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			The length is restricted to 12 characters if the service type is Mixed Weight otherwise 14 characters are allowed.

#### 1.3 Terms & Abbreviations

Term/ Abbreviation	Description
Docket <i>HUB</i>	A Third Party System currently used by Royal Mail Network
	Access
SOAP	Simple Object Access Protocol
WSDL	Web Service Definition Language
SSL	Secure Sockets Layer
HTTPS	Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure

# 2 Purpose

This document is part of a suite of documents designed to provide Royal Mail Network Access Customers and posters with guidelines and detailed specifications for use with the Web Service interfaces for any Network Access Service.

# 3 Scope

The web service interfaces included in the document are:

- Docket Manifest
  - Insert
  - Append
  - o Delete
  - Create
  - Exceptions
- Vehicle Manifest
  - o Insert
  - Confirmation
  - o Delete Vehicle By Mail Centre and Slot
  - o Delete Vehicle Import By TransactionID

#### 4 Introduction to External Web Services

The External Web Services enable Customers to utilise the current published Royal Mail Web Service interface standards.

#### 5 External Web Service Interfaces

#### 5.1 **Security**

#### **Secure Web Service Access and Data Transmission**

The Customer system will be required to submit known login security data each time mailing information is exported to the web service. A unique login (user identifier (UserID) / password and access code) will be provided to each Customer requiring access to the new External web services.

#### **UserID and Password Validations:**

The UserID and Password will follow current Royal Mail Group criteria. UserIDs will be no less than 8 characters in length and alpha numeric / special characters will be allowed.

#### **Password Expiry:**

Users will not be able to change the External web service passwords as doing so could affect the transfer of data out of core hours support. If a Customer requires a change to a password they must contact <a href="mailto:support@dockethub.com">support@dockethub.com</a> with a formal request.

#### 5.2 Initial Docket Flow

#### 5.3 **Docket Flow Description**

- 1. Carriers system uploads manifest data via published web service interfaces into DocketHUB. The first response from DocketHUB will include a transaction ID which is used to append subsequent batches of manifest data. Any errors will be returned in the response from DocketHUB.
- 2. Once all manifest data is successfully transferred to DocketHUB the carriers system calls the confirm web service interface with the transaction ID. This creates a "Z" docket number that is returned to the client.
- 3. Exceptions are uploaded by the carrier via published web service interfaces into DocketHUB.

#### 5.4 **Docket Notes**

- 1. Docket uploads follow the same restrictions as the current services as specified in the Royal Mail Condition 9 User guide.
- 2. The Docket upload format is an xml structure

- 3. The web services allows batches of up to 2,000 primary containers per transaction. (A primary container being a bag, tray, etc.)
- 4. Regardless of the size of the request, DocketHUB will provide details of the number of successfully uploaded primary containers or an error message for each primary container within a request should a container be rejected.
- 5. A non-mixed weight manifest defines one format-dependent weight band. The poster shall, when filling a non-mixed weight mail container, count the number of items and accumulate the total weight of these items. The poster will then create a manifest record for each mail container, this record will have an average item weight profile for the weight band in the container. A weight profile consists of three pieces of information: the zone id; the number of items in the weight band; the average item weight.
- 6. A mixed weight manifest defines a number of format-dependent weight bands. For each format-dependent weight band, the poster shall, when filling a mixed weight mail container, count the number of items and accumulate the total weight of these items. The poster will then create a manifest record for each mail container, this record will have a weight profile for each weight band for which items are present in the container. A weight profile consists of three pieces of information: the zone id; the number of items in the weight band; the average item weight.

Format	Number of operational weight bands	Operational weight band id	Operational weight band lower weight limit (grams)	Operational weight band upper weight limit (grams)
A3	1	1	1	750
Parcel (inc Bespoke Parcel)	2	1	1	1000
Parcel (inc Bespoke Parcel)	2	2	1001	2000
Large Letter (exc Catalog Large Letter)	3	1	1	100
Large Letter (exc Catalog Large Letter)	3	2	101	250
Large Letter (exc Catalog Large Letter)	3	3	251	750

Catalog Large Letter	3	1	1	100
Catalog Large Letter	3	2	101	250
Catalog Large Letter	3	3	251	750
Catalog Letter	2	1	1	100
Catalog Letter	2	2	101	150
Mixed container	4	1	1	100
Mixed container	4	2	101	250
Mixed container	4	3	251	750
Mixed container	4	4	1000	2000

7. For National Bespoke Parcel Postings, a single primary container could contain mail for one average weight belonging to each applicable zone per weight band. National Bespoke Parcels uploads must use the National Product Code and provide a Zonal Profile.

