5.2 Paging without additional message: Tone-only message

The value of the control byte X1X2 is: 0 0 0 R P3 P2 P1 P0 (see Table M.12)

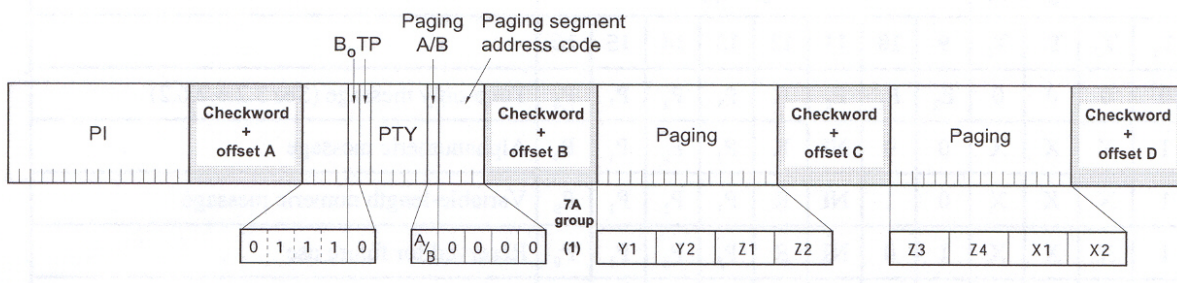


Figure M.12: Tone-only message

Y1Y2 denotes the group code  
 Z1 ... Z4 denotes the individual code within the group  
 X1X2 denotes the control byte  
 Yn and Zn denote BCD-coded digit 0 ... 9  
 Xn denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... F

The paging segment address code, used to indicate the contents of blocks 3 and 4, is set to 0000.

The control byte X1X2 is defined in M.3.5.3

M.3.5.3 Paging with additional variable-length message

The additional message is transmitted in consecutive 7A groups. Other group types may be transmitted in between:

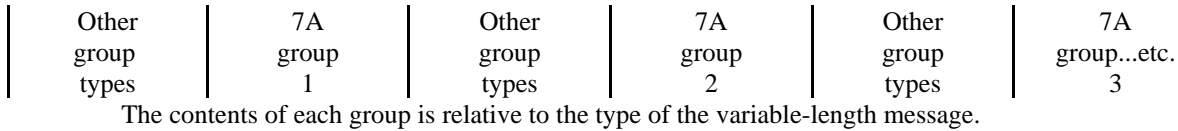
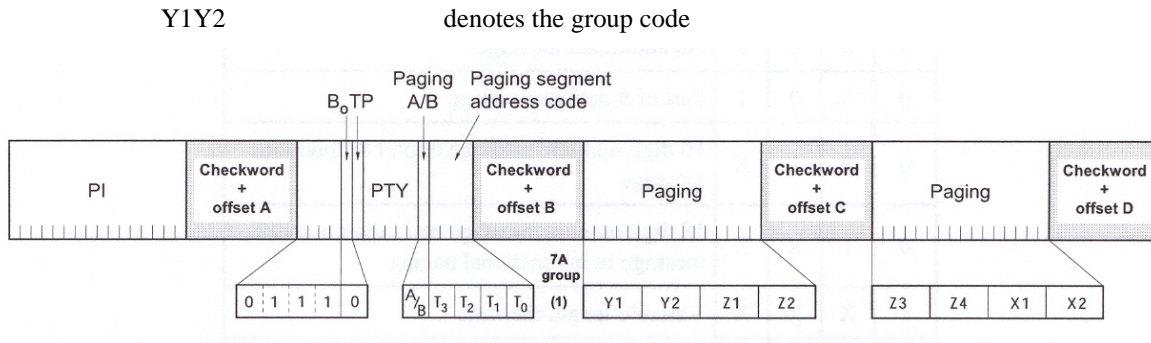


Figure M.13: First 7A group of a variable-length message



Z1...Z4 denotes the individual code within the group  
 X1X2 denotes the control byte  
 Yn and Zn denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9  
 Xn denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... F

The control byte is used to indicate the type of the variable-length message; it also includes a paging call counter and a paging call repetition flag.

Table M.12: description of the control byte

<i>Paging segment address code</i> (in the 2nd block of each 7A group)				<i>Control byte</i> X1X2 (last byte of the 4th block of the 1st 7A group)								<i>Type of the message</i>
T <sub>3</sub>	T <sub>2</sub>	T <sub>1</sub>	T <sub>0</sub>	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
0	0	0	0	E <sub>2</sub>	E <sub>1</sub>	E <sub>0</sub>	R	P <sub>3</sub>	P <sub>2</sub>	P <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>0</sub>	Tone-only message (See 3.2.6.2.6.2)
1	X	X	X	0	0	NI	R	P <sub>3</sub>	P <sub>2</sub>	P <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>0</sub>	Alphanumeric message
1	X	X	X	0	1	NI	R	P <sub>3</sub>	P <sub>2</sub>	P <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>0</sub>	Variable-length numeric message
1	X	X	X	1	0	NI	R	P <sub>3</sub>	P <sub>2</sub>	P <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>0</sub>	Reserved for future use
1	X	X	X	1	1	NI	R	P <sub>3</sub>	P <sub>2</sub>	P <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>0</sub>	Variable-length functions message

Bits 9 and 10 denote the type of the variable-length message  
 NI denotes the national/international bit  
 NI = 0 : National message  
 NI = 1 : International message  
 R denotes the paging call repetition flag  
 P<sub>0</sub> ... P<sub>3</sub> denote the paging call counter  
 E<sub>2</sub>, E<sub>1</sub>, E<sub>0</sub> denote the extended message field for tone-only messages. Use according to Operator's definition.

Table M.13: Use of paging call repetition flag

Bit 12 (R)	Description
0	Indicates the original (first time) transmission of a paging call, or that the repetition flag is not implemented
1	Indicates the repetition of an already transmitted paging call

Bits 13-16, designated as P3-P0, form the paging call counter. The counter is individual to each receiver address number<sup>4)</sup>, and is incremented by 1 every time a call is initially sent to the receiver address number, independent of the message type used. When the call is repeated, the counter must have the same value as originally sent.

The paging call counter may be used in the receiver to indicate that no messages have been lost.

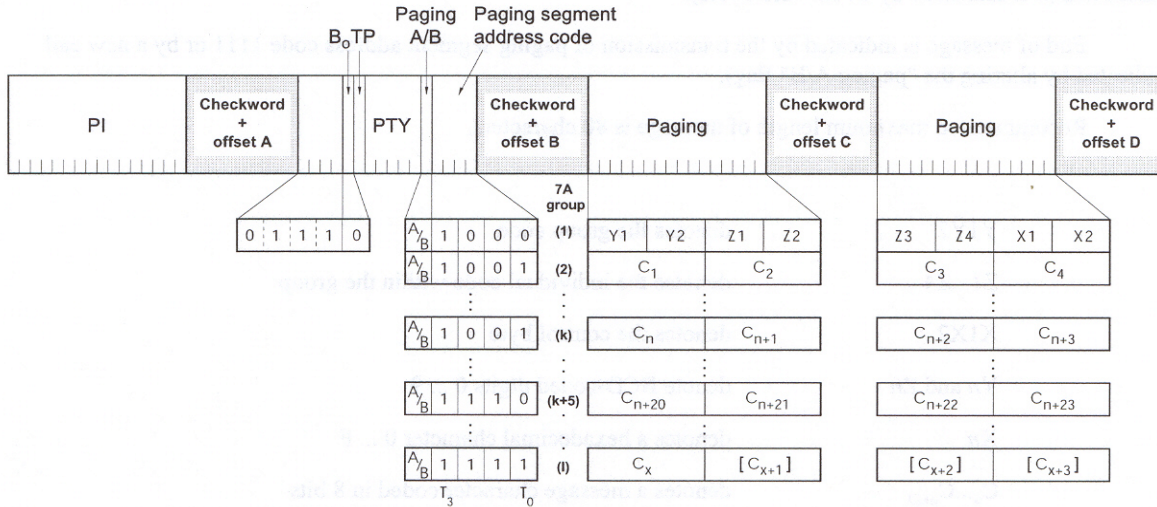
Valid values for the paging call counter are 1 to 15, while the value 0 is used when the paging call counter is not implemented. The paging call counter is used in a loop so that value 1 will follow after value 15.

M.3.5.4 National paging with additional alphanumeric message

The value of the control byte X1X2 is: 0 0 NI R P3 P2 P1 P0 with NI = 0

Each of the groups contains 4 characters coded in 8 bits each.

Figure M.14: Group type 7A national paging with additional alphanumeric message



<sup>4)</sup> The receiver address number is the Group code + the individual code = Y1Y2Z1Z2Z3Z4

The paging segment address code is used to indicate the contents of blocks 3 and 4 in respective groups:

**Table M.14**

$T_3$	$T_2$	$T_1$	$T_0$	Contents of blocks 3 and 4
1	0	0	0	Group and individual code Y1Y2 Z1 to Z4 and control byte X1X2
1	0	0	1	Message characters $C_n \dots C_{n+3}$
1	0	1	0	Message characters $C_{n+4} \dots C_{n+7}$
1	0	1	1	Message characters $C_{n+8} \dots C_{n+11}$
1	1	0	0	Message characters $C_{n+12} \dots C_{n+15}$
1	1	0	1	Message characters $C_{n+16} \dots C_{n+19}$
1	1	1	0	Message characters $C_{n+20} \dots C_{n+23}$
1	1	1	1	End of alphanumeric message: last four or fewer message characters

Paging segment address code is repeated cyclically 1001 ... 1110 for every 24 characters of the message transmitted ( $n$  is increased by 24 for each cycle).

End of message is indicated by the transmission of paging segment address code 1111 or by a new call (indicated by altering the "paging A/B" flag).

Recommended maximum length of message is 80 characters.

Y1Y2	denotes the group code
Z1...Z4	denotes the individual code within the group
X1X2	denotes the control byte
$Y_n$ and $Z_n$	denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9
$X_n$	denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... F
$C_n \dots C_{n+23}$	denotes a message character coded in 8 bits according to annex E

M.3.5.5 National paging with additional variable-length numeric message

The value of the control byte X1X2 is: 0 1 NI R P3 P2 P1 P0 with NI = 0

Each of the groups contains 8 digits coded in 4 bits each

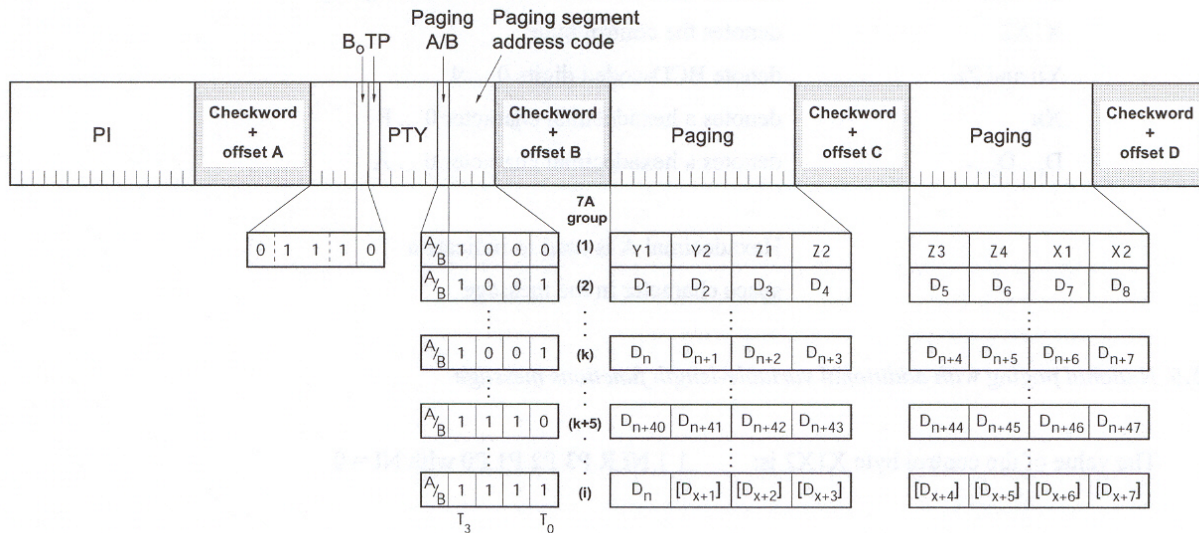


Figure M.15: Group type 7A national paging with additional variable-length numeric message

The paging segment address code is used to indicate the contents of blocks 3 and 4 in respective groups:

Table M.15

$T_3$	$T_2$	$T_1$	$T_0$	Contents of blocks 3 and 4
1	0	0	0	Group and individual code Y1Y2 Z1 to Z4 and control byte X1X2
1	0	0	1	Message digits $D_n \dots D_{n+7}$
1	0	1	0	Message digits $D_{n+8} \dots D_{n+15}$
1	0	1	1	Message digits $D_{n+16} \dots D_{n+23}$
1	1	0	0	Message digits $D_{n+24} \dots D_{n+31}$
1	1	0	1	Message digits $D_{n+32} \dots D_{n+39}$
1	1	1	0	Message digits $D_{n+40} \dots D_{n+47}$
1	1	1	1	End of variable-length numeric message: last eight or fewer message digits

Paging segment address code is repeated cyclically 1001 ... 1110 for every 48 digits of the message transmitted ( $n$  is increased by 48 for each cycle).

End of message is indicated by the transmission of paging segment address code 1111 or by a new call (indicated by altering the "paging A/B" flag).

Recommended maximum length of message is 160 digits.

Y1Y2 denotes the group code  
 Z1...Z4 denotes the individual code within the group  
 X1X2 denotes the control byte  
 Y<sub>n</sub> and Z<sub>n</sub> denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9  
 X<sub>n</sub> denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... F  
 D<sub>n</sub>...D<sub>n+47</sub> denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... A

Hexadecimal A is used to indicate a space character in the message

M.3.5.6 National paging with additional variable-length functions message

The value of the control byte X1X2 is: 1 1 NI R P3 P2 P1 P0 with NI = 0

Each of the groups contains 8 digits coded in 4 bits each

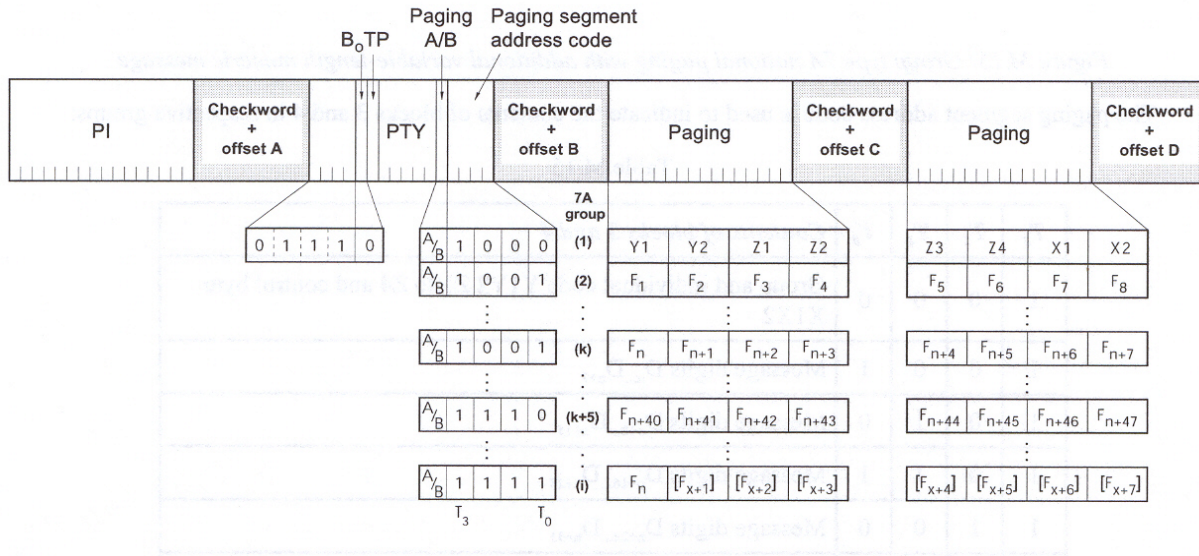


Figure M.16: Group type 7A national paging with additional variable-length functions message

The paging segment address code is used to indicate the contents of blocks 3 and 4 in respective groups:

Table M.16

$T_3$	$T_2$	$T_1$	$T_0$	Contents of blocks 3 and 4
1	0	0	0	Group and individual code Y1Y2 Z1 to Z4 and control byte X1X2
1	0	0	1	Message digits $F_n \dots F_{n+7}$
1	0	1	0	Message digits $F_{n+8} \dots F_{n+15}$
1	0	1	1	Message digits $F_{n+16} \dots F_{n+23}$
1	1	0	0	Message digits $F_{n+24} \dots F_{n+31}$
1	1	0	1	Message digits $F_{n+32} \dots F_{n+39}$
1	1	1	0	Message digits $F_{n+40} \dots F_{n+47}$
1	1	1	1	End of variable-length functions message: last eight or fewer message digits

Paging segment address code is repeated cyclically 1001 ... 1110 for every 48 digits of the message transmitted ( $n$  is increased by 48 for each cycle).

End of message is indicated by the transmission of paging segment address code 1111 or by a new call (indicated by altering the "paging A/B" flag).

Recommended maximum length of message is 160 digits.

Y1Y2	denotes the group code
Z1...Z4	denotes the individual code within the group
X1X2	denotes the control byte
$Y_n$ and $Z_n$	denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9
$X_n$	denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... F
$F_n \dots F_{n+47}$	denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... A
	Hexadecimal A is used to indicate a space character in the message

The variable-length functions messages can be used for example to program the pagers over the air. No special dedicated protocol is currently defined.



M.3.5.7 International paging with additional variable-length message

The bit NI (bit 11 in the control byte, see M.3.5.3, table M.12) is set to "1".

For all types of variable-length messages (alphanumeric, numeric and functions), the country code, according to CCITT Rec. E212, is added in the 3rd block of the second 7A group. This code is three BCD-coded digits long.

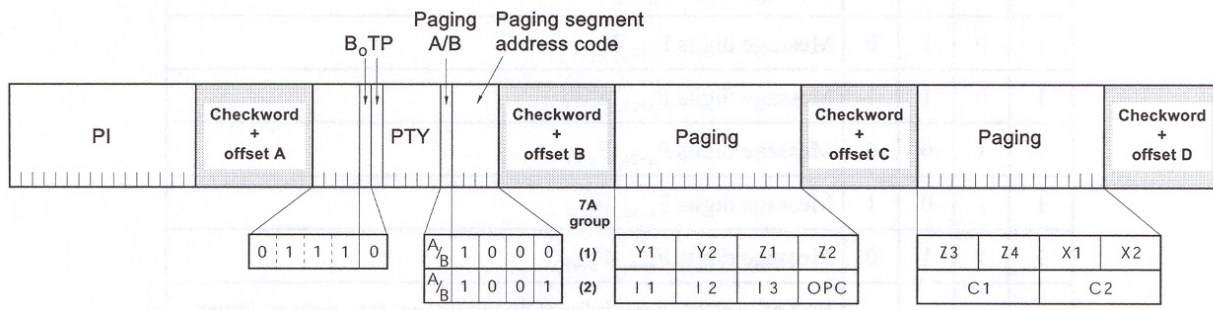


Figure M.17: The two first 7A groups of an international alphanumeric message

The value of the control byte X1X2 is: 0 0 NI R P3 P2 P1 P0 with NI = 1

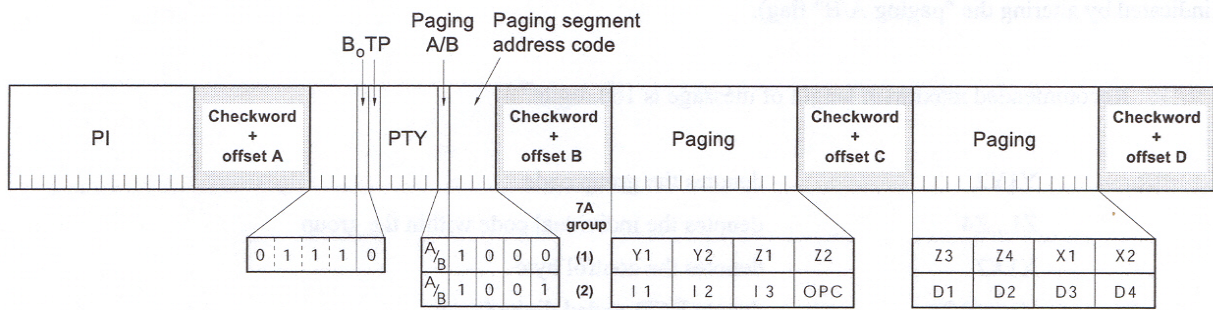
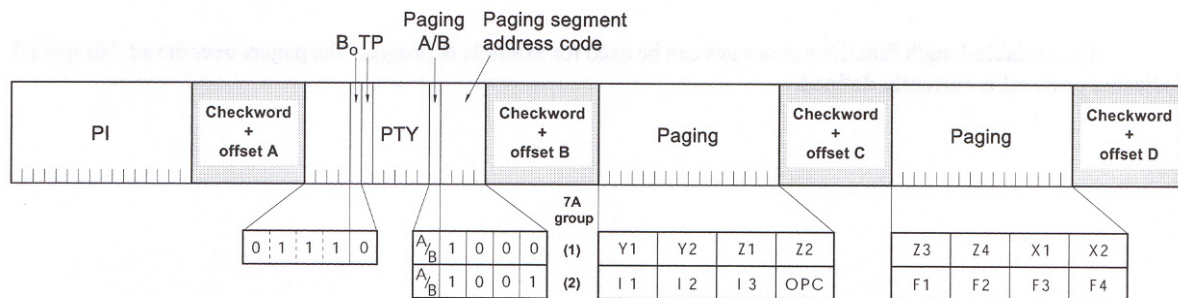


Figure M.18: The two first 7A groups of an international variable-length numeric message

The value of the control byte X1X2 is: 0 1 NI R P3 P2 P1 P0 with NI = 1

Figure M.19: The two first 7A groups of an international variable-length functions message



The value of the control byte X1X2 is: 1 1 NI R P3 P2 P1 P0 with NI = 1

Y1Y2	denotes the group code
Z1 ... Z4	denotes the individual code within the group
X1X2	denotes the control byte
I1I2I3	denotes the country code according to CCITT Rec. E212
Y <sub>n</sub> , Z <sub>n</sub> , and I <sub>n</sub>	denote BCD-coded digits 0 ... 9
X <sub>n</sub>	denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... F
C <sub>n</sub> ... C <sub>n+23</sub>	denotes a message character coded in 8 bits according to annex E
D <sub>n</sub> ... D <sub>n+47</sub>	denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... A Hexadecimal A is used to indicate a space character in the message
F <sub>n</sub> ... F <sub>n+47</sub>	denotes a hexadecimal character 0 ... F
OPC	Operator Code (see note 1 below figure M.10b)

The recommended maximum length of an international alphanumeric message is 78 characters.

The recommended maximum length of an international variable-length numeric message is 156 digits.

The recommended maximum length of an international variable-length functions message is 156 digits.

**M.3.6 Address notification bit versus Pager individual address**

The individual address of a pager is made of a group code (Y1Y2) and an individual code (Z1Z2Z3Z4). The Z2Z3 digits determine a sub group to which the pager is linked.

Z2Z3 are hexadecimal-coded, which determine 256 sub groups.

To improve the battery life time of the pager, address notification bits are allocated in 13A groups and are allocated to several of the 256 sub groups. If a message for at least one pager belonging to the corresponding sub group is going to be transmitted, the address notification bit attached to this sub group is set to 1.

