

### STORET 2.0 Guidance

This document is to be used as a reference for loading data into STORET 2.0 using SIM2.0.1 and DEPSIM2.0. Not every situation or allowed value has been listed. If you have are unsure about an allowed value to best way to find it is by looking within the STORET application. EPA has included a DEMOTEST organization for the dual purpose of viewing examples and testing data. Also within the SIM program the translation button in the edit import configuration will allow you to search for the allowed value for that field. As always, the STORET Staff is available to assist you with any questions.

PROJECTS							
Column	Required by	Required by		Condition	Allowed Values	Description	Length
Project ID	Yes	DEP					8
Name	Yes						60
Start Date	Yes				Specify format for SIM.		10
Duration	Yes						15
Purpose	Yes						1999
Contact							1999
Document/ Graphic							256
STATIONS							
Column	Required by	Required by		Condition	Allowed Values	Description	Length
Station ID	Yes	DEP			Must exist in STORET		15
Station Name					DEP needs a descriptive location in this field. For example: Big River - 1 mile N of US 27 Bridge.		60
Primary Type	Yes	Yes			CERCLA Superfund Site Canal Cave Channelized stream Combined sewer Constructed Wetland Estuary Facility Gallery Great Lake Lake Land Land runoff Landfill Mine/mine discharge Ocean Reservoir River/Stream Riverine impoundment Spring Storm sewer Waste pit Waste sewer Well Wetland		



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Latitude	Yes	Yes			Specify format for SIM.		14
Latitude Direction	Defaults to "N"				Yes		1
Longitude	Yes	Yes			Specify format for SIM.		15
Longitude Direction	Defaults to "W"				Yes		1
Lat/Long Measurement Date					Specify format for SIM.		10
Geopositioning Datum	Yes				AMSMA ASTRO GUAM JHNSN NAD27 NAD83 OLDHI OTHER PR SGEOR SLAWR SPAUL UNKWN WAKE WGS72 WGS84	American Samoa Datum Midway Astro 1961 Guam 1963 Johnson Island 1961 North American Datum 1927 - Common North American Datum 1983 - Most Common Old Hawaiian Datum Other Puerto Rico Datum St. George Island Datum St. Lawrence Island Datum St. Paul Island Datum Unknown Wake-Eniwetok 1960 World Geodetic System 1972 WGS84 - World Geodetic System 1984 - Common	
Geopositioning Method	Yes				001 002 003 004 005 006 007 008 009 010 011 012 013 014 015 016 017 018 019 020 021 022 023 024 025 026 027 028 029 030 031 032 033 034 035 036 037 038	Address Matching-House Number Address Matching-Block Face Address Matching-Street Centerline Address Matching-Nearest Intersection Address Matching-Primary Name Address Matching-Digitizec Address Matching-Other Census Block-1990-Centroid Census Block/Group-1990-Centroid Census Block/Tract-1990-Centroid Census-Other GPS Carrier Phase Static Relative Position GPS Carrier Phase Kinematic Relative Position GPS Code (Pseudo Range) Differential GPS Code (Pseudo Range) Precise Position GPS Code (Pseudo Range) Standard Position (SA Off) GPS Code (Pseudo Range) Standard Position (SA On) Interpolation-Map Interpolation-Photo Interpolation-Satellite Interpolation-Other Loran C Public Land Survey-Quarter Sector Public Land Survey-Sector Classical Surveying Technique ZIP Code-Centroid Unknown GPS-Unspecified GPS, with Canadian Active Control System Interpolation - Digital Map Source (TIGER) Interpolation - SPOT Interpolation - MSS Interpolation - TV Public Land Survey-Eighth Sector Public Land Survey-Sixteenth Sector Public Land Survey-Footing ZIP+4 Centroid ZIP+2 Centroid	

