

DEA REGISTRATION RECORD LAYOUT

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Registrant type (first letter of DEA Number):

A/B/F/G: Pharmacy / Hospital/Clinic / Practitioner / Teaching Institution

M: Mid-Level Practitioner (the different approved subcategories of MLPs listed below)

P/R: Manufacturer / Distributor / Researcher / Analytical Lab / Importer / Exporter /
Reverse Distributor / Narcotic Treatment Program

0: Chemical Handlers of List 1 (Manufacturer / Distributor / Importer / Exporter)

Explanation of a Business Activity Sub-code

DEA uses an alpha character business activity code to identify various categories of registrants. For example business activity code "C" indicates a "Practitioner." DEA added a business activity sub-code field to identify new sub-categories of registrants. For example business activity code "C" in combination with business activity sub-code "1" indicates a practitioner who has received a Drug Addiction Treatment Act (DATA) Waiver (DATA Waived or DW) to provide office based opioid treatment to 30 patients. As new sub-categories of business activities become regulated, additional sub-code combinations (e.g. C-2, C-3, A-1, etc.) will be assigned.

DOD = Department of Defense
 DW = DATA Waived
 MLP = Mid-Level Practitioner
 NG = National Guard
 VA = Veterans Administration

Business Activity Code A Sub Code 0 Description – Retail Pharmacy
 Business Activity Code A Sub Code 1 Description – Central Fill Pharmacy

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Business Activity Code A	Sub Code 3	Description – Chain Pharmacy
Business Activity Code A	Sub Code 4	Description – Automated Dispensing System
Business Activity Code A	Sub Code 5	Description – Online Retail Pharmacy
Business Activity Code A	Sub Code 6	Description – Online Central Fill Pharmacy
Business Activity Code A	Sub Code 7	Description – Online Chain Pharmacy
Business Activity Code A	Sub Code 8	Description – Pharmacy – Mil
Business Activity Code A	Sub Code 9	Description – Pharmacy – Fed
Business Activity Code B	Sub Code 0	Description – Hospital/Clinic
Business Activity Code B	Sub Code 1	Description – Chain Hospital/Clinic
Business Activity Code B	Sub Code 2	Description – Hospital/Clinic – Military
Business Activity Code B	Sub Code 3	Description – Hospital/Clinic – Federal
Business Activity Code B	Sub Code 4	Description – Hospital/Clinic – NG
Business Activity Code B	Sub Code 5	Description – Hospital/Clinic – VA
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 0	Description – Practitioner
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 1	Description – Practitioner – DW/30
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 2	Description – Practitioner – Military
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 3	Description – MLP-Military
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 4	Description – Practitioner – DW/100
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 5	Description – Military Practitioner – DW/30
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 6	Description – Military Practitioner – DW/100
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 7	Description – Practitioner-DOD Contractor
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 8	Description – MLP-DOD Contractor
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code 9	Description – Practitioner-DOD Contractor DW/30
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code A	Description – Practitioner-DOD Contractor DW/100
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code B	Description – Practitioner-DW/275
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code C	Description – Military Practitioner-DW/275
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code D	Description – Practitioner-DOD Contractor DW/275
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code E	Description – MLP-Military NP-DW/30
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code F	Description – MLP-Military PA-DW/30
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code G	Description – MLP-Military NP-DW/100
Business Activity Code C	Sub Code H	Description – MLP-Military PA-DW/100
Business Activity Code D	Sub Code 0	Description – Teaching Institution
Business Activity Code E	Sub Code 0	Description – Manufacturer
Business Activity Code E	Sub Code 1	Description – Manufacturer (Bulk)
Business Activity Code F	Sub Code 0	Description – Distributor
Business Activity Code F	Sub Code 1	Description – Chempack / SNS Distributor
Business Activity Code G	Sub Code 0	Description – Researcher (II-V)
Business Activity Code G	Sub Code 1	Description – Canine Handler
Business Activity Code G	Sub Code 2	Description – Researcher (I)
Business Activity Code H	Sub Code 0	Description – Analytical Lab
Business Activity Code J	Sub Code 0	Description – Importer
Business Activity Code J	Sub Code 1	Description – Importer (C I, II)
Business Activity Code K	Sub Code 0	Description – Exporter
Business Activity Code L	Sub Code 0	Description – Reverse Distributor
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 1	Description – MLP-Ambulance Service
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 2	Description – MLP-Animal Shelter
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 3	Description – MLP-DR of Oriental Medicine
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 4	Description – MLP-Dept. of State
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 5	Description – MLP-Euthanasia Technician
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 6	Description – MLP- Homeopathic Physician
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 7	Description – MLP- Medical Psychologist