The following table is given by :

$$\text{address notification bit - INTEGER} \left[ \frac{\text{decimal-coded Z2 Z3}}{\left[ \frac{256}{50} \right]} \right]$$

		Z3															
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
Z2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
	1	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	6
	2	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	9
	3	9	9	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	11	11	11	11	11	12	12
	4	12	12	12	13	13	13	13	13	14	14	14	14	14	15	15	15
	5	15	15	16	16	16	16	16	16	17	17	17	17	17	18	18	18
	6	18	18	19	19	19	19	19	20	20	20	20	20	21	21	21	21
	7	21	22	22	22	22	22	23	23	23	23	23	24	24	24	24	24
	8	25	25	25	25	25	25	26	26	26	26	26	27	27	27	27	27
	9	28	28	28	28	28	29	29	29	29	29	30	30	30	30	30	31
	A	31	31	31	31	32	32	32	32	32	33	33	33	33	33	33	34
	B	34	34	34	34	35	35	35	35	35	36	36	36	36	36	37	37
	C	37	37	37	38	38	38	38	38	39	39	39	39	39	40	40	40
	D	40	40	41	41	41	41	41	41	42	42	42	42	42	43	43	43
	E	43	43	44	44	44	44	44	45	45	45	45	45	46	46	46	46
	F	46	47	47	47	47	47	48	48	48	48	48	49	49	49	49	49

**Table M.17**

*50 address notification bits are allocated*

**Note :** Rows 8 to F can be obtained by adding 25 to rows 0 to 7.



**M.4 Examples of the traffic handling capacity of the specified Radio paging system**

The assumptions for the plotted graphs are:

- Numeric message (10 digits) is conveyed
- One paging call occupies two RDS groups per second
- Each time interval, assigned for battery saving, is fully utilized
- Formula:

$$S = \frac{G/2 * 3600}{C * (R+1)} * N$$

where S = number of subscribers  
 G = number of 7A Groups/sec.  
 R = number of repetitions  
 N = number of networks  
 C = busy-hour call rate

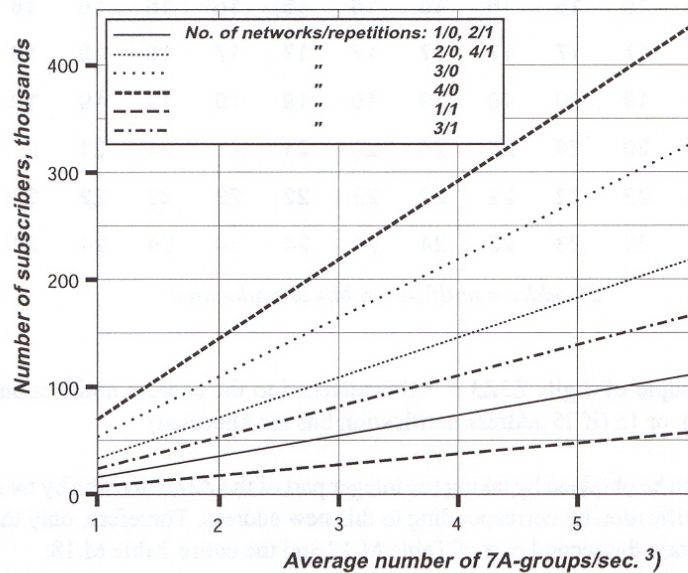


Figure M.20: Traffic handling capacity, busy hour, call rate = 0.10 calls/pager/hour

<sup>5</sup> The Basic paging protocol also requires the transmission of one type 1A group per second and one type 4A group on every minute on each network (see M..2.1.1.1 and M.2.1.1.2).

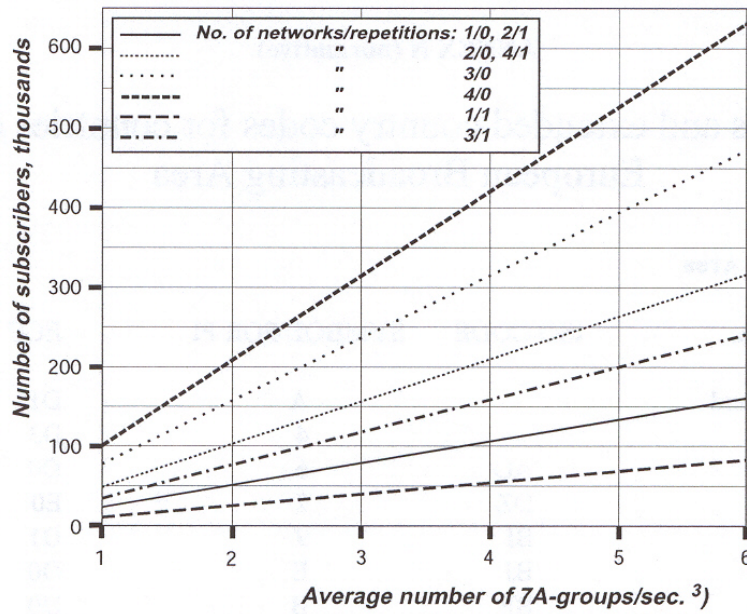


Figure M.21: Traffic handling capacity, busy hour, call rate = 0.067 calls/pager/hour

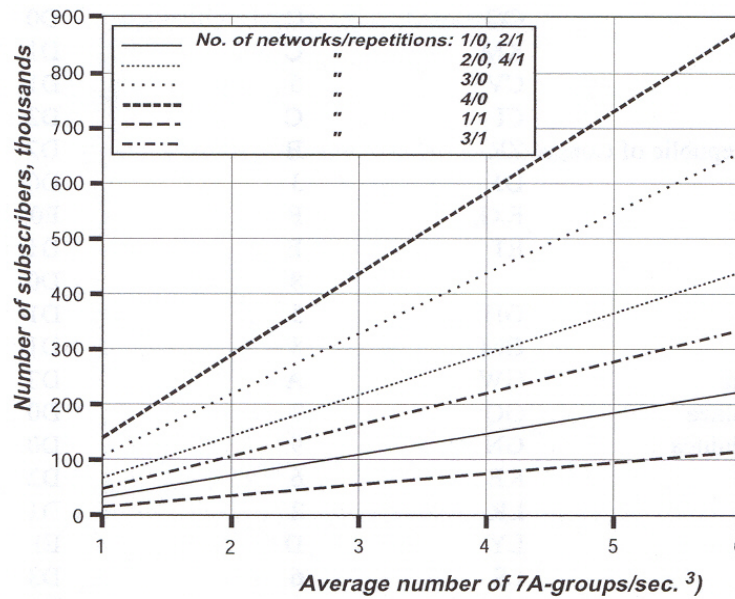


Figure M.22: Traffic handling capacity, busy hour, call rate = 0.05 calls/pager/hour

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The Basic paging protocol also requires the transmission of one type 1A group per second and one type 4A group on every minute on each network (see M..2.1.1.1 and M.2.1.1.2).

ANNEX N (normative)

Country codes and extended country codes for countries outside the  
European Broadcasting Area

N.1 African Broadcasting Area

COUNTRY/AREAIISO CODE	SYMBOL FOR PI		ECC
Ascension Island		A	D1
Cabinda		4	D3
Angola	AO	6	D0
Algeria	DZ	2	E0
Burundi	BI	9	D1
Benin	BJ	E	D0
Burkina Faso	BF	B	D0
Botswana	BW	B	D1
Cameroon	CM	1	D0
Canary IslandsES	E		E0
Central African Republic	CF	2	D0
Chad	TD	9	D2
Congo	CG	C	D0
Comoros	KM	C	D1
Cape Verde	CV	6	D1
Cote d'Ivoire	CI	C	D2
Democratic Republic of Congo	ZR	B	D2
Djibouti	DJ	3	D0
Egypt	E.G.	F	E0
Ethiopia	ET	E	D1
Gabon		8	D0
Ghana	GH	3	D1
Gambia	GM	8	D1
Guinea-Bissau	GW	A	D2
Equatorial Guinea	GQ	7	D0
Republic of Guinea	GN	9	D0
Kenya	KE	6	D2
Liberia	LR	2	D1
Libya	LY	D	E1
Lesotho	LS	6	D3
Maurituis	MU	A	D3
Madagascar	MG	4	D0
Mali	ML	5	D0
Mozambique	MZ	3	D2
Morocco	MA	1	E2
Mauritania	MR	4	D1
Malawi	MW	F	D0
Niger	NE	8	D2
Nigeria	NG	F	D1
Namibia	NA	1	D1
Rwanda	RW	5	D3
Sao Tome & Principe	ST	5	D1
Sechelles	SC	8	D3
Senegal	SN	7	D1
Sierra Leone	SL	1	D2

COUNTRY/AREA	ISO CODE	SYMBOL FOR PI	ECC
Somalia	SO	7	D2
South Africa	ZA	A	D0
Sudan	SD	C	D3
Swaziland	SZ	5	D2
Togo	TG	D	D0
Tunisia	TN	7	E2
Tanzania	TZ	D	D1
Uganda	UG	4	D2
Western Sahara	EH	3	D3
Zambia	ZM	E	D2
Zanzibar		D	D2
Zimbabwe	ZW	2	D2

**N.2 Former Soviet Union**

COUNTRY/AREA	ISO CODE	SYMBOL FOR PI	ECC
Armenia	AM	A	E4
Azerbaijan	AZ	B	E3
Belarus	BY	F	E3
Estonia	EE	2	E4
Georgia	GE	C	E4
Kazakhstan	KZ	D	E3
Kyrgyzstan	KG	3	E4
Latvia	LV	9	E3
Lithuania	LT	C	E2
Moldova	MD	1	E4
Russian Federation	RU	7	E0
Tajikistan	TJ	5	E3
Turkmenistan	TM	E	E4
Ukraine	UA	6	E4
Uzbekistan	UZ	B	E4



N.3 Allocations of symbols for countries in ITU Region 2

COUNTRY/AREA	ISO CODE	SYMBOL FOR PI	ECC
Anguilla	AI	1	A2
Antigua and Barbuda	AG	2	A2
Argentina	AR	A	A2
Aruba	AW	3	A4
Bahamas	BS	F	A2
Barbados	BB	5	A2
Belize	BZ	6	A2
Bermuda	BM	C	A2
Bolivia	BO	1	A3
Brazil	BR	B	A2
Canada	CA	B, C, D, E	A1
Cayman Islands	KY	7	A2
Chile	CL	C	A3
Colombia	CO	2	A3
Costa Rica	CR	8	A2
Cuba	CU	9	A2
Dominica	DM	A	A3
Dominican Republic	DO	B	A3
Ecuador	EC	3	A2
El Salvador	SV	C	A4
Falkland Islands	FK	4	A2
Greenland	GL	F	A1
Grenada	GD	D	A3
Guadeloupe	GP	E	A2
Guatemala	GT	1	A4
Guiana	GF	5	A3
Guyana	GY	F	A3
Haiti	HT	D	A4
Honduras	HN	2	A4
Jamaica	JM	3	A3
Martinique	MQ	4	A3
Mexico	MX	B, D, E, F	A5
Montserrat	MS	5	A4
Netherlands Antilles	AN	D	A2
Nicaragua	NI	7	A3
Panama	PA	9	A3
Paraguay	PY	6	A3
Peru	PE	7	A4
Puerto Rico	PR	1..9, A, B, D, EA0	
Saint Kitts	KN	A	A4
Saint Lucia	LC	B	A4
St Pierre and Miquelon	PM	F	A6
Saint Vincent	VC	C	A5
Suriname	SR	8	A4
Trinidad and Tobago	TT	6	A4
Turks and Caicos Islands	TC	E	A3
United States of America	US	1..9, A, B, D, EA0	
Uruguay	UY	9	A4
Venezuela	VE	E	A4
Virgin Islands [British]	VG	F	A5
Virgin Islands [USA]	VI	1..9, A, B, D, EA0	

N.4 Allocations of symbols for countries in ITU Region 3

COUNTRY/AREA	ISO CODE	SYMBOL FOR PI	ECC
Afghanistan	AF	A	F0
Saudi Arabia	SA	9	F0
Australia	AU		
Australia Capital Territory		1	F0
New South Wales		2	F0
Victoria		3	F0
Queensland		4	F0
South Australia		5	F0
Western Australia		6	F0
Tasmania		7	F0
Northern Territory		8	F0
Bangladesh	BD	3	F1
Bahrain	BH	E	F0
Myanmar [Burma]	MM	B	F0
Brunei Darussalam	BN	B	F1
Bhutan	BT	2	F1
Cambodia	KH	3	F2
China	CN	C	F0
Sri Lanka	LK	C	F1
Fiji	FJ	5	F1
Hong Kong	HK	F	F1
India	IN	5	F2
Indonesia	ID	C	F2
Iran	IR	8	F1
Iraq	IQ	B	E1
Japan	JP	9	F2
Kiribati	KI	1	F1
Korea [South]	KR	E	F1
Korea [North]	KP	D	F0
Kuwait	KW	1	F2
Laos	LA	1	F3
Macau	MO	6	F2
Malaysia	MY	F	F0
Maldives	MV	B	F2
Micronesia	FM	E	F3
Mongolia	MN	F	F3
Nepal	NP	E	F2
Nauru	NR	7	F1
New Zealand	NZ	9	F1
Oman	OM	6	F1
Pakistan	PK	4	F1
Philippines	PH	8	F2
Papua New Guinea	PG	9	F3
Qatar	QA	2	F2
Solomon Islands	SB	A	F1
Western Samoa	WS	4	F2
Singapore	SG	A	F2
Taiwan	TW	D	F1

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COUNTRY/AREA	ISO CODE	SYMBOL FOR PI	ECC
Thailand	TH	2	F3
Tonga	TO	3	F3
U.A.E.	AE	D	F2
Vietnam	VN	7	F2
Vanuatu	VU	F	F2
Yemen	YE	B	F3

## **ANNEX P (informative)**

### **Coding of MMBS Radio Paging, Data and In-House Application**

RDS/MMBS multiplex signaling format will transmit RDS data in a time multiplexed fashion between modulo-4 blocks of MMBS. To obtain RDS information from this data stream, the receiver must be able to decode the  $E = 0$  offset. Details of the multiplex signaling are given in this appendix.

#### **P.1 Baseband coding structure**

RDS consists of fixed length groups having 4 blocks each. MMBS is also transmitted in modulo-4 groups of 4 E blocks. MMBS blocks are identical to RDS blocks, each having 16 information bits and 10 check bits with the exception that MMBS uses the  $E = 0$  offset word (see section 2.1).

#### **P.2 Synchronization of blocks and groups**

All MMBS blocks employ an offset word E consisting of all zeros. MMBS blocks thus do not utilize an offset word, but other receivers must recognize a null offset word to avoid interpreting the MMBS error-protecting syndrome as flawed RDS blocks. The E offset word is thus necessary for maintaining the synchronization of the flywheel (see section 2.4).

#### **P.3 RDS principal features**

MMBS blocks do not contain any of the RDS principal features as defined in 3.1.2.

P.4 Group types

The recommended group sequencing for RDS/MMBS multiplexing to maximize MMBS data capacity is shown in Table P.1.

M represents four MMBS blocks and #A represents any RDS group (see section 3.1.3).

E represents EWS channel marker or EWS Waking Activation or Alert.

Table P.1

	1 sec.												2 sec.										
Skeleton structure w/ AF's	0A		0A	3A		0A		0A				1A	0A		0A	3A		0A		0A			1A
Skeleton structure w/o AF's	0B		15A	3A		0B		15A				1A	0B		15A	3A		0B		15A			1A
Normal Run w/ AF's		2A			0A		2A		0A	0A	2A			2A			0A		2A		0A	0A	
Normal Run w/o AF's		2A			15A		2A		15A	15A	2A			2A			15A		2A		15A	15A	
Normal Run w/ AF's w/ PTYN		10A			0A		10A		0A	0A	10A			10A			0A		10A		0A	0A	
Normal Run w/o AF's w/ PTYN		10A			15A		10A		15A	15A	10A			10A			15A		10A		15A	15A	
Every Minute																							4A
Every 12 hours		9A											9A										
Before and After Traffic Message		2A			15B		2A		15B	15B	2A			2A			15B		2A		15B	15B	
Emergency (EWS)		9A			9A		1A		9A	9A	9A			9A			9A		1A		9A	9A	
Paging		2A			7A		2A		7A	7A	7A			2A			7A		2A		7A	7A	
Paging (peak) - all.		7A			7A		7A		7A	7A	7A			7A			7A		7A		7A	7A	
TMC (peak)		2A			8A		2A		8A	8A	8A			2A			8A		2A		8A	8A	
In-house application		2A			6A		2A		6A	6A	6A			2A			6A		2A		6A	6A	
Transparent Data Channel		2A			5A		2A		5A	5A	5A			2A			5A		2A		5A	5A	
RDS + MMBS**	0A	M	15A	0A	M	M	0A	15A	M	M	M	15A	0A	M	15A	0A	M	M	0A	15A	M	M	
RDS + MMBS (peak)**	0A	M	M	M	M	0A	M	M	M	M	M	0A	M	M	M	M	M	0A	M	M	M	M	M
RDS+MMBS+MMBS/ MBS EWS																							E
Group 1A Block 3 Variant Sequencing*																							
TMC	0	1	1	1	1	1																	
EWS	0	7	7	7	7	7																	

\*When Group 1A is transmitted, slow labeling codes (as defined in Section 3.2.1.9) located in block 3 will need to be sequenced by variants. These variants contain certain information relating to several RDS options. Thus, the sequencing of the block 3 variant of Group 1A given in the above table are to optimize the data transfer for the specific RDS operations: TMC, EWS, and RDS paging respectively.

\*\*Broadcasters with translators or multiple transmitters who use the multiplexed RDS+MMBS signal may experience slower AF switching due to a reduced repetition rate of the AF information.

### P.5 Offset Word to be used for group and block synchronization

MMBS blocks use offset word E of all zeros i.e.  $d_9 - d_0 = 0000000000$  (see annex A). Thus the message code vector becomes the transmitted code vector (see section B.1.1). In an error free transmission of an MMBS block the syndrome  $\bar{s} = 0000000000$  (see section B.1.2 and Table P.2).

Table P.2

Offset word	Binary Value									
	$d_9$	$d_8$	$d_7$	$d_6$	$d_5$	$d_4$	$d_3$	$d_2$	$d_1$	$d_0$
A	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
B	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
C	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
C'	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
D	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

If RDS/MMBS multiplex signaling, block sequence can be A-B, B-C, C-D, D-A or D-E, and E-E or E-A i.e. a modulo-4 number of E blocks can be inserted between RDS groups (between offsets D and A) so a fixed cyclic rhythm of occurrence of the offset words would be A, B, C, D, (4 E blocks), (4 E blocks), A, B, C, etc. The syndromes corresponding to offset words A to E are shown in Table P.3.

Table P.3

Offset	Offset word $d_9, d_8, d_7 \dots d_0$	Syndrome $S_9, S_8, S_7 \dots S_0$
A	0011111100	0101111111
B	0110011000	0000001110
C	0101101000	0100101111
C'	1101010000	1011101100
D	0110110100	1010010111
E	0000000000	0000000000

### P.6 Acquisition of group and block synchronization

To acquire group and block synchronization at the receiver (for example when the receiver is first switched on, on tuning to a new station, or after a prolonged signal-fade) the syndrome  $\bar{s}$  must be calculated for each received 26-bit sequence. That is, on every data-clock pulse the syndrome of the currently stored 26-bit sequence (with the most recently received data bit at one end and the bit received 26 clock pulses ago at the other) is calculated on every clock pulse. This bit-by-bit check is done continuously until two syndromes corresponding to valid offset words, and in a valid sequence for a group i.e. [A, B, C (or C'), D] (if RDS/MBS multiplex signaling, block sequence can be A-B, B-C, C-D, D-A or D-E, and E-E or E-A i.e. a modulo-4 number of E blocks can be inserted between RDS groups (between offsets D and A) so a fixed cyclic rhythm of occurrence of the offset words would be A, B, C, D, (4 E blocks), (4 E blocks), A, B, C, etc.) are found  $n \times 26$  bits apart (where  $n = 1, 2, 3$ , etc.). When this is achieved, the decoder is synchronized and the offset words which are added to the parity bits at the transmitter are subtracted at the receiver before the syndrome calculation for error correction/detection is done (see C.1.1).

#### P.6.1 Shift register arrangement for deriving group and block synchronization

There are several methods using either hardware or software techniques for deriving group and block synchronization information. One possible method is described below. Figure P.1 shows a block diagram of a shift-register arrangement for deriving group and block synchronization information from the received data stream. It may be seen to comprise five main elements:

- a) a 26-bit shift-register which may either act as a straight 26-bit delay (A/B input selector high) or as a recirculating shift-register (A/B input selector low);
- b) a polynomial division circuit comprising a 10-bit shift-register with feedback taps appropriate to the generator polynomial,  $g(x)$ , described in 2.3 and appendix B;
- c) a combinational logic circuit with six outputs indicating the presence of the "correct" syndromes resulting from the six offset words A, B, C, C', D and E (for maintaining synchronization);
- d) a fast-running clock operating at least 33.5 kHz;
- e) a modulo-28 counter with endstops, decoding for states 0, 1 and 27, and associated logic gates 1 to 3 and flip-flops 1 to 3 (FF1 to FF3).

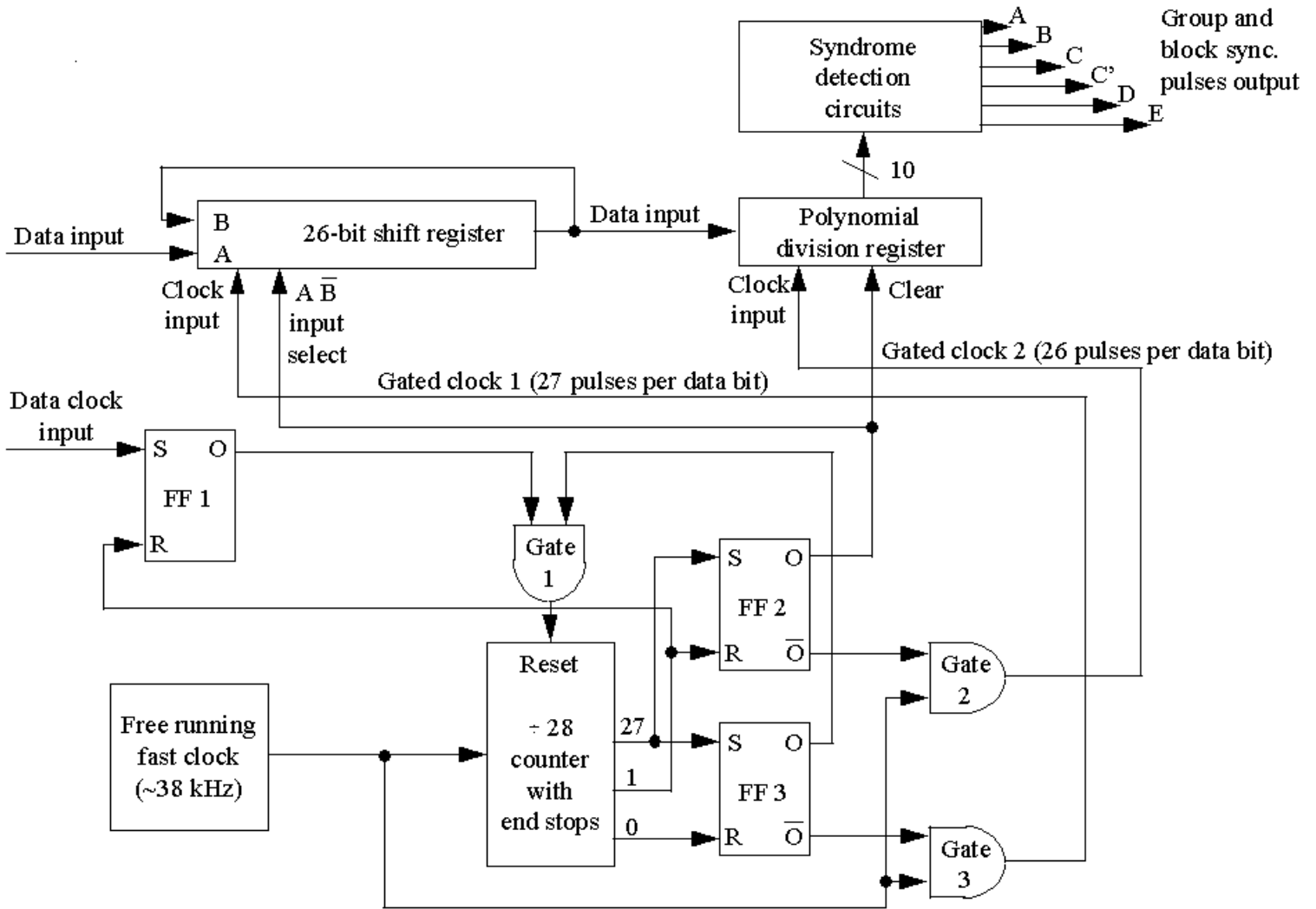


Figure P.1: Group and block synchronization flywheel detection circuit for RDS/MMBS multiplex signals

### P.7 MMBS Group Structure

The MBS message is of variable length, ranging from one to eight blocks. The MMBS block is structured identically to the RDS block except that the offset word, E, consists of all zeros. See Figure P.2 - MMBS message. The MMBS group consisting of MMBS blocks is modulo-4 length (i.e. 0,4,8,... blocks).

