

# **ANSI/NIST-ITL 2011**

**Data Format for the Interchange  
of Fingerprint, Facial,  
& Other Biometric Information**



## **NIEM-Conformant XML Encoding Workgroup**

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## Workgroup Members



# Objectives

Faithfully represent the 2011 specification.

Assure lossless conversion between XML and traditional encoding.

Map XML elements to field numbers and subfield mnemonics.

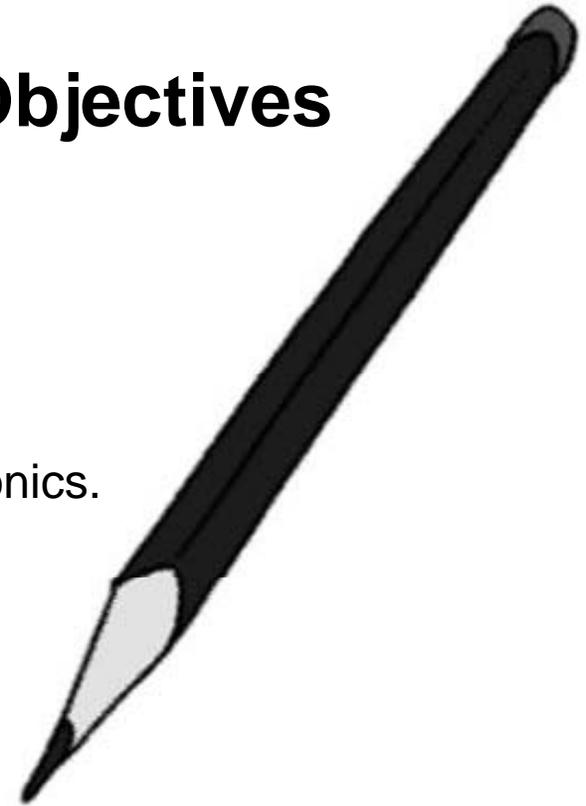
To the extent possible, preserve backward compatibility with 2-2008.

Conform to NIEM, including naming and design rules, and IEPD requirements.

Recommend initial content for a NIEM “biometrics domain” schema.

Create a narrative XML encoding document.

Provide transformation guidance to implementers moving from 2-2008 to 2011.



# XML Workgroup Website



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<http://trustedfederal.com/ANSI-NIST/>

Narrative encoding document

Schema

New 2011 content

Plan

Minutes

Email / Correspondence

Reference materials



## 2-2008 and 2011 Comparison

Most elements from *ansi-nist.xsd* are in the biometrics domain.

(Review “Elements not copied” documentation for detail)

Elements from ITL-2008 are in ITL-2011, some deprecated.

(New implementations should use elements in the biometrics domain;  
deprecated elements are solely to support migration from v2008.)

Changes in element and type names to conform to NIEM.

Strict construction of code lists and other constraints.

Extension (sample) elements are in a separate schema.

## 2-2008 and 2011 Comparison

Type-4 and Type-14 continue to have different FingerprintImage elements.

An image record is restricted to the image of its type (except Type-7).

Although hundreds of new elements have been added, most are optional.

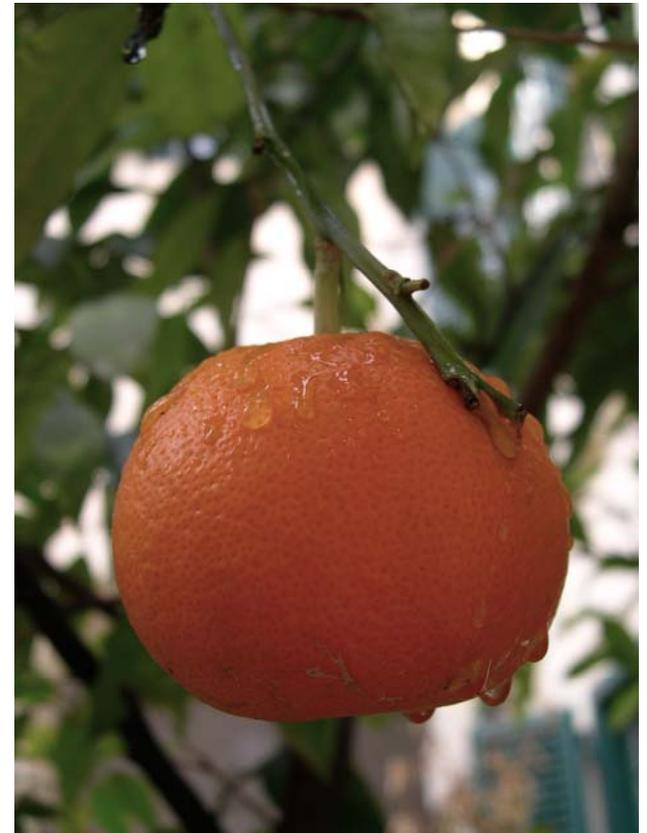
Transaction codes (like CAR) can be user-defined.

Multiple minutiae blocks can appear in a single Type-9 record.

