

GS1 Healthcare US® Terms and Definitions



Term	Acronym	Definition
Advance Ship Notice	ASN	The Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) transaction that provides the receiving company with advance data on shipments to better plan workloads and receipt processing.
Application Identifier	Al	The field of two or more digits at the beginning of an element string that uniquely identifies its format and its meaning within the GS1 System. In a GS1-128 or GS1 DataMatrix, these numbers use parentheses.
Critical Tracking Event	CTE	Those instances where product is moved between premises, is transformed, or is otherwise determined to be a point where data capture is necessary to trace a product. Typically answers the questions What?, Where?, When?, and Why?
Electronic Data Interchange	EDI	Transactional data that enables the computer-to-computer exchange of business documents between companies using a standardized format.
Electronic Product Code Information Services	EPCIS	EPCIS is a GS1 Standard that enables trading partners to share information about the physical movement and status of products. It helps answer the "what, where, when, and why" questions for accurate and detailed product information.
Global Location Number	GLN	Globally unique, 13-digit number, used to identify the locations of parties involved in business transactions. These can be functional groups within a company or real, physical "places" that might ship, receive, process, or hold inventories.
Global Data Synchronization Network™	GDSN®	An Internet-based, interconnected network of interoperable data pools and the GS1 Global Registry® that enables companies to exchange standardized and synchronized supply chain data.
Global Trade Item Number®	GTIN®	Uniquely identifies products at all item and package levels. GTINs are used in barcodes scanned at retail point-of-sale and on inner packs, cases, and pallets of products scanned in a distribution or warehouse environment. GTINs may be represented as a GTIN-8, GTIN-12, GTIN-13, or GTIN-14.
GS1-128 Barcode	GS1-128	Barcode symbology, encoding GTIN-14, and Application Identifiers (Als) to include additional data.
GS1 Company Prefix		Unique identification number licensed to your company, used to create barcodes and identification numbers. Identifies your company and brand in the global supply chain.
GS1 DataMatrix		The GS1 DataMatrix barcode is perfect for healthcare environments where vital information needs to be captured for thousands of medical products that are very small in size—like prescription drug blisters, bottles, vials, and syringes. It is also the GS1-recommended symbol for direct marking. The GS1 DataMatrix is a 2D barcode that can hold large amounts of data—up to 2,335 characters—in a very small footprint.

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GS1 DataBar®		The GS1 DataBar Truncated is designed for very small item identification and is mainly used within the healthcare industry. It cannot be scanned with Flatbed POS scanners. It encodes three specific instances of the Global Trade Item Number; e.g., GTIN-12, GTIN-13, and GTIN-14. Used on unit dose pharmaceuticals. The GS1 DataBar Limited is designed for very small item identification and is mainly used within the healthcare industry. It cannot be scanned with Flatbed POS scanners. It is "limited" to the use of zero '0' or one '1' in the first data position. Used on very small healthcare items such as ampoules.
GS1 Identification Numbers		A globally managed system of numbering to identify trade items, logistic units, locations, legal entities, assets, service relationships, and more. The numbers are built by combining the GS1 Company Prefix with standards-based rules for allocating reference numbers.
ITF-14 Barcode	ITF-14	Interleaved 2 of 5 barcode symbology, encoding GTIN-14 for cases/cartons.
Key Data Element	KDE	Data attributes required to successfully trace a product and/or its ingredients across the supply chain, through all relevant Critical Tracking Events (CTEs).
Quick Response Code	QR Code	Matrix barcode symbology, carries up to 4,296 characters, can hold a URL.
Radio Frequency Identification	RFID	EPC®-enabled RFID, carries a serialized GTIN or an SSCC.
Serial Shipping Container Code	SSCC	The globally unique GS1 system identification number for logistic units. The SSCC is an 18-digit number with an extension digit, GS1 Company Prefix, Serial Reference, and Check Digit.
Traceability		The verifiable custody chain of a product. Whole chain traceability includes: 1) External: data exchange and business processes between trading partners to track/trace 2) Internal: confidential data and processes used within a company's operations to track/trace
Trade Item		Any item (product or service) upon which there is a need to retrieve pre- defined information and that may be priced, ordered, or invoiced at any point in any supply chain.



