



Scottish Postcode Directory

Digital Boundaries

File Specification

Product: Postcode Boundaries

| File name(s) | Field names | Description | Field Type and Length | Full version only |
|-----------------------------|-------------|---|-----------------------|-------------------|
| PC_Full_YY_V PC_Cut_YY_V | Postcode | The Royal Mail postcode. Comprised of for example: Area EH District 10 Sector 4 Unit SU Along with any split indicator added by NRS – A, B, C. | Character - 9 | |
| | District | Postcode District. For example EH10. | Character - 4 | |
| | Sector | Postcode Sector. For example EH10 4 | Character - 6 | |
| | DoIntro | Date of introduction | Date | |
| | DPC | The Royal Mail delivery point count. | Numeric | YES |
| | DPCNR | The Royal Mail delivery point count (non-residential). | Numeric | YES |
| | HC | The Royal Mail household count. | Numeric | YES |
| | Council | A code that identifies a 2019 Council Area. | Character - 9 | |
| | OA11 | A code that identifies a 2011 Census Output Area. | Character - 9 | |
| | DZ11 | A code that identifies a 2011 Data Zone. | Character - 9 | |
| | EW22 | A code that identifies a 2022 Electoral Ward. | Character - 9 | |

Note

YY = Year, V = version (1 or 2)

Product: Postcode Grid References

| File name | Field names | Description | Field Type and Length |
|-----------------------|-------------|--|-----------------------|
| Postcode_GridRef_YY_V | Postcode | The Royal Mail postcode. Comprised of for example: Area EH District 10 Sector 4 Unit SU Along with any split indicator added by NRS – A, B, C. | Character - 9 |
| | Easting | British National Grid reference - easting | Character - 6 |
| | Northing | British National Grid reference - northing | Character - 7 |

Product: Postcode District Boundaries

| File name | Field names | Description | Field Type and Length |
|---------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| District_YY_V | District | Postcode District. For example EH10. | Character - 4 |

Product: Postcode Sector Boundaries

| File name | Field names | Description | Field Type and Length |
|-------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Sector_YY_V | Sector | Postcode Sector. For example EH10 4 | Character - 6 |

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Product: Postcode District Grid References

| File name | Field names | Description | Field Type and Length |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--|------------------------------|
| District_GridRef_YY_V | District | Postcode District. For example EH10. | Character – 4 |
| | Easting | British National Grid reference - easting | Character - 6 |
| | Northing | British National Grid reference - northing | Character - 7 |

Product: Postcode Sector Grid References

| File name | Field names | Description | Field Type and Length |
|---------------------|--------------------|--|------------------------------|
| Sector_GridRef_YY_V | Sector | Postcode Sector. For example EH10 4 | Character – 6 |
| | Easting | British National Grid reference - easting | Character - 6 |
| | Northing | British National Grid reference - northing | Character - 7 |

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