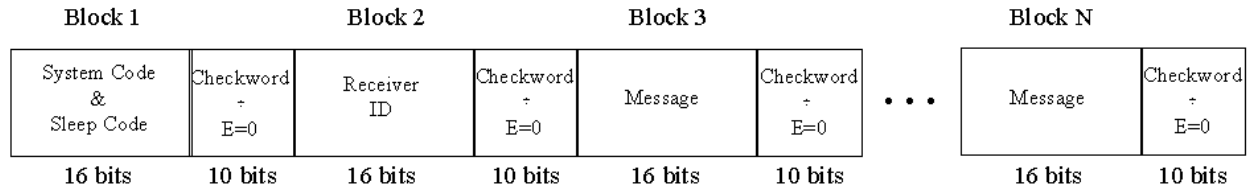


Figure P.2: MMBS message

### P.8 RDS/MMBS Multiplex Transmission Sequence

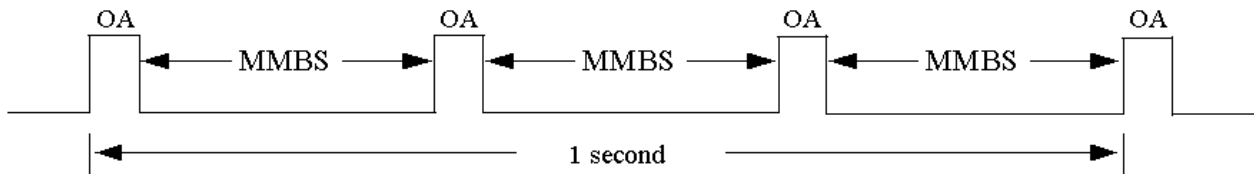


Figure P.3: Typical multiplex coding

a) At least two 0A, 0B, 15A, or 15B groups, as appropriate, will be transmitted each second. A 4A group will be transmitted at the start of each minute. Type 2 and 15 groups will be transmitted as required.

b) The MMBS transmission will consist of variable length MMBS messages assembled to yield MMBS groups formatted to lengths of modulo-4 blocks.

c) Whenever there are no pages or RDS groups due for transmission, then filler MMBS blocks or additional 0A groups will be transmitted.

### P.9 MMBS Radio Paging

#### P.9.1 MMBS Numeric Paging

The current numeric pagers can receive messages of one to 12 decimal digits. These digits are transmitted as hexadecimal characters. Hex character A is used as a filler or spacer in the page. Since the smallest unit of transmission is the 26 bit block with 16 information bits, the telephone number 1234567 would be transmitted as 123A4567 to provide a space on the display to emulate the normal seven digit telephone number format. The number 12345 would be transmitted as 12345AAA to provide three blank spaces in the 26 bit block dedicated to transmitting the integer 5. As the data right shifts on the display, the lead A's are ignored. The number of blocks included in the page is the minimum necessary to convey the input numeric.

#### P.9.2 MMBS Alphanumeric Paging

Alphanumeric paging and text transmission generally imply message lengths exceeding five blocks and require stringing multiple MMBS groups into one lengthy message. The alphanumeric message header is shown below. Subsequent groups for the same message will substitute text information in the receiver ID and length blocks.



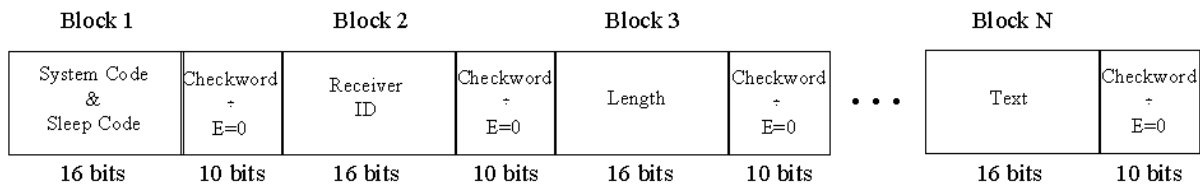


Figure P.4

Although the figure implies a byte oriented coding, it is best to view the transmission as bit oriented in packets of 16 bits. The user can then employ optimized variable length codes to achieve optimal efficiency. In this case, alphanumeric pages and text transmission are transmitted in groups ranging from three to eight blocks in length.

It is essential that the system ID not appear in the first 8 bits of any message block. Violation of this rule could cause a false synchronization of the receiver.

### P.10 Battery Saving Transmission Sequence

a) The MMBS pager operates on a battery saving cycle, commonly referred to as a "sleep cycle". The pagers are divided into groups corresponding to the sleep code defined above. The sleep code must appear twice within 12 consecutive blocks to initiate the battery saving power-down of the pager. The power-down occurs 12 blocks after the last occurrence of the pager's sleep code. The pager stays powered-down for 31 seconds and then, on power-up, resynchronizes to the MMBS signal. The resync algorithm will fly-wheel through any 0A, 4A, or other RDS group which may actually be in transmission at that instant.

b) The MMBS paging cycle lasts a minimum of 1494 blocks, during which all existing pager groups are provided their pages, if any, or at least their sleep codes to initiate the power-down process.

### P.11 Pager Synchronization

#### P.11.1 Locking to a Channel

a) The receiver looks for the system ID within an error-free block. It must find at least one additional error free block within the next nine blocks to establish synchronization.

b) When the receiver is in scan mode, it must establish synchronization within one-half (0.5) second. If it does not, it must leave the channel.

c) When powering up from the battery saving mode, it must establish synchronization within fifteen (15) seconds. If it does not, it must leave the channel.

#### P.11.2 Loss of Synchronization

When 43 of the last 45 blocks have a syndrome different from zero, the receiver will try to achieve resynchronization by the synchronization rule used in channel scan. If it does not resynchronize within fifteen (15) seconds, it must initiate channel scan.

## **P.12 Data Transmission**

### **P.12.1 Extended Addressing**

Data transmission can be carried out by either the numeric or alphanumeric formats described above. In data applications calling for very large numbers of receivers, the capacity of 1 million addresses, per system ID, described in section 3.2.6.2 could be insufficient, depending on other applications in the network. In this situation, one SSSCIII address can be allocated to the date application and then receivers can be uniquely addressed via the next one or two message blocks. Alternately, one system ID SSSC block could be allocated and the next one or two blocks made available for addressing. Since hex characters are employed in the address space, the individual address characters can range from 0 to F, rather than only 0-9. However, it is essential that the system ID not appear in the first 8 bits of any extended addressing or message block. The occurrence of the system code in the first 8 bits would cause a false resynchronization of the receiver.

### **P.12.2 Synchronization**

If the data receiver is a scanning receiver and is kept in a stationary position, then the receiver should use the following rules for declaring synchronization.

- a) The receiver must find the system ID in an error-free block followed by 9 error-free or correctable blocks.
- b) When the receiver is in scan mode, it must establish synchronization within one second. If it does not, it must leave the channel.
- c) When powering up from the battery saving mode, it must establish synchronization within fifteen (15) seconds. If it does not, it must leave the channel.

### **P.12.3 Loss of Synchronization**

When 43 of the last 45 blocks have a syndrome different from zero, the receiver will try to achieve resynchronization by the synchronization rule in a above. If it does not resynchronize within fifteen (15) seconds, it must initiate channel scan.

If the data receiver is a mobile receiver it may use the pager synchronization rules in P.11.1 and P.11.2.

## **P.13 In-House Applications**

These applications can be met by the methods described in section P.12. The MMBS protocol is flexible and efficient in channel utilization.

**P.14.0 MBS and MMBS Coding of Emergency Warning Systems (EWS)**

There is a need for comprehensive emergency broadcast system information using an MBS or MMBS EWS packet group and codes that will be fully detailed here and made available as a public service. The EWS message will only be broadcast in cases of extreme emergency. The Emergency Warning information is in accordance with the FCC Rules and Regulations Section 11, Subpart B.

The following Identification is required to operate MBS or MMBS EWS.

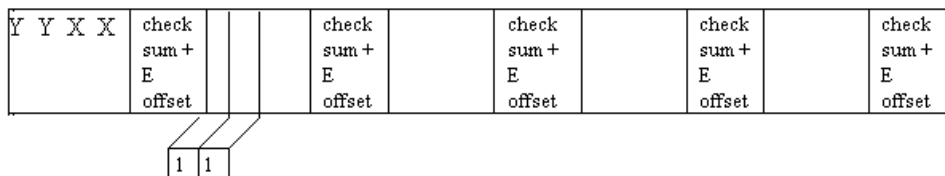


Figure P.5

The system ID of YY, where YY= BO-FF hex and by the group code XX ( BCD 00-99 ) defines an MBS or MMBS system. The System ID of B5 is currently used in North America for EWS messaging.

**P.14.1 MBS or MMBS EWS SYNCHRONIZATION**

MBS or MMBS Synchronization occurs with recognition of the proper system ID and offset word E (see section P.2). For purposes of EWS identification the MBS and MMBS EWS messages have the bits in block 2, positions 15 and 14 fixed at 1 and 1. These bits will only be fixed in this way on a channel that will carry the Auxiliary Services which also include EWS messages.

**P.14.2 MBS or MMBS EWS Format: Block 2 description**

Figure P.6 shows the format of Block 2

**P.14.2.1 Auxiliary Services**

The Auxiliary Service bits in position 15 and 14 of block 2 are fixed at 1 and 1. These two bits along with the system ID in the first two nibbles of block one, are used to define the channel as an Auxiliary Channel. Included within Auxiliary Services are MBS or MMBS EWS messages when needed.

**P.14.2.2 Message Status**

The message status bit in position 13 is used to designate the message as a service message or a test message. Test messages are only intended for receivers used to test the integrity of the system and not for the general public.

**P.14.2.3 Sub ID**

The sub ID in bits 12-8 are used to identify different Auxiliary Services. During EWS alerts, these bits will be fixed to 0 0 1 0 1 .

**P.14.2.4 Group Type Identification**

The group type identification bit in position 7 is used to set the group type of the message.

- 0 = EWS type message
- 1 = Traffic

#### P.14.2.5 Character type

The character type bit used in position 6 will identify the type of characters used in the description of the emergency warning message.

- 0= ASCII characters
- 1= Translation Table

##### P.14.2.5.1 ASCII Table Character Type

Groups contain an ASCII character message if the character bit (bit 7) in block 2 is set to 0. The ASCII messages will occupy bits 0-6 and 8-14 of the designated ASCII blocks within ASCII groups. (See Figures P.7 & P.9)

The ASCII character is assumed to have the 8th bit (b8) fixed at 0 and not transmitted thus utilizing the 96 characters in the leftmost portion of the chart described in Appendix E, Figure E.1

##### P.14.2.5.2 Translation Table Character Type

Groups contain Translation Table messages if the character bit (bit 7) in block 2 is set to 1. The translation messages and tables are comprised of the information as described in the FCC Rules and Regulations, Part 11, Subpart B, Section 11.31 EAS Protocol. There are three or more MBS or MMBS groups for each translation table message

See Figures P.8, P.10 & P.11 for a description of Translation Table Character Type messages.

#### P.14.2.6 Status Identification

The service identification bits in positions 5-3 of block 2 are used to indicate the status of the message.

- 000 = Public Service EWS channel marker.
- 001 = Public Service EWS Waking Activation
- 010 = Public Service EWS Alert
- 011 = Audio message on frequency in block 3. Turn on audio
- 100 = No audio message, turn off audio
- 101 - 111 unassigned

Waking Activation will be transmitted in accordance with the attention signal requirements (FCC Rules and Regulations, Part 11, Subpart B, Section 11.32 Encoder) of not less than 8 nor longer than 25 seconds prior to an alert.

The EWS Group Type message will terminate at the end of block 2 if the Status Identification address equals 000, 001 or 100 and will terminate at the end of block 3 if the Status Identification address equals 011.

#### P.14.2.7 Message Identification

The message identification bits in positions 0-2 are used to keep the particular warning or message identified with the content of that particular message. This binary address will cycle through from 000 to 111 to designate the incident or story being transmitted. This ID used with the sequence number in block 3 of the message will identify the message in its original order in case of a message group that is out of group order or is held in the encoder queue for an additional paging cycle. The ID will cycle through in binary order.

**MBS or MMBS EWS Format: Block 2**

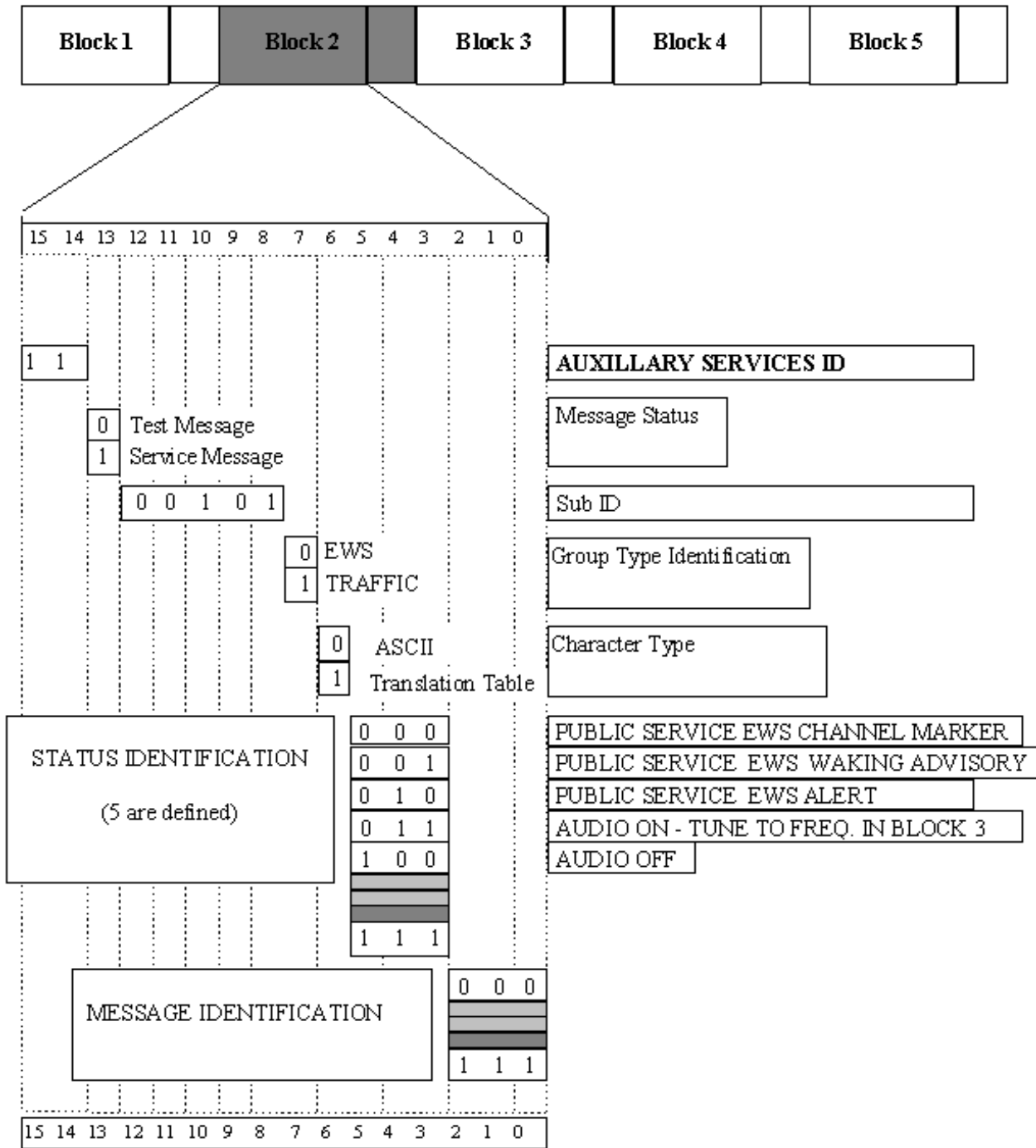


Figure P.6

**P.14.3 MBS or MMBS EWS Format: Block 3 description**

#### P.14.3.1 ASCII Table Character Type Message

See section P.14.2.5.1 for a description of the ASCII characters.

Figure P.7 shows the format of MMBS or MBS EWS Block 3 for ASCII Table Character Type messages.

##### P.14.3.1.1 ASCII Table Character Type Sequence Number

The sequence number is a binary number in positions 14-8 of block 3. The numbers are used to designate several possibilities about its group. Bits 15 & 7 are not used and is set to 0 in the encoder.

In ASCII table character type messages, the sequence numbers can be used for a possibility of 126 pages per messages.

The address 1111101 identifies the last group in the message no matter where in the binary sequence it appears. The last group of the message can be 3-5 blocks in length. The last group will terminate at the last bit of information block 3, 4 or 5, if a B5 system identifier or an RDS group is present.

The address 1111110 defines a message as a header group only. The message will be contained within a single page, 3-5 blocks in length.

##### P.14.3.1.2 Tuning Frequency

The frequency of the station to tune to for audio information when the Audio On Status Identification code is in block 2 is represented by bits 7 through 0 in the first group of ASCII table character type messages. This is an 8 bit lookup table described in 3.2.1.6 coding of alternative frequencies (AF's) in group 0A. It is intended to identify the originating frequency of the EWS message

##### P.14.3.1.3 ASCII characters

Bits 7 through 0 of block 3 in all groups of ASCII table character type messages after the first group will represent an ASCII character. See section P.14.2.5.1 for a description of the ASCII character translation.

#### P.14.3.2 Translation Table Character Type Message

See section P.14.2.5.2 for a description of Translation Table characters.

Figure P.8 shows the format of MBS or MMBS EWS Block 3 for Translation Table Character Type messages Group 1, Group 2, and Groups 3-33.

##### P.14.3.2.1 Block 3, Group 1

###### P.14.3.2.1.1 Sequence Number

The sequence number for block 3, group 1 of the translation table character type message is 0000000 (header group). See P.14.3.1.1.

###### P.14.3.2.1.2 Tuning Frequency

The frequency of the station to tune to for audio information when the Audio On Status Identification code is in block 2 is represented by bits 7 through 0 in the first group of translation table type messages. This is an 8 bit lookup table described in 3.2.1.6 coding of alternative frequencies (AF's) in group 0A. It is intended to identify the originating frequency of the EWS message

##### P.14.3.2.2 Block 3, Group 2

###### P.14.3.2.2.1 Sequence Number

The sequence number for block 3, group 2 is 00000001. See P.14.3.1.1.

P.14.3.2.2.2 Duration - Minutes

Block 3, bits 7 and 6 in group 2 of the translation table message is the duration in minutes. This field is used in conjunction with duration in hours to designate addition time in 15 minute segments to be added to the value of duration hours.

00 = 00 minutes

01 = 15 minutes

10 = 30 minutes

11 = 45 minutes

P.14.3.2.2.3 Message Date Stamp - Julian Date

Bits 5 through 0 of block 3, group 2 are the first of 9 bits used to represent in binary the day in Julian Calendar days of the year when the EWS message was initially released by the originator. The remaining 3 bits are in block 4, group 2. See section P.14.4.2.2.1.

P.14.3.2.3 Block 3, Groups 3-33

P.14.3.2.3.1 Sequence Number

The sequence number for block 3, group 3 is 00000010 and for the following groups increments by one until the last group. The sequence number for the last group is always 1111101.

P.14.3.2.3.2 County Subdivision Number

Bits 6 through 0 of block 3 in groups 3 through 32 will contain the ASCII character which represents the county subdivision of the geographic location affected by the EWS alert. See section P.14.2.5.1 for a description of the ASCII character translation.