A Zonal Profile is a statement of the number of items that are to be delivered to each Zone, eg 10 items to Zone A, 11 items to Zone B. More formally, a Zonal Profile is a set of one or more Zonal Specifications, where a Zonal Specification consists of a Zone identifier, an item count and an average item weight for each allowed weight band.

The aim of this extension project is to allow a Zonal Profile to be conveyed using existing interfaces.

- 8. For Regional Postings, a single primary container could contain mail for one average weight belonging to each applicable zone per weight band. Regional uploads must use the National Product Code and provide a Zonal Profile.
- National contracts must use the National Product Code and if the account is configured for Zonal Profiles must provide a Zonal Profile as part of the Line Listing Manifest.

A Zonal Profile is a statement of the number of items that are to be delivered to each Zone, eg 10 items to Zone A, 11 items to Zone B. More

formally, a Zonal Profile is a set of one or more Zonal Specifications, where a Zonal Specification consists of a Zone identifier, an item count and an average item weight for each allowed weight band.

The aim of this extension project is to allow a Zonal Profile to be conveyed using existing interfaces.

10.If a customer wishes to use Mixed Weight Catalogue Letters products they should request that their account is enabled for mixed weight uploads at least 1 working day before mailing. Any mixed weight containers must have the <MixedWeight> element set to "Y" in the Detail section

### 5.4.1 Import Docket/Append Docket Methods

DT\_RESPONSE = MI\_OS\_IMPORT(DT\_REQUEST)
DT\_RESPONSE = MI\_OS\_APPEND(DT\_REQUEST)

#### 5.4.2 Import Docket/Append Docket WSDL

The SOAP Address Location in the WSDLs is specified as the production URL. You may have to change this to the corresponding section defining the UAT URLs.





mi\_os\_Import.wsdl mi\_os\_append.wsdl

## 5.4.3 Import Docket/Append Docket Request Data Elements

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise Docket will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

#### Header

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	M	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 5	М	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
Poster	Alpha Num 9	M	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for the mail.
PostingDate	Date 8	М	Date the mail was posted. (DDMMYYYY)
OrderNumber	Alpha Num 9	0	Customer reference data.
IntermediaryAccount	Alpha Num 10	I	Reserved for future use.
TransactionID	Char 32	M	(On append only), the transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
BagID	Alpha Num 14	М	Upto 14 characters.
SSC	Num 5	M	Identifies the destination of the container.
ProductCode	Char 3	М	The three character product code that will be billed against.
Mech	Char 1	М	Y = Machinable N = Not Machinable O = OCR B = CBC
Format	Char 1	I	Reserved for future use.
DiscountSurcharge	Char 1	I	Reserved for future use.
MixedWeight	Char 1	M	If 'Y' then identifies the bag has Mixed Weight items. See Note on Mixed Weight postings
ZoneCode	Char 3	М	For national, value will be "NAT". For zonal, values will be "ZOA"," ZOB", "ZOC", "ZOD", or "ZOZ".
ItemWeight	Int 4	M	Average Item weight. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band. Ensuring same average weight across each zone per weight band)
NumberItems	Int 4	M	The number of items as part of the container. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band).
ItemID	Char 13	I	Reserved for future use.
OriginatingCustomerID	Alpha Num 15	0	Customer reference data (e.g. originating Customer identifier/Unique Customer ID (UCID))
CustomerField1	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField2	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField3	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField4	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
MailingRef	Alpha Num 32	0	Mailing Reference
EIBSupplyChainID	Int 7	0	The EIB Supply Chain Identifier
EIBManifestID	Int 10	0	The EIB Manifest Identifier (Range 1 to 2000000000)

## **Trailer**

Field	Field Length	Description
Record Count	Int 4	The number of detail lines in the request.

