



# **Agency Contribution Record Layout**

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# **Revision History**

The table below tracks changes made to the file format, and when the changes occurred.

Ref. No.	Date	Revision
1	10/04/2010	The "Bank Routing Number", found in the Employee Information Record, has had the record length changed from a length of 8 to a length of 9.
2	10/04/2010	The "Hours Paid for the Payroll Period", found in the Contribution Transaction Record, has had the record length changed from a length of 6 to a length of 4.
3	10/04/2010	Based on the length changes of Reference Number 1 and Reference Number 2 (above), the record length of the Employee Information Record and Contribution Transaction Record has changed.
4	10/17/2010	Corrected the length of the Employee Information Record. The "Phone Number" field, 'From', 'To', and 'Length' fields have been revised.
5	10/17/2010	Revised logic for reporting "Make-Up" Deductions in Contribution Transaction record.
6	10/25/2010	Added the Settlement (SETL) Transaction Type Code.
7	10/26/2010	Revised the logic for the Transaction Type Code of WRCP. While a member is on worker's compensation, WRCP should be reported for the member. No earnings or contributions should be reported for the member.
8	10/27/2010	Added the Advance Payment (ADVC) Transaction Type Code.
9	11/16/2010	Added the Make-up Payment (MKUP) Transaction Type Code. Revised logic for reporting "Make-Up" Deductions in Contribution Transaction record.
10	11/16/2010	Removed Worker's Compensation (WRCP) as a Transaction Type Code.
11	11/16/2010	Revised Worker's Compensation logic. Worker's Compensation should be reported as a Leave Without Pay Transaction with the appropriate Worker's Compensation section number.
12	11/23/2010	Added "Pay Date" field to the Employee Information Record.
13	03/02/2011	Revised the "Available Values" for the Payroll Period Earnings field.
14	03/02/2011	Revised the "Rules and Information" Section for the Make-up Payment (MKUP) Transaction Type Code.
15	03/02/2011	Revised the "Rules and Information" Section for the Unpaid Leave Type Codes.
16	03/02/2011	Revised the "Rules and Information" Section for the Leave Start Date.
17	03/02/2011	Revised the "Rules and Information" Section for the Leave End Date.
18	03/07/2011	Added Regular Contribution – Vacation (REGV) Transaction Type Code.
19	03/07/2011	Added Regular Contribution – Sick (REGS) Transaction Type Code.
20	03/07/2011	Revised the Rules and Information for the "Bank Account Number" field, found in the Employee Information Record.
21	06/01/2011	Position Code Field beginning at position 483 which was 6 characters in length has been increased to 20 characters in length; consequently all fields above Position Code have had their respective positions shifted.
22	06/16/2011	Termination reason codes updated.

Ref. No.	Date	Revision						
23	01/04/2012	Instructions for reporting Make Up Transactions updated.						
24	01/04/2012	structions for reporting Department updated						
24	01/04/2012	Instructions for reporting Routing Number updated.						
25	01/04/2012 Format for reporting Zip Code updated.							
26	05/29/2012	Revised the "Description" Section for the Department.						
27	05/29/2012	Revised the "Available Values" Section for the Department and added the MSRB Agency IDs to the Definitions and Logic						
		Section.						
28	05/29/2012	Deleted "III = The Third" from the Available Values Section for Suffix Code.						
29	05/29/2012	Added "full-time" to the Description Section for Annual Base Salary.						
30	05/29/2012	Added "full-time" to the Description Section for Annual Base Salary – Including Incentives.						
31	05/29/2012	Deleted "000000000" from the Available Values Section for Bank Routing Number.						

# **New Agency Contribution Record Layout**

With the implementation of the MARIS system, the Massachusetts State Board of Retirement (MSRB) will continue to receive member contribution and employment information from agencies electronically. The files generated from an agency may require the submission of additional information.

The following pages contain technical format and data requirements on:

- Overall rules relating to the revised file format
- The fixed length file format
  - o The Employee Information Record Format
  - The Contribution Transaction Record Format
  - The Leave Transaction Record Format
  - The Report Summary Record Format

#### Overall Rules Relating to the Revised File Format and Contribution Reporting

- 1. Contributions should be reported to MSRB based on the agency's payroll frequency. MSRB expects to receive both the contributions and the corresponding data report for each of the agency's payroll periods. Each payroll period should be identified as a separate record on the contribution file. Summary records, combining multiple payroll period records into a single record, will be rejected and require the agency to resubmit the file in the instructed format.
- 2. Contribution records will be read sequentially by MSRB. They must be submitted by agencies in the following order: Employee Information Record, then the Contribution Transaction Record(s) associated to that employee, or a Leave Transaction Record associated to that employee, followed by the next Employee Information Record, and the Contribution Transaction Record(s) / Leave Transaction Record(s) associated to that employee. A single Report Summary Record should be reported as the last record on the file.
- 3. Files that are improperly formatted, or contain invalid data (e.g., text data in numeric field) cannot be processed. MSRB will reject the report and require the agency to resubmit the file in the correct format with valid data.

Employee Information Record
Contribution Transaction
Contribution Transaction
Employee Information Record
Contribution Transaction
Employee Information Record
Leave Transaction

Report Summary Record

- 4. Agencies will be able to submit their files using file transfer functionality on the MSRB website.
- 5. Employee information must be submitted electronically through the contribution report. Agencies must provide SSN, Name, Date of Birth, Gender, Address information, and Position information. As this information changes throughout the member's employment with the agency, the new information should be reported electronically on the payroll period report following the change.
- 6. MSRB expects to receive a contribution transaction, or leave transaction, on the contribution report submitted to MSRB from the time the member is enrolled to the time the member is terminated (the only exception being for educational employees where the monthly report may be outside of the employee's contract period).
  - Employees on a leave of absence must be reported with leave transactions. At the point in time when the member has returned from leave, the employer should begin reporting contributions again (contribution transactions).
- 7. Fields are listed as 'Optional' if MSRB can process the record without the field being populated by the agency.
- 8. Certain fields are 'Conditional', meaning if one field is populated for the record, another field will also be required; for example, if the Termination Date field is populated, the Termination Reason field must also be populated.