MBS or MMBS EWS Format: Block 3, ASCII CHARACTER TYPE MESSAGE

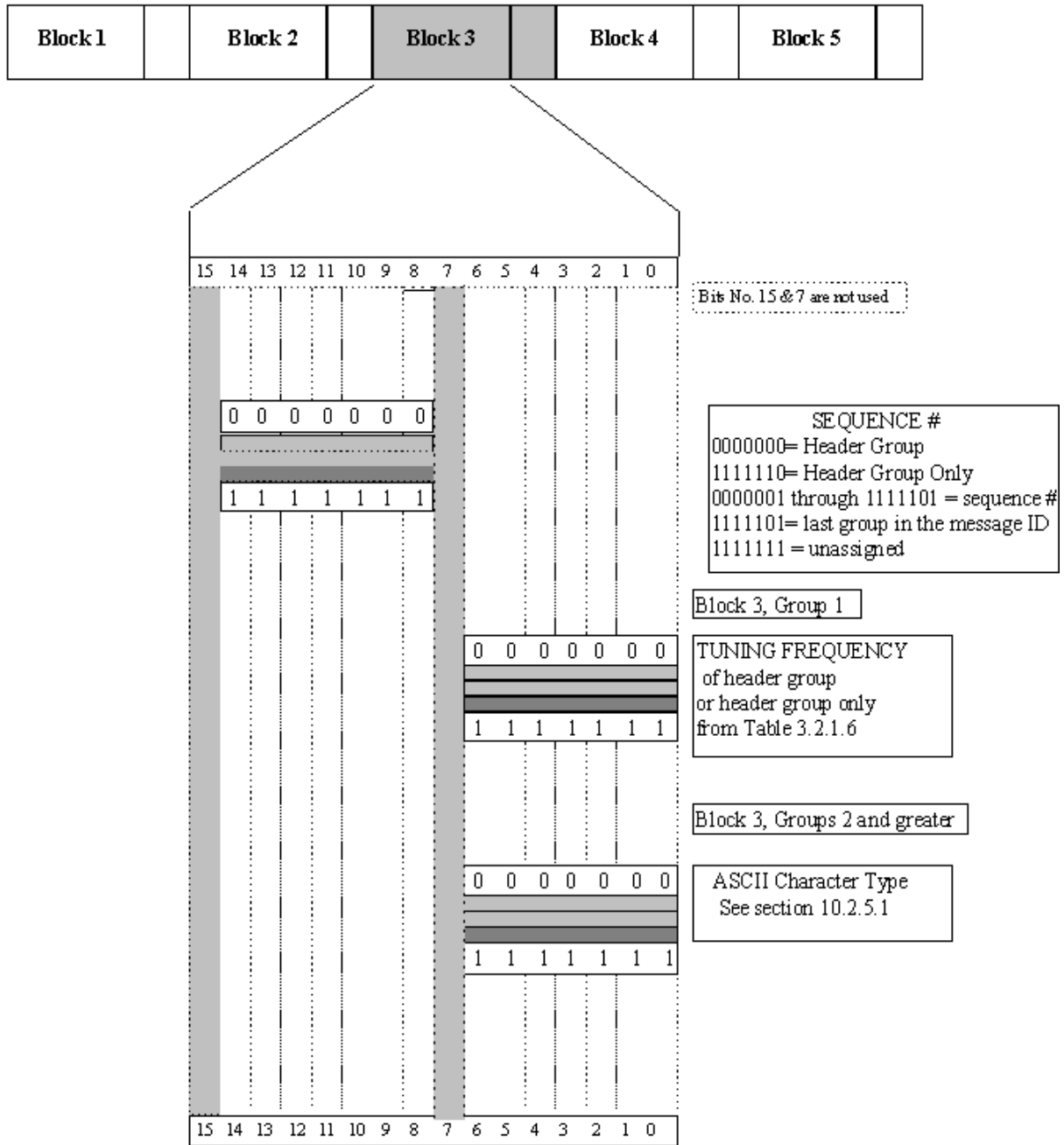


Figure P.7



MBS or MMBS EWS Format: Block 3, TRANSLATION TABLE CHARACTER TYPE MESSAGE

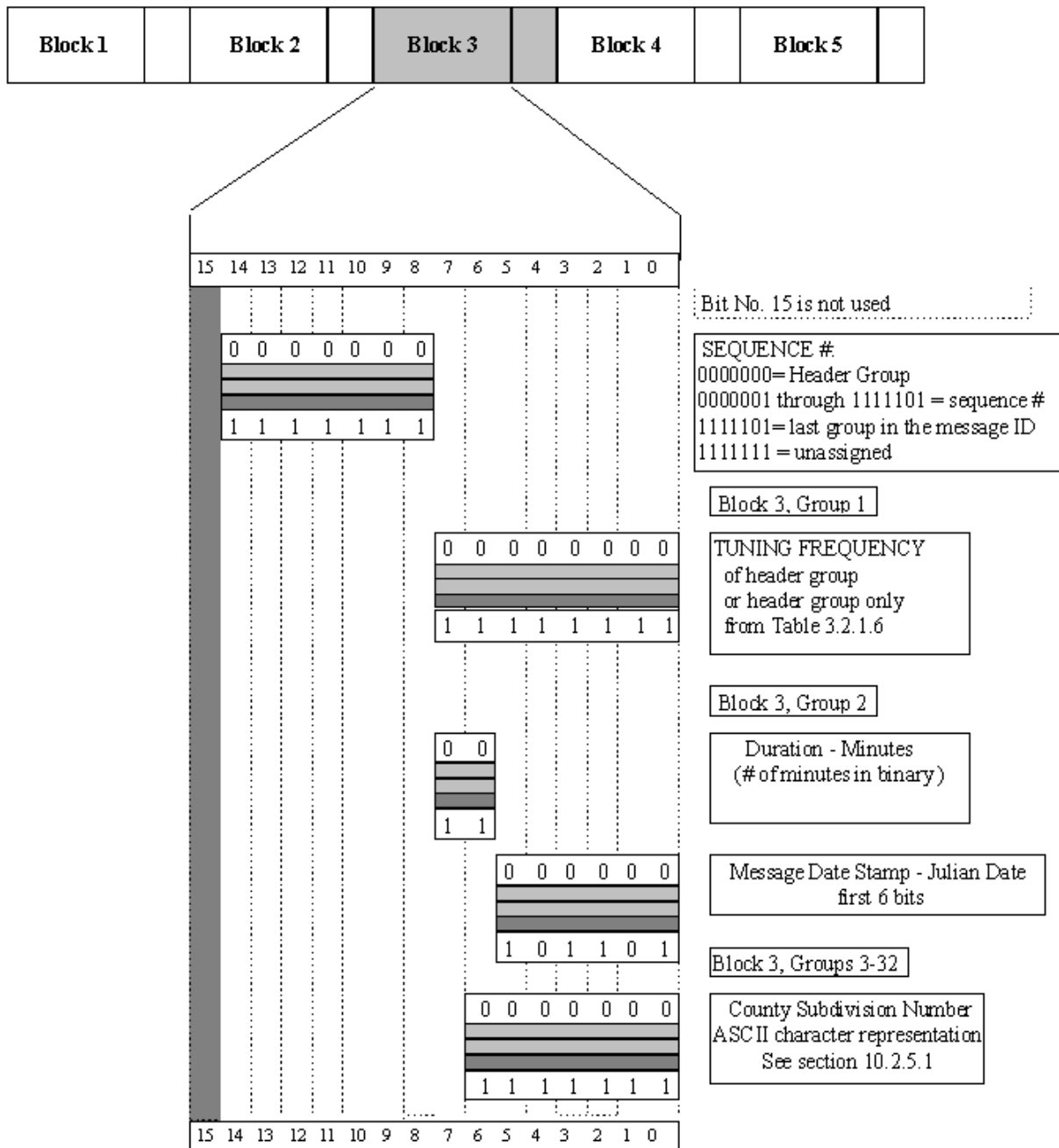


Figure P.8

#### **P.14.4 MMBS or MBS EWS Block 4 description**

##### **P.14.4.1 ASCII Table Character Type**

See section P.14.2.5.1 for a description of ASCII Characters.

Figure P.9 shows the format of MBS or MMBS EWS Block 4 for ASCII Table Character Type Messages.

See Figure P.9 for a description of ASCII table character type messages.

##### **P.14.4.2 Translation Table Character Type**

See section P.14.2.5.2 for a description of Translation Table Characters.

Figure P.10 shows the format of MBS or MMBS EWS block 4 for translation table character type messages.

##### **P.14.4.2.1 Block 4, Group 1**

###### **P.14.4.2.1.1 Originator Code**

The bits in position 14-12 of block 4 are used to designate the originator of the message according to Table P.4

###### **P.14.4.2.1.2 Event Code**

The bits in position 11-5 are the first ASCII character (E1) which makes up the three character event code which indicates the nature of the EWS activation. See section P.14.2.5.1 for description of ASCII character translation. The bits in positions 4-0 are the first 5 bits of the second character of the event code (E2). The last 2 bits of the second character are in block 5 bits 14 and 13. See section P.14.5.2.1.1.

##### **P.14.4.2.2 Block 4, Group 2**

###### **P.14.4.2.2.1 Message Date Stamp**

Bits 14-12 of block 4, group 2 are the last 3 bits of 9 which are used to represent in binary the day in Julian Calendar days of the year when the EWS message was initially released by the originator. The first 6 bits are in block 3, group 2 bits 5-0. See section P.14.3.2.2.3.

###### **P.14.4.2.2.2 Message Time Stamp, Hours**

The Message Time Stamp, Hour field in bits 11-7 is the binary representation of 24 hour time from 0-23.

###### **P.14.4.2.2.3 Message Time Stamp, Minutes**

The Message Time Stamp, Minutes field in bits 6-1 is the binary representation of the minutes past the hour from 0-59 and is used with the Time Stamp in hours to set the time of origination of the message. Bit 0 of block 4, group 2 is unused.

##### **P.14.4.2.3 Block 4, Group 3-33**

###### **P.14.4.2.3.1 State and Territory Code**

Bits 14-8 and bits 6-0 of block 4 in groups 3 through 32 will contain the ASCII character which represents the state and territory code of the geographic location affected by the EWS alert. See section P.14.2.5.1 for a description of the ASCII character translation.

MMBS or MBS EWS Format Blocks 4 and 5: ASCII TABLE CHARACTER TYPE MESSAGE

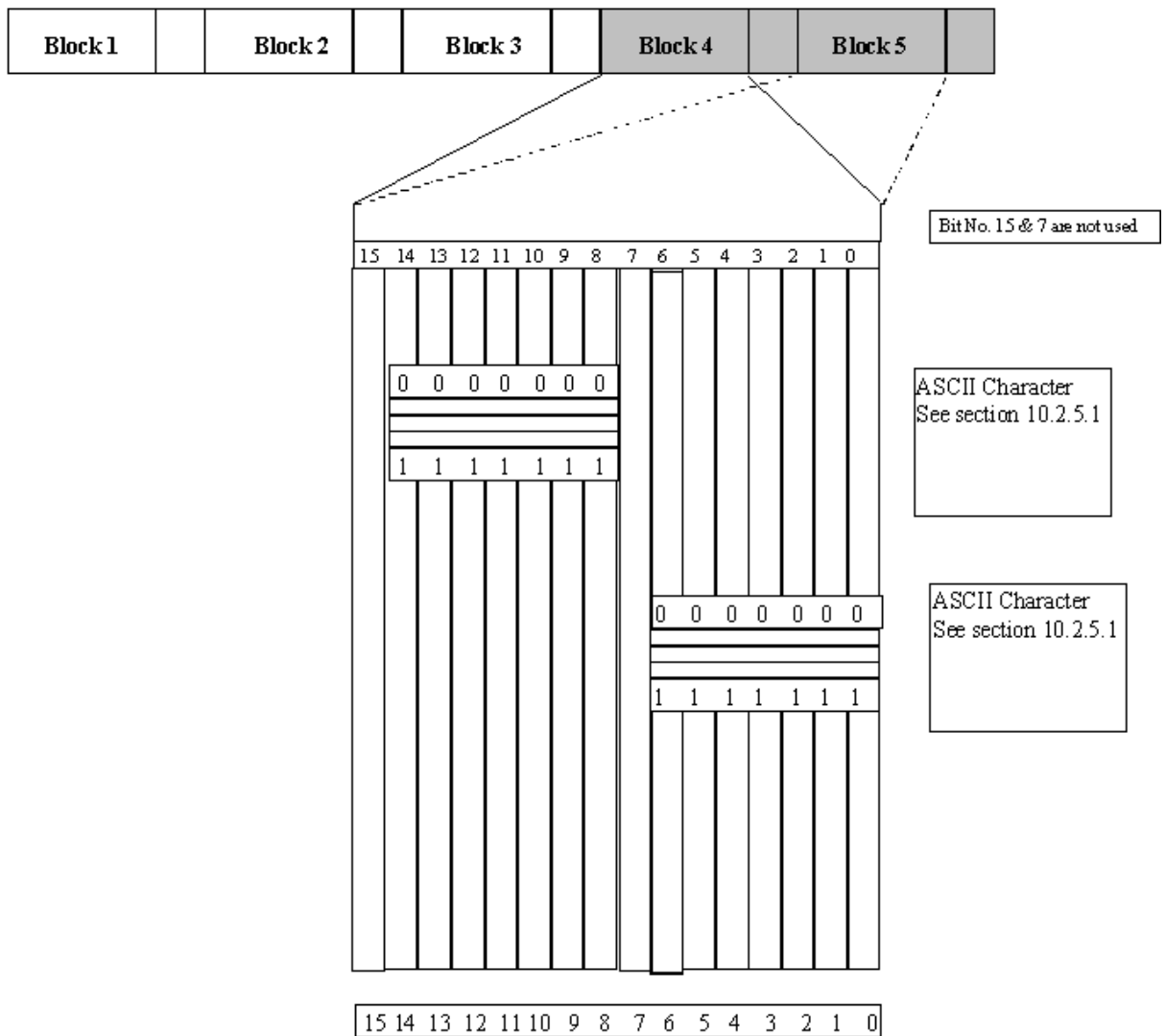


Figure P.9

MMBS or MBS EWS Format: Block 4, TRANSLATION TABLE CHARACTER TYPE MESSAGE

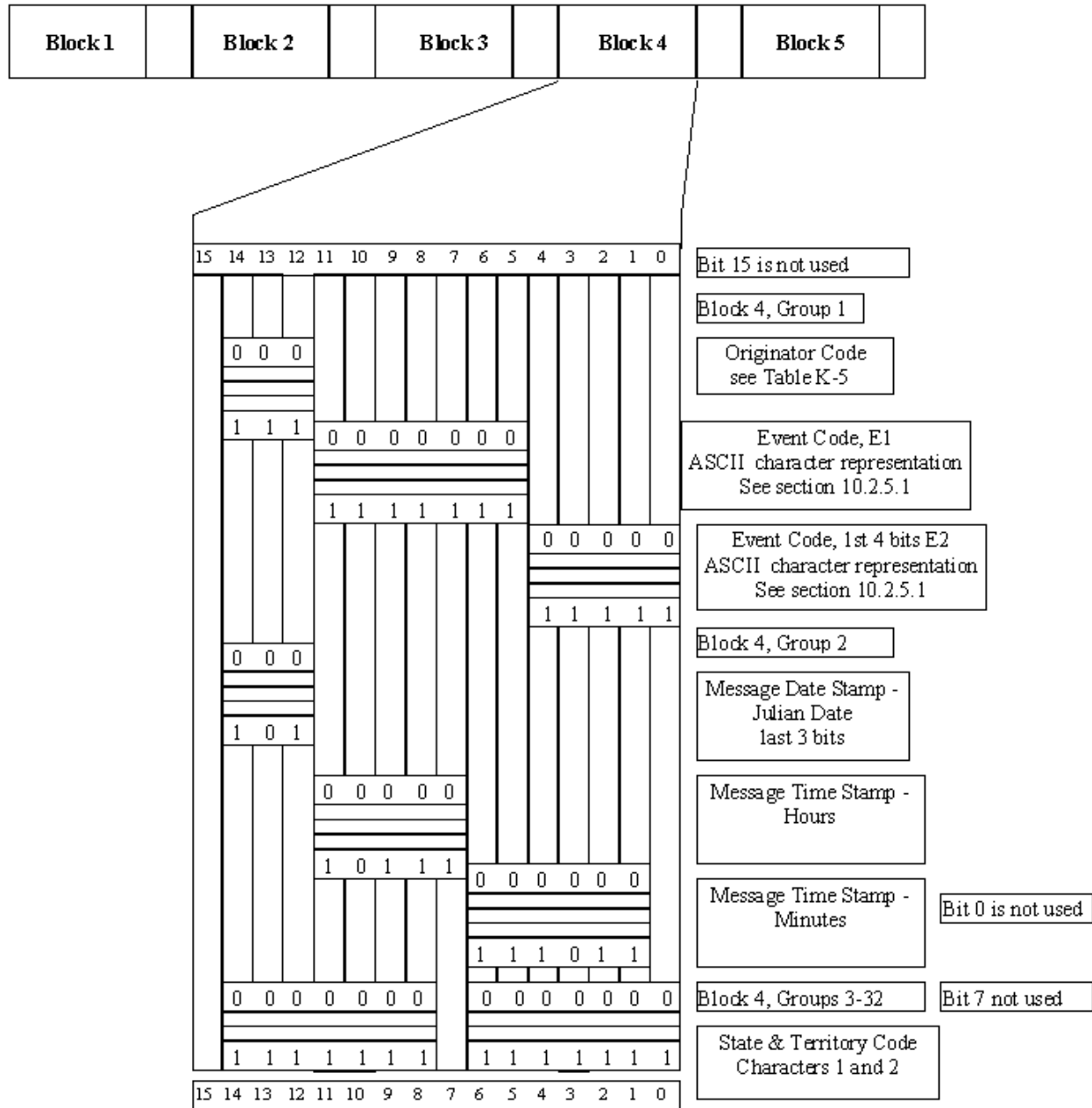


Figure P.10

**P.14.5 MMBS or MBS EWS BLOCK 5 description**

P.14.5.1 ASCII Table Character Type

See section P.14.2.5 for a description of the ASCII characters

Figure P.9 shows the format of MBS or MMBS EWS block Five for ASCII table character type messages.

P.14.5.2 Translation Table Character Type

See section P.14.2.5 for a description of Translation Table characters.

Figure P.10 shows the format of MBS or MMBS EWS Block 5 for translation table character type messages. In translation table messages, there is no block 5 in group 2.

P.14.5.2.1 Block 5, Group 1

P.14.5.2.1.1 Event Code

The bits in position 14 and 13 are the last 2 bits of the second ASCII character (E2) which makes up the three character event code which indicates the nature of the EWS activation. See section P.14.2.5.1 for description of ASCII character translation. The bits in positions 12-6 are the third and last character (E3) of the event code.

P.14.5.2.1.2 Duration - Hours

The duration in hours is a binary description of the valid time period of the message (warning). Duration can be 0 - 64 hours.

Binary representation in hours

000000 = 0 hours

000001 = 1 hour

:: :: :: : : : :

111111 = 64 hours

P.14.5.2.2 Block 5, Group 2

P.14.5.2.2.1 Location Count

There may be up to 31 geographic locations affected by the EWS alert sent with each EWS message. Bits 14-10 of block 5, group 2 represent the number in binary of geographic locations to be sent with this EWS message. The geographic locations are transmitted in groups 3-33.

P.14.5.2.3 Block 5, Groups 3-33

P.14.5.2.3.1 County Number

Bits 14-10 of block 5, groups 3-33 represent the county number of the geographic location affected by the EWS alert.

MMBS or MBS EWS Format: Block 5, TRANSLATION TABLE MESSAGE GROUP 1

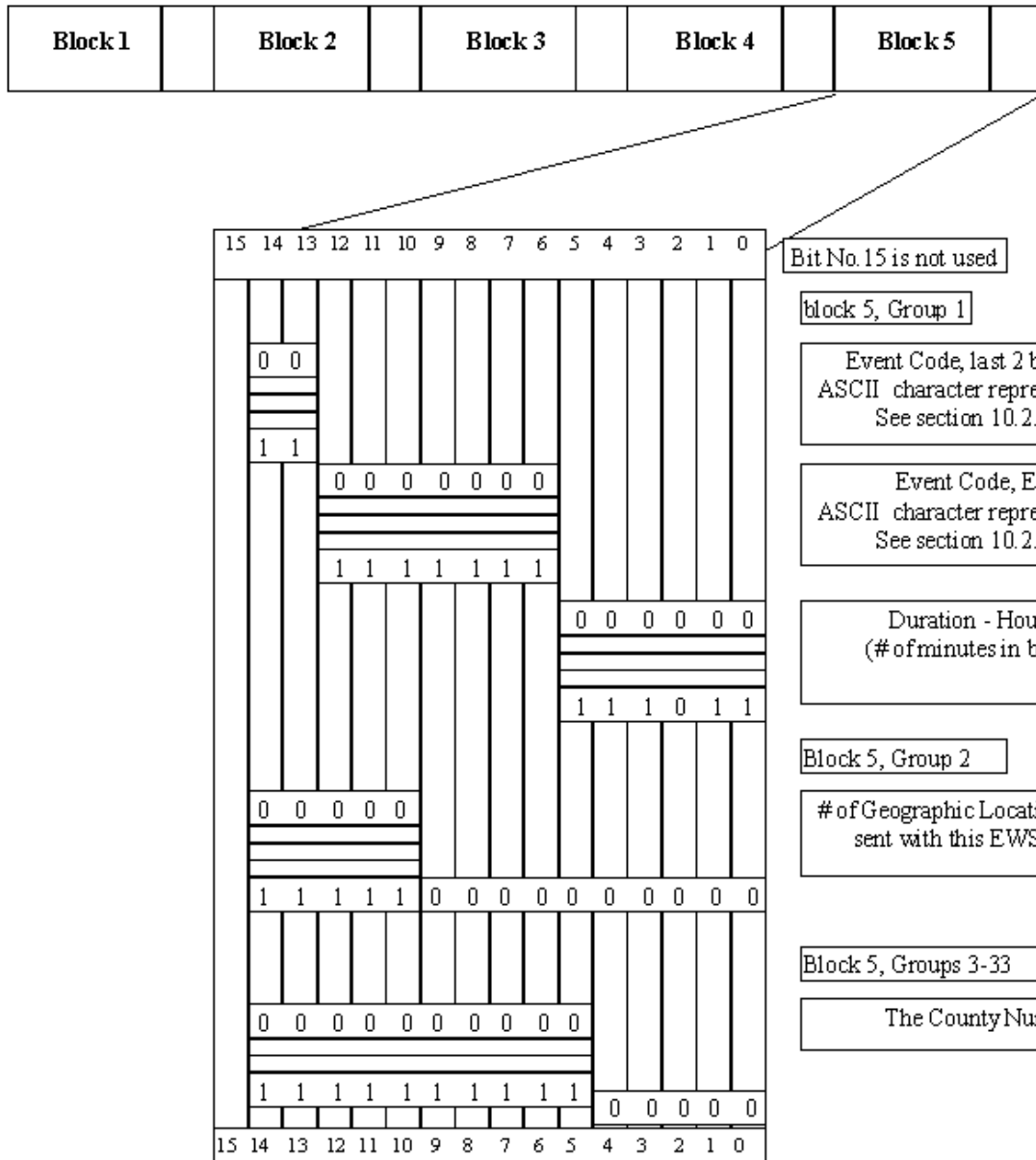


Figure P.11

Originator Field  
 Table P.4

MMBS EWS	Description (Translation)	SAME Code
000	Emergency Action Notification Network	EAN
001	Primary Entry Point System	PEP
010	National Weather Service	WXR
011	Civil Authorities	CIV
100	Broadcast or cable station	EAS
101	unassigned	unassigned
:::	: : : : :	: : : : :
111	unassigned	unassigned

Table P.6 Translation Characters for State and Territory field

State	ASCII Code
AL	01
AK	02
AZ	04
AR	05
CA	06
CO	08
CT	09
DE	10
FL	12
GA	13
HI	15
ID	16
IL	17
IN	18
IA	19
KS	20
KY	21
LA	22
ME	23
MD	24
MA	25
MI	26
MN	27
MS	28
MO	29
MT	30
NE	31
NV	32
NH	33
NJ	34
NM	35
NY	36
NC	37

State	ASCII Code
ND	38
OH	39
OK	40
OR	41
PA	42
RI	44
SC	45
SD	46
TN	47
TX	48
UT	49
VT	50
VA	51
WA	53
WV	54
WI	55
WY	56
DC	11
AS	60
PR	72
FM	64
PW	70
GU	66
UM	74
MH	68
VI	78
MP	69
future	
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## **ANNEX Q (informative)**

### **Emergency Alert System Open Data Application**

#### **Q.1 Introduction**

This annex describes the use of the Open Data Application (ODA) for transmission of Emergency Alert System (EAS) data. A detailed description of the EAS protocol is given in 47 CFR Section 11 of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Rules and Regulations. This system has been designed to augment, rather than replace existing RDS features related to emergency warning. The protocol contained in this annex is public information and is free for use by any person(s) or company(s). The system is designed to allow additional private emergency services.

#### **Q.2 Alternate Warning Systems**

Emergency information may be obtained in a number of ways. While the EAS ODA protocol is designed to address specific problems, receiver manufacturers should note that emergency data can also be obtained in the following ways:

1. Group 1A address code 7 - The reception of this group type indicates that the broadcaster carries EAS transmissions. Emergency announcements will be signaled by PTY=31. Other RDS features such as radiotext may also provide emergency information.

NOTE: Section 3.1.4.1 specifically states that group 9A may not be utilized for ODA when used for EWS. This means that this EAS ODA cannot be used on the same transmission system that carries EWS information via group 1A address code 7 and/or group 9A.

2. Via the MBS/MMBS system - See annex P for details.

#### **Q.3 System Description**

The EAS ODA functions as a link in the EAS web. The entire SAME data protocol (less preamble and headers) is retransmitted within the RDS signal. This signal can then be received and decoded, allowing the reconstruction of the entire EAS message, which then can be relayed on, or displayed on a specialized receiver. The intention is that SAME data will not be decoded by consumer receivers due to the additional software capacity required. The EAS encoder should provide the SAME data translations and transmit this converted data through traditional RDS features such as radiotext. Broadcast audio announcements intended for the general public should be signaled through PTY code 31.

##### **Q.3.1 Use of existing RDS Features**

The following existing RDS features are utilized with the open protocol:

1. PTY-30 "Test" - Indicates that a test transmission is in process. No interruption of the audio should occur during the reception of this code. Received data will be handled as test data and not valid warning data.
2. PTY-31 "Alert" - Indicates that an emergency alert is in process. An audio warning message will accompany this code. Consumer equipment should interrupt current operations (i.e. playback or radio off) during the reception of this code and switch over to FM reception. Receivers should increase the volume to an audible level during the reception of this code.
3. Radiotext (Group type 2A/B) - Broadcast EAS equipment should decode and reconstruct EAS messages into this format for reception by consumer receivers. This prevents the necessity for having SAME data conversion software in each consumer receiver.