## 5.4.4 Import Docket/Append Docket Response Data Elements

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

## Header

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	М	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 5	M	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
Poster	Alpha Num 9	M	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for the mail.
PostingDate	Date 8	М	Date The Mail was posted. ( DDMMYYYY)
OrderNumber	Alpha Num 9	0	Customer reference data
IntermediaryAccount	Alpha Num 10	ı	Reserved for future use.
TransactionID	Char 32	М	The transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.
MessageID	Alpha Num 10	M	The message identifier.
MessageType	Alpha 1	M	The error type. Can be 'E'rror or 'S'uccess.
MessageText	Alpha Num 100	M	The message text identifier

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O)/	Description
BagID	Alpha Num 14	Ignored (I)  M	Upto 14 characters.
SSC	Num 5	M	Identifies the destination of the container.
ProductCode	Char 3	M	The three character product code that will be billed against.
Mech	Char 1	M	Y = Machinable N = Not Machinable O = OCR B = CBC
Format	Char 1	I	Reserved for future use.
DiscountSurcharge	Char 1	I	Reserved for future use.
MixedWeight	Char 1	M	If 'Y' then Identifies the bag has Mixed Weight items. See Note on Mixed Weight Postings
ZoneCode	Char 3	M	For national, value will be "NAT". For zonal, values will be "ZOA"," ZOB", "ZOC", "ZOD", or "ZOZ".
ItemWeight	Int 4	М	Average Item weight. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band, Ensuring same average weight across each zone per weight band)
NumberItems	Int 4	M	The number of items as part of the container. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band).
ItemID	Char 13	I	Reserved for future use
OriginatingCustomerID	Alpha Num 15	0	Customer reference data (e.g. originating Customer identifier/Unique Customer ID (UCID))
CustomerField1	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField2	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField3	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField4	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
MailingRef	Alpha Num 32	0	Mailing Reference
EIBSupplyChainID	Int 7	0	The EIB Supply Chain Identifier
EIBManifestID	Int 10	0	The EIB Manifest Identifier (Range 1 to 2000000000)
MessageID	Alpha	М	The message identifier.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O)/ Ignored (I)	Description
	Num 10		
MessageType	Alpha 1	M	The error type. Can be 'E'rror or 'S'uccess.
MessageText	Alpha Num 100	M	The message text.

## 5.4.5 Import Docket/Append Docket XML Structures



Import\_Example.xml



Append\_Example.x

## 5.4.6 Import Docket/Append Docket Examples

Attached are ten xml examples for docket upload:-



append\_USPA\_nati onal\_nonmixed\_wei



append\_zonal\_non mixed\_weight\_exam



append\_zonal\_mixe d\_weight\_example.x



append\_national\_n onmixed\_weight\_ex



append\_national\_m ixed\_weight\_exampl



import\_USPA\_natio nal\_nonmixed\_weig



import\_zonal\_nonm
ixed\_weight\_exampl



import\_zonal\_mixed \_weight\_example.xn



import\_national\_no nmixed\_weight\_exar



import\_national\_mi xed\_weight\_example

## 5.4.7 Import Docket/Append Docket Examples SOAP Request



## 5.4.8 Import Docket/Append Docket Examples SOAP Response



# 5.4.9 Import Docket/Append Docket Manual File Loading

In the event that your system encounters an error transferring the SOAP request via the External Web Service, the following backup actions should be followed:-

- 1. Save an exact copy of the SOAP request that has failed.
- 2. Send the data file to support@dockethub.com
- 3. Dockethub support will contact you once the data has been imported or respond with the reason the request failed.

#### **Note on Delete Docket**

If a carrier uploads information incorrectly, and they realise the mistake before calling the "MI\_OS\_CREATE" Web Service, they can call the "MI\_OS\_DELETE" web service method and this will remove all the data for a given transaction ID.

#### 5.4.10 Delete Docket Method

DT DELETE RES = MI OS DELETE(DT DELETE REQ)

#### 5.4.11 Delete Docket WSDL



#### **5.4.12 Delete Docket Request Data Elements**

Note there is no Header element in the MI\_OS\_DELETE web service. This is by design based on original configuration of WSDL from previous project.

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

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Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	M	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 4	M	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
TransactionID	Char 32	M	(On append only), the transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.

## **5.4.13 Delete Docket Response Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the **Docket** B system and will not be validated.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
Carrier	Num 4	M	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
TransactionID	Char 32	M	The transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.
MessageID	Alpha Num 10	M	The message identifier.
MessageType	Alpha 1	M	The error type. Can be 'E'rror or 'S'uccess.
MessageText	Alpha Num 100	M	The message text.

#### 5.4.14 Delete Docket XML Structure



## **5.4.15 Delete Docket Example**



## 5.4.16 Delete Docket Example SOAP Request



#### 5.4.17 Delete Docket Example SOAP Response



# 5.4.18 Delete Docket Manual File Loading

In the event that your system encounters an error transferring the SOAP request via the External Web Service, the following backup actions should be followed:-

- 1. Save an exact copy of the SOAP request that has failed.
- 2. Send the data file to support@dockethub.com
- 3. Dockethub support will contact you once the data has been imported or respond with the reason the request failed.

