

Chem eStandards Compliance Criteria

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Appendix B - Chem eStandards Compliance Criteria

B.1 Message Purpose Compliance Criteria

When used, messages must be used for the purposes specified in Chem eStandards. Implementation of all messages associated with a business process is not required.

B.2 Message Content (Payload) Compliance Criteria

Chem eStandards messages (payloads) are expressed in W3C XML Schema (schema) format. A message instance is in compliance with Chem eStandards if it meets the requirements set forth in its associated schema and uses codes from appropriate externally maintained code lists where applicable. In XML terms, the message is not compliant if it is not valid.