

PAT -IRAS FILE SPECIFICATION AND SOFTWARE UPDATES

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1) What are the recent changes of PAT system?

S/N	Affected Forms	File Specification Enhancements
1	IR8A	<p>(i) Below Payer's ID Types are removed from the list of ID type, RFF segment, qualifier AWM of IR8A Header section. C=CRN M=MCST G=GSTN</p> <p>Updated list of Payer's ID Types 7=UEN – Business (ROB) 8=UEN – Local Company (ROC) U=UEN – Others A=ASGD I = ITR</p> <p>(ii) Below new bank names are added in RFF segment, qualifier AWE of IR8A details section</p> <p>5 = CIMB BANK BHD, 6 = CITIBANK, 7 = HSBC, 8 = MAY BANK, 9 = STAND CHAR</p> <p>Updated list of Names of Bank 1 = DBS/POSB, 2 = UOB/OUB, 3 = OCBC, 4 = OTHERS, 5 = CIMB BANK BHD, 6 = CITIBANK, 7 = HSBC, 8 = MAY BANK, 9 = STAND CHAR Leave blank if not applicable</p> <p>(iii) Find the updated list of Country Code and list of Nationality Code in Annex A of IRASInterfaceFileSpecRel8_0.pdf</p> <p>(iv) Data item for Payroll Date, DTM segment, qualifier 164 of IR8A</p>

		<p>details section is no longer applicable with effect from Year of Assessment 2013. Leave as blank. <u>Sample format to declare</u> DTM 164</p> <p>(v) Data item for Employee voluntary contribution (overseas posting), MOA segment, qualifier 352 of IR8A details section is no longer applicable with effect from Year of Assessment 2013. Leave as blank or zero. <u>Sample format to declare</u> MOA 3520 or MOA 352</p> <p>(vi) Allow blank for "Employee's income tax borne by employer" indicator, RFF segment, qualifier AWS of IR8A details section</p> <p>F = Tax fully borne by employer on employment income only P = Tax partially borne by employer on certain employment income items H = A fixed amount of income tax liability borne by employee N = Not applicable Leave blank if the indicator is not F or P or H or N</p> <p>Please declare as N or blank if "Employee's income tax borne by employer " indicator is not applicable in the Original batch submission</p> <p>Please declare as blank if "Employee's income tax borne by employer " indicator is not needed to amend in Amendment batch submission (Not to overwrite the Original submission)</p> <p>(vii) Allow blank for "Exempt/ Remission income" indicator, RFF segment, qualifier AWC of IR8A details section</p> <p>1=Tax Remission on Overseas Cost of Living Allowance (OCLA) 2=Tax remission on Operation Headquarters(OHQ) 3=Seaman 4=Exemption N=Not Applicable Leave blank if the indicator is not 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or N</p> <p>Please declare as N or blank if "Exempt/ Remission income" indicator is not applicable in the Original batch submission</p> <p>Please declare as blank if "Exempt/ Remission income" indicator is not needed to amend in Amendment batch submission (Not to overwrite the Original submission)</p>
2	IR8S	<p>(i) Below Payer's ID Types are removed from the list of ID type, RFF segment, qualifier AWM of IR8S Header section. C=CRN M=MCST</p>

		<p>G=GSTN</p> <p>Updated list of Payer's ID Types 7=UEN – Business (ROB) 8=UEN – Local Company (ROC) U=UEN – Others A=ASGD I = ITR</p> <p>(ii)Data item for “CPF capping applied indicator” RFF segment, qualifier AYB of IR8S details section is no longer applicable with effect from Year of Assessment 2013. Leave as blank. <u>Sample format to declare</u> RFF AYB</p> <p>(iii) Data item for “CPF contributions in respect of overseas posting are obligatory by contract of employment indicator” RFF segment, qualifier AYA of IR8S details section is no longer applicable with effect from Year of Assessment 2013. Leave as blank. <u>Sample format to declare</u> RFF AYA</p> <p>(iv) Data items for “Overseas posting from date and to date” DTM segment, qualifier 500 and 501 of IR8S details section are no longer applicable with effect from Year of Assessment 2013. Leave as blank. <u>Sample format to declare</u> DTM 500 102 DTM 501 102</p>
4	A8A	<p>(i) Below Payer's ID Types are removed from the list of ID type, RFF segment, qualifier AWM of A8A Header section. C=CRN M=MCST G=GSTN</p> <p>Updated list of Payer's ID Types 7=UEN – Business (ROB) 8=UEN – Local Company (ROC) U=UEN – Others A=ASGD I = ITR</p> <p>(ii)Number of employee sharing the quarters, QTY segment, qualifier 329 cannot be blank or equal to zero when Total value of furniture, etc MOA segment, qualifier 503 is not equal to zero in A8A details section.</p>
5	A8B	<p>(i) Below Payer's ID Types are removed from the list of ID type, RFF segment, qualifier AWK of A8B Header section. C=CRN M=MCST G=GSTN</p> <p>Updated list of Payer's ID Types 7=UEN – Business (ROB) 8=UEN – Local Company (ROC) U=UEN – Others</p>

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2) I am existing PAT subscriber, how will these changes affect me?

a) If you are using in-house payroll or engaging payroll software vendor for IRAS submissions

Please ensure your IT personnel or payroll vendor provides you latest IRAS files for submission via PAT system.

b) If you are using PAT online template for IRAS submissions

IRAS submission will be as per normal as all changes will be integrated into PAT system

3) I am existing PAT certified vendor, what do I need to do for these changes?

