

# **846 Inventory Inquiry/Advice**

**X12/V4030/846: 846 Inventory Inquiry/Advice**

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# 846 Inventory Inquiry/Advice

Functional Group=**IB**

**Purpose:** This Draft Standard for Trial Use contains the format and establishes the data contents of the Inventory Inquiry/Advice Transaction Set (846) for use within the context of an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) environment. The transaction set can be used in the following ways: (1) for a seller of goods and services to provide inventory information to a prospective purchaser, with no obligation to the purchaser to acquire these goods or services; (2) for a representative of a seller of goods and services to supply inventory information to that seller; (3) for one location to supply another location with inventory information; and (4) for an inquiry as to the availability of inventory with no obligation on the seller of goods and services to reserve that inventory.

**Heading:**

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Segment Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Max Use</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Usage</u>
0100	ST	Transaction Set Header	M	1			Must use
0200	BIA	Beginning Segment for Inventory Inquiry/Advice	M	1			Must use
0600	REF	Reference Identification	O	12			Must use

**Detail:**

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Segment Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Max Use</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Usage</u>
<b>LOOP ID - LIN</b>					<b>10000</b>		
0100	LIN	Item Identification	M	1			Must use
0300	PID	Product/Item Description	O	200			Used
1000	DTM	Date/Time Reference	O	10			Used
2200	SDQ	Destination Quantity	O	500			Used
<b>LOOP ID - QTY</b>					<b>99</b>		
3200	QTY	Quantity	O	1			Must use

**Summary:**

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Segment Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Max Use</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Usage</u>
0100	CTT	Transaction Totals	O	1		N3/0100	Used
0200	SE	Transaction Set Trailer	M	1			Must use

**Notes:**

3/0100 Number of line items (CTT01) is the accumulation of number of LIN segments. If used, hash total (CTT02) is the sum of the values of the quantities (QTY02) of each QTY segment.

# ST Transaction Set Header

Pos: 0100	Max: 1
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 3

**User Option (Usage):** Must use

**Purpose:** To indicate the start of a transaction set and to assign a control number

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
ST01	143	<b>Transaction Set Identifier Code</b>	M	ID	3/3	Must use
<b>Description:</b> Code uniquely identifying a Transaction Set						
<b>All valid standard codes are used. (Total Codes: 314)</b>						
ST02	329	<b>Transaction Set Control Number</b>	M	AN	4/9	Must use
<b>Description:</b> Identifying control number that must be unique within the transaction set functional group assigned by the originator for a transaction set						
ST03	1705	<b>Implementation Convention Reference</b>	O	AN	1/35	Used
<b>Description:</b> Reference assigned to identify Implementation Convention						

## Semantics:

1. The transaction set identifier (ST01) is used by the translation routines of the interchange partners to select the appropriate transaction set definition (e.g., 810 selects the Invoice Transaction Set).
2. The implementation convention reference (ST03) is used by the translation routines of the interchange partners to select the appropriate implementation convention to match the transaction set definition.

# BIA Beginning Segment for Inventory Inquiry/Advice

Pos: 0200	Max: 1
Heading - Mandatory	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 5

**User Option (Usage):** Must use

**Purpose:** To indicate the beginning of an Inventory Inquiry/Advice Transaction Set

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
BIA01	353	Transaction Set Purpose Code	M	ID	2/2	Must use

**Description:** Code identifying purpose of transaction set

**User Note 1:**

*Suppliers should use the 00- Original code to signify a full weekly inventory file. This should be sent 1 time per week.  
Suppliers should use the 04- Change code to signify updates to inventory levels throughout the week.*

**CodeList Summary** (Total Codes: 65, Included: 2)

**Code Name**

00 Original  
04 Change

BIA02	755	Report Type Code	M	ID	2/2	Must use
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**Description:** Code indicating the title or contents of a document, report or supporting item

**CodeList Summary** (Total Codes: 533, Included: 1)

**Code Name**

MB Manufacturer/Distributor Inventory Report

BIA03	127	Reference Identification	M	AN	1/50	Must use
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**Description:** Reference information as defined for a particular Transaction Set or as specified by the Reference Identification Qualifier

BIA04	373	Date	M	DT	8/8	Must use
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**Description:** Date expressed as CCYYMMDD where CC represents the first two digits of the calendar year

BIA05	337	Time	O	TM	4/8	Used
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**Description:** Time expressed in 24-hour clock time as follows: HHMM, or HHMMSS, or HHMMSSD, or HHMMSSDD, where H = hours (00-23), M = minutes (00-59), S = integer seconds (00-59) and DD = decimal seconds; decimal seconds are expressed as follows: D = tenths (0-9) and DD = hundredths (00-99)

## Semantics:

1. BIA03 identifies the number of the inquiry/advice that is transferred.
2. BIA04 identifies the date of the inquiry/advice that is transferred.
3. BIA05 identifies the time of the inquiry/advice that is transferred.

