



# **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<br>PC_Cut_YY_V | Postcode    | The Royal Mail postcode. Comprised of for example:<br>Area EH<br>District 10<br>Sector 4<br>Unit SU<br>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         |                   |
|                             | Dolntro     | 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 2018 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         |                   |
|                             | EW18        | A code that identifies a 2018 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:<br>Area     EH<br>District 10<br>Sector   4<br>Unit     SU<br>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         |

#### Note

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**Product: Postcode District Grid References**

| <b>File name</b>      | <b>Field names</b> | <b>Description</b>                   | <b>Field Type and Length</b> |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| District_GridRef_YY_V | District           | Postcode District. For example EH10. | Character - 4                |

**Product: Postcode Sector Grid References**

| <b>File name</b>    | <b>Field names</b> | <b>Description</b>                  | <b>Field Type and Length</b> |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sector_GridRef_YY_V | Sector             | Postcode Sector. For example EH10 4 | Character - 6                |

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