### **Q.3.2 New Features of the EAS Open Protocol**

The following new features are available by the use of this open protocol:

1. The identification of an EAS broadcast station - Reception of the proper AID code indicates that the currently tuned station provides EAS data in accordance with this protocol. This data is transmitted once per second minimum, thus allowing automated search tuning.
2. Operation of a sleep/wake cycle for battery powered equipment - The Warning Activation (WA) bit will be set prior to the transmission of any test or alert data, allowing receivers to “wake” upon the reception of WA=1. In this manner a receiver may “sleep” for 9 seconds, and “wake” long enough to receive the WA bit, thus greatly conserving battery power.
3. Identification of alternate EAS providers - Secondary EAS providers may be identified through this feature for storage in the receiver. This allows instant tuning to an alternate frequency should the currently tuned station go off the air during an alert message. This feature also allows automatic tracking of EAS stations by a mobile receiver. The EAS Other Network (ON) data shall be kept separate from other AF information since the stations audio broadcast will not be coordinated except during an actual Alert situation.
4. Instant tuning to alternate EAS broadcasts - The broadcaster can automatically retune the listener to an alternate network who is carrying Alert information. The broadcasts must be coordinated such that the PTY of the other network is set to 31 within two seconds after the switching data is transmitted.
5. FCC EAS Compatible - The EAS open protocol includes the retransmission of all SAME data. This data can be serve as a secondary link in the EAS service “web”. In this manner EAS data can be carried silently by FM broadcasters.
6. Provision for private or encrypted Emergency Services - Companies who desire to carry encrypted emergency data may do so by applying for a System Identification code through the NRSC. Spare data fields contained in the 3A and 9A groups may be utilized to carry this data. Transmission of SAME data must be given priority within the system.
7. Error reduction of SAME data - The SAME data may be transmitted multiple times allowing the use of time diversity to ensure accurate message delivery. In fact, the SAME data may be transmitted constantly for the duration of the event. Traditional RDS error detection/correction may also be employed to ensure data integrity.

### **Q.4 System Identification**

Reception of AID code “E911” identifies the EAS open data protocol as indicated in Figure Q.1. The system identification code is used only by specialized receivers intended to decode encrypted data. Independent broadcasts are identified by the system identification code set to all 0’s.

### **Q.5 Repetition rates**

#### **Q.5.1 Group 3A**

The EAS open data identification information should be transmitted at least once per second. This allows receivers to employ automatic search tuning for EAS stations.

#### **Q.5.2 Group 9A Address code 30**

EAS Other Network (ON) references shall be transmitted within a two minute period.

#### **Q.5.3 Group 9A Address code 31**

Automated EAS ON switching information should be repeated four times.

## Q.6 Sleep wake operation

The Warning Activation (WA) bit of group 3A will be set to 0 during non-Alert conditions. This bit shall be set to 1 ten seconds prior to the beginning of any of the following conditions:

1. PTY=30, Test.
2. PTY=31, Alert.
3. The transmission of any SAME data message.

The transmission of any encrypted data message. The WA bit shall remain set to 1 throughout the duration of any of the above events. If this bit is set, then the receiver should remain awake and wait for the desired data. For example, a consumer receiver should check the status of the PTY before taking any further action.

## Q.7 Private Warning Systems

### Q.7.1 Warning System Identification (WSI)

Warning System Identification bits  $b_0$ - $b_6$  located in Group 3A are utilized for encrypted services. Assignments may be obtained from the NRSC. The provider may utilize any of the unassigned data bits in the 3A and 9A data groups for private data services. Public providers are identified by WSI = 0. Priority shall be given to the transmission of public warning data over encrypted data.

### Q.7.2 Private Warning Data

Private warning data may be supplied through the following groups:

1. Bits  $b_7$  -  $b_{14}$  of Group 3A
2. Group 9A Address codes 5 - 29 Block 3 and 4 data fields.

Private warning data may not be supplied through any of the predefined data fields, including fields labeled as spare.

## Q.8 Coding of SAME data

All SAME data shall be converted in accordance to Tables Q.1 - Q.3. The encoded data is then transmitted within Group 9A in accordance with Figure Q.2.

## Q.9 Identification of Alternate EAS Stations

Secondary EAS providers, also known as EAS Other Network (ON) providers, may be referenced through address code 30 of Group 9A as shown in Figure Q.2. For normal network based stations AF information is transmitted in group Type 0A. It can be assumed that all transmitters in a network will carry the EAS service as well. The EAS infrastructure of primary and secondary providers is however non-network based, hence another means of obtaining alternate EAS broadcasts is required. Since EAS AF's will only be used during an actual ALERT or when automatically tracking EAS providers while mobile, EAS ON information must be differentiated within the receiver from network based AF records. The EAS ON AF lists provide the capability to link stations of differing PI codes that form an EAS network. Alternate frequencies are coded in accordance with section 3.2.1.6. The repetition rate of this information shall be sufficient that all references are given within a two minute time period.

#### **Q.10 Automatic Switching to EAS Other Network Providers**

Group 9A Address code 31 (Figure Q.2) - This group is analogous to the operation of the 14B group used during EON Traffic Announcements. Reception of this group indicates that the receiver shall retune immediately to the indicated EAS ON. The PI code of the EAS ON will point to memory locations received via group 9A Address code 30. The following data should be verified during a switch to an EAS ON:

1. The PI code matches that received via group 9A Address code 31.
2. The status of the PTY code. The receiver should wait for two seconds for the PTY code of the EAS ON network to be set to 31. If after two seconds and the PTY<>31, then the receiver should retune to the original network.
3. The end of the emergency announcement will be noted by PTY<>31. The receiver shall then tune back to the originally tuned network.
4. If the signal level or data quality drops below an acceptable level during the event, the receiver shall attempt to tune to an alternate EAS frequency. If no acceptable EAS alternate frequencies are available, then the receiver shall tune back to the original network.

#### **Q.11 PTY code 30 -Test**

A PTY code 30 shall be signaled during test transmissions. The reception of PTY code 30 will be signaled visually only on consumer receivers. On an eight character display, the PS name shall be replaced with "Test". On sixteen character or larger displays, the PTY portion of the display shall be changed to "Test" or "Emergency Test". No interruption of the audio or playback devices shall occur. Test transmissions may be data only in nature. For instance, during the transmission of an EAS test message, the PTY code should be set to 30. It may be useful to "trap" a TEST event to ensure system confidence. Such operation is common in NOAA weather band receivers with tone alert decoders.

#### **Q.12 PTY code 31 - Alert**

The reception of PTY code 31 indicates that an audible emergency announcement is being given by the broadcaster. A received PTY 31 shall interrupt the consumer audio and playback devices and switch to the FM audio for the event duration. Default minimum audio settings should be used to ensure the audio is discernible to the listener. On an eight character display, the PS name shall be replaced with "ALERT!". On sixteen character or larger displays, the PTY portion of the display shall be changed to "ALERT!". Receivers which have the ability to record and play back audio (such as TA) could capture ALERT audio information. This would be of benefit to someone who stepped out of the car for instance, and missed the ALERT announcement.

#### **Q.13 Radiotext Reception**

Receivers that can decode and display radiotext information contained in group Type 2A/2B should allow the user to access the text display during an ALERT condition. EAS equipment shall decode and re-transmit SAME data via radiotext. The following considerations should apply to the transmission of radiotext during an ALERT:

1. Re-transmitted SAME data should be structured in a clear concise manner. Retransmission of EAS codes directly will be of no use to the consumer. A usable message be for example is: "Tornado Warning Hendricks County Until 8:15 PM."
2. Text messages longer than 64 characters in length should be divided into separate individually meaningful messages and should be transmitted for at least 30 seconds. An increase of text repetition during this time would also help ensure proper reception of the message.
3. General rules for text transmission should be followed, such as the toggling of the A/B flag between different messages, as well as not transmitting segment addresses containing all "blanks".

ALERT information transmitted in radiotext could be transmitted for the duration of the event so that listeners who tune to the station after the audio message can still obtain the important information. This would also be helpful for the hearing impaired.

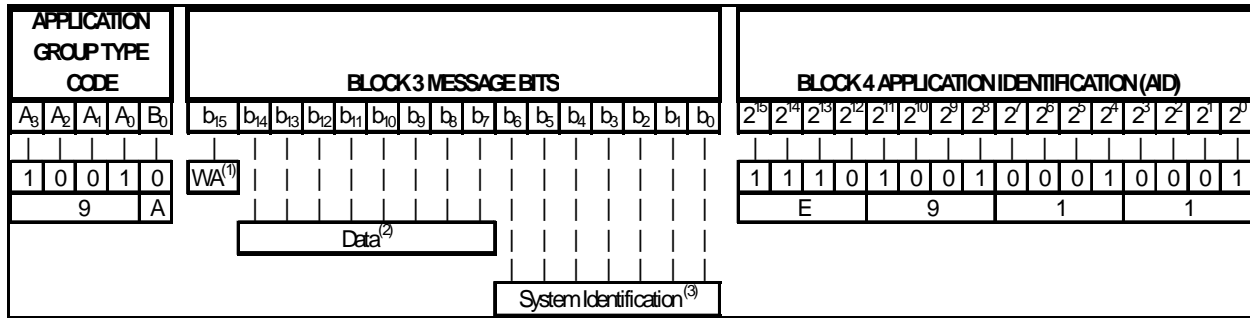


Figure Q.1: EAS Open Data Application Structure - Group type 3A

Note:

- 1) Warning Activation - Can be used by portable receivers operating on a sleep/wake cycle.
  - a) WA set to 0 when no EAS message to follow or end of message.
  - b) WA set to 1 ten seconds prior to setting PTY=30, 31, or SAME message.
- 2) Data bits may be utilized freely by the service provider.
- 3) System Identification.
  - a) All bits set to 0 indicate an independent EAS system.
  - b) Private Warning System Identification assignments are available from the NRSC.
- 4) The recommended repetition rate is at least once per second.

ON - Other network or station

<b>BLOCK 2 DATA BITS (Address Code)</b>	<b>BLOCK 3 DATA BITS</b>	<b>BLOCK 4 DATA BITS</b>						
0 0 0 0 0	Spares	ORG	Event Character 1 (Left-most)		Event Character 2	Event Character 3		
0	0 0 0 0	O <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> O <sub>1</sub> O <sub>0</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	
0 0 0 0 1	PSSCCC Count	Portion Code		State FIPS Number		County FIPS Number		
1	2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	2 <sup>9</sup> 2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	2 <sup>9</sup> 2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	2 <sup>9</sup> 2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	2 <sup>9</sup> 2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	
0 0 0 1 0	Event Duration		Message Origination					
2	Hours	Minutes	Julian Date		Hours	Minutes	Spares	
2	2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	Tm <sub>1</sub> Tm <sub>0</sub>	2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	2 <sup>8</sup> 2 <sup>7</sup> 2 <sup>6</sup> 2 <sup>5</sup> 2 <sup>4</sup> 2 <sup>3</sup> 2 <sup>2</sup> 2 <sup>1</sup> 2 <sup>0</sup>	0 0 0	
0 0 0 1 1	ID Character 1 (Left-most)		ID Character 2		ID Character 3		ID Character 4	
3	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	
0 0 1 0 0	ID Character 5		ID Character 6		ID Character 7		ID Character 8	
4	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>8</sub> b <sub>7</sub> b <sub>6</sub> b <sub>5</sub> b <sub>4</sub> b <sub>3</sub> b <sub>2</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	
5-29	Data <sup>(1)</sup>			Data <sup>(1)</sup>				
1 1 1 1 0	Alternate Frequency (ON)		Alternate Frequency (ON)		PI EAS (ON)			
30 <sup>(2)</sup>	a <sub>7</sub> a <sub>6</sub> a <sub>5</sub> a <sub>4</sub> a <sub>3</sub> a <sub>2</sub> a <sub>1</sub> a <sub>0</sub>	a <sub>7</sub> a <sub>6</sub> a <sub>5</sub> a <sub>4</sub> a <sub>3</sub> a <sub>2</sub> a <sub>1</sub> a <sub>0</sub>	Nibble 1	Nibble 2	Nibble 3	Nibble 4		
1 1 1 1 1	PI EAS (ON)				PI EAS (ON)			
31 <sup>(3)</sup>	Nibble 1	Nibble 2	Nibble 3	Nibble 4	Nibble 1	Nibble 2	Nibble 3	Nibble 4

Figure Q.2: EAS ODA Coding Structure - Group type 9A

Note:

- 1) Data bits may be utilized freely by the service provider.
- 2) EAS Other Network Information - Address code 30
  - a) All EAS ON Alternate frequencies shall be transmitted within two minutes.
  - b) Alternate Frequencies are coded in accordance with section 3.2.1.6
- 3) EAS Switching Information - Address code 31
  - a) This information is transmitted when the broadcaster needs to retune the listener to a different EAS provider .
  - b) In this event, the PI code of the secondary EAS ON shall be transmitted via a burst of four 9A Variant 31's.
- 4) SAME Data conversions are located in Tables Q.1-Q.3.

TABLE Q.1 - SAME data coding conversions

SAME Acronym	Description	Bits	Type	Conversion
ORG	Originator	4	Binary	Table 2
E <sub>1</sub> E <sub>2</sub> E <sub>3</sub>	Event Code	3 bytes	ASCII	Figure E.1 Appendix E
TTTT	Event Duration			
	Hours	7	Binary	Direct
	15 minute interval	2	Binary	Table 3
JJJHHMM	Origination Date/Time			
JJJ	Julian Date	9	Binary	Direct
HH	Hours	5	Binary	Direct
MM	Minutes	6	Binary	Direct
L <sub>1</sub> L <sub>2</sub> L <sub>3</sub> L <sub>4</sub> L <sub>5</sub> L <sub>6</sub> L <sub>7</sub> L <sub>8</sub>	Originator ID	8 bytes	ASCII	Figure E.1 Appendix E
PSSCCC	Location Code			
P	Portion	8	ASCII	Figure E.1 Appendix E
SS	State	7	Binary	Direct - State FIPS #
CCC	County Code	10	Binary	Direct - County FIPS #
Location_Count	PSSCCC Count <sup>(1)</sup>	7	Binary	Direct

Note: 1) The PSSCCC Count represents the total number of PSSCCC codes that comprise the warning message.

TABLE Q.2 - Originator Codes

O <sub>3</sub>	O <sub>2</sub>	O <sub>1</sub>	O <sub>0</sub>	ORG CODE
0	0	0	0	EAS
0	0	0	1	CIV
0	0	1	0	EAN
0	0	1	1	WXR
0	1	0	0	PEP
0	1	0	1	Undefined
-	-	-	-	
1	1	1	1	Undefined

TABLE Q.3 - Time Minute Interval

Tm <sub>1</sub>	Tm <sub>0</sub>	Description
0	0	0
0	1	15
1	0	30
1	1	45

ANNEX R (informative)

In-Receiver Database System (I-RDS) File Structure

The material in Annex R and section 7 is proprietary and requires the acquisition of a license from its owner for its implementation in hardware, firmware and/or software.

R.1 I-RDS Header File

The I-RDS Header File is shown in Figure R.1. This file contains pointers to (addresses of) the start and end of each of the other files in the ROM. Each of these pointers are at absolute (unchanging) locations. This permits the location and size of each file in the ROM to vary as needed. In other words the Header File is the only file which is always located at the same address in the ROM (always address 0) and whose structure is fixed.

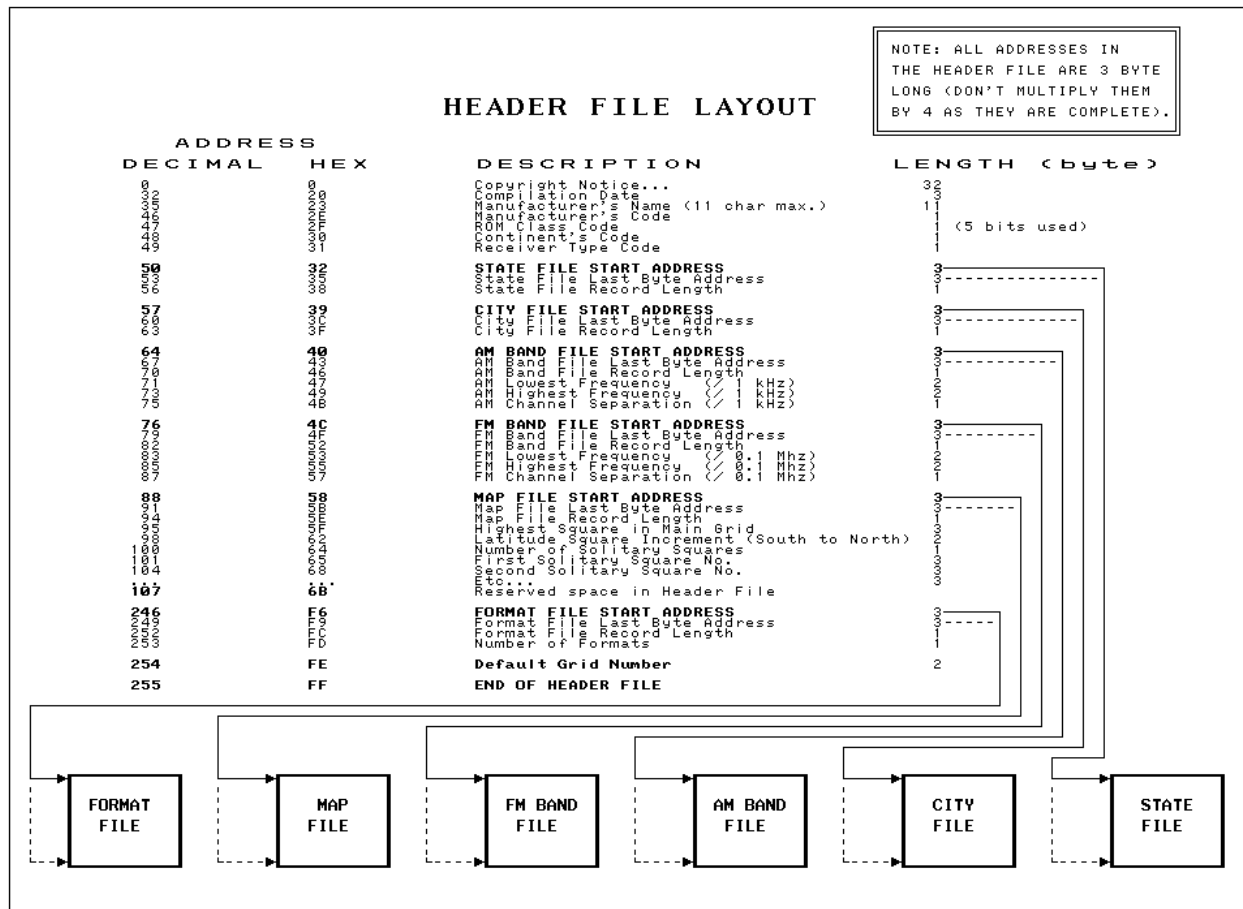


Figure R.1 The Header File

NOTE: All pointers in the Header are three bytes long and are given in the following order: Byte1 of the pointer - most significant byte of the address; Byte2 of the pointer - middle byte of the address; Byte3 of the pointer - least significant byte of the address.

## R.2 Cross-referencing Pointers and Counters

The In-Receiver Database System relies on a system of cross-referencing pointers and counters which permits the CPU to locate records related to each other, whether they belong in the same file or not.

For example a record in the FM Band File describing a radio station will point to an address in the City File where that station's city of license is located and described. Likewise that city's record will contain pointers to the AM and FM Band Files to indicate the first radio station in each band (defined as the station with the lowest frequency) which can be found in the Grid in which the city is located.

Similarly, the City File contains a State Counter in each of its records. This counter permits the CPU to determine the proper state (or province) for each city.

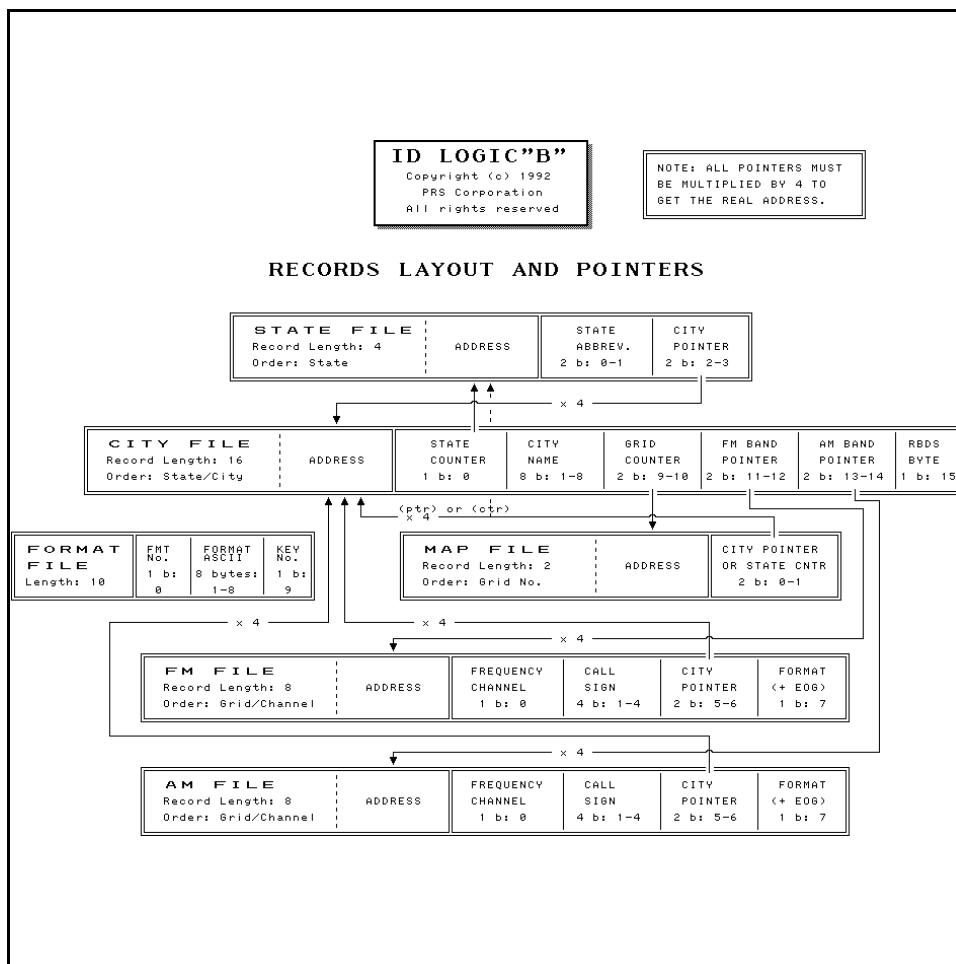


Figure R.2 Records layout and pointers



### R.3 Pointer Arithmetic

Since the I-RDS ROM has an address space of 256 kilobytes, each discrete address would require 18 bits. In order to conserve space in the files, all pointers have been reduced to two bytes.

This is achieved in three steps:

- 1) All files start on an even boundary (R.S. Bytes = 00 or modulo 100hex)
- 2) The files which are referenced by pointers (the City File, and both Band Files) are formed of records of 16 bytes and 8 bytes respectively. This ensures that each record in these files also starts at an address of modulo 8 -- where at minimum the least significant two bits are always equal to 0.
- 3) All pointers which reference these three files are first divided by 4 (two bitwise shift to the right) before they are stored in the files. (NOTE: This is true of all files except of the Header File where all pointers are 3 bytes long and where they denote real addresses.)

Then, when actually using such a pointer, a two bitwise shift to the left (a multiplication by 4) is performed to restore the actual real address of interest.

### R.4 Counter Arithmetic

When appropriate, counters are used instead of pointers. An address is derived from a counter with the following formula:

$$\text{Address} = (\text{Counter} - 1) * \text{Record\_Length} + \text{File\_Start}$$

Figure R.4 Counter arithmetic

Each of the variables (record length and file start address) can be found in the Header File at their own addresses (See Figure R.1). Since all record lengths are powers of 2 the multiplications required can be reduced to simple bitwise shifts to the left.