# REF Reference Identification

Pos: 0600	Max: 12
Heading - Optional	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 2

**User Option (Usage):** Must use

**Purpose:** To specify identifying information

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
REF01	128	Reference Identification Qualifier	M	ID	2/3	Must use

**Description:** Code qualifying the Reference Identification

**CodeList Summary** (Total Codes: 1631, Included: 1)

**Code Name**

IA Internal Vendor Number

REF02	127	Reference Identification	X	AN	1/50	Must use
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**Description:** Reference information as defined for a particular Transaction Set or as specified by the Reference Identification Qualifier

**User Note 1:** JCP 6-digit supplier number

## Syntax Rules:

1. R0203 - At least one of REF02 or REF03 is required.

## Semantics:

1. REF04 contains data relating to the value cited in REF02.

# Loop Item Identification

Pos: 0100 Repeat: 10000  
 Mandatory  
 Loop: LIN Elements: N/A

**User Option (Usage):** Must use

**Purpose:** To specify basic item identification data

## Loop Summary:

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Segment Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Max Use</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Usage</u>
0100	LIN	Item Identification	M	1		Must use
0300	PID	Product/Item Description	O	200		Used
1000	DTM	Date/Time Reference	O	10		Used
2200	SDQ	Destination Quantity	O	500		Used
3200		Loop QTY	O		99	Must use

# LIN Item Identification

Pos: 0100	Max: 1
Detail - Mandatory	
Loop: LIN	Elements: 5

**User Option (Usage):** Must use

**Purpose:** To specify basic item identification data

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
LIN01	350	<b>Assigned Identification</b>	O	AN	1/20	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Alphanumeric characters assigned for differentiation within a transaction set				
LIN02	235	<b>Product/Service ID Qualifier</b>	M	ID	2/2	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying the type/source of the descriptive number used in Product/Service ID (234)				
		<b>CodeList Summary</b> (Total Codes: 505, Included: 1)				
		<b>Code Name</b>				
		IN Buyer's Item Number				
LIN03	234	<b>Product/Service ID</b>	M	AN	1/48	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Identifying number for a product or service				
		<b>User Note 1:</b> JCP 11-digit Merchant Sku is required. The value will represent the 7 digit lot number and 4 digit sku number. For newly available products, please contact JCP for this number.				
LIN04	235	<b>Product/Service ID Qualifier</b>	X	ID	2/2	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying the type/source of the descriptive number used in Product/Service ID (234)				
		<b>CodeList Summary</b> (Total Codes: 505, Included: 2)				
		<b>Code Name</b>				
		IN Buyer's Item Number				
		VN Vendor's (Seller's) Item Number				
LIN05	234	<b>Product/Service ID</b>	X	AN	1/48	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Identifying number for a product or service				

## Syntax Rules:

1. P0405 - If either LIN04 or LIN05 is present, then the other is required.
2. P0607 - If either LIN06 or LIN07 is present, then the other is required.
3. P0809 - If either LIN08 or LIN09 is present, then the other is required.
4. P1011 - If either LIN10 or LIN11 is present, then the other is required.
5. P1213 - If either LIN12 or LIN13 is present, then the other is required.
6. P1415 - If either LIN14 or LIN15 is present, then the other is required.
7. P1617 - If either LIN16 or LIN17 is present, then the other is required.
8. P1819 - If either LIN18 or LIN19 is present, then the other is required.
9. P2021 - If either LIN20 or LIN21 is present, then the other is required.
10. P2223 - If either LIN22 or LIN23 is present, then the other is required.
11. P2425 - If either LIN24 or LIN25 is present, then the other is required.



12. P2627 - If either LIN26 or LIN27 is present, then the other is required.
13. P2829 - If either LIN28 or LIN29 is present, then the other is required.
14. P3031 - If either LIN30 or LIN31 is present, then the other is required.