- 9. Agencies may include adjustments to prior period previously reported within the contribution detail file for the current report period. By reporting these types of payments, the employee agrees to the cost impact of the adjustment transaction.
- 10. Agencies must report a termination reason when reporting termination date. All subsequent contribution adjustments after termination date for the same employment must include the termination reason and termination date.
- 11. Text fields such as First or Last Name may be all uppercase letters, all lower case, or mixed case based upon the agency's preference.
- 12. The system at MSRB will perform various "edits" on the data reported by agencies to determine if the amounts can actually be posted to individual member accounts. When certain discrepancies are found, the system will not post incoming transaction amounts (or service) to a member account. Instead, an error code will be assigned to the transaction and MSRB staff members will contact the agency to resolve the differences.
- 13. Electronic contribution files must be named as follows: CR\_<MSRB Agency ID>\_<Pay Period End Date>.TXT representing a contribution report from the agency for the pay period. For example:
  - The file name for the September, 17, 2010 contribution report from Massachusetts Water Resources Authority would be CR\_1080\_20100917.TXT
  - The file name for the January, 01, 2011 contribution report from Massachusetts Water Resources Authority would be CR 1080 20110101.TXT

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#### **Revised File Format**

The following are some rules relating to the file format.

- Amount fields such as the Employee Contribution, must be zero filled, right justified using two decimal positions and <u>do NOT include</u> the decimal point the decimal point is implied as part of the last two positions of the amount field. For example, if the employee contribution is \$143.75 then 00000014375 must be placed in the Employee Contribution field. In addition, if the employee contribution is \$143 then 00000014300 must be placed in the Employee Contribution field.
- Alphanumeric Text fields, such as First Name, Last Name, Address, etc. must be left justified, and right filled with spaces.
- Do not include the +/- sign in an amount field. There is a separate corresponding sign field for every amount field in the detail record format.
- Optional fields, and Conditional fields not used, must be reported filled with spaces if no data is reported.

#### Employee Information Record Format (Fixed Length)

The following table contains the record format for the Employee Information Record. It is a detail transaction of the employee's demographic data and employment position information. Agencies must submit one Employee Information Record for each employee.

C	*		Optional / Required /	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
From	То	Length	Conditional				v ancs	
001	001	1	Required	Record Type	Field designating this as an employee information, contribution transaction, or report summary record.	Numeric	1 = Employee Information	This field must contain a value of "1" since this is an employee information record.
002	012	11	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000000	The agency should report '00000000000' in this field.
013	015	3	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with	000	The agency should report '000' in this field.

C	Columns		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
From	To	Length						
016	023	8	Required	Payroll Period End Date	The payroll period end date of the current payroll period.	Date, MMDDCCYY		The payroll period ending date for which the agency is submitting the contribution report.
024	033	10	Required	Department	This field should contain the MSRB Agency ID for the respective agency.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces	Refer to Definitions and Logic Section	The Department identifier must be that of the agency.
034	042	9	Required	SSN	SSN of the member being reported.	Numeric, Right justified, Do not include the '-'		<ul> <li>Agencies must report a valid SSN for all employees. The SSN entered must match the number shown on the employee's Social Security card.</li> <li>An SSN reported with all zeroes will result in the transaction receiving an error status</li> <li>Incorrect SSNs may result in contributions getting posted to the wrong member account or may also result in a new member record being created.</li> </ul>
043	092	50	Required	First Name	First name of the member being reported.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		<ul> <li>First Name is required to enroll a new member.</li> <li>Must reflect the member name as</li> </ul>

	Columns  Even To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name Description		Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
From	To	Length						maintained on the member's employment record.
093	093	1	Required	Middle Initial	Middle initial of the member being reported.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		<ul> <li>Must reflect the member initial as maintained on the member's employment record.</li> </ul>
094	143	50	Required	Last Name	Last name of the member being reported.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		<ul> <li>Last Name is required to enroll a new member.</li> <li>Must reflect the member name as maintained on the member's employment record.</li> </ul>
144	145	2	Optional	Suffix Code	Suffix of the member being reported.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces	I = The First II = The Second IV = The Fourth V = The Fifth JR = Junior SR = Senior	The Code used must reflect the member name as maintained on the member's employment record.
146	153	8	Required	Service Start Date	Earliest start date of service in the retirement plan.	Date, MMDDCCYY		Represents the earliest start date of a non-refunded period of service in the retirement plan.
154	203	50	Required	Address Line 1	First line of member's home address.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		Represents the primary street address of the member.
204	253	50	Optional	Address Line 2	Second line of member's home address.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified,		Represents secondary line of home address of

From	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
		J				Right filled with spaces		the member. It may include apartments, suites, etc.  If secondary address line is reported, it must be accompanied by Address Line 1 and City.
254	303	50	Optional	Address Line 3	Third line of member's home address.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		<ul> <li>Represents the third line of home address of the member.</li> <li>If the third address line is reported, it must be accompanied by Address Line 1 and City.</li> </ul>
304	353	50	Optional	Address Line 4	Fourth line of member's home address.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		<ul> <li>Represents the fourth line of home address of the member.</li> <li>If the fourth address line is reported, it must be accompanied by Address Line 1 and City.</li> </ul>
354	383	30	Required	City	City of member's home address.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		Represents city for the home address of the member
384	387	4	Conditional	State Code	State of member's home address.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces	APO = ARMY POST OFFICE AK = ALASKA AL = ALABAMA AR = ARKANSAS	<ul> <li>Required if the 'Out of Country Address Line' has not been populated.</li> <li>Represents state for the home address of the</li> </ul>

Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
						AZ = ARIZONA CA = CALIFORNIA CO = COLORADO CT = CONNECTICUT DC = DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DE = DELAWARE FPO = FLEET POST OFFICE FL = FLORIDA GA = GEORGIA HI = HAWAII IA = IOWA ID = IDAHO IL = ILLINOIS IN = INDIANA KS = KANSAS KY = KENTUCKY LA = LOUISIANA MA = MASSACHUSETTS MD = MARYLAND ME = MAINE MI = MICHIGAN MN = MINNESOTA MO = MISSOURI MS = MISSISSIPPI MT = MONTANA NC = NORTH CAROLINA ND = NORTH DAKOTA NE = NEBRASKA	member.  If not a foreign address, a complete address including Primary Address line, City, State and Zip must be provided.