## R.5 State File Layout

Each record in the State File is composed of two fields:

- The state (or province) abbreviation (two ASCII characters)
- The city pointer which refers to the largest city in the state or province.

The high bit of both bytes of the state abbreviation are used to code the country. (See section R.12.2)

00<sub>b</sub> = 0 = USA  
01<sub>b</sub> = 1 = Canada  
10<sub>b</sub> = 2 = Mexico

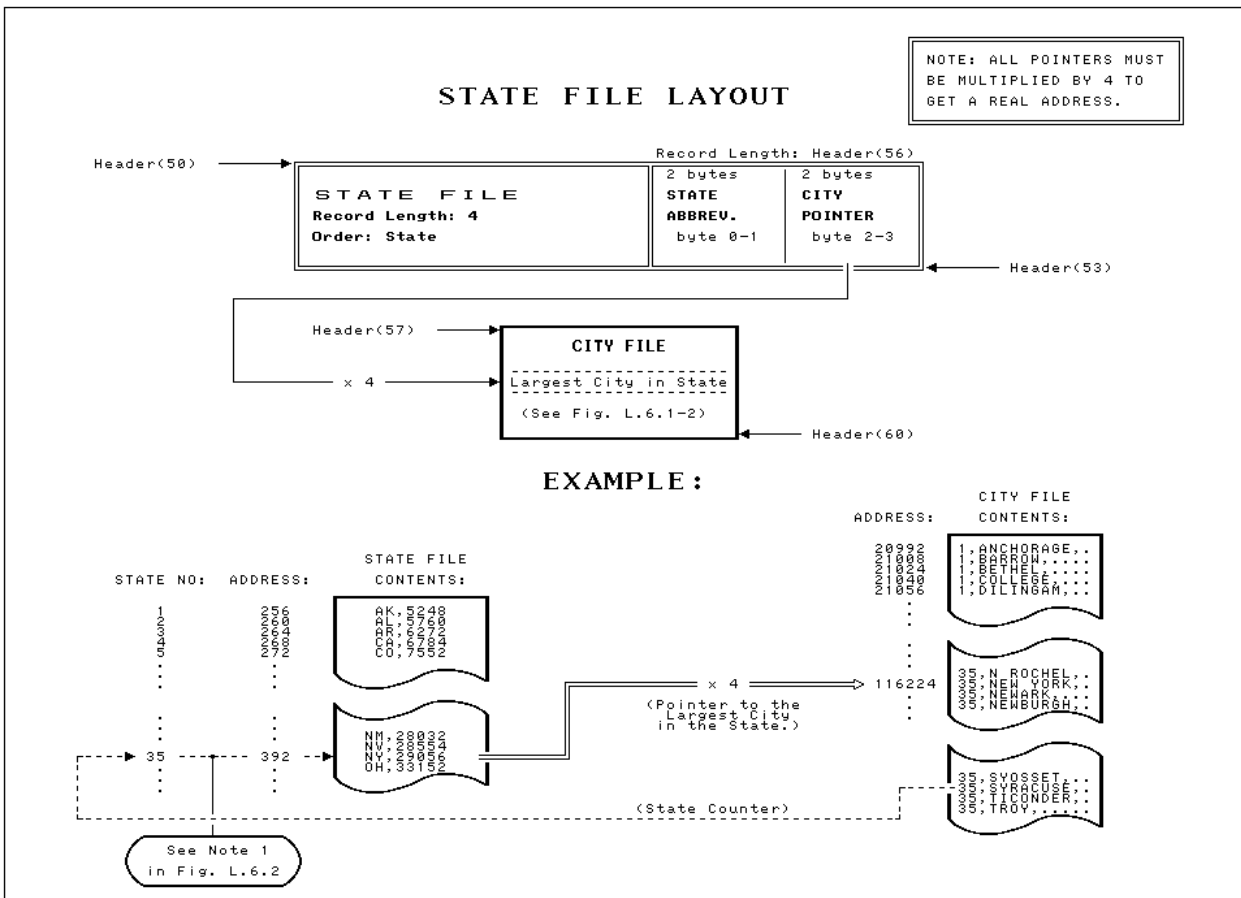


Figure R.5 State File layout

The State File is ordered alphabetically by state abbreviations.

R.6 - City File Layout

Each record in the City File is composed of six fields:

- The state counter
- The city name (abbreviated to eight characters)
- The Grid counter which indicates the location of the city in the grid system
- The FM band pointer referencing the first (lowest frequency) FM station in the Grid
- The AM band pointer referencing the first (lowest frequency) AM station in the Grid
- Unassigned RBDS flags (eight bits available)

NOTE: In addition to the eight bits of the last byte, the eight high bits of the city name are also available for RBDS flags (for a total of 16 bits).

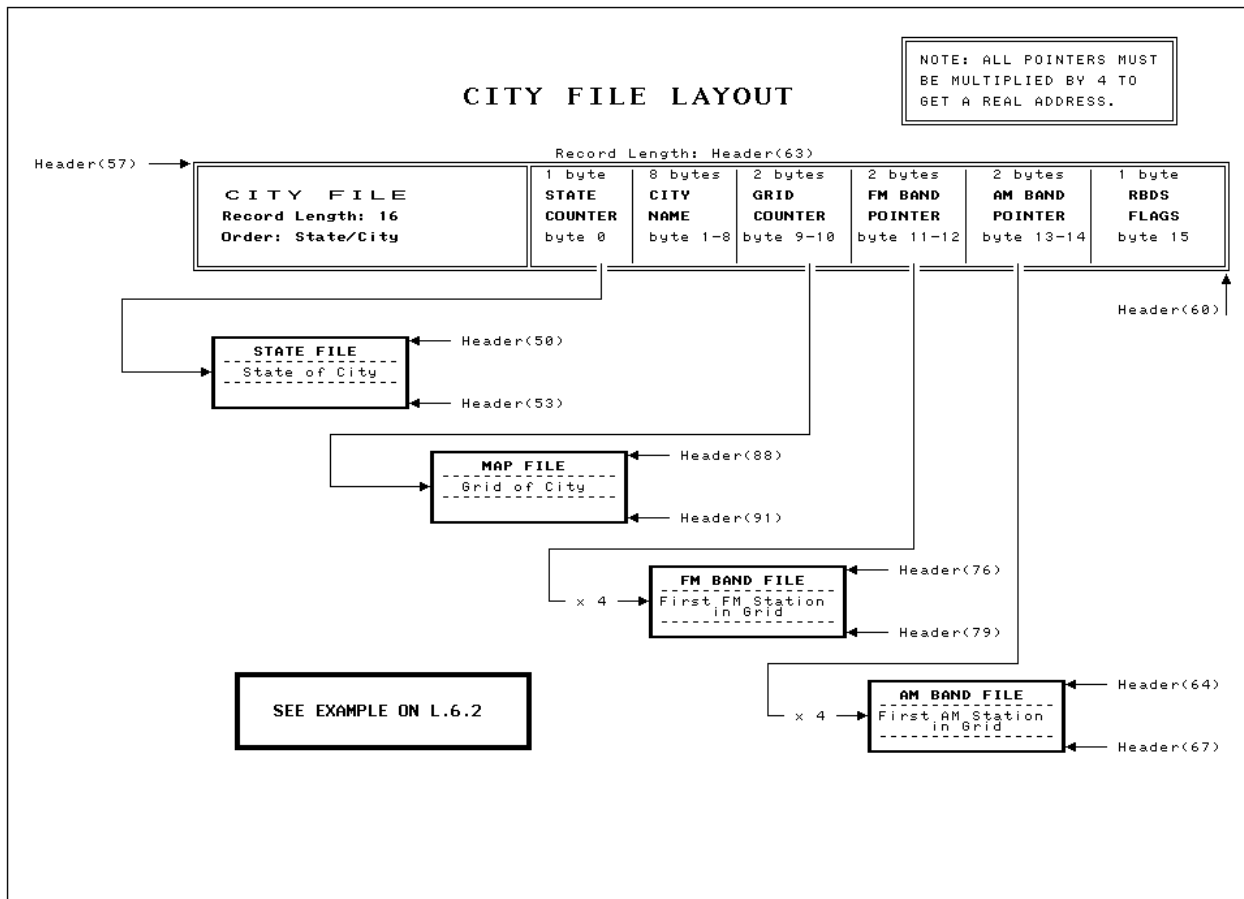


Figure R.6.1 - City File layout

The City File is ordered alphabetically by states and by cities (full name) within each state.

See section R.12.3 for application notes.







### R.9 Map File Layout

Each record in the Map File is composed of only one field:

- The city pointer which references the largest city in the Grid.

In some instances (e.g., in a desert, mountain, lake, etc.) there is no city in a Grid. In this case the record contains a state counter (as opposed to a city pointer) where the value is < 128.

A city pointer of zero (0) indicates an out-of-bound area (which should not be traveled to).

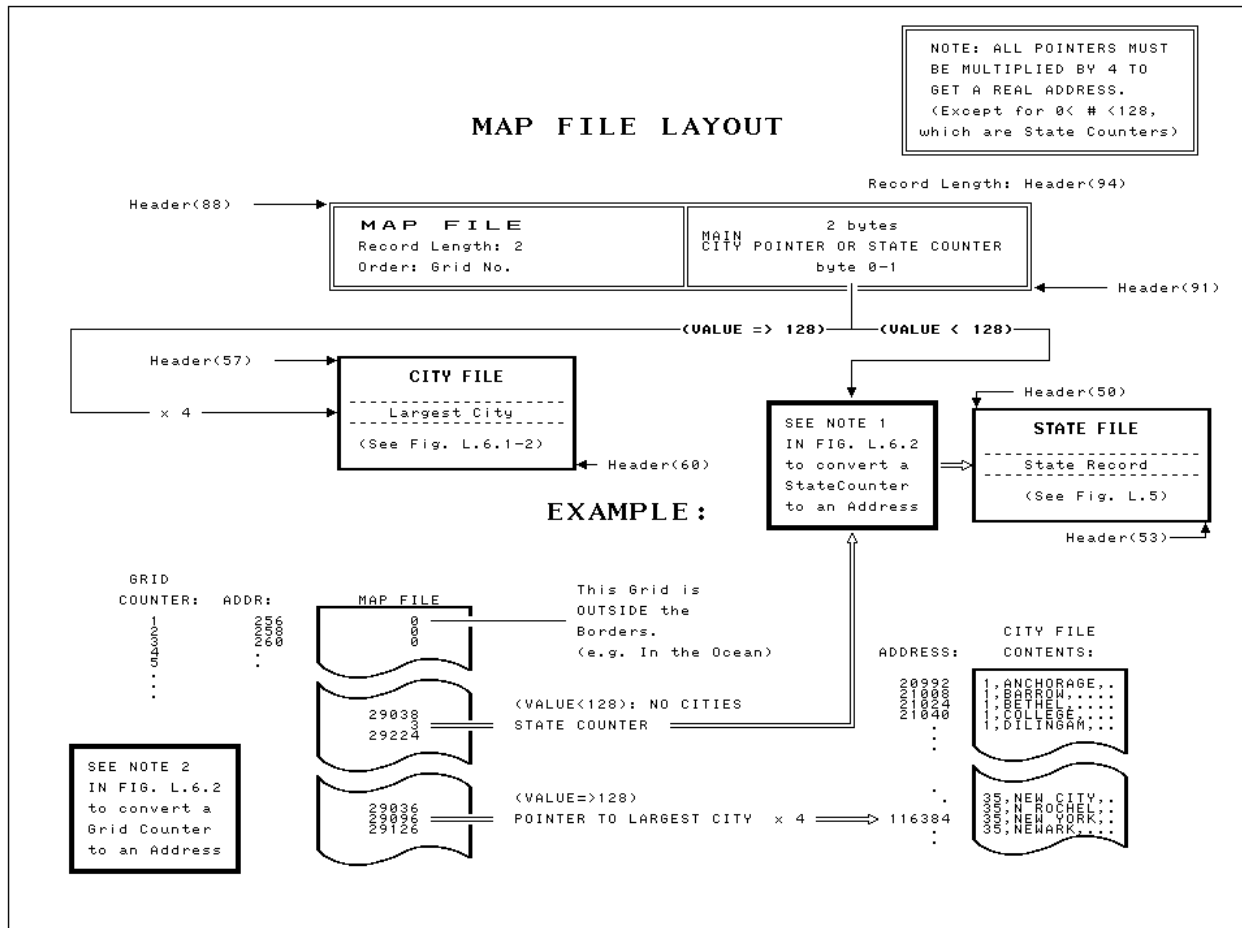


Figure R.9 Map file layout

Note: Remember to multiply all pointers (but not counters) by 4 to get an address.

R.10 Travel and Map File Calculations

The figure below illustrates the calculations needed to find the Grid number of the eight Grids that are contiguous to a particular location.

The value of the constant needed (L) is found in the Header File at address 98<sub>10</sub>.

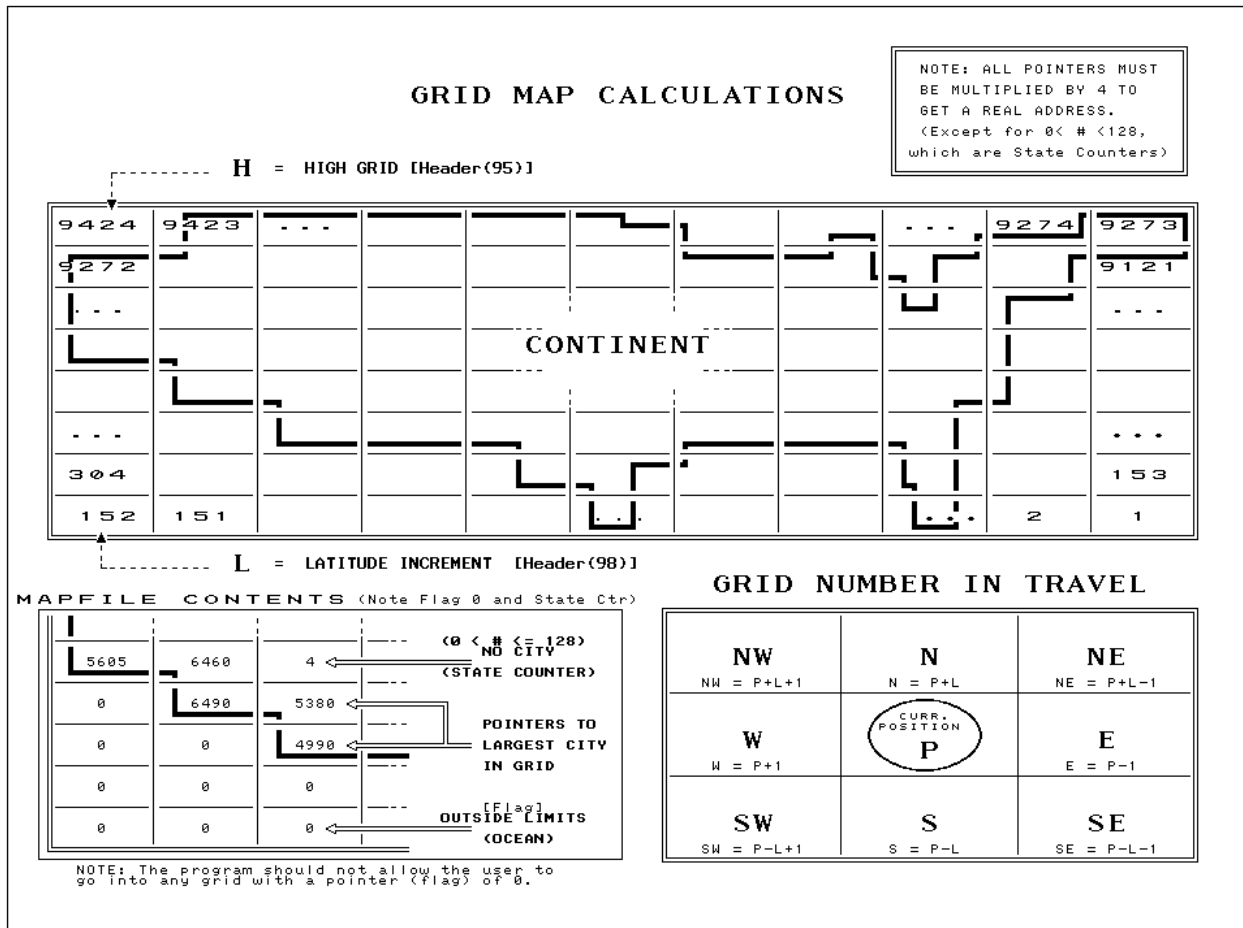


Figure R.10 Map file calculations

See section R.12.5 for application notes.



R.11 Format File Layout

Each record in the Format File is composed of three fields:

- The format number (0 - 31) which indexes a precise format
- The format name (eight ASCII characters)
- The format key (group) number which indexes the front panel fixed format keys.

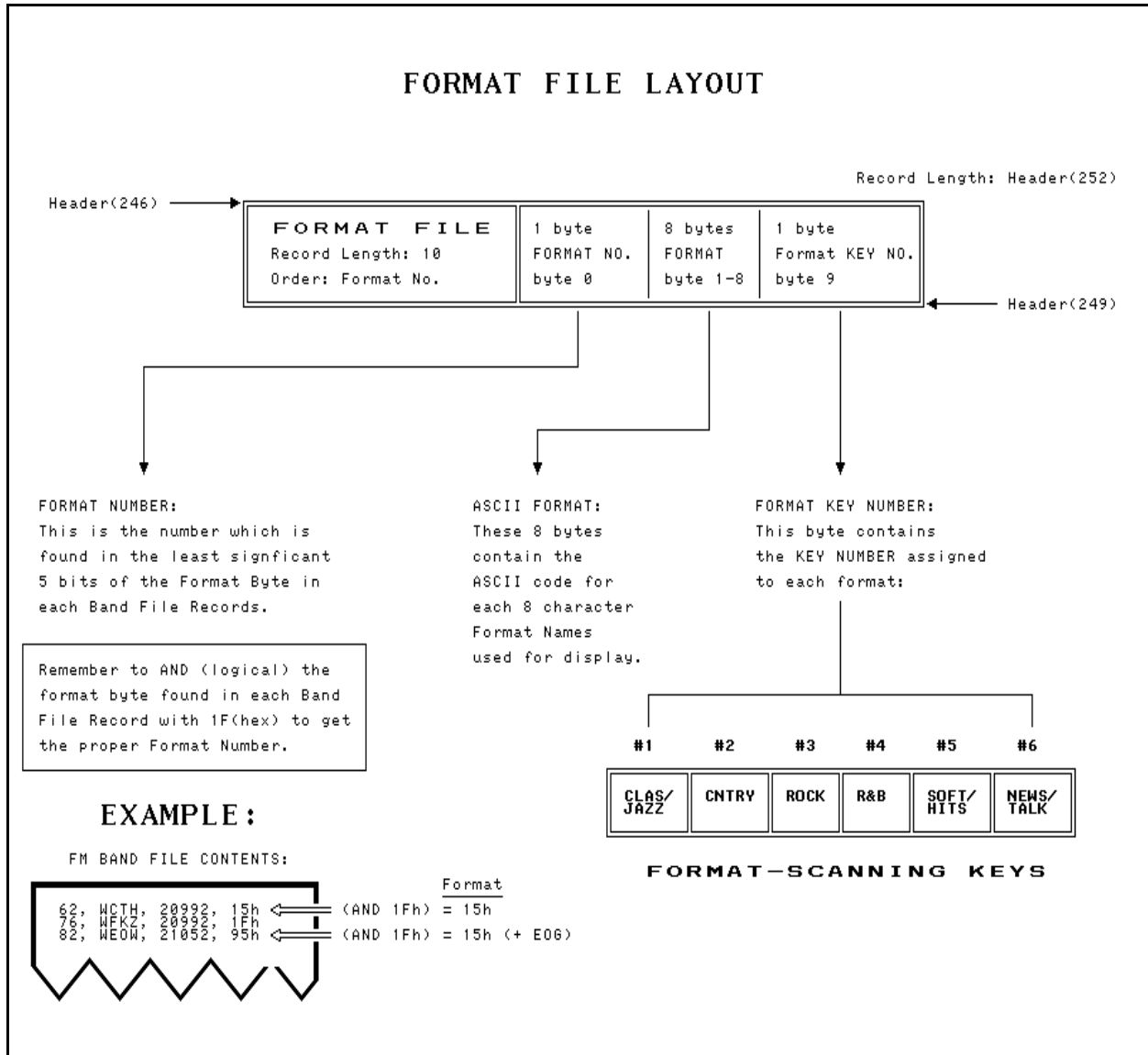


Figure R.11 Format file layout

See section R.12.6 for application notes.

## R.12 Application Notes

### R.12.1 Header File

R.12.1.1 Address: The Header File always starts at address 0 of the ROM. Its structure is fixed. (See Figure R.1).

### R.12.2 State File

R.12.2.1 Header references: The State File is referenced in the Header File as follows:

Address  $50_{10}$  = State File start address  
Address  $53_{10}$  = State File end address  
Address  $56_{10}$  = State File record length

R.12.2.2 Order: The State File is ordered alphabetically by state abbreviation -- as opposed to the City File which is ordered alphabetically by city full name.

R.12.2.3 Count: In the current implementation of I-RDS, there are 61 states/provinces in the file:

51 All U.S. states + the District of Columbia  
10 Canadian provinces whose territories lie partly below 54 degree latitude  
1 entry for Mexico  
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R.12.2.4 City pointer: Each city pointer in the State File points to the largest (most populated) city in the state or province referenced.

### R.12.3 City File

R.12.3.1 Header references: The City File is referenced in the Header File as follows:

Address  $57_{10}$  = City File start address  
Address  $60_{10}$  = City File end address  
Address  $63_{10}$  = City File record length

R.12.3.2 Band pointers: As can be seen in Figure R.6.1, each City File record contains two band pointers (FM in bytes 11-12 and AM in bytes 13-14). These band pointers reference the first (lowest frequency) station in the Grid in which the city is located.

R.12.3.3 Null band pointer: If, for example, the FM pointer is equal to zero (0), this indicates the Grid does not contain any FM station. The same applies to AM pointers.

R.12.3.4 Filler cities: Some filler cities (cities with no AM or FM stations) may be added to the City File (and the Map File) to provide a meaningful feedback when a travel (compass) key is actuated. This is particularly needed when traveling through a sparsely populated region. If these cities are located in a Grid where no station exist, then both band pointers will be equal to zero.

**R.12.4 Band File (AM and FM)**

R.12.4.1 Header references: The Band Files are referenced in the Header File as follows:

Address 64<sub>10</sub> = AM Band File start address  
Address 67<sub>10</sub> = AM Band File end address  
Address 70<sub>10</sub> = AM Band File record length  
Address 71<sub>10</sub> = AM lowest frequency (/1 kHz)  
Address 73<sub>10</sub> = AM highest frequency (/1 kHz)  
Address 75<sub>10</sub> = AM channel separation (/1 kHz)  
Address 76<sub>10</sub> = FM Band File start address  
Address 79<sub>10</sub> = FM Band File end address  
Address 82<sub>10</sub> = FM Band File record length  
Address 83<sub>10</sub> = FM lowest frequency (/100 kHz)  
Address 85<sub>10</sub> = FM highest frequency (/100 kHz)  
Address 87<sub>10</sub> = FM channel separation (/100 kHz)

R.12.4.2 Order: The Band Files contain the list of all stations in the continent. They are placed in ascending Grid order and, within each Grid, ordered by ascending frequency.

R.12.4.3 End-of-Grid flag (EOG ): Each record of the City File provides a pointer to each Band File. This pointer references the first station (lowest frequency), in each Grid, in its respective Band File. An end-of-grid flag (EOG) is provided in the high bit of the Format byte found in the Band Files record (On = EOG; Off = normal) of the last (highest frequency) station of each Grid.