#### 5.4.19 Create Docket Method

DT\_CREATE\_RES = MI\_OS\_CREATE(DT\_CREATE\_REQ)

#### 5.4.20 Create Docket WSDL



## **5.4.21 Create Docket Request Data Elements**

Note there is no Header element in the MI\_OS\_DELETE web service. This is by design based on original configuration of WSDL from previous project.

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	M	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 5	M	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
Poster	Alpha Num 9	M	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for the mail.
PostingDate	Date 8	M	Date The Mail was posted – DDMMYYYY
TransactionID	Char 32	M	The transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.

# **5.4.22 Create Docket Response Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the **Docket** B system and will not be validated.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
Carrier	Num 5	M	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
Poster	Alpha Num 9	М	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for the mail.
PostingDate	Date 8	М	Date The Mail was posted. ( DDMMYYYY)
TransactionID	Char 32	М	(On append only), the transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.
SalesOrder	Alpha Num 9	М	The uniquely generated Docket Number number.

#### 5.4.23 Create Docket XML Structure



## 5.4.24 Create Docket Example



mixed\_weights\_create\_example.xml

## 5.4.25 Create Docket Example SOAP Request



MI\_OS\_CREATE\_REQUEST.xml

# **5.4.26 Create Docket Example SOAP Response**



MI OS CREATE RESPONSE.xml

# **5.4.27 Create Docket Manual File Loading**

In the event that your system encounters an error transferring the SOAP request via the External Web Service, the following backup actions should be followed:-

- 1. Save an exact copy of the SOAP request that has failed.
- 2. Send the data file to support@dockethub.com
- 3. Dockethub support will contact you once the data has been imported or respond with the reason the request failed.

#### 5.4.28 Get Docket Status Method

DT\_DOCKET\_STATUS\_RES = MI\_OS\_DOCKET\_STATUS(DT\_DOCKET\_STATUS\_REQ)

#### 5.4.29 Get Docket Status WSDL



## **5.4.30 Get Docket Status Request Data Elements**

# Note there is no Header element in the MI\_OS\_DOCKET\_STATUS web service.

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	M	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 5	M	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
Poster	Alpha Num 9	M	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for the mail.
PostingDate	Date 8	M	Date The Mail was posted – DDMMYYYY
TransactionID	Char 32	M	The transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.

# **5.4.31 Get Docket Status Response Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

ignored = The data is not used by the **Docket** system and will not be validated.

## Detail

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
Carrier	Num 45	M	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
Poster	Alpha Num 9	M	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for the mail.
PostingDate	Date 8	М	Date The Mail was posted. ( DDMMYYYY)
TransactionID	Char 32	М	(On append only), the transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.
SalesOrder	Alpha Num 9	М	The uniquely generated DocketHub Sales Order / Docket Number
Docket Number	Alpha Num 9	M	The uniquely generated Docket Number that will appear on your invoice
Status Code	Num 1	М	See below
Status Description	Alpha 30	M	Status of the docket.
MessageID	Alpha Num 10	М	The message identifier.
MessageType	Alpha 1	М	The error type. Can be 'E'rror or 'S'uccess.
MessageText	Alpha Num 100	М	The message text.

#### **Status Code Definitions**

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	Status	Status Description	Detail	
	Code			
	1	Unconfirmed	Data uploaded but no Sales Order (DocketHUB Docket number) created yet. i.e. the MI_OS_CREATE method hasn't been called.	
	2	Transferring	N/A	
	3	Complete	Data has been accepted and Docket Number has been created.	
	4	Deleted	Transaction Deleted	
	-1	Unknown Transaction ID	An invalid TransactionID has been provided	

#### 5.4.32 Get Docket Status XML Structure



## 5.4.33 **Get Docket Status Example**



# **5.4.34 Get Docket Status Example SOAP Request**



# **5.4.35 Get Docket Status Example SOAP Response**



#### **Note on Exception Submission**

To create a shortage exception the bag identifier must exist on the manifest and all item counts must be set to zero.