	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
							NH = NEW HAMPSHIRE NJ = NEW JERSEY NM = NEW MEXICO NV = NEVADA NY = NEW YORK OH = OHIO OK = OKLAHOMA OR = OREGON PA = PENNSYLVANIA RI = RHODE ISLAND SC = SOUTH CAROLINA SD = SOUTH DAKOTA TN = TENNESSEE TX = TEXAS UT = UTAH VA = VIRGINIA VT = VERMONT WA = WASHINGTON WI = WISCONSIN WV = WEST VIRGINIA WY = WYOMING	
388	399	12	Conditional	Zip Code	Zip Code of member's home address.	Numeric, Left justified, Right filled with zeros, Do not include the '-'		<ul> <li>Required if the 'Out of Country Address Line' has not been populated</li> <li>Represents the zip code of the home address of the member.</li> <li>If not a foreign address,</li> </ul>

C	Columns  From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
								a complete address including Primary Address line, City, State and Zip must be provided.
400	449	50	Conditional	Out of Country Address Line	Line used for out of country addresses.	Alphanumeric, Left justified, Right filled with spaces		<ul> <li>Required if the address is foreign.</li> <li>If foreign address, International Address Line must be reported</li> <li>For foreign addresses, State and Zip are not required and must be blank</li> <li>For a foreign address, a complete address including Primary Address line, City, and Out of Country Address Line must be provided</li> </ul>
450	450	1	Required	Gender	A unique code identifying the gender of the member.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces	M = Male F = Female U = Unknown	Gender is required for a member.
451	458	8	Required	Date of Birth	Date of birth of the member.	Date, MMDDCCYY		<ul> <li>Member's birth date is required to enroll new members.</li> <li>A blank or '00000000' will result in an error</li> </ul>
459	459	1	Required	Veteran Status	Indicates if the member is considered a veteran (based on the military service requirements for	Alphanumeric	Y = Veteran N = Not a Veteran	The veteran status is identified based on the military service eligible as per the retirement

	Columns  From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
From	10	Length			retirement).			plan.
460	460	1	Required	Marital Status	Indicates the member's relationship status.	Alphanumeric	S = Single M = Married D = Divorced W = Widowed U = Unknown	Marital status provides information for eligible retirement benefits.
461	463	3	Optional	Union Code	Union code, or collective bargaining unit, associated with the member's position at the agency.	Alphanumeric		The union code associated to the member will assist in determining the retirement group value. This value is used to accurately calculate the member's benefit.
464	481	18	Required	Annual Base Salary	The annual full time rate of pay for the member.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	<ul> <li>The annual base salary is required to determine the highest average salary for use in benefit calculations.</li> <li>This value may not be negative.</li> <li>The current annual base salary should be reported for the payroll period.</li> <li>This data implies two decimal positions. For example placing 00000000000514375 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 5143.75.</li> </ul>
482	482	1	Required	Constant Field	This field is required for	Alphanumeric	N = Constant Value	The agency should

	Columns From To Length		Required /		Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
From	10	Lengin			internal processing at MSRB.			report 'N' for this field.	
483	502	20	Required	Position Code	Unique code identifying the class of work the member is employed.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		<ul> <li>Position codes are required to identify the retirement group of the member.</li> </ul>	
503	532	30	Required	Position Description	Description of the class of work the member is employed.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		Position description associated to the position code.	
533	540	8	Required	Position Effective Date	Date the member started in the position.	Date, MMDDCCYY		<ul> <li>Position Effective Date cannot occur prior to the Agency Start Date.</li> <li>Position Effective Date cannot occur in the future.</li> </ul>	
541	548	8	Required	Agency Start Date	Hire date at the agency.	Date, MMDDCCYY		<ul> <li>Agency Start Date cannot occur after the Termination Date.</li> <li>Agency Start Date cannot occur in the future.</li> </ul>	
549	549	1	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		The agency should report spaces in this field.	
550	552	3	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		The agency should report spaces in this field.	
553	560	8	Required	Effective Date of Annual Base Salary	Date the annual base salary became effective.	Date, MMDDCCYY		Effective Date of Base     Salary cannot occur     prior to the Agency	

	Columns  From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
Tront		Bengin						Start Date.  • Effective Date of Base Salary cannot occur in the future.
561	568	8	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces		The agency should report spaces in this field.
569	576	8	Optional	Termination Date	Date of member's last day of work for the employer	Date, MMDDCCYY		<ul> <li>Must be within current fiscal year.</li> <li>Termination Date cannot occur prior to the Agency Start Date.</li> <li>Termination Date cannot occur in the future.</li> <li>Termination Date must be accompanied by a valid Termination Reason.</li> </ul>
577	586	10	Optional	Phone Number	Home phone number of the member.	Numeric, Do not include '(', ')', or '-' characters.		<ul> <li>Must reflect the phone number as maintained on the member's employment record.</li> </ul>
587	590	4	Conditional	Termination Reason	Reason the member has terminated employment with the agency.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces	VOLN = VOLUNTARY INVN = INVOLUNTARY DETH = DEATH	<ul> <li>The Termination Reason is required if a Termination Date is present.</li> <li>If the employee has terminated voluntarily please report the Termination Reason as VOLN</li> </ul>

