

2022 Mortality Experience Data Collection

What's New in 2022?

- New Data File Layout
- New Plan Codes (voluntary)
- New Cause of Termination (voluntary)
- Ability to Download Exceptions from RDC
- Data Dictionary
- Rules-Based Validation Changes
- Reconciliation Template Changes
- Reinsurer / Third-Party Administrator Reporting

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What's New in 2022? - New Data File Layout

- An additional field has been added to better accommodate companies where a portion of their business is administered by a reinsurer or other third-party administrator. This impacts all companies.
- VM-51 Section 2.B also contains some additional language to clarify reporting requirements when there is reporting being done by a TPA.
- RDC is being modified to accept the new layout. Files with the old layout will be rejected.
- Companies must notify the NAIC in advance if a portion of their data is going to be submitted by a third-party.

ITEM	MAX LENGTH	DATA ELEMENT	DESCRIPTION
1	9	Submitting Company ID	ID number representing the company submitting this file. If the company has an NAIC Company Code, then that code must be used. If the company does not have an NAIC Company Code, the company's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) must be used. If the direct writer is the company submitting the data, items 1 and 2 must contain the same value.
2	5	NAIC Company Code of the Direct Writer of Business	The NAIC Company Code of the company that wrote the business being reported. In the case of assumption reinsurance where the assuming company is legally responsible for all benefits and claims paid, the assuming company is considered to be the direct writer. If the direct writer is the company submitting the data file, items 1 and 2 must contain the same value.

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What's New in 2022? - New Data File Layout

- The Smoker Status field was originally designated as “Smoker Status (at issue).”
- The “(at issue)” has now been dropped.
- Companies should now populate this field with the current smoker status.

ITEM	MAX LENGTH	DATA ELEMENT	DESCRIPTION
12	1	Smoker Status	Smoker status should be submitted where reliable. 0 = Unknown 1 = No tobacco usage 2 = Nonsmoker 3 = Cigarette smoker 4 = Tobacco user

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What's New in 2022? - New Plan Codes

- During the review of the first data collection, it was noted that there were no distinct plan codes for coverage purchased with dividends.
- The NAIC has submitted an amendment to the *Valuation Manual* to add two plan codes to accommodate this situation. This amendment is expected to be adopted for the 2023 *Valuation Manual*.
- We are asking companies to incorporate these plan codes in 2022 on a voluntary basis. Having these plan codes in use will greatly help with the review process.

Coverage purchased with dividends:

196 – Paid Up Additions

197 – One Year Term

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What's New in 2022? - New Cause of Termination

- The Society of Actuaries requested a method of collecting data regarding COVID-19 deaths. Instead of adding a new field, we have defined a new cause of termination.
- The NAIC has submitted an amendment to the *Valuation Manual* to add this cause of termination. This amendment is expected to be adopted for the 2023 *Valuation Manual*.
- We are asking companies to incorporate this cause of termination in 2022 on a voluntary basis.

Cause of Termination:

05 – Death due to COVID-19

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What's New in 2022?

- Ability to download Exceptions from RDC
 - The RDC system is currently being modified to allow exceptions to be downloaded to a csv file. The modification is expected to be in place prior to June 30, 2022.
 - Instructions for the download will be posted to our website as soon as the modification has been implemented.
- Data Dictionary
 - NAIC staff are currently working on a Data Dictionary for the VM-51 data file.
 - The Data Dictionary will give additional guidance on how each field is to be populated.
 - This is expected to be completed and published to our website by June 30, 2022.
- An email will notify companies when these resources are available.

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What's New in 2022?

- Rules-Based Validation Changes
 - NAIC Staff has received additional guidance from the Society of Actuaries regarding some fields.
 - As a result of this guidance, the severity of all the rules-based validations was reviewed.
 - Some validations that were previously identified as Critical are no longer considered Critical (e.g. Issue Age must match calculated Issue Age using Date of Birth, Issue Date, and Age Basis).
 - Some validations that were not previously identified as Critical have been upgraded to Critical (e.g. Invalid value for Preferred Class Structure Indicator).
 - A listing of the revised validations will be posted to our website by June 30,2022.
 - Detailed data on exceptions will now be delivered via csv files instead of Excel.

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- Reconciliation Template Changes
 - NAIC staff is in the process of revising the Reconciliation Template.
 - Changes Include additional line items that were not previously included.
 - There will also be a section to identify reinsurer / third-party reporting for a portion of a company's data.
 - The new Reconciliation Template is expected to be available on the NAIC website in July.

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- Reinsurer / Third-Party Administrator Reporting
 - If a company is planning on having a third-party submit a portion of their data, they must notify the NAIC in advance.
 - There will be special requirements in the Reconciliation to the Annual Statement to assure all data is being captured.
 - We will be conducting a separate webinar to cover Third-Party reporting in more depth.