Note: The EOG flag is needed as it is possible for two successive Grids to follow each other in which the first station in the second Grid is of a lower frequency than that of the last station in the first Grid.

R.12.4.4 RBDS Reserved bits:

- Bit 5 (RDS) of the Format byte is reserved to indicate the station is a participating RBDS station
- Bit 6 (UTS) of the Format byte is reserved to indicate the station is a participating RBDS station and that it is providing in-receiver database updates via the open data channel.
- There are another two bits available for RBDS flags. These are the high bits (bit 7) of byte 2 and 3 of the station's callsign. Bit 7 of byte 0 is reserved to indicate an off-the-air or erased status. Bit 7 of byte 1 is reserved for band indication (see sections R.13.3.3 and R.13.3.4).

Note: One application of these bits is to indicate that the station is a null station -- that is one which is currently not on the air. Another possible application is the indication that a station is part of an emergency network so that the receiver can tune to it immediately upon the reception of a signal or user prompting.

## R.12.5 Map File

R.12.5.1 Header references: The State File is referenced in the Header File as follows:

Address 88<sub>10</sub> = Map File start address  
Address 91<sub>10</sub> = Map File end address  
Address 94<sub>10</sub> = Map File record length  
Address 95<sub>10</sub> = Index of highest -- Northwestern most -- Grid (H)  
Address 98<sub>10</sub> = Latitude Grid increment (L) -- South to North  
Address 100<sub>10</sub> = Number of Solitary Grids (see below).

R.12.5.2 Contents: As indicated in Figure R.9, each record of the Map File can contain one of three types of information:

- A city pointer (referencing the largest city in the Grid)
- A state counter (indicating the Grid's state)
- A boundary flag (0).

R.12.5.3 State counter: A state counter is present if there is no city in that Grid. This is necessary to give a usable amount of feedback to the user even if he or she travels through a desert or mountainous region or other sparsely populated area. In that case and when the user crosses a state boundary that information can be conveyed on the display.

R.12.5.4 Boundary flag: The boundary flag is provided for two reasons:

- To forbid travel to off-limit areas (for example in the ocean)
- To avoid a mathematical wrap-around effect which would permit a user, for example, to travel East from, say, Georgia and arrive in California.

R.12.5.5 Solitary Grids: Some grids are special cases. These are called Solitary Grids and travel to and from such grids should not be permitted while using the travel (compass) keys.

Some of the areas covered by the in-receiver database lie well outside the continental U.S.A. (e.g., Alaska, Hawaii, Northern Canada). In order not to extend the grid system to cover such areas and make the Map File inordinately large, those areas have been assigned special status and have been placed in the first few Grids of the main grid system (as they are out of bounds -- in the ocean). These are:

- Grid 1 = Alaska
- Grid 2 = Hawaii
- Grid 3 = Newfoundland
- Grid 4 = Canadian areas above the 54th parallel.

The number and index of such Solitary Grids can be found in the Header File (see Figure R.1) as follows:

Address 100<sub>10</sub> = Number of Solitary Grids  
Address 101<sub>10</sub> = Solitary Grids No. 1  
Address 104<sub>10</sub> = Solitary Grids No. 2  
Address 107<sub>10</sub> = Etc.

Addresses 101<sub>10</sub> to 245<sub>10</sub> have been reserved in the Header File for the listing of such Solitary Grids.

R.12.5.6 Default Grid: At address 254<sub>10</sub> of the Header File, one can find a Default Grid which indicates the location of Washington, DC.

Note: Upon installation, or upon software reset, the program can automatically relocate itself in the Default Grid.

#### R.12.6 Format File

R.12.6.1 Header references: The Format File is referenced in the Header File as follows:

Address 246<sub>10</sub> = Format File start address  
Address 249<sub>10</sub> = Format File end address  
Address 252<sub>10</sub> = Format File record length  
Address 253<sub>10</sub> = Number of (detailed) formats

R.12.6.2 Contents: As indicated in Figure R.11, each record of the Format File is formed of three fields:

- A (precise) format number
- An ASCII representation of the (precise) format -- for display
- A (group) format key number.

R.12.6.3 Precise Format: The precise format indicates one of 32 possibilities. I-RDS proposes to use formats identical to the RBDS program types (PTY) as defined in Annex F.

R.12.6.4 Format Groups and Keys: Each precise format is assigned to a group which, in turn, is assigned to one of the receiver's front panel format scanning keys.

The current assignment is as follows:

Table R.12.6.4

1 - Classical / Jazz / Public	4 - Rhythm & Blues
2 - Country & Western	5 - Soft / Hits
3 - Rock	6 - News / Talk

### R.13 - Update RAM Layout

The 2 kilobyte update RAM is divided into four main areas:

- The RAM Header File
- The Update Data File
- The New Station File
- The Preset Memory area and a General Purpose RAM area.

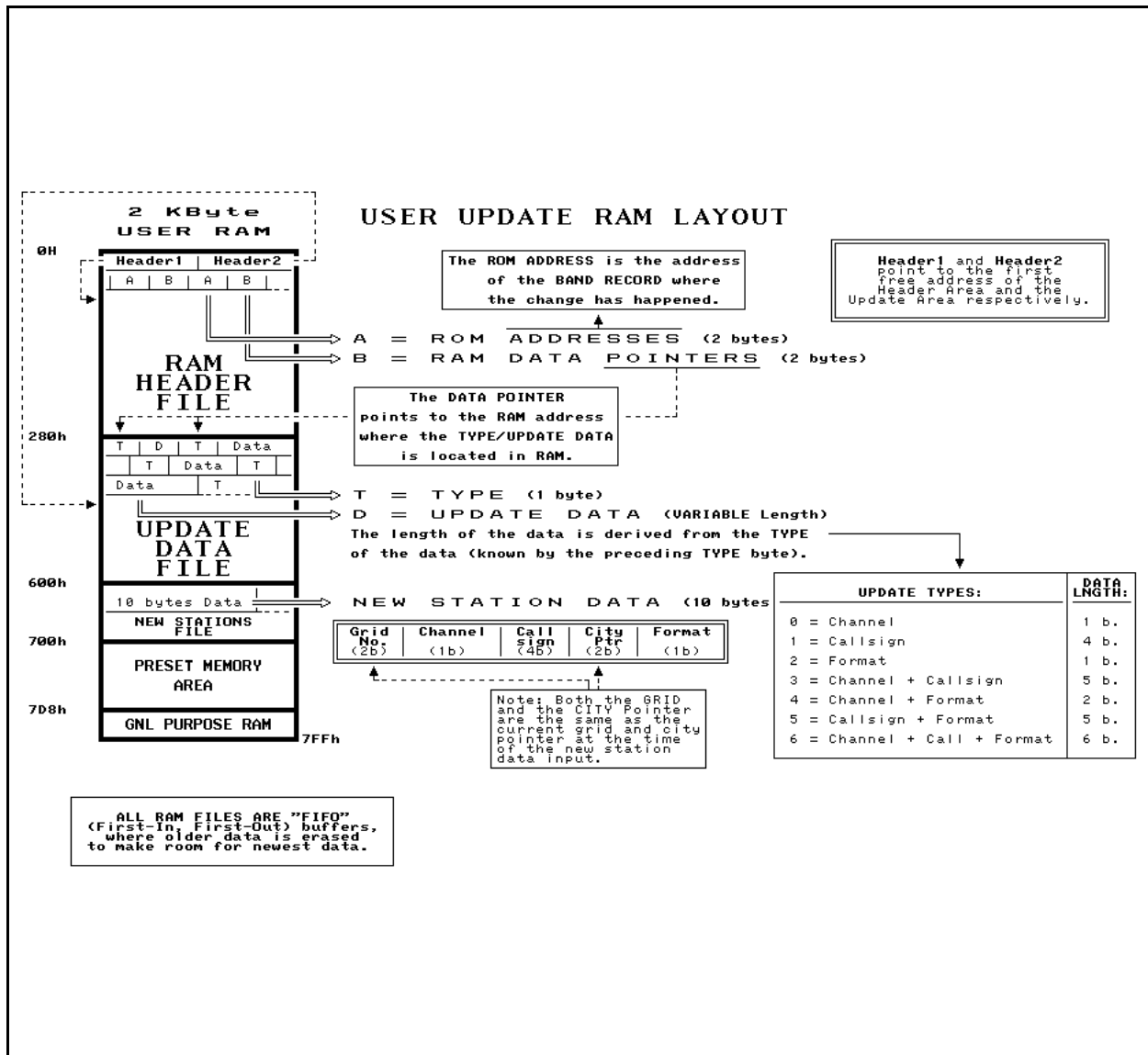


Figure R.13.1 - Update RAM layout

### R.13.1 - RAM Header File

The RAM Header File contains four types of information:

- The Header1 (two bytes)
- The Header2 (two bytes)
- ROM pointers (two bytes each)
- RAM data pointers (two bytes each)

R.13.1.1 - Header1: This header points to the address of the first free byte in the RAM Header File.

R.13.1.2 - Header2: This header points to the address of the first free byte of the Update Data File.

Header1 and Header2 are provided to permit data entry by both the user (manually) and by the automatic downloading method via RDS open data channel.

R.13.1.3 - ROM pointers: These pointers reference the address in ROM which is occupied by the record to be updated. Remember to multiply these pointers by 4 (two bitwise shifts to the left) in order to get the actual ROM address as these pointers are stored in only two bytes.

The actual update data (in the RAM Update Data File) is referenced by the pointer immediately following the ROM pointer.

R.13.1.4 - RAM Data pointers: These pointers reference the address in the RAM Update Data File in which the update data is located. Each such pointer is immediately preceded by the ROM pointer (see R.13.1.3) referencing the address in ROM where the record to be updated is located.

The ROM pointers and the RAM Data pointers always form a pair.

### R.13.2 - Update Data File

The Update Data File contains two types of information:

- The Update Data Type (1 byte)
- The Update Data (variable length).

R.13.2.1 - Stored Update Data Type (SUDT ): Each update data is type-coded to indicate two things:

- The type of the update data
- The length of that update data.

The length of the data is derived from the SUDT.

The following table lists all possible Stored Update Data Types and their lengths:

STORED UPDATE DATA TYPE	DATA LENGTH (in byte)
0 = Channel	1
1 = Call sign	4
2 = Format	1
3 = Channel + Call sign	5
4 = Channel + Format	2
5 = Call sign + Format	5
6 = Channel + Call sign + Format	6

Table R.13.2 - Stored Update Data Types

R.13.2.3 - Housekeeping: When storing update data, both Header1 and Header2 (see R.13.1.1 and R.13.1.2) should be updated to reflect the address of the first free bytes in the RAM Header File and the Update Data File.

All RAM files are FIFO (first in, first out) buffers, where (if necessary) oldest data is erased to make room for newest data.

R.13.2.4 - Number of updates: The space reserved for each file in the RAM dictates the maximum number of updates which can be stored. With the recommended boundaries as shown in Figure R.13.1, the maximum number of (non-new stations) updates possible is  $[(27F_{\text{hex}} - 4)/4] = 158$ .

Note: The Update Data File (from  $280_{\text{hex}}$  to  $5FF_{\text{hex}}$ ) can store 202 average entries or 127 maximum length entries (of 7 bytes each).

### R.13.3 New Station File

The New Station File is composed of fixed-length records of 10 bytes each:

- Grid number (2 bytes)
- Channel (1 byte)
- Call sign (4 bytes)
- City pointer (2 bytes)
- Format (1 byte)

This file is provided to store the details of stations which come can on the air after ROM manufacture.

R.13.3.1 Header: The first byte of the New Station File is reserved to contain the number (N) of new station entries in the file. The address of the first free byte in the file can be calculated with:

$$\text{Address} = \text{Start\_of\_file} + 1 + 10 * N$$

R.13.3.2 Grid number: This counter references the Grid in which the station is located.

Note: Although this information can be deduced from the City pointer (see section R.13.3.5 and Figure R.6.1) it is provided to speed up RAM lookup when scanning for stations in a particular area.



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R.13.3.3 Channel: The channel is converted to a frequency by using the formula in Figure R.7 (for AM) or Figure R.8 (for FM) depending on the high bit of byte 2 of the call sign. This bit is set (1) to indicate an FM station and reset (0) to indicate an AM station.

R.13.3.4 Call sign: The high bits (bit<sub>7</sub>) of the four ASCII characters composing the call sign are used as follows:

High bit of byte 0:	0 = normal; 1 = off-the-air
High bit of byte 1:	0 = AM; 1 = FM
High bit of byte 2:	available (see section R.12.4.4)
High bit of byte 3:	available (see section R.12.4.4)

Note that the AM/FM flag (bit 7 of byte 1) is used only in the New Station File (in RAM) and is not necessary in the ROM band files since there the AM and FM stations are separated. However, to avoid confusion, this bit of byte 1 should not be used in the ROM.

R.13.3.5 City pointer: This references the city of license of the station. Remember to multiply this pointer by 4 to get a real ROM address.

R.13.3.6 Format: The format byte is identical to that described in Figure R.11 and in section R.12.4.4.

- Bit 5 indicates the station is a participating RBDS station
- Bit 6 indicates the station is a participating RBDS station and that it is providing in-receiver database updates via the open data channel.
- Bit 7 of the format byte (EOG) is not used in the RAM.

R.13.3.7 Number of new stations: The space reserved for each file in the RAM dictate the maximum number of updates which can be stored. With the recommended boundaries as shown in Figure R.13.1, the maximum number of new station updates possible is  $(6FF_{\text{hex}} - 601_{\text{hex}})/10 = 25$ .

R.13.3.8 Housekeeping: When storing update data, the header (see R.13.3.1) should be updated to reflect the address of the first free byte of the New Station File.

Note: All RAM files are FIFO (first in, first out) buffers, where (if necessary) oldest data is erased to make room for newest data.

R.13.4 - Other RAM areas

The RAM area starting at  $700_{\text{hex}}$  and ending at  $7FF_{\text{hex}}$  is available for other use such as the storage of presets, Update Transmission Header information (see section 4.7.3) and the like.

**ANNEX S (normative)**

**List of abbreviations**

The abbreviations which are commonly used in context with the Radio Data System are listed below in alphabetical order. Most of these terms are explained in the description of features (see 4).

<b>AF</b>	<b>Alternative Frequencies list</b>
<b>ARI</b>	<b>Autofahrer Rundfunk Information</b>
<b>CI</b>	<b>Country Identifier</b>
<b>CT</b>	<b>Clock Time and date</b>
<b>DI</b>	<b>Decoder Identification</b>
<b>ECC</b>	<b>Extended Country Code</b>
<b>E.G.</b>	<b>Extended Generic indicator</b>
<b>EON</b>	<b>Enhanced Other Networks</b>
<b>EWS</b>	<b>Emergency Warning System</b>
<b>IH</b>	<b>In House application</b>
<b>ILS</b>	<b>International Linkage Set indicator</b>
<b>LA</b>	<b>Linkage Actuator</b>
<b>LI</b>	<b>Linkage Identifier</b>
<b>LSN</b>	<b>Linkage Set Number</b>
<b>MS</b>	<b>Music Speech switch</b>
<b>ODA</b>	<b>Open Data Applications</b>
<b>PI</b>	<b>Program Identification</b>
<b>PIN</b>	<b>Program Item Number</b>
<b>PS</b>	<b>Program Service name</b>
<b>PTY</b>	<b>Program TYPE</b>
<b>PTYN</b>	<b>Program TYPE Name</b>
<b>RBDS</b>	<b>Radio Broadcast Data System [15]</b>
<b>RDS</b>	<b>Radio Data System</b>
<b>RP</b>	<b>Radio Paging</b>
<b>RT</b>	<b>Radiotext</b>
<b>TA</b>	<b>Traffic Announcement flag</b>
<b>TDC</b>	<b>Transparent Data Channels</b>
<b>TMC</b>	<b>Traffic Message Channel</b>
<b>TP</b>	<b>Traffic Program flag</b>

See annex M for abbreviations associated with Radio Paging.

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ANNEX U (normative)

Open Data Application for Program Associated Data

U.1 Introduction

This annex describes a RDS/RBDS Open Data Application (ODA) for the transmission of Program Associated Data (PAD). This application, henceforth referred to as “ODA PAD”, is in many ways analogous to the ID3v2 content “tagging” system developed around and popularized by “MP3” audio. The most significant benefit of ODA PAD over traditional forms of RDS data casting is the clear delineation of individual data elements (title, performer, etc) within the transmission. Additional benefits include a doubling of the available text message buffer (over RDS/RBDS radiotext alone) and several features intended to improve display update performance in enabled receivers. The protocol described in this annex is considered public information and is available for implementation and use by any person(s) or company(s).

Another benefit provided by this ODA is that it facilitates "harmonization" between the PAD data features of IBOC digital radio and RDS. This is useful for IBOC digital radio systems utilizing "digital/analog blend" in that it allows for continuity of reception of PAD data as the IBOC receiver blends between digital and analog modes.

U.2 Protocol Overview

Central to any ODA is the RDS group type 3A, the *application identification for open data*. This group type announces the transmission of a particular ODA (by *application ID* number), contains up to 16 *message bits* for use by the application and indicates the *application group type* (if any) used for the transmission of additional data. Refer to section 3.1.4 and 3.1.5.4 of this specification for a more complete discussion of ODA. For ODA PAD, the application ID C350 (hexadecimal) is assigned. The group 3A message bits are used in one of two ways: to define data elements and to transmit additional control data. The actual element text may be transmitted in the radiotext buffer (group 2) and/or in an optional secondary text buffer transmitted within the ODA application group.

U.3 Element Definition

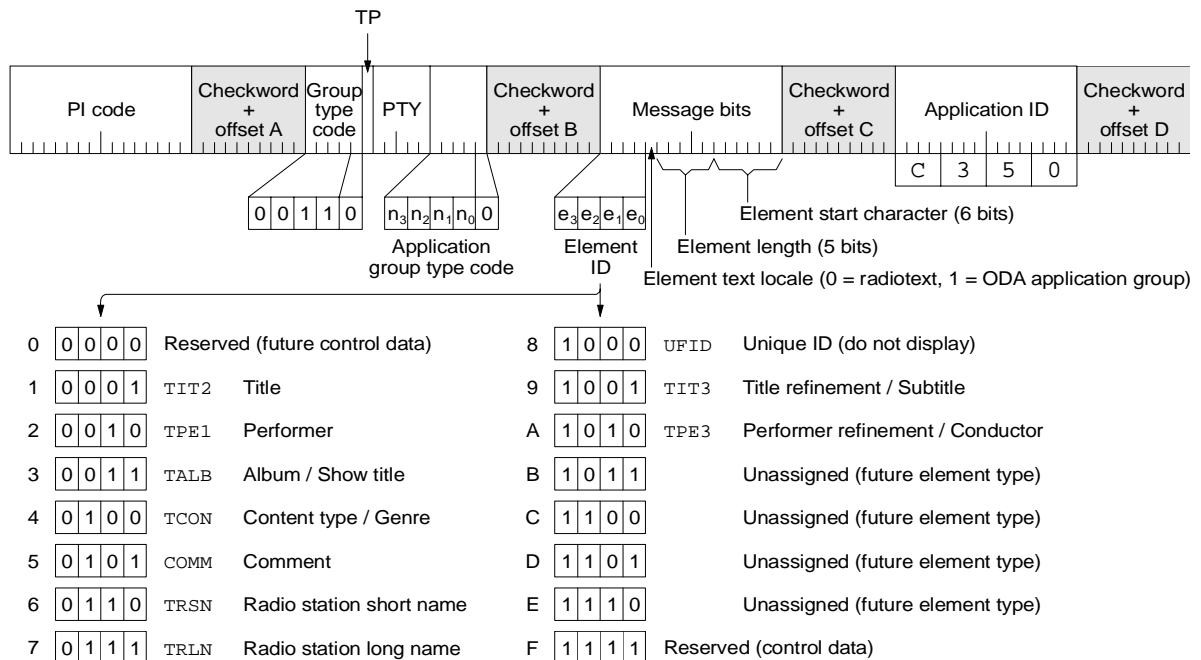


Figure U.1: Application identification (group 3A) message bits for element definition

When defining an element, the four most significant message bits (bit 15 to 12, labeled e3 to e0 in figure Z.1) form the 4-bit *element ID* or EID. The EID indicates the specific element being defined (for example, “title” is EID 1). Two special cases (EID 0 ‘0000’ and EID F ‘1111’) are reserved for control data, leaving 14 unique element types. Of these, 10 are given assignment by this specification leaving four elements available for future assignment.

Message bit 11 is the *element text locale* bit. When set to ‘0’, this bit indicates that the text associated with the element being defined is to be found in the radiotext buffer. When set to ‘1’, this bit indicates that the text is to be found in the secondary text buffer as transmitted within the ODA application group.

Message bits 5 to 0 form the 6-bit *element start character*. Element start indicates the absolute position (character number 1 ‘000000’ through 64 ‘111111’ within the radiotext or secondary text buffer) of the first text character associated with the element being defined.

Message bits 10 to 6 form the 5-bit *element length*. Element length indicates the number of characters consumed by the element being defined. The minimum number of characters for an element definition is 1 ‘00000’ and the maximum number of characters is 32 ‘11111’

### **U.3.1 Recommended Element Usage**

EID 1 “Title” conveys title information associated with a broadcast event. For music programming this is typically the song title. For other types of programming this is typically the show topic or episodic title. (For example, the topic of a news/talk interview “Voting Technology”)

EID 2 “Performer” conveys information about the performer or personalities associated with a broadcast event. For music programming this is typical the main artist or band name. For other types of programming this is typically the show host or similar. (For example, the playing teams in a sports broadcast “Yankees vs Red Sox”.)

EID 3 “Album / Show title” indicates the content source. For music programming this is typically the album title. For other types of programming this is typically the main program title. (Example, “All Things Considered”)

EID 4 “Content type / Genre” is used to categorize content and may be defined in one of two ways. An element of length 1 ‘00000’ is interpreted as a byte wide numeric index into the genre table as defined in section Z.8 of this annex. Due to the binary form, this first case may only be defined within the secondary text buffer. (For reasons of compatibility it is *not* acceptable to place this binary value into the radiotext buffer.) An element of length greater than 1 is interpreted as a text string. This second case allows for categories beyond those defined in the genre table.

EID 5 “Comment” is available for text that does not logically fit into any of the other named element types. Typical usage includes contact information (a call in or song request line), the current score in a sports broadcast, etc.

EID 6 “Radio station short name” is typically the combination of call sign and frequency band.

EID 7 “Radio station long name” is typically a slogan or otherwise expanded radio station name.

EID 8 “Unique ID” is typically used to transmit a unique identifier relevant to the current broadcast event.. This field should only be implemented in the analog section of IBOC receivers (i.e. it is not to be implemented in analog-only receivers) and is included to provide harmonization between the NRSC-5 PAD data specification and this ODA. The identifier field contains a unique number ranging from 0 to 65,535. This number is unique only to the Main Program Service/SPS instance of a given station. A receiver should never directly display this element to the end user. UFID should always contain a 4 digit "owner identifier" combined with the actual unique ID. The ID length is therefore "element length minus four" accounting for the 4 digit owner ID. A receiver looks at the owner identifier to determine how UFID is being used. In the ODA PAD annex we will define a single owner identifier of "PADL" (PADLINK) which is always to be followed by a 2 byte (16 bit) ID number in the range of 0 to 65536.

EID 9 “Title refinement / Subtitle” is used in cases where a proper title exceeds 32 characters in length. The most relevant portion of the title is to be placed in EID 1 with refinement in EID 9. (For example, “Mozart Violin

Concerto No.5 in A Major, K.219 Adagio” can be divided into EID 1 “Mozart Violin Concerto No.5” and EID 9 “in A Major, K.219 Adagio”) A receiver with limited display capabilities will show only the EID 1 portion of the title. An advanced receiver with a larger display or a scrolling display will automatically combine EID 1 and EID 9 into the full title. The receiver should not add any white space or punctuation when combining the title and title refinement text. The broadcaster is therefore responsible for the appropriate formatting of the refinement text. (See “usage examples” section for an illustration of this concept.)