**Semantics:**

1. LIN01 is the line item identification

**Comments:**

1. See the Data Dictionary for a complete list of IDs.
2. LIN02 through LIN31 provide for fifteen different product/service IDs for each item. For example: Case, Color, Drawing No., U.P.C. No., ISBN No., Model No., or SKU.

**User Note 1:**

*The JCPenney part number will be the 7 digit lot number and 4 digit sku number. Values must always be 11 digits.*

# PID Product/Item Description

Pos: 0300	Max: 200
Detail - Optional	
Loop: LIN	Elements: 3

**User Option (Usage):** Used

**Purpose:** To describe a product or process in coded or free-form format

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
PID01	349	Item Description Type	M	ID	1/1	Must use

**Description:** Code indicating the format of a description

**CodeList Summary** (Total Codes: 3, Included: 1)

**Code Name**

F Free-form

PID02	750	Product/Process Characteristic Code	O	ID	2/3	Used
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**Description:** Code identifying the general class of a product or process characteristic

**CodeList Summary** (Total Codes: 235, Included: 1)

**Code Name**

08 Product

PID05	352	Description	X	AN	1/80	Must use
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**Description:** A free-form description to clarify the related data elements and their content

## Syntax Rules:

1. C0403 - If PID04 is present, then PID03 is required.
2. R0405 - At least one of PID04 or PID05 is required.
3. C0703 - If PID07 is present, then PID03 is required.
4. C0804 - If PID08 is present, then PID04 is required.
5. C0905 - If PID09 is present, then PID05 is required.

## Semantics:

1. Use PID03 to indicate the organization that publishes the code list being referred to.
2. PID04 should be used for industry-specific product description codes.
3. PID08 describes the physical characteristics of the product identified in PID04. A "Y" indicates that the specified attribute applies to this item; an "N" indicates it does not apply. Any other value is indeterminate.
4. PID09 is used to identify the language being used in PID05.

## Comments:

1. If PID01 equals "F", then PID05 is used. If PID01 equals "S", then PID04 is used. If PID01 equals "X", then both PID04 and PID05 are used.
2. Use PID06 when necessary to refer to the product surface or layer being described in the segment.
3. PID07 specifies the individual code list of the agency specified in PID03.

# DTM Date/Time Reference

Pos: 1000	Max: 10
Detail - Optional	
Loop: LIN	Elements: 2

**User Option (Usage):** Used

**Purpose:** To specify pertinent dates and times

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
DTM01	374	Date/Time Qualifier	M	ID	3/3	Must use

**Description:** Code specifying type of date or time, or both date and time

**CodeList Summary** (Total Codes: 1226, Included: 1)

**Code Name**

036 Expiration

DTM02	373	Date	X	DT	8/8	Must use
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**Description:** Date expressed as CCYYMMDD where CC represents the first two digits of the calendar year

## Syntax Rules:

1. R020305 - At least one of DTM02, DTM03 or DTM05 is required.
2. C0403 - If DTM04 is present, then DTM03 is required.
3. P0506 - If either DTM05 or DTM06 is present, then the other is required.

# SDQ Destination Quantity

Pos: 2200	Max: 500
Detail - Optional	
Loop: LIN	Elements: 23

**User Option (Usage):** Used

**Purpose:** To specify destination and quantity detail

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
SDQ01	355	<b>Unit or Basis for Measurement Code</b>	M	ID	2/2	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Code specifying the units in which a value is being expressed, or manner in which a measurement has been taken				
		<b>CodeList Summary</b> (Total Codes: 803, Included: 1)				
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
		EA		Each		
SDQ02	66	<b>Identification Code Qualifier</b>	O	ID	1/2	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Code designating the system/method of code structure used for Identification Code (67)				
		<b>CodeList Summary</b> (Total Codes: 223, Included: 2)				
		<u>Code</u>		<u>Name</u>		
		91		Assigned by Seller or Seller's Agent		
		92		Assigned by Buyer or Buyer's Agent		
SDQ03	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	M	AN	2/80	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ04	380	<b>Quantity</b>	M	R	1/15	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ05	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ06	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ07	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ08	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ09	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ10	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ11	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ12	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ13	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ14	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ15	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ16	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ17	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ18	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ19	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ20	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ21	67	<b>Identification Code</b>	X	AN	2/80	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code identifying a party or other code				
SDQ22	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
SDQ23	310	<b>Location Identifier</b>	O	AN	1/30	Used
		<b>Description:</b> Code which identifies a specific location				