	Columns  From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
7707		201311						If the employee has terminated involuntarily please report the Termination Reason as INVN
591	594	4	Required	Full-Time Hours of Position	The maximum number of full-time hours for the position code the member is currently employed.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	0000 to 9999	<ul> <li>The full-time hours of the position ensures MSRB can accurately determine service.</li> <li>This is the maximum hours for a week.</li> <li>This value is based on the position at the agency.</li> <li>This data implies one decimal position. For example placing 0400 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 40.0 (or 40.0 hours per week).</li> </ul>
595	604	10	Required	Annual Base Salary – Including Incentives	The annual <i>full time</i> rate of pay to the member including incentives.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	0000000000 to 9999999999	<ul> <li>This value may not be negative.</li> <li>The current annual base salary – including incentives should be reported for the payroll period.</li> <li>If incentives are not a portion of the member's earnings, this amount should be the same as the Annual Base Salary</li> </ul>

C	Columns  From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
								amount.  This data implies two decimal positions. For example placing 0000514375 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 5143.75
605	608	4	Conditional	Return to Service Reason	Indicates the reason for the member returning to service.	Alphanumeric, Left Justified, Right filled with spaces	S105 = SECTION 105 WCS8 = RETURN FROM MEDICAL	<ul> <li>If the member returns to service under Section 105, S105 should be reported for each payroll period the member continues employment under Section 105.</li> <li>If the member returns to service from a medical leave, WCS8 should be reported for the initial payroll period the member returns to service. This may be from returning to service from worker's compensation.</li> </ul>
609	616	8	Conditional	Contract Period Begin Date	Date indicating the begin date of the member's annual contract	Date, MMDDCCYY		<ul> <li>This field is for members on an annual contract (e.g., teachers).</li> <li>This field enables MSRB to accurately calculate service.</li> <li>The Contract Period</li> </ul>

From	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
								Begin Date represents the period of time when a member may begin to earn creditable retirement service.  This field should be spaces if the member is not on an annual contract.  The Contract Period Begin Date may not occur after the Contract Period End Date.
617	624	8	Conditional	Contract Period End Date	Date indicating the end date of the member's annual contract	Date, MMDDCCYY		<ul> <li>This field is for members on an annual contract (e.g., teachers).</li> <li>This field enables MSRB to accurately calculate service.</li> <li>The Contract Period End Date represents the period of time when a member ceases to earn creditable retirement service.</li> <li>The number days between the Contract Period Begin Date and Contract Period End Date may not exceed 365 days (per transaction).</li> <li>This field should be</li> </ul>

C	Columns  From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	4		Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
From	To	Length						spaces if the member is not on an annual contract.
625	632	8	Optional	Labor Agreement Date	Date associated with the member's labor agreement date with the union, or collective bargaining unit.	Date, MMDDCCYY		The labor agreement date with the union will assist in determining the correct retirement group for the member.
633	641	9	Optional	Bank Routing Number	Routing number for the bank that is of type net pay.	Numeric Right justified, Left filled with zeroes		<ul> <li>Bank routing number for the primary bank account of the member.</li> <li>This field should be left blank if Bank Account information for a Member is not provided.</li> </ul>
642	658	17	Conditional	Bank Account Number	Primary bank account number where the member's net payment is deposited.	Alphanumeric Left justified, Right filled with spaces		<ul> <li>Bank account number of the primary account.</li> <li>The bank account number is required if the Bank Routing Number is populated.</li> <li>If multiple bank accounts exist for the member, the bank account where the largest portion of the paycheck is being deposited should be reported.</li> <li>If the same amount of funds is deposited to each bank account, the</li> </ul>

From	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Required /		Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
								'checking' bank account should be reported.
659	659	1	Conditional	Account Type	Type of bank account.	Alphanumeric	C – Checking S - Savings	<ul> <li>The Account Type is required if the Bank Routing Number is populated.</li> </ul>
660	660	1	Required	Federal Funded Position	Indicates the position is funded federally.	Alphanumeric	N-No Y-Yes	The field indicates the position is federally funded. By indicating a position is federally funded, the appropriate contribution rate can be used to validate the member's contributions.
661	668	8	Required	Pay Date	Indicates the date the employee will receive pay.	Date, MMDDCCYY		<ul> <li>This field indicates the date the member is paid for the period of service.</li> <li>This date should be the date direct deposit funds are made to the member's bank account, or the check date of a paper check.</li> </ul>

## Contribution Transaction Record Format (Fixed Length)

The table below contains the record format that agencies must use to report contribution detail transactions. These contribution records are associated to the preceding employee information record.

From			Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
001	001	1	Required	Record Type	Field designating this as an employee information, contribution transaction, leave transaction, or report summary record	Numeric	2 = Contribution Transaction Record	This field must contain a value of "2" since this is a contribution transaction record
002	012	11	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000000	The agency should report '00000000000' in this field.
013	015	3	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	000	The agency should report '000' in this field.
016	023	8	Required	Payroll Period Ending Date	Payroll period end date indicating the period of time paid for in the earnings being reported	Date, MMDDCCYY		<ul> <li>End Date of the Pay Period according to the manner in which the agency submits contribution transactions to MSRB.</li> <li>The number days between the Pay Period Begin Date and Pay Period End Date may not exceed the maximum number of days for the agencies payroll reporting</li> </ul>

	olumi -		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
From	To	Length	Conditional					frequency (per transaction).  If the agency's payroll frequency is bi-weekly and earnings are paid on 06/14/2010, for the period of time between 06/01/2010 to 06/14/2010, then this date would be 06/14/2010.
024	029	6	Required	Retirement Plan	Identifies the retirement plan and contribution rate associated to the contribution transaction.	Alphanumeric	Refer to Definitions and Logic Section	Refer to the Definitions and Logic section of this document for information regarding the "Retirement Plan" field.
030	030	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Earnings	Indicates if the earnings are positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive - = Decrease/Negative	<ul> <li>Required if the salary does not equal zero (0).</li> <li>A negative salary may only be reported with a Transaction Period of PPAD.</li> </ul>
031	040	10	Required	Payroll Period Earnings	Earnings for the payroll period being reported (associated to the Payroll Period End Date).	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	0000000000 to 9999999999	<ul> <li>Enables MSRB to determine how to calculate employee contributions accurately</li> <li>This data implies two decimal positions. For example placing 0000365000 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be</li> </ul>