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Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 8	Description – MLP-Naturopathic Physician
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code 9	Description – MLP-Nursing Home
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code A	Description – MLP-Nurse Practitioner
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code B	Description – MLP-Optometrist
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code C	Description – MLP-Physician Assistant
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code D	Description – MLP-Registered Pharmacist
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code E	Description – MLP-Certified Chiropractor
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code F	Description – MLP-Nurse Practitioner DW 30
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code G	Description – MLP-Physician Assistant DW 30
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code H	Description – MLP-Nurse Practitioner DW 100
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code I	Description – MLP-Physician Assistant DW 100
Business Activity Code M	Sub Code J	Description – MLP-Assistant Physician
Business Activity Code N	Sub Code 0	Description – Maintenance
Business Activity Code P	Sub Code 0	Description – Detoxification
Business Activity Code R	Sub Code 0	Description – Maintenance & Detox
Business Activity Code S	Sub Code 0	Description – Compound/Maintenance
Business Activity Code T	Sub Code 0	Description – Compound/Detoxification
Business Activity Code U	Sub Code 0	Description – Comp/Maint/Detox
Business Activity Code W	Sub Code 0	Description – Chemical Manufacturer
Business Activity Code X	Sub Code 0	Description – Chemical Importer
Business Activity Code Y	Sub Code 0	Description – Chemical Distributor
Business Activity Code Z	Sub Code 0	Description – Chemical Exporter

Explanation of the Unique Identification Number (UIN)

If a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant is approved by the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), which is part of SAMHSA, to conduct office based opioid treatment, a unique identification number will print on the registrant's registration certificate along with the DEA number. The DEA registration number and UIN would appear on the printed certificate as indicated in the example below:

AB0123454
XB0123454

The UIN is the same as the DEA registration number with an "X" substituted for the first character of the DEA registration number. If an NTIS user wants to verify a registrant's UIN, they must first look up the registrant by DEA registration number and then verify that the registrant has a sub-code that includes "DW" with a number. The number associated with "DW" indicates the number of patients permitted.

Drug Schedules

The Controlled Substances Act groups controlled substances into five schedules (1, 2, 3, 4 and 5) and chemicals into two lists (L1 and L2). The DEA registration system captures all five controlled substance schedules and List 1 chemicals (*a DEA registration is not required for List 2 chemicals*). Additionally, DEA breaks schedules 2 and 3 into two subgroups, narcotic (2, 3) and non-narcotic (2N, 3N) substances.

- 1 = Schedule 1 Controlled Substances
- 2 = Schedule 2 Narcotic Controlled Substances

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2N = Schedule 2N Non-Narcotic Controlled Substances
3 = Schedule 3 Narcotic Controlled Substances
3N = Schedule 3N Non-Narcotic Controlled Substances
4 = Schedule 4 Controlled Substances
5 = Schedule 5 Controlled Substances
L1 = List 1 Chemicals

DEA Registration Expiration Dates

Renewal Letter M	Expiration Date 31-Jan	Retired Date – 1-Mar*
Renewal Letter S	Expiration Date 28-Feb	Retired Date – 1-Apr*
Renewal Letter L,P	Expiration Date 31-Mar	Retired Date – 1-May*
Renewal Letter Q,R,9	Expiration Date 30-Apr	Retired Date – 1-Jun*
Renewal Letter U,V,W,X,Y,Z	Expiration Date 31-May	Retired Date – 1-Jul*
Renewal Letter A,D	Expiration Date 30-Jun	Retired Date – 1-Aug*
Renewal Letter B	Expiration Date 31-Jul	Retired Date – 1-Sept*
Renewal Letter C,E	Expiration Date 31-Aug	Retired Date – 1-Oct*
Renewal Letter F,G	Expiration Date 30-Sep	Retired Date – 1-Nov*
Renewal Letter H,N	Expiration Date 31-Oct	Retired Date – 1-Dec*
Renewal Letter I,T	Expiration Date 30-Nov	Retired Date – 1-Jan*
Renewal Letter J,K,O	Expiration Date 31-Dec	Retired Date – 1-Feb*

*If a registration is not renewed, it is retired (removed) from the active file 1 month after the expiration date. During this 30 day period, the DEA registration is still considered expired until the registration is renewed.

Explanation of the Payment Indicator

P = Paid. Every person (institution or an individual) who manufactures, distributes, dispenses, imports, or exports any controlled substance or who proposes to engage in these activities must pay a non-refundable application fee to obtain a DEA registration certificate. This also applies to every person who proposes to, or who engages in the distribution, importation, or exportation of any List I chemical. The “P” indicates a fee was paid.

E = Exempt. Any hospital or institution operated by an agency of the United States, of any State, or of any political subdivision or agency thereof is exempt from paying a registration application fee. Likewise any individual practitioner who is an official of an agency of the United States, of any State, or of any political subdivision or agency thereof is exempt from paying an application fee. The exemption for an individual practitioner applies only while that practitioner is an official of an exempt institution. Upon leaving an exempt institution and entering private practice, the practitioner must obtain and pay for a new DEA registration. The “E” indicates a DEA registration is fee exempt.

Explanation of Active/Inactive

Active – The registrant is authorized to handle controlled substances in the schedules listed
Inactive – The registrant is not authorized to handle controlled substances in any schedule