Iris image capture elements have same structure as other records.

Biometrics domain will be easier to synchronize to changes in this standard.

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# Schema

```
<xsd:complexType name="PoseAngleType">
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation>A data type for a set of angular offsets of a subject from a full face or a profile, for a determined 3D pose</xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:extension base="s:ComplexObjectType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:PosePitchAngleMeasure"/>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:PosePitchUncertaintyValue" minOccurs="0"/>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:PoseRollAngleMeasure"/>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:PoseRollUncertaintyValue" minOccurs="0"/>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:PoseYawAngleMeasure"/>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:PoseYawUncertaintyValue" minOccurs="0"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>
<xsd:complexType name="ProcessAnotationType">
  <xsd:annotation>
    <xsd:documentation>A data type for a set of elements describing, or logging, a biometric processing algorithm or workstation</xsd:documentation>
  </xsd:annotation>
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:extension base="s:ComplexObjectType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:ProcessUTCDate"/>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:ProcessName"/>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:ProcessOwnerText"/>
        <xsd:element ref="biom:ProcessDescriptionText"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

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# Element Mapping

## Type-14

Field ID	Mnemonic	XML element name	Cardinality
		itl:PackageFingerprintImageRecord	0..*
14.001	-	biom:RecordCategoryCode	1..1
14.002	IDC	biom:ImageReferenceIdentification	1..1
14.200-14.900	UDF	itl:UserDefinedFields	0..1
14.902	ANN	biom:ProcessAnnotation	0..*
"	GMT	biom:ProcessUTCDate	1..1
"	NAV	biom:ProcessName	1..1
"	OWN	biom:ProcessOwnerText	1..1
"	PRO	biom:ProcessDescriptionText	1..1
14.995	ASC	biom:AssociatedContext	0..255
"	ACN	biom:ContextIdentification	1..1
"	ASP	biom:ImageSegmentIdentification	0..1
14.996	HAS	biom:ImageHashValue	0..1
14.997	SOR	biom:SourceRepresentation	0..255
"	SRN	biom:SourceIdentification	1..1
"	RTV	biom:ImageSegmentIdentification	0..1
14.998	GEO	biom:CaptureLocation	1..1
"	GRT	nc:LocationDescriptionText	0..1
"	-	nc:LocationGeographicElevation	0..1

# Instance Document