	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
041	044	4	Required	Transaction Period Code	Indicates if the contribution transaction is for the current payroll period, or an adjustment transaction.	Alphanumeric	Refer to Definitions and Logic Section	3650.00  Refer to the Definitions and Logic section of this document for information regarding the "Transaction Period Code" field.
045	048	4	Required	Transaction Type Code	Indicates the type of contribution transaction which drives the business rules for processing the information.	Alphanumeric	Refer to Definitions and Logic Section	Refer to the Definitions and Logic section of this document for information regarding the "Transaction Type Code" field.
049	049	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Pre- Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Indicates if the pre-tax employee contribution amount is positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive - = Decrease/Negative	<ul> <li>Required if the pre-tax employee contribution amount does not equal zero (0).</li> <li>A negative pre-tax employee contribution amount may only be associated with negative earnings.</li> </ul>
050	059	10	Required	Pre-Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Reported pre-tax employee contributions for the member (for the pay period being reported)	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000 to 99999999	<ul> <li>Pre-Tax Employee contributions must equal the earnable compensation (earnings amount reported) times the applicable employee contribution rate (including the additional 2% - when applicable).</li> <li>A valid Transaction</li> </ul>

From	Columi	IS Length	Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
								Type Code must accompany a zero contribution amount reported.  A non-zero Pre-Tax Employee contribution amount and a non-zero Post-Tax Employee contribution amount may not be reported on the same contribution transaction.
060	060	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Post- Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Indicates if the post-tax employee contribution amount is positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive - = Decrease/Negative	<ul> <li>Required if the post-tax employee contribution amount does not equal zero (0).</li> <li>A negative post-tax employee contribution amount may only be associated with negative earnings.</li> </ul>
061	070	10	Required	Post-Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Reported post-tax employee contributions for the member (for the pay period being reported)	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000 to 99999999	<ul> <li>Post-Tax Employee contributions must equal the earnable compensation (earnings amount reported) times the applicable employee contribution rate (including the additional 2% - when applicable).</li> <li>A valid Transaction Type Code must accompany a zero</li> </ul>

C From	olumi To	IS Length	Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
								contribution amount reported.  A non-zero Pre-Tax Employee contribution amount and a non-zero Post-Tax Employee contribution amount may not be reported on the same contribution transaction.
071	071	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Pre- Tax Makeup Amount	Indicates if the pre-tax makeup amount is positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive	<ul> <li>Required if the pre-tax makeup amount does not equal zero (0).</li> <li>A negative pre-tax makeup amount is not allowed.</li> <li>This field should only be populated with a record type of 'MKUP'.</li> </ul>
072	081	10	Conditional	Pre-Tax Makeup Amount	Reported pre-tax makeup payments for the member (for the pay period being reported).	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000 to 99999999	Pre-Tax Makeup payments are required if the member has an unsatisfied Service Purchase, comprised of pre-tax monies, with MSRB and has setup a payment plan where deductions are made from the member's paycheck to satisfy each payment of the payment plan. Pre-Tax Makeup payments may not be

	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
17011		Lengin						reported with a Transaction Period of PPAD.  This field should only be populated with a record type of 'MKUP'.
082	082	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Post- Tax Makeup Amount	Indicates if the post -tax makeup amount is positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive	<ul> <li>Required if the post-tax makeup amount does not equal zero (0).</li> <li>A negative post-tax makeup amount is not allowed.</li> <li>This field should only be populated with a record type of 'MKUP'.</li> </ul>
083	092	10	Conditional	Post-Tax Makeup Amount	Reported post-tax makeup payments for the member (for the pay period being reported).	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000 to 99999999	<ul> <li>Post-Tax Makeup payments are required if the member has an unsatisfied Service Purchase, comprised of post-tax monies, with MSRB and has setup a payment plan where deductions are made from the member's paycheck to satisfy each payment of the payment plan.</li> <li>Post-Tax Makeup payments may not be reported with a Transaction Period of PPAD.</li> <li>This field should only</li> </ul>

C From	Column To	IS Length	Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
								be populated with a record type of 'MKUP'.
093	093	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Hours Paid for Payroll Period	Indicates if the hours paid for payroll period.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive - = Decrease/Negative	<ul> <li>Required if the hours paid for the payroll period does not equal zero (0).</li> <li>Negative hours paid for the payroll period may only be reported with a Transaction Period of PPAD.</li> </ul>
094	097	4	Required	Hours Paid for Payroll Period	The number of hours the member has earned for the payroll period.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	0000 to 9999	<ul> <li>The hours paid for the payroll period ensures MSRB can accurately determine service.</li> <li>Paid leaves of absence (e.g., vacations) should NOT affect the number of hours paid, because the paid leave of absence is factored into the member's employment.</li> <li>The number of hours paid should be reported as 0000 when the member is on an unpaid leave of absence.</li> <li>This data implies one decimal position. For example placing 0400 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 40.0 (or 40.0</li> </ul>

C	Columns	Optional /	Field Name	Description	Format	Available	Rules and Information
From	To Length	Required / Conditional				Values	
							hours per week).

