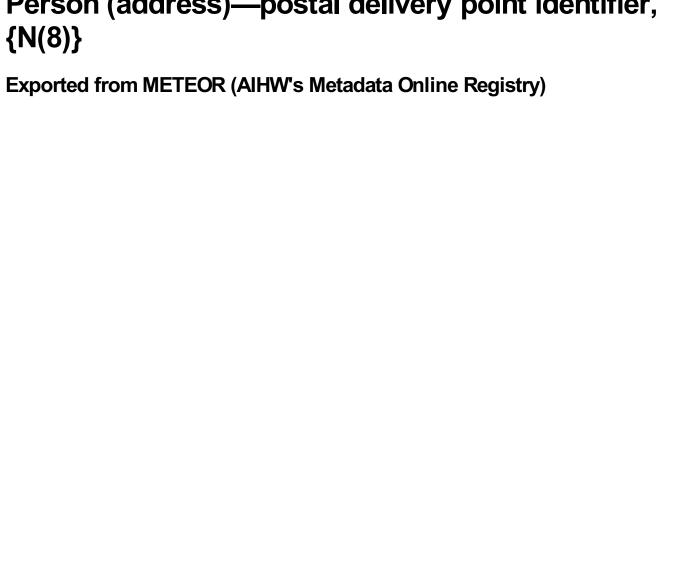
# Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier,



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# Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier, {N(8)}

# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Short name: Postal delivery point identifier

Synonymous names: Postal delivery point identifier

METEOR identifier: 270492

**Registration status:** <u>Health,</u> Superseded 04/05/2005

Community Services (retired), Superseded 25/08/2005

Data Element Concept: Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier

Value Domain: Postal delivery point identifier {N(8)}

### Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Identifier

Data type: Number

Format: {N(8)}

Maximum character length: 8

# Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Australia Post maintains a Postal Address File (PAF) database which contains

Australian postal delivery addresses and their corresponding eight (8) character unique identification number known as a Delivery Point Identifier (DPID). While the PAF is concerned with postal address, for many persons' a postal address will be the same as their residential address. The PAF can be used to improve the

recording of address data at the time of data entry.

The Postal Address File may be used at the time of data entry to confirm that the combined metadata items of address line, suburb/town/locality, Australian state/territory identifier and postcode - Australian are accurately recorded.

### Data element attributes

# Collection and usage attributes

**Collection methods:** The Delivery Point Identifier (DPID) is assigned electronically to recognised

Australia Post delivery addresses following reference to the Postal Address File

(PAF) database.

Comments: In October 1999, Australia Post introduced a bar-coding system for bulk mail

> lodgements. Agencies or establishments can use software to improve the quality of person address data it collects and records and, at the same time, receive financial

benefits by reducing its postage expenses.

The DPID is easily converted to a bar code and can be included on

correspondence and address labels. If the bar code is displayed on a standard envelope that passes through a mail-franking machine (e.g. as used by most major hospitals), the postage cost is reduced. Every three months, Australia Post provides updates to the PAF database. For more information, contact Australia

#### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Standards Australia

National Health Data Standards Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Origin: Standards Australia 2002. Australian Standard AS5017-2002 Health Care Client

Identification. Sydney: Standards Australia

#### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier, {N(8)}

Community Services (retired), Superseded 06/02/2012

Health, Superseded 05/10/2016

Is formed using Person (address)—suburb/town/locality name, text A[A(49)]

Community Services (retired), Superseded 25/08/2005

Health, Superseded 04/05/2005

Is re-engineered from Postal delivery point identifier, version 2, DE, Int. NCSDD

& NHDD, NCSIMG & NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf (16.1 KB)

No registration status

Implementation in Data Set Health care client identification **Specifications:** 

Health, Superseded 04/05/2005

DSS specific information: Field may be blank (where the person's address is not a recognised Australia Post delivery address).