EID A “Performer refinement / Conductor” is analogous to title refinement. For classical music this element typically conveys the name of the conductor but can also be used for other performer refinement such as a soloist. For example, “Vienna Philharmonic, Gidon Kremer (Violin)” can be divided into EID 2 “Vienna Philharmonic” and EID A “, Gidon Kremer (Violin)”. A receiver with limited display capabilities will only show the EID 2 portion of the performer text. An advanced receiver will automatically combine EID 2 and EID A into the full performer text. The receiver should not add any white space or punctuation when combining performer and performer refinement text. The broadcaster is therefore responsible for appropriate formatting of the refinement text.

#### U.4 Control Data

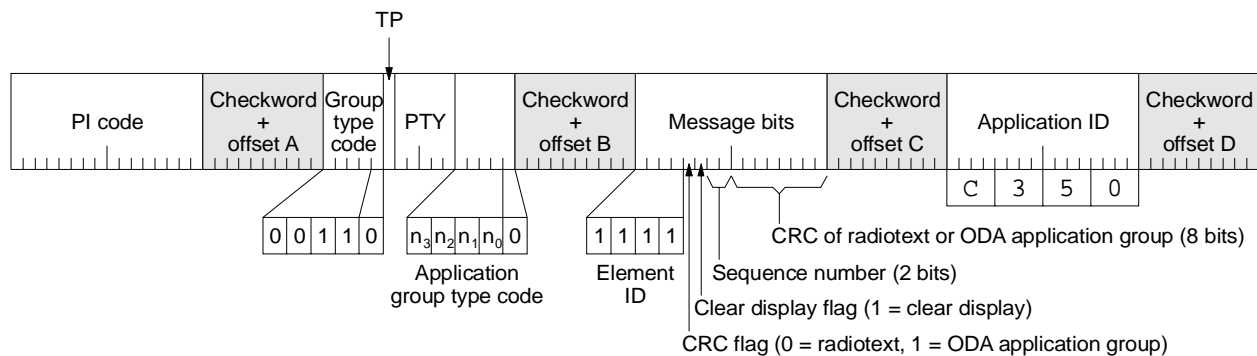


Figure U.2: Application identification (group 3A) message bits for control data

For the transmission of control data, the four most significant message bits (bit 15 to 12) are set to ‘1111’.

Message bit 11 is the *CRC flag*. When set to ‘0’ this group carries an 8-bit CRC check word generated over the entire content of the radiotext buffer. When set to ‘1’ this group carries an 8-bit CRC check word generated over the entire content of the secondary text buffer as transmitted within the ODA application group. (“Entire contents” is defined as every character of every segment transmitted including any padding characters in the final segment.) The CRC check word establishes a relationship between the set of elements being defined and the text buffers (radiotext and/or ODA application group) maintained by the receiver. Assuming a CRC match, this allows a receiver to make immediate use of the text (that is, it is not necessary to wait for a complete retransmission for data validation.)

Message bit 10 is the *clear display flag*. When set to 1, this flag indicates that the receiver should clear its text display of current audio program fields, pending reception of new audio element data (e.g., new artist and title information). All audio program element types, including EID 8 (the non-displayed unique ID), should be cleared when this flag is set to 1. However, TRSN and TRLN are station identification element types, and should not be affected by this bit. This bit can be set upon first transmission of a complete set of elements (transition to a new broadcast event) but should be cleared for any repetitions of those elements within the duration of that event. Setting this bit is considered optional and can be based upon the amount of change occurring within the element set. For example, if only the “Comment” element is to be changed the broadcaster may choose to leave this bit clear (an incremental update without display clear.) Finally, the currently stored RT should not be affected by the Clear Display flag because control of RT is outside the scope of the ODA, and because RT is used for more purposes than audio program material (such as station information, or additional information during emergency alert situations).

Message bits 9 to 8 form a 2-bit *sequence number*. The sequence number is a rolling counter (0, 1, 2, 3, 0, 1, ...) incremented each time there is a change in element data, typically upon the transition to a new broadcast event.

Message bits 7 to 0 carry the actual 8-bit CRC check word. The algorithm used for generating the CRC check word is covered in the next section.

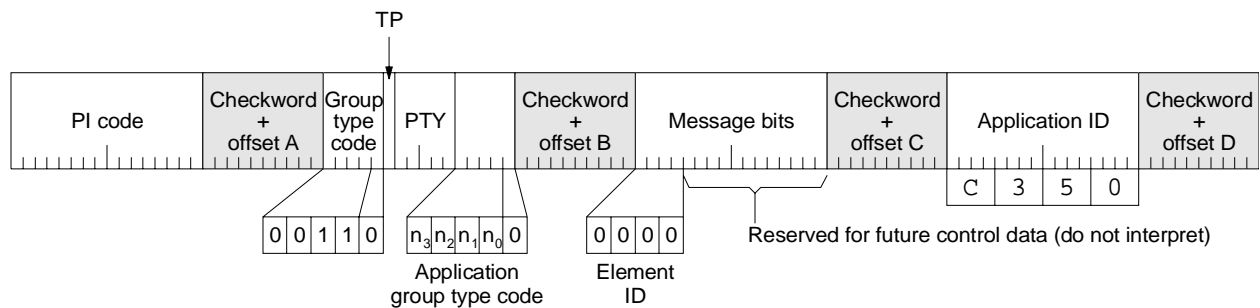


Figure U.3: Application identification (group 3A) reserved message bits

The message bits of EID 0 ‘0000’ are reserved for extended control data in future revisions of the ODA PAD specification. A receiver implementing the current specification should ignore any data received in EID 0.

### U.5 Secondary Text Buffer

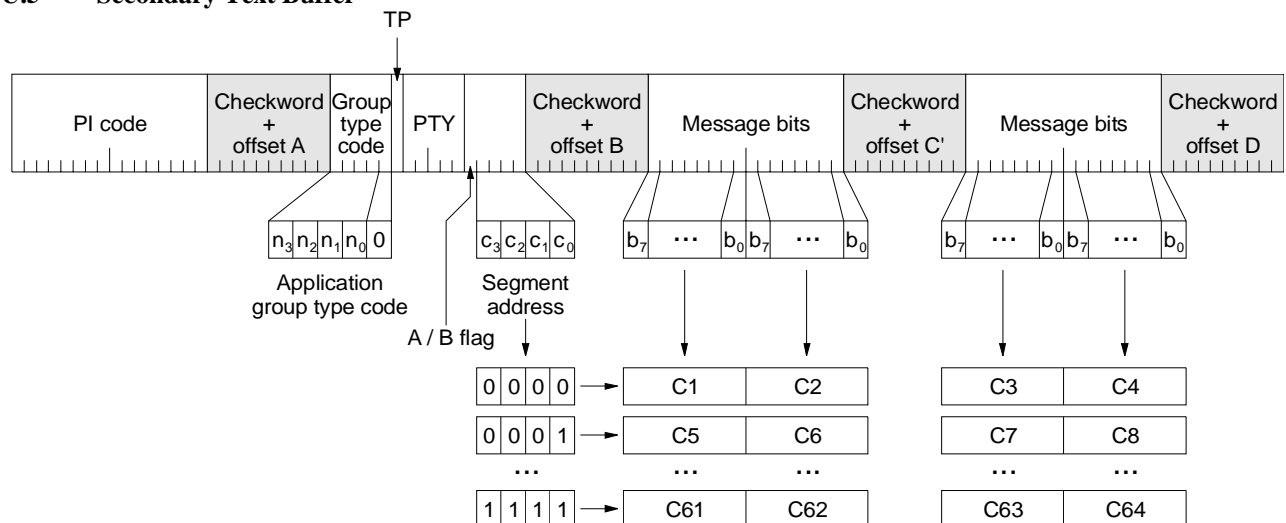


Figure U.4: ODA Application group (group nA) secondary text buffer

An optional secondary text buffer, transmitted within the ODA application group, is available to supplement the traditional radiotext buffer. By utilizing both buffers (radiotext and the ODA secondary), a maximum of 128 text characters are available for use in defining data elements. For compatibility with existing receivers, the most relevant text should always be placed in the radiotext buffer in a user readable form. Any additional element text is placed into the secondary buffer with no restrictions on formatting or overall readability. (See “usage examples” section for an illustration of this concept.)

The transmission format of the secondary text buffer is depicted in figure Z.4 and follows the convention of group 2 radiotext. That is, the complete buffer is transmitted in up to 16 segments, each segment consisting of 4 text characters. The transmission sequence always starts with segment 0 ‘0000’ and increments without gaps to segment 15 ‘1111’. When fewer than 64 characters are required, only those segments actually consumed by element text

need to be transmitted. Any unused characters in the last segment transmitted should be padded as “0x00” bytes. The CRC-8 is calculated over all segments actually transmitted. In the case of the ODA secondary buffer the A/B flag is set equal to the least significant bit of the *sequence number* (as transmitted with the control data) rather than simply toggling at a transition as is the case for radiotext.

If the secondary text buffer is to be used in a particular transmission, all 3A groups transmitted as part of ODA PAD must have the *application group type code* set to indicate the group used for this secondary text buffer. Selection of an ODA application group is left to the individual broadcaster. For reasons of efficiency, an “A” type group is required. Group type 11A and 12A are unconditionally available for use by ODA. Additional group types are often available but are subject to the usage of specific RDS/RBDS features by the broadcaster. (See section 3.1.4 of this specification.) Once selected, the ODA PAD application group should remain static. If for any reason the broadcaster must reassign the selected application group, the receiver will interpret this as a signal to invalidate any previously received ODA PAD data.

## U.6 ODA PAD CRC-8 Algorithm

The algorithm used to calculate the radiotext and secondary text CRC-8, as present in the ODA PAD 3A control data, is equivalent to that discussed in annex B with the following modifications:

The output of the algorithm (the syndrome) is 8 bits in length.

The input to the algorithm (the message) is a series of 8 bit characters.

The algorithm is run once for each character of each segment transmitted as part of the radiotext or secondary text buffer starting with the first character of the first segment and including any padding characters contained in the last segment transmitted. As such, the maximum number of characters passed into the CRC-8 algorithm is 64. A bit-wise exclusive OR operation is used to composite each new character with the previously generated syndrome before running the algorithm for that character. The exception is the first character where the “previous syndrome” is cleared to 0x00.

The generator polynomial selected for the ODA PAD CRC-8 algorithm is:

$$G(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + 1$$

The generator matrix is therefor:

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & & & & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & & 1 & & & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & & & 1 & & & & & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & & & & 1 & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & 1 & & & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & & & & & & 1 & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

A “shift register” implementation of the CRC-8 algorithm is presented in section Z.7.1 in the form of a C code listing. In this implementation, the *BufferCRC()* function returns the calculated CRC-8 value when called with two parameters: the number of characters in the message and a pointer to a buffer containing that message. This function in turn calls *CRC8()* for each character of the message and performs the composite of each new character



with the previous syndrome. In an actual implementation the *CRC8()* function is more likely to be called on reception of each new segment. If an efficient implementation is of paramount concern the *CRC8()* function can be replaced with a 256 entry lookup table.

### U.6.1 C code listing for ODA PAD CRC-8

```
#define G      0x119  // G = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + 1
#define C      0x100  // C = 2^8
#define Z      0x1FF  // Z = 2^9 - 1
```

```
int CRC8(int M)
{
    int i;
    int j = 128;
    int S = 0;

    for (i=7; i>=0; i--)
    {
        if (((j & M) >> i) & 0x01)
        {
            S = ((S<<1) ^ C) & Z;
        }
        else
        {
            S = (S<<1) & Z;
        }

        if (S & C)
        {
            S = (S ^ G) & Z;
        }

        j>>=1;
    }

    return S;
}
```

```
int BufferCRC(int length, char *Buffer)
{
    int i;
    int S = 0;

    for (i=0; i<length; i++)
    {
        S = CRC8(S ^ Buffer[i]);
    }

    return S;
}
```

**U.7 Content type (EID 4) genre table**

This section presents a table of genres used to categorize content for use with EID 4. This table is taken from Appendix A of the ID3v2.3.0 specification and is equivalent to that used in the NRSC 5 digital radio standard. Items 0-79 are the ID3v1 genre table where items 80-125 are the Winamp extensions.

00. Blues	32. Classical	64. Native American	096. Big Band
01. Classic Rock	33. Instrumental	65. Cabaret	097. Chorus
02. Country	34. Acid	66. New Wave	098. Easy Listening
03. Dance	35. House	67. Psychadelic	099. Acoustic
04. Disco	36. Game	68. Rave	100. Humour
05. Funk	37. Sound Clip	69. Showtunes	101. Speech
06. Grunge	38. Gospel	70. Trailer	102. Chanson
07. Hip-Hop	39. Noise	71. Lo-Fi	103. Opera
08. Jazz	40. AlternRock	72. Tribal	104. Chamber Music
09. Metal	41. Bass	73. Acid Punk	105. Sonata
10. New Age	42. Soul	74. Acid Jazz	106. Symphony
11. Oldies	43. Punk	75. Polka	107. Booty Bass
12. Other	44. Space	76. Retro	108. Primus
13. Pop	45. Meditative	77. Musical	109. Porn Groove
14. R&B	46. Instrumental Pop	78. Rock & Roll	110. Satire
15. Rap	47. Instrumental Rock	79. Hard Rock	111. Slow Jam
16. Reggae	48. Ethnic	80. Folk	112. Club
17. Rock	49. Gothic	81. Folk-Rock	113. Tango
18. Techno	50. Darkwave	82. National Folk	114. Samba
19. Industrial	51. Techno-Industrial	83. Swing	115. Folklore
20. Alternative	52. Electronic	84. Fast Fusion	116. Ballad
21. Ska	53. Pop-Folk	85. Bebob	117. Power Ballad
22. Death Metal	54. Eurodance	86. Latin	118. Rhythmic Soul
23. Pranks	55. Dream	87. Revival	119. Freestyle
24. Soundtrack	56. Southern Rock	88. Celtic	120. Duet
25. Euro-Techno	57. Comedy	89. Bluegrass	121. Punk Rock
26. Ambient	58. Cult	90. Avantgarde	122. Drum Solo
27. Trip-Hop	59. Gangsta	91. Gothic Rock	123. Acapella
28. Vocal	60. Top 40	92. Progressive Rock	124. Euro-House
29. Jazz+Funk	61. Christian Rap	93. Psychedelic Rock	125. Dance Hall
30. Fusion	62. Pop/Funk	94. Symphonic Rock	
31. Trance	63. Jungle	95. Slow Rock	

**U.8 RDS Open Data Applications - Registration Form Technical Information**

**Open Data mode:(see 3.1.5.4):**

Open data mode is "1.1" (type A groups used alone)

**ODA details, specifications and references:**

Included in Annex U, NRSC-4-A

**Capacity requirement for both the ODA and AID groups:**

**a) ..... ODA groups/second**

The number of ODA application groups per second is allowed to vary by specific usage. When data elements are defined only within the radiotext buffer, no application groups are required. (A transmission rate of zero ODA application groups per second.) When data elements are to be defined within the ODA application group a transmission rate of approximately 2 groups per second is recommended.

**b) ..... type 3A groups/minute**

Range of 30/minute (one 3A group every 2 seconds) to 60/minute (one 3A group every second) is recommend.

Enhanced display functionality is a primary goal of this ODA. As such, the 3A identifier should be sent with such frequency that a receiver detects the ODA within a few seconds of tuning to a new station and synchronizing to the RDS signal. The exact transmission rate is allowed to vary by specific usage but a range of 30/minute (one 3A group every 2 seconds) to 60/minute (one 3A group every second) is recommend.

(Note: the checklist information which follows is not normally published and is being done so in this instance at the request of the NRSC RBDS Subcommittee.)

**Does the application behave correctly when not all RDS groups are received?**

[\*] Yes - handled by data repetition

**Does the application provide the means to identify the service provider?**

[\*] Yes - service provider is always the broadcaster

**Does the application allow for future proofing by upgrading?**

[\*] Yes - unassigned control bits and element IDs available for future use

**Does the application require sub-sets of associated applications?**

[\*] There can be an association with radiotext

**Does the application include provision to reference other transmissions carrying the same service?**

[\*] The application is broadcast specific. An AF with the same program presumably carries the same application data.

**Does the application include an additional layer of error protection?**

[\*] Yes - CRC of complete ODA application group and RT buffers

**Does the application include encryption?**

[\*] No

**Does the application include data compression?**

[\*] No

**Have you defined the capacity requirements for the application?**

[\*] Yes

**Have you defined the capacity requirements for the AID?**

[\*] Yes

**Is your application able to assume and lose the usage of a group type?**

[\*] Yes - behavior is defined for loss of the application group though this is considered an abnormal condition for this application.

**If so, have you defined the AID signaling when use of a channel is assumed?**

[\*] Yes - no specific signaling is required when gaining use of an application group. The receiver attempts to start processing data on reception of the first 3A group containing the AID of this ODA.

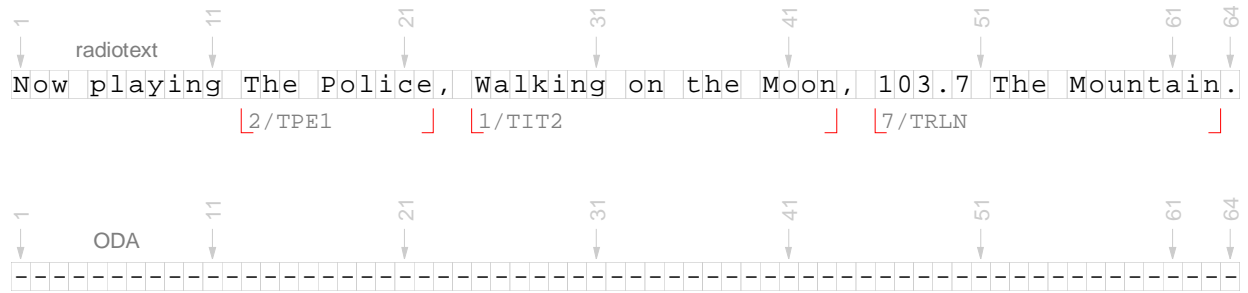
**If so, have you defined the AID signaling when use of a channel ceases?**

[\*] Yes - again, no specific signaling is required when use of the application group is lost. The receiver assumes the service is currently unavailable and flushes its element buffers should an alternate AID take control of the application group.

## U.9 Usage examples

This section provides two examples of “typical” ODA PAD usage including a diagram of the radiotext and secondary text buffer content, the 3A control data with calculated CRC-8, and the 3A element definitions with calculated start and length for each element type. The first example (popular music) defines three element types using the radiotext buffer only. The second example (classical music) defines six element types using both the radiotext and ODA secondary text buffer including refinements for title and performer as well as a numeric content type. Note that in an actual transmission, exact synchronization between the various group types (RT and ODA) will not occur and that other group types (such as PS) will be interspersed throughout the transmission.

**U.9.1 Popular music example (radiotext buffer only)**



On new event start, an initial transmission of 3A control and element definition groups:

3A	AGT = 0 Clear = 1	EID = F CRCF = 0	SEQ = 0 CRC = 0xAB	Control data RT CRC / clear display
3A	AGT = 0	EID = 1 Start = 24	ETL = 0 Length = 18	Element definition Title "TIT2" in RT
3A	AGT = 0	EID = 2 Start = 12	ETL = 0 Length = 9	Element definition Performer "TPE1" in RT
3A	AGT = 0	EID = 7 Start = 45	ETL = 0 Length = 17	Element definition Station long name "TRLN" in RT

2A	Radiotext transmission (segments 0 through F)
----	--

After (approximately) one complete transmission of the radiotext buffer (group 2A), the 3A control and element definition groups are repeated. Due to the nature of typical RDS generators, there will not be exact synchronization between the ODA groups and the RT groups. Also note that the "clear display" flag is not set for repetition of the data set:

3A	AGT = 0 Clear = 0	EID = F CRCF = 0	SEQ = 0 CRC = 0xAB	Control data RT CRC
3A	AGT = 0	EID = 1 Start = 24	ETL = 0 Length = 18	Element definition Title "TIT2" in RT
3A	AGT = 0	EID = 2 Start = 12	ETL = 0 Length = 9	Element definition Performer "TPE1" in RT
3A	AGT = 0	EID = 7 Start = 45	ETL = 0 Length = 17	Element definition Station long name "TRLN" in RT

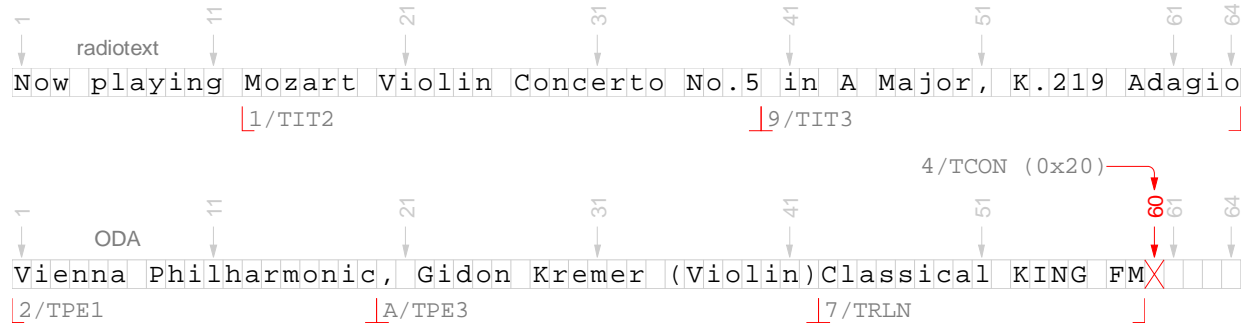
2A	Radiotext transmission (segments 0 through F)
----	--

This transmission repeats throughout the duration of the broadcast event. In this example, the secondary text buffer (the ODA application group) is not in use and the application group type is set to 0.

Simple radio display:

Title	Walking on the Moon
Performer	The Police

**U.9.2 Classical music example (radiotext and ODA secondary buffer in use)**



On event start, initial transmission of control data and element definitions:

3A	AGT = 11A Clear = 1	EID = F CRCF = 0	SEQ = 1 CRC = 0xED	Control data RT CRC / clear display
3A	AGT = 11A	EID = 1 Start = 12	ETL = 0 Length = 26	Element definition Title "TIT2" in RT
3A	AGT = 11A	EID = 9 Start = 39	ETL = 0 Length = 24	Element definition Title refinement "TIT3" in RT
2A				Radiotext transmission (segments 0 through F)

3A	AGT = 11A Clear = 0	EID = F CRCF = 1	SEQ = 1 CRC = 0x47	Control data ODA CRC
3A	AGT = 11A	EID = 2 Start = 0	ETL = 1 Length = 18	Element definition Performer "TPE1" in ODA
3A	AGT = 11A	EID = A Start = 19	ETL = 1 Length = 22	Element definition Performer refinement "TPE3" ODA
3A	AGT = 11A	EID = 7 Start = 42	ETL = 1 Length = 16	Element definition Station long name "TRLN" in ODA
3A	AGT = 11A	EID = 4 Start = 59	ETL = 1 Length = 0	Element definition Content type "TCON" in ODA
11				ODA AG transmission (segments 0 through E)

Note that for the secondary text buffer (ODA AG) only 15 segments are transmitted as only 60 characters are in use. This transmission repeats throughout the duration of the broadcast event. However, as in the first example, the clear display flag will not be set on repetitions:

3A	AGT = 11A Clear = 0	EID = F CRCF = 0	SEQ = 1 CRC = 0xED	Control data RT CRC
3A	AGT = 11A	EID = 1 Start = 12	ETL = 0 Length = 26	Element definition Title "TIT2" in RT

A possible "advanced" radio display (title and title refinement, performer and performer refinement are automatically combined on the display):

Title	Mozart Violin Concerto No.5 in A Major, K.219 Adagio
Performer	Vienna Philharmonic, Gidon Kremer (Violin)

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