### Unpaid Leave Transaction Record Format (Fixed Length)

The table below contains the record format that agencies must use to report unpaid leave transactions. These leave records are associated to the preceding employee information record. This record should only be reported if the member is on a leave of absence. **Note:** A Leave Transaction record may be reported without a Contribution Transaction record; however, the Employee Information record is still required.

C	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
001	001	1	Required	Record Type	Field designating this as an employee information, contribution transaction,, leave transaction, or report summary record.	Numeric	3 = Leave Transaction Record	This field must contain a value of "3" since this is a leave transaction record.
002	012	11	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	0000000000	The agency should report '00000000000' in this field.
013	015	3	Required	Filler	This field is required for internal processing at MSRB.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	000	The agency should report '000' in this field.
016	023	8	Required	Leave Start Date	Identifies the date of when the member began the leave of absence – the first day of the leave.	Date, MMDDCCYY		A leave start date, for the date the member began the period of leave, is required for each payroll period the

C	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
024	031	8	Conditional	Leave End Date	Identifies the date of when the member ended the leave of absence – the last day of the leave.	Date, MMDDCCYY		member is on leave.  A leave end date is required for the payroll period the member returns from leave.  If the member has not returned from the leave, spaces should be reported for this field.  The Leave End Date may not occur prior to the Leave Start Date for the corresponding Leave Type Code.
032	035	4	Required	Leave Type Code	Indicates the type of leave transaction which drives the business rules for processing the information.	Alphanumeric	Refer to Definitions and Logic Section	Refer to the Definitions and Logic section of this document for information regarding the "Leave Type Code" field.

#### Report Summary Record Format (Fixed Length)

The following table contains the record format for a Report Summary Record. The file must contain the total earnings, total pre-tax employee contributions, total post-tax employee contributions, total pre-tax make-up payments, and total post-tax make-up payments reported in the contribution transactions. Agencies must submit one Report Summary Record in the file. The report summary record will provide the means to verify the accuracy and integrity of the detail transactions submitted in the file.

C	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
001	001	1	Required	Record Type	Field designating this as an employee information, contribution transaction, leave transaction, or report summary record.	Numeric	4= Contribution Transaction Record	This field must contain a value of "4" since this is the report summary record.
002	015	14	Required	Filler	Filler field.	Alphanumeric, Filled with spaces		
016	023	8	Required	Payroll Period End Date	The payroll period end date of the current payroll period.	Date, MMDDCCYY		The payroll period ending date for which the agency is submitting the contribution report
024	043	20	Required	Filler	Filler field.	Alphanumeric, Filled with spaces		
044	044	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Total Earnings Amount	Indicates if the earnings amount is positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive - = Decrease/Negative	Required if the earnings amount does not equal zero (0).
045	062	18	Required	Total Earnings Amount	Total amount of earnings reported from the contribution transactions.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	This must be the total amount of the earnings from the contribution transaction section of the contribution report.

C From	Columi To	ns Length	Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
								This data implies two decimal positions. For example placing 00000000000514375 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 5143.75
063	063	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Total Pre-Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Indicates if the pre-tax employee contribution amount is positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive - = Decrease/Negative	• Required if the pre-tax employee contribution amount does not equal zero (0).
064	081	18	Required	Total Pre-Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Total amount of pre-tax employee contributions reported from the contribution transactions.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	<ul> <li>This must be the total amount of pre-tax employee contributions from the contribution transaction section of the contribution report.</li> <li>This data implies two decimal positions. For example placing 00000000000514375 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 5143.75</li> </ul>
082	082	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Total Post-Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Indicates if the post-tax employee contribution amount is positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive - = Decrease/Negative	Required if the post- tax employee contribution amount does not equal zero (0).

From	olumr	IS Length	Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
083	100	18	Required	Total Post-Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Total amount of post- tax employee contributions reported from the contribution transactions.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	<ul> <li>This must be the total amount of post-tax employee contributions from the contribution transaction section of the contribution report.</li> <li>This data implies two decimal positions. For example placing 000000000000514375 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 5143.75</li> </ul>
101	101	1	Conditional	Increase / Decrease Total Pre-Tax Makeup Amount	Indicates if the pre-tax makeup amount is positive or negative.	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive - = Decrease/Negative	<ul> <li>Required if the pre-tax makeup amount does not equal zero (0).</li> </ul>
102	119	18	Required	Total Pre-Tax Makeup Amount	Total amount of pre-tax makeup payments reported from the contribution transactions.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	<ul> <li>This must be the total amount of pre-tax makeup payments from the contribution transaction section of the contribution report.</li> <li>This data implies two decimal positions. For example placing 00000000000514375 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 5143.75</li> </ul>
120	120	1	Conditional	Increase /	Indicates if the post-tax	Alphanumeric	+ = Increase/Positive	<ul> <li>Required if the post-</li> </ul>

From	Columns From To Length		Optional / Required / Conditional	Field Name	Description	Format	Available Values	Rules and Information
				Decrease Total Post-Tax Makeup Amount	makeup amount is positive or negative.		- = Decrease/Negative	tax makeup amount does not equal zero (0).
121	138	18	Required	Total Post-Tax Makeup Amount	Total amount of post- tax makeup payments reported from the contribution transactions.	Numeric, Right justified, Left filled with zeros	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	<ul> <li>This must be the total amount of post-tax makeup payments from the contribution transaction section of the contribution report.</li> <li>This data implies two decimal positions. For example placing 00000000000514375 in this field will be understood by MSRB to be 5143.75</li> </ul>

# **Definitions and Logic**

With the implementation of MARIS, MSRB will be requesting additional information reported through the contribution reporting process to ensure member information is accounted for accurately. To accomplish this, new fields have been added to the contribution report file format. This section provides additional clarification of certain fields in the file format, and any logic required for determining the value of specific fields.

### Department

Department is the MSRB agency ID.