#### 5.4.36 Exception Docket Method

DT\_RESPONSE = MI\_OS\_EXCEPTIONS(DT\_REQUEST)

## 5.4.37 Exception Docket WSDL



#### 5.4.38 Exception Docket Request Data Elements

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

#### Header

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	М	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	M	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 5	М	This field Identifies the user access code for authentication.
Poster	Alpha Num 9	М	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for the mail.
PostingDate	Date 8	М	Date the mail was posted – DDMMYYYY
OrderNumber	Alpha Num 9	0	Optional - Customer reference data
IntermediaryAccount	Alpha Num 10	I	Reserved for future use.
TransactionID	Char 32	M	The transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.
SalesOrder	Alpha Num 9	M	The uniquely generated docket number.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O) /Ignored (I)	Description	
BagID	Alpha Num 14	M	Upto 14 characters.	
SSC	Num 5	M	Identifies the destination of the container.	
ProductCode	Char 3	М	The three character product code that will be billed against.	
Mech	Char 1	M	Y = Machinable N = Not Machinable O = OCR B = CBC	
Format	Char 1	I	Reserved for future use.	
DiscountSurcharge	Char 1	I	Reserved for future use.	
MixedWeight	Char 1	M	If 'Y' then identifies the bag has Mixed Weight items. See Note on Mixed Weight postings	
ZoneCode	Char 3	M	For national value will be "NAT". For zonal, values will be "ZOA"," ZOB", "ZOC", "ZOD", or "ZOZ".	
ItemWeight	Int 4	M	Average Item weight. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band, Ensuring same average weight across each zone per weight band)	
NumberItems	Int 4	M	The number of items as part of the container. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band).	
ItemID	Char 13	I	Reserved for future use	
OriginatingCustomerID	Alpha Num 15	0	Customer reference data (e.g. originating Customer identifier/Unique Customer ID (UCID))	
CustomerField1	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.	
CustomerField2	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.	
CustomerField3	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.	
CustomerField4	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.	
MailingRef	Alpha Num 32	0	Mailing Reference	
EIBSupplyChainID	Int 7	0	The EIB Supply Chain Identifier	
EIBManifestID	Int 10	0	The EIB Manifest Identifier (Range 1 to 2000000000)	

## **Trailer**

Field	Field Length	Description
Record Count	Int 4	The number of detail lines in the request.

## **5.4.39 Exception Docket Response Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

## Header

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
Carrier	Num 5	M	This field Identifies the user access code for authentication.
Poster	Alpha Num 9	M	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for the mail.
PostingDate	Date 8	М	Date The Mail was posted. ( DDMMYYYY)
OrderNumber	Alpha Num 9	0	Customer reference data
IntermediaryAccount	Alpha Num 10	I	Reserved for future use.
TransactionID	Char 32	M	The transaction ID returned by posting the initial container upload.
SalesOrder	Alpha Num 9	M	The uniquely generated docket number.
MessageID	Alpha Num 10	M	The message identifier.
MessageType	Alpha 1	M	The error type. Can be 'E'rror or 'S'uccess.
MessageText	Alpha Num 100	M	The message text identifier

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O)/ Ignored (I)	Description
BagID	Alpha Num 14	M	Upto 14 characters.
SSC	Num 5	M	Identifies the destination of the container.
ProductCode	Char 3	М	The three character product code that will be

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/	Description
		Optional(O)/ Ignored (I)	
			billed against.
Mech	Char 1	M	Y = Machinable N = Not Machinable O = OCR B = CBC
Format	Char 1	I	Reserved for future use.
DiscountSurcharge	Char 1	I	Reserved for future use.
MixedWeight	Char 1	M	If 'Y' then Identifies the bag has Mixed Weight items. See Note on Mixed Weight Postings
ZoneCode	Char 3	M	For national value will be "NAT". For zonal, values will be "ZOA"," ZOB", "ZOC", "ZOD", or "ZOZ".
ItemWeight	Int 4	M	Average Item weight. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band, Ensuring same average weight across each zone per weight band)
NumberItems	Int 4	M	The number of items as part of the container. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band).
ItemID	Char 13	I	Reserved for future use.
OriginatingCustomerID	Alpha Num 15	0	Customer reference data (e.g. originating Customer identifier/Unique Customer ID (UCID))
CustomerField1	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField2	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField3	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
CustomerField4	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
MailingRef	Alpha Num 32	0	Mailing Reference
EIBSupplyChainID	Int 7	0	The EIB Supply Chain Identifier
EIBManifestID	Int 10	0	The EIB Manifest Identifier (Range 1 to 2000000000)
MessageID	Alpha Num 10	M	The message identifier.
MessageType	Alpha 1	М	The error type. Can be 'E'rror or 'S'uccess.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O)/ Ignored (I)	Description
MessageText	Alpha Num 100	M	The message text.

