



General Specifications Change Notification (GSCN)

WR #	GSCN Name	Effective Date
WR 25-302	Errata fix to Synopsis of GS1 Prefix ranges / listing of GS1 Prefixes 984 - 989	Sep-2025

Associated Work Request (WR) Number:

WR 24-181: GS1 Identification Standard. Although not strictly associated with this request, the new Identification Standard will impact this entire section.

Background:

Change to the listing of GS1 Prefixes 984 - 989 as "Reserved for future use" is to **align with:**
<https://www.gs1.org/standards/id-keys/company-prefix>

Why:

- This errata change will have zero impact on any current implementation of the GS1 system (coupons or otherwise). Any company using the existing solutions can continue to do so unimpeded.
- Due to technology changes since 1998, when this prefix range was reserved, it is highly unlikely GS1 Prefixes 984 – 989 will be needed for "GS1 coupon identification"

Disclaimer:

GS1 seeks to minimise barriers to the adoption of its standards and guidelines by making the intellectual property required to implement them available, to the greatest extent possible, on a royalty-free basis, or when necessary, under a RAND licence. Such royalty-free and RAND licences are provided pursuant to the GS1 IP Policy (available here: <https://www.gs1.org/standards/ip>), which governs the work of work group participants who contribute to drafting standards and guidelines, including this document. In addition to licences, the GS1 IP Policy provides various benefits and obligations that apply to all implementers of GS1 standards and guidelines, and all implementations of GS1 standards are subject to those terms.

Nevertheless, please note the possibility that an implementation of one or more features of this standard or guideline may be the subject of a patent or other intellectual property right that is not covered by the licences granted pursuant to the IP Policy. In addition, the licences granted under the IP Policy do not include the IP rights or claims of third parties who were not participants in the corresponding standard development work group.

Accordingly, GS1 recommends that any person or organisation developing an implementation of this standard or guideline should determine whether any patents or other intellectual property may encompass such implementation, and whether a licence under a patent or other IP right is needed. The implementer should determine the potential need for licensing in view of the details of the specific implementation being designed in consultation with that party's patent counsel.

The official versions of all GS1 standards and guidelines are provided as PDF files on GS1's online reference directory (<https://ref.gs1.org>) (the "GS1 Reference"). Any other representations of standards or guidelines in any other format (e.g., web pages) are provided for convenience and descriptive purposes only, and in the event of a conflict, the GS1 Reference document shall govern.

THIS DOCUMENT IS PROVIDED "AS IS" WITH NO WARRANTIES WHATSOEVER, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, NONINFRINGEMENT, FITNESS FOR PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS, OR ANY WARRANTY OTHERWISE ARISING OUT OF THIS DOCUMENT. GS1 disclaims all liability for any damages arising from any use or misuse of this document, whether special, indirect, consequential, or compensatory damages, and including liability for infringement of any intellectual property rights, relating to use of information in or reliance upon this document.

GS1 makes no commitment to update the information contained herein, and retains the right to make changes to this document at any time, without notice. GS1® and the GS1 logo are registered trademarks of GS1 AISBL.



GS1 Prefix range	Significance
0000000	Used to issue Restricted Circulation Numbers within a company
0000001 – 0000099	Unused to avoid collision with GTIN-8
00001 – 00009 0001 – 0009 001 – 019	Used to issue GS1 Company Prefixes from which U.P.C. Company Prefixes can be derived
02	Used to issue Restricted Circulation Numbers within a geographic region
03	Used to issue GS1 Company Prefixes from which U.P.C. Company Prefixes can be derived
04	Used to issue Restricted Circulation Numbers within a company
05	GS1 US reserved for future use
06 – 09	Used to issue GS1 Company Prefixes from which U.P.C. Company Prefixes can be derived
10 – 19	Used to issue GS1 Company Prefixes
20 – 29	Used to issue Restricted Circulation Numbers within a geographic region
300 – 950	Used to issue GS1 Company Prefixes
951	Used to issue General Manager Numbers for the EPC General Identifier (GID) scheme as defined by the EPC Tag Data Standard
952	Used for demonstrations and examples of the GS1 system
953 – 976	Used to issue GS1 Company Prefixes
977	Allocated to ISSN International Centre for serial publications
978 – 979	Allocated to International ISBN Agency for books, a portion of 979 sub-allocated to International ISMN Agency for music
980	Used to issue GS1 identification of refund receipts
981 – 983	Used to issue GS1 coupon identification for common currency areas
984 – 989	Reserved for future GS1 coupon identification use _ _ _ _ _
99	Used to issue GS1 coupon identification

1.4.3 GS1-8 Prefix

Formatted: GS1 Reference, Font: Not Bold

GS1-8 Prefixes	Significance
000 – 099	Used to issue Restricted Circulation Numbers within a company
100 – 199	Used to issue GTIN-8s
200 – 299	Used to issue Restricted Circulation Numbers within a company
300 – 951	Used to issue GTIN-8s
952	Used for demonstrations and examples of the GS1 system
953 – 976	Used to issue GTIN-8s
977 – 999	Reserved for future use

A GS1 Company Prefix is a unique string of four to twelve digits used to issue GS1 identification keys. The first digits are a valid GS1 Prefix and the length of the GS1 Company Prefix SHALL be at least one longer than the length of the GS1 Prefix. The GS1 Company Prefix is issued by a GS1 Member Organisation or by GS1 Global Office, is based on a GS1 Prefix allocated to the issuer, and is allocated either to a GS1 user company or to the issuer itself (e.g., for issuing individual identification keys).