

## Meijer Data Synchronization Initiative Data Synchronization Implementation Guide

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## **1 OVERVIEW**

This document is intended to be used by vendors who will be electronically synchronizing product data through the Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN<sup>®</sup>).

Data Synchronization is the electronic transfer of standardized product information between Trading Partners and the continuous synchronization of the data over time.

The benefits of data synchronization include:

- Facilitates the accuracy of product data
- Reduces time to create and introduce new products and changes to products
- Enables an electronic review and approval processes
- Improves market share by increasing speed to shelf for new Products
- Reduces out-of-stocks
- Reduced shelf-tag and checkout errors in stores
- Builds foundation for future applications
- Encourages standardization of product data

## 2 MEIJER DATA SYNCHRONIZATION INFORMATION

## 2.1 Primary Data Synchronization Contact

Email: meijervendor@meijer.com

## 2.2 Meijer Publishing GLN – updated

Production: 0041250000013

Meijer's GDSN data pool is 1WorldSync.

## 2.3 Meijer Additional Information

Top off information will be handled through the Product Information Management (PIM) Application on the Meijer VendorNet

## **3 STEPS TO SYNCHRONIZING YOUR PRODUCT DATA TO MEIJER**

## 3.1 VENDORS that are not currently Connected to Meijer

- 1. Provide Meijer with your Publishing GLN along with your GLN company contact information
  - Complete the Meijer Trading Partner Form at 1WorldSync/Meijer Landing Page <u>https://www.1worldsync.com/community/customers/meijer/</u>
- 2. Meijer will subscribe to your publishing GLN through 1WorldSync.
- 3. Verify your data and Load Products into your data pool.
  - Obtain Education/Training from your Data Pool or Solution Partner for loading product
  - Review GDSN Package Measurement Standards and GTIN allocation rules at http://www.gs1us.org/resources/standards/package-measurement-standards
- 4. Meijer currently prefers that you just publish new products going forward.
- 5. If you have product that was previously entered into the Meijer system prior to connecting through GDSN, you will need to send these in as an initial load, if you want to make changes through the GDSN.
- 6. If you submit changes to a product that is not yet synchronized, it will not process at this time.
- 7. Currently we are not sending Catalogue Item Confirmations (CIC) messages.

## **3.2 CURRENT VENDORS that SYNC'D to the Old GLN**

- 1. Update to Meijer's New GLN 0041250000013, Meijer has already connected your current GLN to the new GLN.
- 2. Verify your data and Load Products into your data pool.
- 3. For current product that was previously published to the old GLN, send product as an "Publish an Initial Load"
- 4. For new product "Publish as New"
- 5. For changes to product that has been sent to the new GLN, "Publish as Change"
- 6. Currently we are not sending Catalogue Item Confirmations (CIC) messages.

## **4 MEIJER ATTRIBUTE REQUIREMENTS**

## Fields to Synchronize via Data Sync

#### **MEIJER Description**

- 1. Information for the PMM UPC
- 2. Information for the PMM Case
- 3. UPC or Case Level Information

#### Product

- 4. Vendor Product Description
- 5. Product Height
- 6. Product Height UOM
- 7. Product Width
- 8. Product Width UOM
- 9. Product Depth
- 10. Product Depth UOM
- 11. Selling UOM
- 12. Package Unit Size
- 13. Package Unit Size UOM
- 14. MSRP optional
- 15. First Release Date -optional

#### UPC

- 16. GTIN Type
- 17. GTIN Id

#### Case

- 18. Vendor Item Code
- 19. Case Quantity
- 20. Buying UOM
- 21. Weight UOM
- 22. Weight
- 23. Case Height
- 24. Case Width
- 25. Case Depth
- 26. Cube
- 27. Vendor Order Factor optional
- 28. Ti
- 29. Hi

#### **GDSN Description**

Consumer Unit Orderable Unit Product Type

Functional Description Height Height (attribute UOM) Width Width (attribute UOM) Depth Depth (attribute UOM) Selling Unit Of Measure Net Content Net Content UOM Suggested Retail price Consumer Availability Date Time

EAN UCC Code GTIN

Ordering Unit Of Measure Gross Weight Gross Weight (attribute UOM) Height Width Depth (calculated from Height, Width, Depth) Order Sizing Factor TI or non GTIN Pallet Ti Hi or non GTIN Pallet Hi

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#### Shipper Component

- 30. Component GTIN
- 31. Quantity

#### **Customer Facing Data**

- 32. Product Name
- Features (when multiple values exist for a UPC, they are merged in the sequence they were received in the XML File)
- Product Details (when multiple values exist for a UPC, they are merged in the sequence they were received in the XML File)
- 35. Image URL (used to download image and determine orientation)

#### Images

- Image Start Date (optional, if it does not exist, then the date is today's date (the day the data was processed)
- Image Filename (optional, but used to determine orientation if the URL is not in GS1 standards)
- 38. Image Type (Meijer only process images that have a type of product image)
- Image End Date (optional, if it does not exist, then the date is set to 12/31/2099)

GTIN Quantity of Next Level Product

Product Description

Trade Item Feature Benefit

Trade Item Marketing Message

Uniform Resource Identifier

File Effective Start Date Time

External File Link File Name

Type of Information

File Effective End Date Time

#### GS1 Standards for Images

URL/Filename contains	Facing/Orientation
A1C1	Front
A7C1	Back
A2C1	Left
A8C1	Right
A3C1	Тор
A9C1	Bottom
A1L1	TiltLeft
A1R1	TiltRight

#### **Digital Product Content Requirements**

Please note digital product content is ONLY displayed by the primary UPC. Update all UPCs associated with the Meijer PID/product (unless the information specifically varies by UPC, i.e. an old UPC corresponds with old information). Updating all UPCs will eliminate the dissemination of inaccurate information, in the case of a primary UPC change. Meijer continues to evolve its digital content so that all products provide the best customer experience. Below outlines our current image expectations and new compliance image requirements.