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Scale	Conditional		If Method = Interpolator			20
State	Yes			FL		2
County	Yes			See List in STORET		25
HUC						8
Ecoregion Name						60
NRCS Watershed ID						8
Influence Area						120
Travel Directions						254
ZID Relation				AB NF WZ FF RF	At Boundary At Outfall Within ZID Beyond ZID Reference	
Native American Land Name						40
Native American Land State						2
Elevation						9
Elevation Units	Conditional		If elevation is given	ft m		2
Elevation Method	Conditional		If elevation is given			3
Elevation Datum	Conditional		If elevation is given			6
Elevation Measurement Date				Specify format for SIM.		10
Ocean Name	Conditional		If primary type is Ocear	Arctic Ocean Atlantic Ocean Caribbean Sea Gulf of Mexico Pacific Ocean		15
Shore Relation	Conditional		If primary type is Ocear	Near Shore Off Shore	within territorial waters beyond territorial waters	10
Additional Ocean Name						30
Ocean Station Dist to Shore						6
Ocean Station Dist to Shore Units	Conditional		If distance is given	nmi mi mi km ft		3
Ocean Station Ref Point						30
Ocean Station Bottom Topography						254
Primary Estuary	Conditional		If Primary type is Estuary	A list of Primary Estuaries can be found in Sim, STORET, or DEP's additional documentation		30
Primary Estuary State	Conditional		If Primary type is Estuary	Yes	You will most likely use 'Florida'	40
Secondary Estuary				A list of Primary Estuaries can be found in Sim, STORET, or DEP's additional documentation		30
Other Estuary						30

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Additional Estuary Name							30
Estuary Distance to Shore							6
Estuary Dist to Shore Units	Conditional			If distance is given	nmi mi mi km ft		3
Estuary Reference Point							30
Great Lake	Conditional			If primary type is Great Lake	Lake Ontario Lake Erie Lake Huron Lake Michigan Lake Superior	You will most likely not use this field	
Additional Great Lake Name							30
Great Lake Dist to Shore							6
Great Lake Dist to Shore Units	Conditional			If distance is given	nmi mi mi km ft		3
Great Lake Reference Point							30
<b>Results</b>							
Column	Required by STORET	DEP Planning	DEP Verified	Conditional Explanation	Allowed Values	Description/Help	Multiple Entries
Trip ID	Yes		Yes		Must Exist in STORET		15
Trip Start Date	Conditional			If not generated by SIM, Trip Start Date must be in file or exist.	Specify format for SIM.		10
Trip Stop Date					Specify format for SIM.		10
Trip Name							60
Station ID	Yes		Yes		Must Exist in STORET		15
Point Type					Must Exist in STORET		16
Sequence Number	Conditional			When needed			4
Well or Pipe ID	Conditional			For Wells			15
Additional Location Information							254
Station Visit Number	Yes		Yes				3
Station Visit Arrival Date	Conditional			If not generated by SIM, Station Visit Arrival Date must be in file or exist.	Specify format for SIM.		10
Visit Comments							4000
Visit Document/Graphic							256
Project ID	Yes		Yes		Must Exist in STORET	Separate Multiple Entries with ""	8
Activity ID	Yes		Yes				12
Medium	Yes		Yes		Air Biological Other Sediment Soil Water		8
Activity Type	Yes		Yes		Sample Field Msr/Obs Data Logger Trip QC	Material removed from the field for analysis elsewhere. A measurement or observation made in the field, not removing material for analysis elsewhere.	15