You are required to update your file format to be in accordance to PAT latest file specification.

Thereafter you can perform an **Upload Testing** online via PAT system or use your PAT File Validator software to validate the file format.

4) When can I start performing the Upload Testing?

You can perform an **Upload testing** starting from **November 2012** by using your User ID to test your file format via PAT system. Please complete the testing by January 2013 before the actual IRAS submission begins.

IMPORTANT: When performing upload testing, please **DO NOT** submit the file as it will incur transmission fee and reject by IRAS.

Alternatively, you can purchase PAT File Validator software online at one-time cost of SGD53.50 (inclusive 7% GST) by login to www.pat.com.sg

5) What is the difference between "Upload Testing" and "Trial Run"?

Upload Testing is simply uploading your file(s) to PAT system in "Live" environment, without transmitting to IRAS for re-validation, by using your account/user Id. This is required if vendors/subscribers need to re-validate the file format due to some changes of PAT system or file specification.

Trial Run will be run in "Trial" environment that you file(s) need to transmit over to IRAS for re-validation. A Trial ID will be issued for this purpose. This is usually applicable to new subscribers or requested by IRAS and Crimsonlogic

6) Do I need to re-download the PAT software?

a) IRAS Windows Printing Patch Version 5.0

Yes, as there are some labels change in IRAS forms hence you are required to download patch file to replace the IRAS reports template

Please note:

If your IRAS submission document was prepared on/after 01 Jan 2007, please use IRAS Printing Version 5.0 with the new template replaced

If your IRAS submission document was prepared before 01 Jan 2007, please continue to use IRAS Printing Version 1.0.

b) PAT File Validator

Please download latest PAT File Validator Patch Version 1.05 if you have bought the software earlier. You are not required to do so if is otherwise.

7) When can I re-download the software?

You can download the software starting from **September 2012**

8) Will I be charged for re-downloading of the software?

- a) PAT window printing is FREE software.
- b) For PAT file Validator, please refer to Question 9 for more information

9) Where can I download the new installer or patch of the PAT software?

- a) If you have installed IRAS Windows Printing Version 5.0 and purchased PAT File Validator Version 1.04 earlier:

i) IRAS Windows Printing Patch Version 5.0

Go to Home page of PAT website, click on [Resources link](#) that will direct you to download page of [IRAS Windows Printing Patch Version 5.0](#)

ii) PAT File Validator Patch Version 1.05

Log in to PAT website, click on [PAT File Validator on the menu](#) that will direct you to download page of [PAT File Validator Patch Version 1.05](#)

- b) If you have **NOT** installed IRAS Windows Printing version 5.0 or purchased PAT Validator software earlier

i) IRAS Windows Printing Version 5.0 with the new template replaced

Go to Home page of PAT website, click on [Resources link](#) that will direct you to download page of [IRAS Windows Printing Version 5.0](#)

ii) PAT File Validator Installer Version 1.05

You can choose to purchase PAT File Validator at one-time cost of \$53.50 (inclusive of GST 7%).

10) I have downloaded the PAT File Validator patch, how do I install it?

Please note you will need **Administrator right** to run the patch.
For installation procedures, please refer to the following:

1. Open the zip file using WinZip
2. Extract the files and folders inside the zip file to your local PC.
3. Please preserve the directory structure. Do not run the patch program directly from the zip file.
4. Double-click on the **PATFileValidatorPatch.exe**
5. Locate the installation folder of PAT File Validator, where PATFileValidator.exe is located
6. Click Run
7. Click Finish

11) I have downloaded the IRAS Windows Printing patch, how do I install it?

Please note you will need **Administrator right** to run the patch.
For installation procedures, please refer to the following:

1. Open the zip file using WinZip
2. Extract the files and folders inside the zip file to your local PC.
3. Please preserve the directory structure. Do not run the patch program directly from the zip file.
4. Double-click on the **PrintingPatch.exe**
5. Locate the installation folder of IRAS Windows Printing, where **Printing.exe** is located
6. Click Run
7. Click Finish

12) Whom can I seek advice if I encounter problem?

You can contact our helpdesk at Tel: 6887 7888 or email to them at Helpdesk@crimsonlogic.com