### 5.4.40 Exception Docket XML Structures



#### 5.4.41 Exception Docket Example





#### 5.4.42 Exception Docket Example SOAP Request



# 5.4.43 Exception Docket Example SOAP Response



# 5.4.44 Exception Docket/Manual File Loading

In the event that your system encounters an error transferring the SOAP request via the External Web Service, the following backup actions should be followed:-

- 1. Save an exact copy of the SOAP request that has failed.
- 2. Send the data file to support@dockethub.com
- 3. Dockethub support will contact you once the data has been imported or respond with the reason the request failed.

#### 5.5 **Vehicle Manifest Flow**

## 5.5.1 Vehicle Manifest Flow Description

- 1. Carriers system uploads vehicle manifest data via published web service interfaces into Docket*HUB*. Any errors will be returned in the response from Docket*HUB*.
- 2. Once the contents of a vehicle have been uploaded the carrier calls the vehicle confirmation web service.

#### 5.5.2 Vehicle Manifest Notes

- 1. The Vehicle manifest uploads presents its datasets within the WSDL structure as multi levels of nested information to reflect the business presentation of data by primary containers, within secondary containers within tertiary containers. (E.g Bags within a York, and Yorks within a Vehicle). This multi-level structure of information is referred to as a "hierarchical file format".
- 2. Vehicle manifest uploads will be accepted by RM's production system only once the appropriate agreement has been reached with all business prerequisites met and that the appropriate customer testing performed and signed off by Royal mail systems as complete and successful.
- 3. Vehicle manifest uploads will be allowed up to a pre-determined time by Royal Mail. After that time vehicle manifests will be rejected. In this instance DSACC must be contacted by the carrier and if allowed will send the vehicle manifest file to DSACC for upload into Dockethub.
- 4. The web services will allow batches of up to 2,000 primary containers per transaction. (A primary container being a bag, tray, etc.). The system will let you continue to upload the final secondary container and primary containers if the limit has not yet been reached. For example if the carrier has uploaded 1990 primary containers and starts to upload a new secondary container this will be allowed.
- 5. Regardless of the size of the request, Docket*HUB* will provide an error message for each primary container within a request should a container be rejected.
- 6. A non-mixed weight manifest defines one format-dependent weight band. The poster shall, when filling a non-mixed weight mail container, count the number of items and accumulate the total weight of these items. The poster will then create a manifest record for each mail container, this record will have an average item weight profile for the weight band in the container. A weight profile consists of three pieces of information: the zone id; the number of items in the weight band; the average item weight.
- 7. A mixed weight manifest defines a number of format-dependent weight bands. For each format-dependent weight band, the poster shall, when filling a mixed weight mail container, count the number of items and accumulate the total weight of these items. The poster will then create a manifest record for each mail container, this record will have a weight profile for each weight band for which items are present in the container. A

weight profile consists of three pieces of information: the zone id; the number of items in the weight band; the average item weight.

Format	Number of operational weight bands	Operational weight band id	Operational weight band lower weight limit (grams)	Operational weight band upper weight limit (grams)
A3	1	1	1	750
Parcel (inc Bespoke Parcel)	2	1	1	1000
Parcel (inc Bespoke Parcel)	2	2	1001	2000
Large Letter (exc Catalog Large Letter)	3	1	1	100
Large Letter (exc Catalog Large Letter)	3	2	101	250
Large Letter (exc Catalog Large Letter)	3	3	251	750
Catalog Large Letter	3	1	1	100
Catalog Large Letter	3	2	101	250
Catalog Large Letter	3	3	251	750
Catalog Letter	2	1	1	100
Catalog Letter	2	2	101	150
Mixed container	4	1	1	100
Mixed container	4	2	101	250
Mixed container	4	3	251	750
Mixed container	4	4	1000	2000

- 8. For National Bespoke Parcel Postings, a single primary container could contain mail for one average weight belonging to each applicable zone per weight band. National Bespoke Parcels uploads must use the National Product Code and provide a Zonal Profile.
  - A Zonal Profile is a statement of the number of items that are to be delivered to each Zone, eg 10 items to Zone A, 11 items to Zone B. More formally, a Zonal Profile is a set of one or more Zonal Specifications, where a Zonal Specification consists of a Zone identifier, an item count and an average item weight for each allowed weight band.
  - The aim of this extension project is to allow a Zonal Profile to be conveyed using existing interfaces.
- For Regional Postings, a single primary container could contain mail for one average weight belonging to each applicable zone per weight band.
   Regional uploads must use the National Product Code and provide a Zonal Profile.
- 10. National contracts must use the National Product Code and if the account is configured for Zonal Profiles must provide a Zonal Profile as part of the Line Listing Manifest.
  - A Zonal Profile is a statement of the number of items that are to be delivered to each Zone, eg 10 items to Zone A, 11 items to Zone B. More formally, a Zonal Profile is a set of one or more Zonal Specifications, where a Zonal Specification consists of a Zone identifier, an item count and an average item weight for each allowed weight band.