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Activity Category	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional	If Activity Type = Field Msr/Obs, Sample		30
				Routine Sample	A sample gathered using straightforward 'grab' procedures for purposes of a general evaluation of the environment at the site.	
				Field Replicate/Duplicate	A sample 'twinned' to another sample with respect to procedures, medium, and tools used. Used to confirm or assure sample results.	
				Composite-with Parents	A sample created by combining two or more 'parent' samples may only contribute to such a composite sample once. They are 'consumed' by the compositing process.	
				Routine Msr/Obs	MEASUREMENTS involve something measured in its environmental setting usually using some type of equipment.	
				Automated Measurement	OBSERVATIONS are made by people, usually without the use of equipment, and are frequently qualitative.	
				Routine Habitat Assessment	Measurement made in the field by an automated data logging device, running unattended and producing a suite of data values at repeating intervals set by its owner/operator.	
				Depletion Replicate	A field activity conducted to evaluate a habitat, according to an organization's pre-defined habitat assessment scheme.	
				Replicate Msr/Obs	A sample which is part of a sampling method described as 'depletion sampling'. It is used to obtain an accurate estimate of the population of a species by observing successive samples which show decreasing numbers.	
				Created from Sample	A measurement 'twinned' to another measurement with respect to a field protocol, procedure, etc. Used to confirm/assure measurement results.	
				Integrated Time Series	This is used when a sample is 'created' from another sample. For example, a liver is taken from a fish, or a 100 ml specimen can be drawn from a 500 ml sample.	
				Integrated Flow Proportioned	A discrete/integrated sample, usually derived from a continuous record, representing some portion or segment of elapsed time within the overall activity duration or sample period.	
				Integrated Horizontal Profile	A sample integrated over an interval or space within which changes in flow are used to alter the proportion of the sampled medium contributing to the integrated sample.	
				Integrated Vertical Profile	A discrete/integrated sample, usually derived from a continuous record, representing some portion or segment of a horizontal track within the study area.	
				Integrated Cross-Sectional Profile	A discrete/integrated sample, usually derived from a continuous record, representing some portion or segment of a vertical track within the study area.	
				Composite w/o Parents	Describes a sample which is a composite of either several discrete sampling events not described elsewhere, or is a sample collected by a continuous process over some time period. No database record exists as its parent.	
				Replicate Habitat Assessment	An evaluation of a habitat, repeating an earlier evaluation, used to confirm or assure the previous results.	
				Field Spike	A 'spiked' sample, whose concentration(s) of one or more contaminants have been intentionally increased by a known amount, through the (secret) addition of material to the sample.	
				Portable Data Logger		
				Field Equipment Rinsate Blank		
				Field Blank		
				Field Subsample		
				Field Split		
				Field Calibration Check		
				Field Surrogate Spike		
				Field Ambient Conditions Blank		

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Trip QC Type	Conditional	Conditional	If Activity Type = Trip QC		
				Trip Blank	This sample is prepared by putting analyte-free/organic-free water in the container and then adding preservatives and/or reagent and the sample thus prepared accompanies other samples collected
				Trip Reagent Blank	This sample is prepared by putting analyte-free/organic-free water in the container and then adding preservatives and/or reagent
				Trip Equipment Blank	Analysis of this sample, when compared with that of related QC samples, will determine if the equipment is clean. Equipment field blanks are defined as samples which are obtained by running organic-free water over/through sample collection equipment after it has been cleaned. These samples will be used
				Trip Pre-Preserv Bk	This sample is prepared by putting analyte-free/organic-free water in the container without adding preservatives. Analysis of this sample, when compared with that of related QC samples, will determine if the equipment is clean.
				Trip Post-Preserv Bk	This sample is prepared by putting analyte-free/organic-free water in the container and then adding preservatives. Analysis of this sample, when compared with that of related QC samples, will determine if the equipment is clean.
				Trip Field Spike	Organic-free water is taken to the field in sealed containers and poured into the appropriate sample containers at pre-designated locations. This is done to determine if any contaminants are present.
				Trip Reference Sample	
				Trip Bottle Blank	Self Describing
				Trip Perform Eval Sample	Self Describing
				Ship Container Temp Bk	Self Describing
				Trip Storage Blank	Self Describing
				Trip Calibration Blank	Self Describing
				Trip Control Blank	Self Describing
Sample Matrix		Yes		Ambient Air	
				Drilling Air	
				Air, Vapor Well Effluent	
				Air QC Matrix	
				Cinder-Ash	
				Fly Ash Cinder	
				Drill Cuttings	
				Dredged Material	
				Forest Litter	
				Gaseous Effluent	
				Headspace, Liquid Sample	
				Soil Gas	
				Aqueous Phase/Sample	
				Liquid Condensate	
				Drilling Fluid	
				Liquid Emulsion	
				Product on GW Table	
				Liq Waste< 5% Dry Solids	
				Multiphase Liquid Sample	
				Organic Liquid	
				Elutriate	
				Liquid-Vadose Zone	
				Haz. Multiphase Waste	
				Oil 1	
				Plant	
				Rock/Cobbles/Gravel	
				Stormwater	