Department	Agency Name
6022	ASSABET VALLEY COLLAB
8060	ASSEBET VALLEY REGIONAL VOC DIST
8150	BERKSHIRE PLANNING
6004	BI-COUNTRY COLLAB
8100	BLACKSTONE VALLEY RVTSD
8080	BRISTOL/PLYMOUTH RVTSD
6016	CAPE COD COLAB
6010	CAPS ED COLLAB
6018	CASE COLLAB
8160	CENTRAL MASS REG PLANNING COMMISSION
6035	CENTRAL MASS SPECIAL ED COLLAB
6012	CHARMS COLLAB
6200	COMM HEALTH INS CONNECTOR
8250	DEVENS ENTERPRISE COMMISSION
6027	ED COOP
6030	EDCO
6019	FLLAC ED COLLAB
6021	GREATER LAWRENCE ED
6017	HAMPSHIRE ED COLLAB
9045	HRCMS
6034	LABBB

Department	Agency Name
6011	LOWER PIONEER VALLEY ED COLLAB
8211	MA LIFE SCIENCES CENTER
6090	MASS CONVENTION CTR
8210	MASS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AGENCY
3000	MASS PORT AUTH
6060	MASS SCH BLDG AUTHORITY
6070	MASS ST COLLEGE BLDG AUTHORITY
1080	MASS WATER RESOURCES AUTHORITY
6020	MERRIMACK SPEC ED COLLAB
8020	MERRIMACK VALLEY PLANNING
8050	MET AREA PLANNING COUNCIL
8010	MONTACHUSETT REG PLANNING
8090	MONTACHUSETT RVTSD
8070	NASHOBA BOARD OF HEALTH
8030	NE MET REG PL
6014	NORTH RIVER
8040	NORTHERN MIDDLESEX COUNCIL OF GOV
6006	NORTHSHORE ED CONSORTIUM
8170	OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL
8180	OLD COLONY RVTSD
6007	PILGRIM AREA COLLAB
8110	PIONEER PL COMMISSION
6100	PRIM BOARD
6013	PROJECT ACCEPT
6031	READS
6003	SE MASS ED COLLAB
8140	SE REG PLAN & ECON DEVEL DISTRICT
8120	SE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
6033	SEEMS
6009	SHORE ED COLLAB
6025	SOUTH BERKSHIRE ED COLLAB
6015	SOUTH COAST COLLAB

Department	Agency Name
6001	SOUTH SHORE ED COLLAB
6002	SOUTH WORCESTER CITY ED COLLAB
8200	TRI-COUNTY REG RVTSD
1270	UMASS
8190	UPPER BLACKSTONE WATER POLLUTION
8130	UPPER CAPE COD RVTS

#### Retirement Plan

Retirement Plans are sets of rules which govern a specific classification of membership. These rules may include membership eligibility, contribution rates, contribution reporting guidelines, or benefit calculation, and payment rules. From a contribution reporting perspective, the Retirement Plan Code indicates the retirement plan the member is participating, and identifies the appropriate contribution rate for the member. The following table contains a listing of Retirement Plan Codes. MSRB will expect each agency will assign the proper Retirement Plan Code to each contribution transaction record being reported for the member (on a Contribution Transaction record).

Retirement Plan Code	Retirement Plan Description	Post-Tax Employee Contribution	Pre-Tax Employee Contribution	Additional Employee Contribution Rate (when applicable)
		Rate	Rate	<b>11</b>
RPA001	State Retirement Plan – State Police Post-Tax Contribution	5%	N/A	N/A
RPA002	State Retirement Plan – State Police Post-Tax Contribution	7%	N/A	N/A
RPA003	State Retirement Plan – State Police Post-Tax Contribution	7%	N/A	2%
RPA004	State Retirement Plan – State Police Post-Tax Contribution	8%	N/A	2%
RPA005	State Retirement Plan – State Police Post-Tax Contribution	9%	N/A	2%
RPA006	State Retirement Plan – State Police Post-Tax Contribution	12%	N/A	2%
RPB001	State Retirement Plan – State Police Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	5%	N/A
RPB002	State Retirement Plan – State Police Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	7%	N/A
RPB003	State Retirement Plan – State Police Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	7%	2%
RPB004	State Retirement Plan – State Police Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	8%	2%
RPB005	State Retirement Plan – State Police Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	9%	2%
RPB006	State Retirement Plan – State Police Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	12%	2%

Retirement Plan Code	Retirement Plan Description	Post-Tax Employee	Pre-Tax Employee	Additional Employee Contribution Rate
		Contribution	Contribution	(when applicable)
		Rate	Rate	
RSA001	State Retirement Plan – General Post-Tax Contribution	5%	N/A	N/A
RSA002	State Retirement Plan – General Post-Tax Contribution	7%	N/A	N/A
RSA003	State Retirement Plan – General Post-Tax Contribution	7%	N/A	2%
RSA004	State Retirement Plan – General Post-Tax Contribution	8%	N/A	2%
RSA005	State Retirement Plan – General Post-Tax Contribution	9%	N/A	2%
RSA006	State Retirement Plan – General Post-Tax Contribution	12%	N/A	2%
RSB001	State Retirement Plan – General Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	5%	N/A
RSB002	State Retirement Plan – General Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	7%	N/A
RSB003	State Retirement Plan – General Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	7%	2%
RSB004	State Retirement Plan – General Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	8%	2%
RSB005	State Retirement Plan – General Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	9%	2%
RSB006	State Retirement Plan – General Pre-Tax Contribution	N/A	12%	2%

#### **Transaction Period Code**

The Transaction Period Code identifies the payroll period, and purpose, associated to the contribution transaction. Associating a Transaction Period Code to the contribution transaction enables an agency to report prior period adjustment transactions through the contribution reporting process. The code value ensures the appropriate business rules are enforced when validating the contribution (on a Contribution Transaction record).