    The aim of this extension project is to allow a Zonal Profile to be conveyed
- 11. If a customer wishes to use Mixed Weight Catalogue Letters products they should request that their account is enabled for mixed weight uploads at least 1 working day before mailing. Any mixed weight containers must have the <MixedWeight> element set to "Y" in the PrimaryContainer section.

#### **Extended Vehicle Import**

using existing interfaces.

VEH\_IMPORT\_EXTENDED\_RESPONSE = MI\_OS\_VEH\_IMPORT\_EXTENDED (VEH\_IMPORT\_EXTENDED\_REQUEST)

#### 5.5.3 Extended Vehicle Import WSDL

The SOAP Address Location in the WSDLs is specified as the UAT URL. You may have to change this to the corresponding section defining the Production URLs.

The following operations are supported in the WSDL.

- a) VEH IMPORT EXTENDED
- b) VEH CONFIRM VEHICLE
- c) VEH DELETE VEHICLEBYSLOT
- d) VEH\_DELETE\_VEHICLEIMPORT



#### **5.5.4 Extended Vehicle Import Request Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

#### Header

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	M	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 5	М	Identifies the user access code for authentication.
PostingDate	Date 8	М	Date the mail was posted. (DDMMYYYY)

**Tertiary Container** 

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O) /Ignored (I)	Description
AccessTime	Alpha 4	М	The regular slot start time for the Mail Centre being delivered to.
MailCentre	Alpha 30	М	Name of the Mail Centre being delivered to. (Note: The mail centre names are limited to the values provided within the <b>DSADESTN file</b> available from the CFL datafile available via the RM Wholesale website.)
Туре	Char 2	M	Tertiary Container Type (See look up values 5.13.3 Tertiary Container Type codes)
ContainerID	Alpha	М	Tertiary container identifier.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O) /Ignored (I)	Description
	Num 10		
VehicleID	Alpha Num 10	0	Tertiary container vehicle identifier. This should be the vehicle registration

# **Secondary Container**

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O) /Ignored (I)	Description
Туре	Char 1	M	Secondary Container Type (See look up values 5.13.2 Secondary Container Type codes)
ContainerID	Alpha Num 50	M	Secondary container identifier.
WeightKg	Num 5	М	The weight of the container in Kg
DeckID	Num 1	0	The deck number should be the following values:  1 = Deck level 1  2 = Deck level 2  (Note: If this field is not populated it will default the deck level value to 1.)

**Primary Container** 

Field	Field	Mandatory	Description
	Length	(M)/	
		Optional(O)	
		/Ignored (I)	
Poster	Alpha	M	Identifies the account that will be invoiced for
	Num 9		the mail.
ContainerID	Alpha	M	Upto 14 characters.
	Num		
	14		
Туре	Char 1	M	Primary Container Type
			(See look up values 5.13.1 Primary Container
			Type codes and Weight Limits)
SSC	Num 5	M	Identifies the destination of the container.
Product	Char 3	M	The three character product code that will be
			billed against.
Mech	Char 1	M	Y = Machinable
			N = Not Machinable
			O = OCR
			B = CBC
MixedWeight	Char 1	M	If 'Y' then identifies the bag has Mixed Weight
			items.
WeightKg	Num 5	M	Weight of Container in Kg
UCID	Alpha	0	Customer reference data
	Num		(e.g. Unique Customer Identifier)
	15		
OrderNumber	Alpha	0	Customer reference data.
	Num 9		

## **Customer Container**

MailRef	Alpha Num 32	0	Mailing Reference
Ref1	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
Ref2	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect
Ref3	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect
Ref4	Alpha Num 30	0	Cost Code field that can be used in invoice reconciliation for applying custom campaigns ect.
EIBSupplyChainID	Int 7	0	The EIB Supply Chain Identifier
EIBManifestID	Int 10	0	The EIB Manifest Identifier (Range 1 to 2000000000)

**Weight Container** 

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Items	Num 4	M	The number of items as part of the container. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band).
AvgWeightGm	Num 4	М	Average Item weight. (Up to 4 separate entries per zone per container, one for each weight band. Ensuring same average weight across each zone per weight band)
Zone	Char 3	M	For national, value will be "NAT". For zonal, values will be "ZOA"," ZOB", "ZOC", "ZOD", or "ZOZ".
Items	Num 8	I	Reserved for future use.
ItemWeightGm	Num 4	I	Reserved for future use.
ChargeTo	Alpha Num 9	1	Reserved for future use.