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Sample Matrix (cont)			Yes		Surface Soil Bentonite Cement Drill Cuttings, Solid Surface Water Sediment Filter Sandpack Soil Waste> 5% Dry Solids Subsurface Soil Sludge Solid Filter Material Misc. Solid Materials Soil Casing (various) Soil/Solid QC Matrix Water Filter Residue Scrapings Solid Waste Swab or Wipe Unknown Water Drill Cuttings, Aqueous Drilling Water Well Development Water Estuary Ground Water Equipment Wash Water Leachate Disturbed Water Ocean Water Drinking Water Water QC Matrix Water Undifferentiated Surface Water Water-Vadose Zone Waste Water Special Water QC Matrix		
Chain of Custody ID							30
Replicate Number	Conditional		Conditional	If Activity Type was replicate		Used for duplicates	3
Parent Sample ID	Conditional			If sample had a parent	Must Exist in STORET	Separate with "&" for Composites with Parents	12
Activity Start Date	Yes	Yes	Yes			Specify format for SIM.	10
Activity Start Time			Yes			Specify format for SIM.	8
Activity Start Time Zone	Conditional		Yes			EST EDT CDT CST	3
Activity End Date						Specify format for SIM.	10
Activity End Time						Specify format for SIM.	8
Activity End Time Zone	Conditional					EST EDT CDT CST	3



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Total Sample Weight								7
Total Sample Weight Units	Conditional			If Sample Weight was given	g lb mg oz			10
Depth to Activity		Yes	Yes - Depth/Unit or Relative			DEP would prefer both the Depth/Unit and the Relative Depth		8
Depth to Activity Units	Conditional	Yes	Yes - Depth/Unit or Relative	If Depth to Activity was given	ft m	DEP would prefer both the Depth/Unit and the Relative Depth		2
Relative Depth		Yes	Yes - Depth/Unit or Relative		Bottom Midwater Near Bottom Subbottom Surface	DEP would prefer both the Depth/Unit and the Relative Depth		8
Depth Measured From								30
Lower Depth								8
Upper Depth								8
Upper/Lower Depth Units	Conditional			If upper or lower depths are given	ft m			2
Depth Zone Type					Yes			11
Thermocline					Above Below In			5
Halocline					Above Below In			5
Pycnocline					Above Below In			5
Personnel					Must Exist in STORET	This will need to be added through the preferences and defaults menu. Separate with "\		256
Cooperating Organization					Must Exist in STORET	This will need to be added through the preferences and defaults menu. Separate with "\		60
Activity Comments						DEP has asked for samples taken immediately after 2004 Hurricanes in effected areas to be indicated here with the comment "HURRICANE".		254
Activity Document/Graphic								256
Sample Collection Procedure ID	Conditional			If Sample was collected.	Must Exist in STORET	This will need to be added through the preferences and defaults menu		8
Gear ID	Conditional			If Sample Collection Procedure is used and Gear Group Name does not = <BLANK>	Extensive Pick list in STORET	DEP ask you to leave Gear Group name Blank in Sample Collection Procedure. This will need to be added through the preferences and defaults menu if you choose to use it.		30
Gear Configuration ID				Use only if Gear_ID is used	Must Exist in STORET	This will need to be added through the preferences and defaults menu		10
Gear Deployment Comments								1998