GS1 Standards: Identify, Capture, and Share

EDI

Phase 2: Regulatory Data

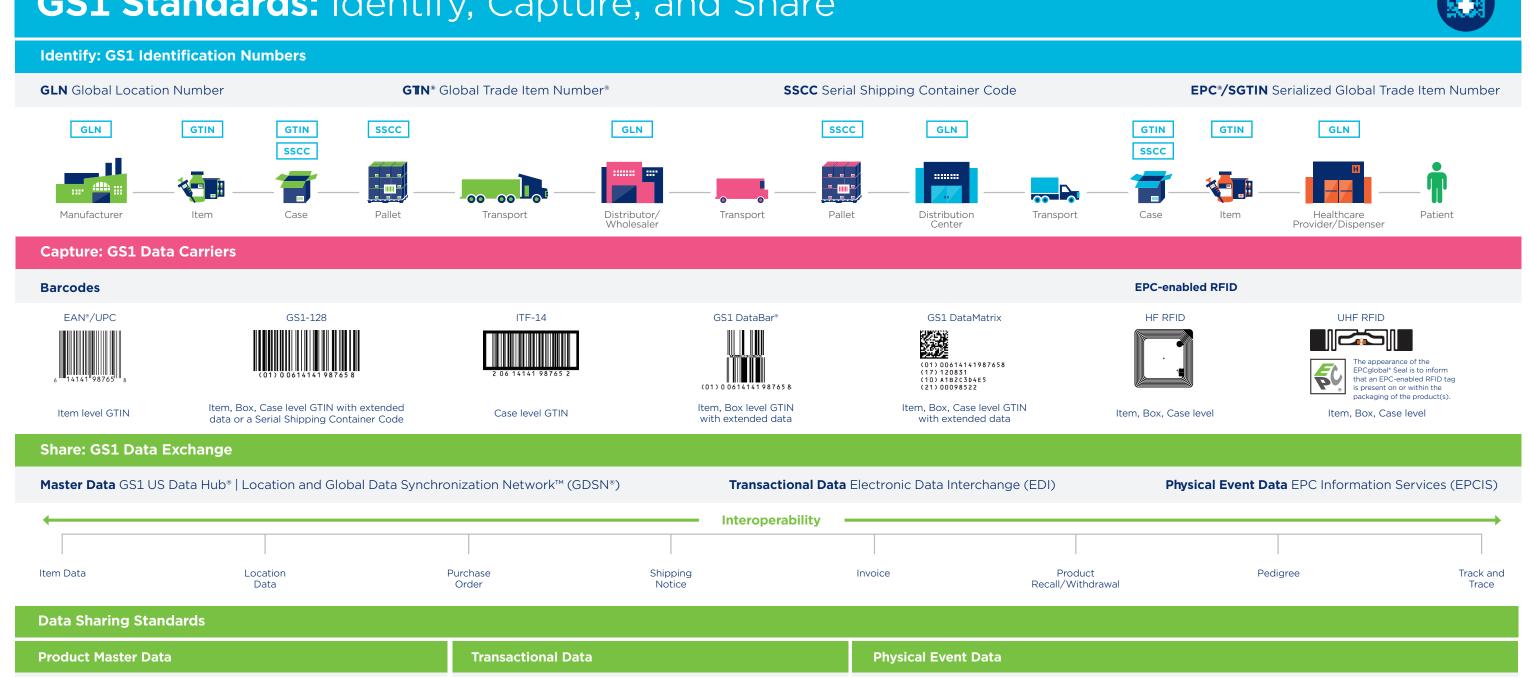
Electronic Data Interchange

EDI enables the computer-to-computer exchange of business

documents between companies using a standardized format.

• Purchase Order • Advance Ship Notice • Invoice • Payment





Critical Tracking Events via EPCIS

supply chain - Manufacturer

CommissioningPacking

1. Beginning of the

Shipping

Electronic Product Code Information Systems

EPCIS Events are captured and shared by the Party at the:

EPCIS is the standard for sharing information about the movement and status of goods in the physical world.

supply chain - Wholesale Distributor

Unpacking

Packing

3. End of the

Receiving

supply chain - Dispenser

Decommissioning

• Dispensing • Destroying

Unpacking

2. Intermediate part of the

Commissioning

Receiving

Shipping

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GS1-certified data pools.

Global Data Synchronization Network™

Phase 1: Foundational Supply Chain Data

The GDSN connects trading partners to the GS1 Global Registry® via

GDSN®