```
<!-- ===== -->
<!-- RECORD TYPE 14 Fingerprint Image, preferred format (Single Finger) -->
<!-- ===== -->
<itl:PackageFingerprintImageRecord>
  <biom:RecordCategoryCode>14</biom:RecordCategoryCode>
  <!-- ===== fieldID="14.002" fieldMnemonic="IDC" == -->
  <biom:ImageReferenceIdentification>
    <nc:IdentificationID>11</nc:IdentificationID>
  </biom:ImageReferenceIdentification>
  <!-- ===== fieldID="14.200-900" fieldMnemonic="UDF" == -->
  <ext:ExampleUserDefinedFields>
    <!-- Well-formed XML goes here. Users may define a substitute element. -->
  </ext:ExampleUserDefinedFields>
  <!-- ===== fieldID="14.902" fieldMnemonic="ANN" == -->
  <biom:ProcessAnnotation>
    <!-- ===== "GMT" == -->
    <biom:ProcessUTCDate>
      <nc:DateTime>2011-11-05T05:25:00Z</nc:DateTime>
    </biom:ProcessUTCDate>
    <!-- ===== "PNV" == -->
    <biom:ProcessName>A process name</biom:ProcessName>
    <!-- ===== "OWN" == -->
    <biom:ProcessOwnerText>A process owner</biom:ProcessOwnerText>
    <!-- ===== "DSC" == -->
    <biom:ProcessDescriptionText>A process description</biom:ProcessDescriptionText>
  </biom:ProcessAnnotation>
  <!-- ===== fieldID="14.995" fieldMnemonic="ASC" == -->
  <biom:AssociatedContext>
```

## Information Exchange Package Description

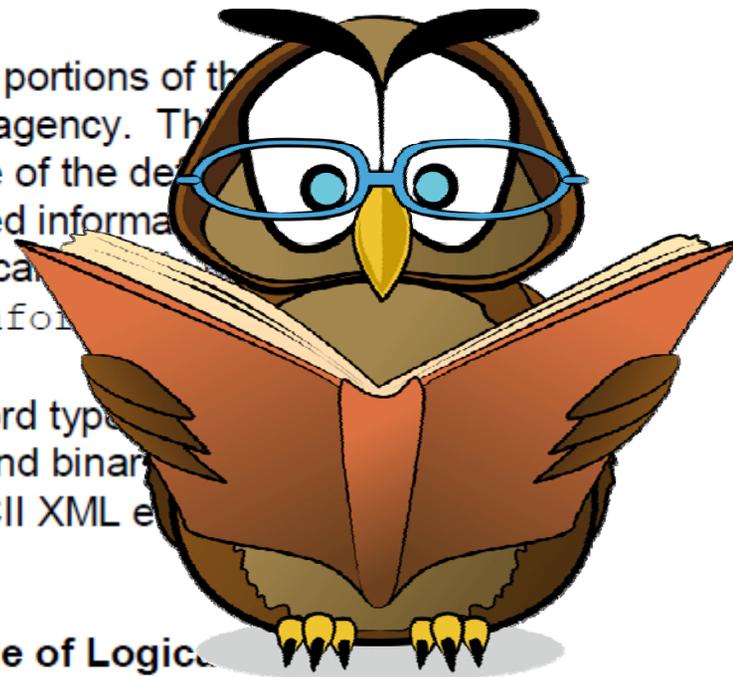
The base standard defines the composition of a data package agency. For XML encoding, the base standard's "transaction" package will be included as a payload with an XML-formatted purposes. The package may also be a part of a larger, user-defines, however, the content of data within the

**Narrative**

As specified in the base standard, certain portions of the with definitions provided by the receiving agency. The logical records each corresponding to one of the definitions intended to convey specific types of related information the subject of the package. All of the logical records within a single `<itl:NISTBiometricInformationExchangePackage>`

Traditional encoding defines a mix of record types, some all binary, and some mixed ASCII and binary (or an alternative character set), with ASCII XML elements ASCII using Base64 encoding.

**Table of Logical**



# Normative references

National Information Exchange Model, NIEM Version 2.1, 2009, <http://www.niem.gov>.

NIEM Naming and Design Rules (NDR) Version 1.3, October 31, 2008, <http://www.niem.gov>

ITL exchange schema for the namespaces

<http://biometrics.nist.gov/standard/2-2011>

<http://biometrics.nist.gov/standard/2-2008>

NIEM subset schemas for the namespaces

<http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0>

<http://niem.gov/niem/structures/2.0>

<http://niem.gov/niem/domains/biometrics/1.0>

<http://niem.gov/niem/ansi-nist/2.0>

<http://niem.gov/niem/proxy/xsd/2.0>

<http://niem.gov/niem/appinfo/2.0>

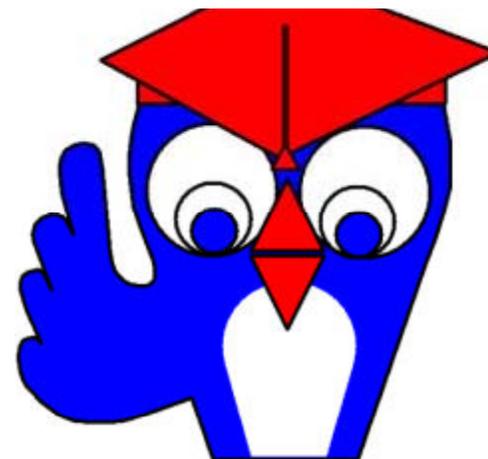
[http://niem.gov/niem/iso\\_639-3/2.0](http://niem.gov/niem/iso_639-3/2.0)

Information Exchange Package Documentation (IEPD) Artifacts:

Metadata

Catalog

Cross-reference to traditional encoding



# Informative references

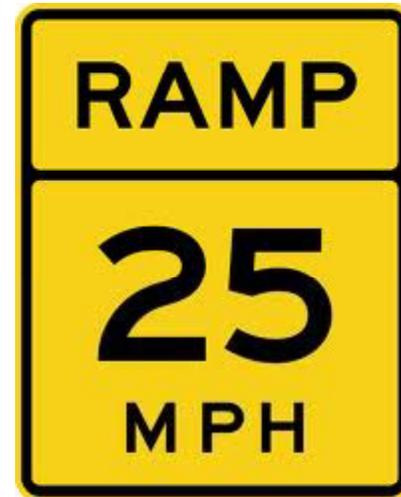
Information Exchange Package Documentation (IEPD) Artifacts:

Instance document(s)

Narrative description of transformation from 2-2008 to 2011

XSLT transformation to/from 2-2008

Cross-reference to ISO SC37



New element name	Type of change	Reason for change	Compatible?	Notes
biom:ContentRecordQuantity	Namespace	2	N1	
	Name	5	N	"Quantity" is the approved representation term
biom:ContentRecordSummary	Namespace	2	N1	
biom:ImageReferenceIdentification	Namespace	2	N1	
biom:RecordCategoryCode	Namespace	2	N1	
	Contents	7	Y2	constrained to the list of record type codes
biom:TransactionCharacterSetDirectory	Namespace	2	N1	
	Cardinality	6	Y2	maximum occurrences restricted to 1, as per 2011 specification
biom:CharacterSetCommonNameCode	Namespace	2	N1	
biom:CharacterSetIndexCode	Namespace	2	N1	
biom:CharacterSetVersionIdentification	Namespace	2	N1	
itl:PackageDescriptiveTextRecord	Namespace	1	N1	
	Cardinality	6	Y	minimum occurrences loosened to 0, as per the 2011 specification



## Change Log

# **NIST-ITL XML Workgroup Recommendations**

1. Accept the NIEM-conformant XML encoding materials.
2. Recommend initial content of the NIEM biometrics domain.



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