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Sample Preservation, Transport & Storage ID					Must Exist in STORET		10
Sample Transport and Storage Comments							1998
Field Set Name	Conditional						30
Field Set ID	Conditional						10
Detection Condition					Detected and Quantified ----- Detected not Quantified ----- Not Detected ----- Present above Quantification ----- Present below Quantification ----- Not Reported		40
Characteristic Group ID	Conditional		Conditional	Dependent on loading methodology	Must Exist in STORET		8
Characteristic Row ID	Conditional		Conditional	Dependent on loading methodology	Must Exist in STORET		20
Characteristic Name	Conditional	Yes	Conditional	Dependent on loading methodology	Yes - See Storet1.TSRCHAR Table		60
Result Value	Conditional	Yes	Yes	Not reported values	Yes - Number, choice list, or allowed values (below) *Non-detect *Not Reported *Present >QL *Present <QL *Present	Non-detect Not reported Present above quantification limit Present below quantification limit Present but not quantified	254
Result Value Units	Conditional	Yes	Conditional	Detected results. Choice list result may not need units	Yes - See Storet.TSRUOM Table		10
Result Status	Defaults to F				F ----- P ----- Total	Final ----- Preliminary ----- The total of all fractions of the analyte.	1
Sample Fraction	Conditional			Required for some Characteristics	Dissolved ----- Suspended ----- Settleable ----- Non-settleable ----- Filterable ----- Non-filterable ----- Volatile ----- Non-volatile ----- Acid Soluble ----- Vapor ----- Supernate ----- Fixed ----- Total Recoverable ----- Comb Available ----- Total Residual ----- Free Available ----- Pot. Dissolved	That portion of the analyte found in the liquid medium. Cannot be removed by filtration. ----- That portion of the analyte which is suspended in the sampled medium, either as, or adsorbed to, particles which are more or less uniformly dispersed within the medium. ----- That portion of the analyte which is found in or absorbed to that part of the sample which has settled (fallen out of suspension) to the bottom of the sample container. ----- That portion of the analyte which is in or absorbed to particles remaining in suspension in the sample container after a settling process. ----- That portion of the analyte which is extracted from the liquid medium by filtration. ----- That portion of the analyte which is in or absorbed to material which passes through the filter during sample filtration. ----- That portion of the analyte which evaporates readily at normal temperature and pressure. ----- That portion of the analyte which is in a liquid or solid state under normal temperature and pressure. ----- That portion of the analyte which becomes dissolved within the sample following treatment with an appropriate acid. ----- That portion of the analyte which exists in a gaseous state and that under ordinary conditions is liquid or solid. ----- That portion of the analyte found in the liquid layer above a precipitate produced from the sample. ----- That portion of the analyte found in the liquid layer above a precipitate produced from the sample. ----- Combined Available ----- Total Residual ----- Free Available ----- Potentially Dissolved	15

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Statistic Type					Maximum Mean Median Minimum Mode MPN Standard Deviation 5 pct 10 pct 15 pct 20 pct 25 pct 75 pct 80 pct 85 pct 90 pct 95 pct	5th percentile 10th percentile 15th percentile 20th percentile 25th percentile 75th percentile 80th percentile 85th percentile 90th percentile 95th percentile	18
Value Type	Defaults to Actual				Actual Calculated Estimated		11
Precision							12
Confidence Level					67 75 80 85 90 95 97.5 99 99.9		8
Bias							12
CL Corrected for Bias					Y N		1
Duration Basis					See list in STORET		8
Temperature Basis					See list in STORET		8
Weight basis					Ash-free Dry Dry Wet		12
Particle Size Basis							40
Result Comment							4000
Result Document/Graphic							256
Laboratory ID		Yes			Refer to list of NELAC Certified Labs	This is a DOH#. For example E50002. See Labs_All_Info.xls.	8
Field/Lab Procedure	Conditional	Yes	Yes	Required for some Characteristic	Must Exist in STORET	For field paramaters see the Methods help list, DEP_Field_Methods.xls.	15
Field/Lab Procedure Source	Conditional	Yes	Yes	Required if Procedure is given	AOAC APHA ASTM ENV/CANADA FISON HACH IL/SWSD ISO NCASI NIOSH USDON/NOAA USDOE/ASD USDOE/EML USDOI/USGS USEPA USFDA Organization_ID	If the Method was added (not Adopt Nat'l).	12