#### **IMPORTANT:** This information must be supplied upon initial product setup.

Customer Facing Data Requirements:

- 1. Product Name (Brand-Brand Product Lin-Variable-Core Product-Color-Size-Pack Count/Size)
  - Product name should reflect the name on the product package
  - Capitalize the first letter of each word
    - Subsequent letters are lower case
  - Add a comma before size
  - 80-character limit
  - Do Not include periods or other punctuation
- 2. Product Details ("Romance copy"/information about the product)
  - Opportunity to entice customers and provide general information
  - If available, company or brand information may be added a secondary information
  - 350-character limit
  - Capitalize the first letter of each sentence
  - Do Not use bullet points
  - Do Not include any nutritional or legal claims
- 3. Features (Additional product information)
  - Concise selling points and key callouts
  - 300-character limit
  - Capitalize the first letter of each word
  - Do Not include punctuation
  - Do Not include bullet points
  - Do Not include any nutritional or legal claims

Effective immediately, Digital Image Requirements:

Current Image Requirements:

• Front Facing Image

Additional Compliance Image Requirements:

- o Ingredient/Supplement detail
- Nutrition, Supplement and / or Drug Fact Panel
- Warning Information
- Distributed by
  - All the above information may be included in one image, if legible.

Image Resolution Requirements:

- Preferred
  - 2400 X 2400 pixels @300 ppi
  - 16 MB file size
  - File Formats: PNG, JPG
- Minimum Acceptable, if compliance information is legible
  - 1200 X 1200 pixels @300 ppi
  - 4 MB file size
  - File Formats: PNG, JPG, EPS, Tiff, PSD, PDF
- ADA/Accessibility Content Requirements Product Images reference link: https://vendornet.meijer.com/Home/Section/Compliance-334

Any of the below image locations may be used to upload the additional compliance image requirements through PEF in the VendorNet:

- Back
- o Left
- o Right
- Top
- o Bottom
- o Tilt Left
- o Tilt Right

Photo Quality:

- Images must be professionally photographed using a high quality, professional level digital camera
- Product must be photographed with a large depth of field so the whole image is sharp and in focus
- Lighting of the product should be uniform and natural
- Reflections on the product should be minimized and natural

• All product should be photographed against a white background – avoid black or colored backgrounds which can introduce color shifts into the product

Below are example images that meet the compliance requirements:

Image Set for a Product (total of 8 images can be submitted):



Nutrition / Supplement Facts Panel:



Ingredient/Other Ingredients Statement Line:

INGREDIENTS: BACON (CURED WITH WATER, SALT, SUGAR, SODIUM NITRITE. MAY ALSO CONTAIN SMOKE FLAVORING, DEXTROSE, SODIUM PHOSPHATES, SODIUM ERYTHORBATE, SODIUM ASCORBATE, FLAVORING.)

Other Ingredients: Cellulose, magnesium stearate (vegetable source), silicon dioxide, titanium dioxide.

#### Warning Information:

THIS PRODUCT DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY DAIRY, SOY OR GLUTEN.

Suggested use: Adults, as a dietary supplement, take one (1) capsule daily.

#### Do not crush or chew.

Store in controlled room temperature area between  $68^{\circ}$ -77° F ( $20^{\circ}$ - $25^{\circ}$  C). We recommend you store this product in the original blister card package.

## WARNINGS: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

CAUTION: We recommend you discuss the supplements and medications you take with your healthcare provider. Consult your physician before taking this product if you have a medical condition, are pregnant or are nursing.

Distributed by Statement:

#### DIST. BY MEIJER DISTRIBUTION, INC. GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49544 www.meijer.com

## Additional Information Requested in Meijer Product Entry Form that is not submitted through GDSN

#### Product

- 1. Merchandise Area
- 2. Assign to Buyer
- 3. Vendor Id
- 4. Manufacturer Item Id/Style
- 5. Product Description
- 6. Size
- 7. Minimum Advertised Price
- 8. Color
- 9. Trademark
- 10. Hazardous
- 11. WIC
- 12. Target Group media only
- 13. Newsstand Only media only
- 14. Publications per Year media only

#### UPC

15. UPC Description

#### Case

- 16. Vendor Id
- 17. Ship Point
- 18. Case Description
- 19. Related Sellable UPC
- 20. Case Cost
- 21. Buy Minimum
- 22. Buy Multiple

#### **Shipper Component**

23. Cost

## **REVISION HISTORY**

Date	Ver #	Description of Change	Author
8/1/2011	.1	Initial document	Vanessa Frosch, Greg Mulder
2/14/2012	.2	Updated	Sandi Ragan
2/17/2012	.3	Updated with feedback from 1WorldSync	Sandi Ragan
4/3/2012	.4	Updated with feedback from Team	Sandi Ragan
5/11/12	1	Add in field information – publish	Sandi Ragan
5/30/12	2	Updated field information	Sandi Ragan
5/1/2018		Updated Meijer landing page information and steps to sync	Payal Patel
5/8/18	3	Added CFD and Image to fields Meijer consumes	Sandi Ragan
9/20/18	4	Updated details and added Meijer Information for CFD and Images	Sandi Ragan
2/4/20	5	Updated	Sheri Milstead
11/3/21	6	New Meijer GLN and change in initial process	Sandi Ragan
3/10/22	7	Process for syncing current product from GLN to new GLN. Remove CIC messages that are not being sent.	Sandi Ragan