Address—electronic communication address, text X[X(1099)]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Electronic communication address |
| Synonymous names: | Electronic communication details; Electronic mail address; Email address |
| METEOR identifier: | 452649 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 06/02/2012  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 14/02/2018  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Superseded 22/10/2018 |
| Definition: | An electronic internet contact address, used for communication purposes, as represented by text. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Address—electronic communication address](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/452719) |
| Value Domain: | [Text X[X(1099)]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/433739) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Text | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | X[X(1099)] | |
| Maximum character length: | 1100 | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The following rules are to assist in data exchange and should not be considered as a standard for the creation of email addresses.  An email address cannot have any white space.  An email address can come in many different formats each can be valid, but look quite different.  All email addresses will begin with a Username followed by an [‘@’](mailto:‘@’) symbol.  The rest of the email address depends on whether it is Domain-Defined or IP-Address Defined.  Alphanumeric in the format Username@(subdomain.)domain.topleveldomain (.countrydomainExtension) Or [Username@IPAddress](mailto:Username@ipaddress)  **Domain Defined:** Following the @ symbol is the sub-domain which could be the name of a department in a business for example. This is not compulsory. There may be many sub-domains in any email address. After the sub-domain(s) is a ‘.’ followed by the domain. The domain could be the name of the company for example. This is compulsory. There is only ever one domain name.  Following the domain is another ‘.’ and the topleveldomain name. This is usually the type of business e.g. ‘.com’ stands for a commercial business, ‘.edu’ stands for an educational institution, etc. This is compulsory. There is only ever one topleveldomain name.  After the topleveldomain is another ‘.’ And the countrydomainextension. This is an abbreviation code for the country in which the business originated or is hosted. For an Australian business this would be ‘.au’. This is not compulsory. There is only ever one countrydomainextention.  An example Domain-Defined name with user name could be: [FirstName.LastName@BusinessUnit.Company.com.au](mailto:FirstName.LastName@businessunit.company.com.au)  **IP-Address Defined:** A domain name is basically an IP address with a logical name. An IP address is a series of four numbers (only numbers) separated by dots.  Each of the four numbers can have a maximum of 3 numbers. If any of the numbers have less than 3 digits then no leading characters should be entered. Each of the digits must be between 0 and 255, they cannot be lower than 0 or higher than 255.  An example IP Address-Defined name with user name could be: [FirstName.LastName@255.0.178.96](mailto:FirstName.LastName@255.0.178.96) |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | Standards Australia 2006. AS 4590—2006 Interchange of client information. Sydney: Standards Australia. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person (address)—electronic communication address, text [X(250)]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/287469)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 06/02/2012  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 05/10/2016  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Superseded 16/09/2014  Supersedes [Service provider organisation (address)—electronic communication address, text [X(250)]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/287480)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 06/02/2012  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 05/10/2016  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Superseded 16/09/2014  Has been superseded by [Address—electronic communication address, text X[X(1099)]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/522692)  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 14/02/2018  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 05/10/2016  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 22/10/2018  See also [Address—electronic contact preference indicator, code NN](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/433720)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 06/02/2012  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 13/08/2015 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Electronic contact details data dictionary](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/433419)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 06/02/2012  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 13/08/2015  [Service provider organisation contact information cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/562871)  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Superseded 07/12/2017  ***DSS specific information:*** This data element is used to collect the email address of the contact person information for the OATSIH Services Reporting (OSR) questionnaire.  [Service provider organisation contact information cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/688254)  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 07/12/2017  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2010 ***DSS specific information:***  This data element is used to collect the email address of the contact person information for the OATSIH Services Reporting (OSR) questionnaire.  [Service provider organisational contact cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/612842)  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 07/12/2017  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element is used to collect the email address of the contact person information for the OATSIH Services Reporting (OSR) questionnaire. |