### Syntax Rules:

1. P0506 - If either SDQ05 or SDQ06 is present, then the other is required.
2. P0708 - If either SDQ07 or SDQ08 is present, then the other is required.
3. P0910 - If either SDQ09 or SDQ10 is present, then the other is required.
4. P1112 - If either SDQ11 or SDQ12 is present, then the other is required.
5. P1314 - If either SDQ13 or SDQ14 is present, then the other is required.
6. P1516 - If either SDQ15 or SDQ16 is present, then the other is required.
7. P1718 - If either SDQ17 or SDQ18 is present, then the other is required.
8. P1920 - If either SDQ19 or SDQ20 is present, then the other is required.
9. P2122 - If either SDQ21 or SDQ22 is present, then the other is required.

**Semantics:**

1. SDQ23 identifies the area within the location identified in SDQ03, SDQ05, SDQ07, SDQ09, SDQ11, SDQ13, SDQ15, SDQ17, SDQ19, and SDQ21.

**Comments:**

1. SDQ02 is used only if different than previously defined in the transaction set.
2. SDQ03 is the store number.
3. SDQ23 may be used to identify areas within a store, e.g., front room, back room, selling outpost, end aisle display, etc. The value is agreed to by trading partners or industry conventions.

**User Note 1:**

*This segment can be used to breakdown quantities available at a warehouse level.*

# Loop Quantity

Pos: 3200	Repeat: 99
Optional	
Loop: QTY	Elements: N/A

**User Option (Usage):** Must use

**Purpose:** To specify quantity information

## Loop Summary:

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Segment Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Max Use</u>	<u>Repeat</u>	<u>Usage</u>
3200	QTY	Quantity	O	1		Must use

# QTY Quantity

Pos: 3200	Max: 1
Detail - Optional	
Loop: QTY	Elements: 3

**User Option (Usage):** Must use

**Purpose:** To specify quantity information

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
QTY01	673	<b>Quantity Qualifier</b>	M	ID	2/2	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Code specifying the type of quantity				
		<b>CodeList Summary</b> (Total Codes: 976, Included: 1)				
		<u>Code</u>	<u>Name</u>			
		33	Quantity Available for Sale (stock quantity)			
QTY02	380	<b>Quantity</b>	X	R	1/15	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Numeric value of quantity				
QTY03	C001	<b>Composite Unit of Measure</b>	O	Comp		Must use
		<b>Description:</b> To identify a composite unit of measure(See Figures Appendix for examples of use)				
QTY03-01	355	<b>Unit or Basis for Measurement Code</b>	M	ID	2/2	Must use
		<b>Description:</b> Code specifying the units in which a value is being expressed, or manner in which a measurement has been taken				

## Syntax Rules:

1. R0204 - At least one of QTY02 or QTY04 is required.
2. E0204 - Only one of QTY02 or QTY04 may be present.

## Semantics:

1. QTY04 is used when the quantity is non-numeric.



# CTT Transaction Totals

Pos: 0100	Max: 1
Summary - Optional	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 1

**User Option (Usage):** Used

**Purpose:** To transmit a hash total for a specific element in the transaction set

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
CTT01	354	Number of Line Items	M	NO	1/6	Must use

**Description:** Total number of line items in the transaction set

## Syntax Rules:

1. P0304 - If either CTT03 or CTT04 is present, then the other is required.
2. P0506 - If either CTT05 or CTT06 is present, then the other is required.

## Comments:

1. This segment is intended to provide hash totals to validate transaction completeness and correctness.

# SE Transaction Set Trailer

Pos: 0200	Max: 1
Summary - Mandatory	
Loop: N/A	Elements: 2

**User Option (Usage):** Must use

**Purpose:** To indicate the end of the transaction set and provide the count of the transmitted segments (including the beginning (ST) and ending (SE) segments)

## Element Summary:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
SE01	96	<b>Number of Included Segments</b>	M	N0	1/10	Must use
<b>Description:</b> Total number of segments included in a transaction set including ST and SE segments						
SE02	329	<b>Transaction Set Control Number</b>	M	AN	4/9	Must use
<b>Description:</b> Identifying control number that must be unique within the transaction set functional group assigned by the originator for a transaction set						

## Comments:

1. SE is the last segment of each transaction set.