### **5.5.5 Extended Vehicle Import Response Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
TransactionID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
ErrorCount	Num 3	M	If there are any errors the value will be 1
MessageID	Alpha Num 6	М	Message identifier
MessageType	Alpha 1	M	Error = E Warning = W Success = S
MessageText	Alpha Num 100	M	Message associated with error.
ContainerLevel	Alpha Num 10	M	The level at which the warning/error occurred. Header. These are listed below:-  • TertiaryContainer  • SecondaryContainer  • PrimaryContainer  • CustomerData  • Weights
ContainerID	Alpha Num 50	М	The identification of the container.
MessageCode	Alpha Num 6	M	Unique message code of the error.
Message	Alpha Num 100	М	Message associated with error.

## 5.5.6 Extended Vehicle Import XML Structures



### 5.5.7 Extended Vehicle Import Example SOAP Request



#### 5.5.8 Extended Vehicle Import Example SOAP Response



#### 5.5.9 Extended Vehicle Import Manual File Loading

In the event that your system encounters an error transferring the SOAP request via the DocketHub External Web Service, the following backup actions should be followed:-

- 1. Save an exact copy of the SOAP request that has failed.
- 2. Send the data file to support@dockethub.com
- 3. Dockethub support will contact you once the data has been imported or respond with the reason the request failed.

#### 5.5.10 Vehicle Confirm

VEH\_CONFIRM\_VEHICLE\_RESPONSE = MI\_OS\_VEH\_IMPORT\_EXTENDED(VEH\_CONFIRM\_VEHICLE\_REQUEST)

#### **5.5.11 Vehicle Confirm Request Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

#### Header

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	M	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 5	M	In the External solution this field Identifies the user access code for authentication.
PostingDate	Date 8	M	Date the mail was posted. (DDMMYYYY)

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O) /Ignored (I)	Description
AccessTime	Alpha 4	M	The regular slot start time for the Mail Centre being delivered to.
MailCentre	Alpha 30	М	Name of the Mail Centre being delivered to. (Note: The mail centre names are limited to the values provided within the <b>DSADESTN file</b> available from the CFL datafile available via the RM Wholesale website.)
ContainerID	Alpha Num 10	M	Tertiary container identifier.
VehicleID	Alpha Num 10	0	Tertiary container vehicle identifier.

#### **5.5.12 Vehicle Confirm Response Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
ErrorCount	Num 3	М	If there are any errors the value will be 1
MessageID	Alpha Num 6	M	Message identifier
MessageType	Alpha 1	M	Error = E Warning = W Success = S
MessageText	Alpha Num 100	M	Message associated with error.

### 5.5.13 Vehicle Confirm XML Structures



### **5.5.14 Vehicle Confirm Example SOAP Request**



### **5.5.15 Vehicle Confirm Example SOAP Response**



#### 5.5.16 Vehicle Confirm Manual File Loading

In the event that your system encounters an error transferring the SOAP request via the DocketHub External Web Service, the following backup actions should be followed:-

- 1. Save an exact copy of the SOAP request that has failed.
- 2. Send the data file to support@dockethub.com
- 3. Dockethub support will contact you once the data has been imported or respond with the reason the request failed.

#### 5.5.17 Vehicle Delete

VEH\_DELETE\_VEHICLEIMPORT\_RESPONSE = MI\_OS\_VEH\_IMPORT\_EXTENDED (VEH\_ DELETE\_VEHICLEIMPORT\_REQUEST)

#### **5.5.18 Vehicle Delete Request Data Elements**

Mandatory = Must always be present otherwise container will be rejected. Optional = Can be omitted.

Ignored = The data is not used by the Docket*HUB* system and will not be validated.

#### Header

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional (O) /Ignored (I)	Description
UserID	Alpha Num 30	M	The user identification used for authentication by the web service.
Password	Alpha Num 30	М	The user name used for authentication by the web service.
Carrier	Num 5	M	In the External solution this field Identifies the user access code for authentication.
PostingDate	Date 8	М	Date the mail was posted. (DDMMYYYY)

Field	Field Length	Mandatory (M)/ Optional(O) /Ignored (I)	Description
TransactionID	Char 32	M	The transaction identifier returned by posting the initial container upload.