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Laboratory Certified							1
Laboratory Batch ID			Yes			Links QC data to Field/Lab results	10
Lab Remark Codes	Conditional					AL Aldol condensation present. Analyte may not be present. Separate with "\n" CNT Non-acceptable colony counts. EHT Sample or extract held beyond acceptable holding time. FBK Analyte found in blank. Sample contamination indicated. FDB Failed. Dry blank not acceptable. FDC Failed. Drift check not acceptable. FIS Failed. Internal standard not acceptable. FLD Failed. Lab duplicate not acceptable. FFD Failed. Field duplicate not acceptable. FFB Failed. Field blank not acceptable. FFS Failed. Field spike not acceptable. FFT Failed. Trip blank not acceptable. FLC Failed. Linearity check did not meet quality criterion. FLS Failed. Lab spike recovery not acceptable. FMS Failed. Matrix spike recovery not acceptable. FPC Failed. Lab performance check not acceptable. FQC Failed. Quality control criteria exceeded during analysis. FRS Failed. Internal reference sample not acceptable. FSP Failed. Surrogate spike recovery not acceptable. FFB Failed. Spiked field blank recovery not acceptable. FSL Failed. Spiked lab blank recovery not acceptable. INT Interference suspected. Analyte may not be present. ISP Improper sample preservation noted. Analysis performed. LIS Lab internal standard(s) added to sample. LLS Value less than lower quality control standard. PRE Presumptive evidence that analyte is present. NJ TIC, Tentatively Identified Compound, result is approximate N TIC, Tentatively Identified Compound, presumptive id only	6
				If you want your Value qualifiers to be viewed by EPA or anyone retrieving data from EPA, it is suggested that you translate your Value Qualifiers to a Lab Remark Code and/or include your qualifier in the Result Comment field. An extensive list of how you should translate and report your Value Qualifiers to EPA STORET can be found in the STORET Documents.			
Analysis Date			Yes			Specify format for SIM.	10
Analysis Time			Yes			Specify format for SIM.	8
Analysis Time Zone	Conditional		Yes	Required if Analysis Time is given		EDT EST CDT CST	3
Lab Sample Prep Procedure			Conditional	Required for some Characteristics		Must Exist in STORET	15
Lab Sample Prep Procedure Source	Conditional		Conditional	Required if Procedure is given		APHA  ASTM DEMOTEST USDOE/ASD USEPA	12
Quantification Low			Yes				8
Quantification High			Conditional	If result text = Present >QL			8
Detection Limit			Yes				8
Detection Limit Unit	Conditional		Yes			See Storet.TSRUOM Table	8
Detection Limit Comment							254
PDL Line Number							8
PDL Line Name							25
Value Qualifier			Conditional	As needed	See Value Qualifier List	This field is for FDEP use, EPA will not receive or acknowledge this field. **If preservation NOT intact, use "Y" qualifier	7
Prep Date			Conditional	Required for some Characteristics	Specify format for SIM.	This field is for FDEP use, EPA will not receive or acknowledge this field.	10
Prep Time			Conditional	Required for some Characteristics	Specify format for SIM.	This field is for FDEP use, EPA will not receive or acknowledge this field.	10