Transaction Period Code	Name	Transaction Period Description	Rules and Information
CURR	Current Period Transaction	A current contribution transaction indicates the transaction is for the current payroll period being reported.	Only one current payroll period contribution transaction, for each Department, may appear on the report for the current period.
PPAD	Prior Period Adjustment Transaction	A prior period adjustment is an adjustment transaction to a previously submitted transaction the employer has determined was incorrect.	<ul> <li>Multiple prior period adjustment transactions may appear on the report for the current period.</li> <li>Only one prior period adjustment transaction may appear on the report for the prior pay period.</li> <li>The prior period adjustment pay period end date must be prior to the payroll period of the current report.</li> <li>There must be a previously reported transaction for the exact pay period end date for which the agency is reporting the prior period adjustment.</li> <li>Negative values are allowed for earnings and contributions.</li> <li>"Hours Paid for Payroll Period" are not required, however if hours are reported, either positive or negative, this may impact the service credit awarded to the employee.</li> <li>A prior period adjustment transaction may appear on the contribution report for a member without a current period transaction ("CURR").</li> <li>A prior period adjustment transaction must match the Transaction Type Code of the current period transaction ("CURR") being adjusted.</li> <li>Only the following Transaction Type Codes may be adjusted with a prior period adjustment transaction:         <ul> <li>Regular Contribution ("REGL")</li> <li>Differential Contribution ("DICT")</li> <li>Educational Incentive ("EDIN")</li> <li>Housing Allowance ("HOAL")</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Transaction Period Code	Name	Transaction Period Description	Rules and Information
			<ul> <li>Other Allowance ('OTAL')</li> <li>Violence Pay ('VIPA')</li> <li>Sabbatical Contributions ('SABT')</li> <li>Longevity Contributions ('LONG')</li> <li>Fitness Compliance Contributions ('FITN')</li> <li>415 Limitation Contribution Excess ('415Q')</li> <li>Other Contributions ('OTHR')</li> </ul>

**Note:** If contributions should have been reported for a pay period, but were not reported, the agency must contact MSRB to determine the cost of the service. **The agency cannot report the contributions for the missing pay period through the Contribution Reporting file.** 

## **Transaction Type Code**

The Transaction Type Code identifies the type of contribution being reported for the member on the contribution report (Contribution Transaction record). Because all earnings and contributions are not treated in the same manner, the agency is required to classify the earnings and contributions by the Transaction Type. This allows MSRB to accurately calculate service, and verify the contribution amount being reported for the payroll period.

Transaction Type Code	Name	Transaction Type Description	Rules and Information
REGL	Regular Contribution	A regular contribution indicates the transaction is comprised of regular earnings and contributions due from the position – without incentives, allowances, or differential payments included.	<ul> <li>The earnings of the transaction are used to calculate the regular employee contributions, and, if applicable, the additional contributions (2%).</li> <li>Only retirement eligible earnings should be reported.</li> </ul>
REGV	Regular Contribution – Vacation	A regular contribution is comprised of vacation earnings from which contributions are paid. This does not include incentives, allowances, or differential payments included.  When vacation pay is used as a substitute for regular earnings, retirement deductions are expected to be taken.	<ul> <li>The earnings of the transaction are used to calculate the regular employee contributions, and, if applicable, the additional contributions (2%).</li> <li>Only in scenarios where vacation pay is used as a substitute for regular earnings, should this pay type be reported.</li> </ul>
REGS	Regular Contribution – Sick	A regular contribution is comprised of sick earnings from which contributions are paid. This does not include incentives, allowances, or differential payments included.  When sick pay is used as a substitute for regular earnings, retirement deductions are expected to be taken.	<ul> <li>The earnings of the transaction are used to calculate the regular employee contributions, and, if applicable, the additional contributions (2%).</li> <li>Only in scenarios where sick pay is used as a substitute for regular earnings, should this pay type be reported.</li> </ul>
DICT	Differential Contribution	Differential contributions should be identified for contributions associated with	<ul> <li>The earnings of from the differential portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the differential contributions.</li> </ul>

Transaction Type Code	Name	Transaction Type Description	Rules and Information
		differential payments.	
EDIN	Educational Incentive	Identifies the contribution is the result of an educational incentive.	<ul> <li>The earnings of from the educational incentive portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the educational incentive contributions.</li> <li>Only retirement eligible educational incentives should be reported.</li> </ul>
HOAL	Housing Allowance	Identifies the contribution is the result of a housing allowance.	The earnings of from the housing allowance portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the housing allowance contributions.
OTAL	Other Allowance	Identifies the contribution is the result of an allowance other than housing.	• The earnings of from the other allowance portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the other allowance contributions.
VIPA	Violence Pay	Indicates a contribution as the result of a violence payment.	The earnings of from the violence payment portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the violence pay contributions.
SABT	Sabbatical Contributions	Contributions calculated based on compensation earned during a sabbatical.	<ul> <li>The earnings from the sabbatical portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the sabbatical contributions.</li> <li>Contributions should be reported as 'sabbatical' for both part-time and full-time sabbatical absences.</li> </ul>
LONG	Longevity Contributions	Contributions based on longevity compensation.	<ul> <li>The earnings from the longevity portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the longevity contributions.</li> </ul>
FITN	Fitness Compliance Contributions	Indicates contributions based on the portion of the earnings due the member for complying with a fitness policy.	The earnings for completing the fitness portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the fitness compliance contributions.
415Q	415 Limitation Contribution Excess	At the point in time the member's earnings exceed the IRS 415earnings limit, contributions calculated on the excess earnings must be reported with the '415Q' transaction type.	<ul> <li>At the point in time the member's regular earnings exceed the 415 earnings limitation, the contributions calculated on the excess earnings amount must be identified as '415Q'.</li> <li>Payroll Period Earnings should be reported as the earnings exceeding the 415 limit.</li> <li>The employee contribution amount should be calculated on the earnings exceeding the 415 limit.</li> <li>The 415 earnings limit resets to zero (0.00) on 01/01/CCYY each year.</li> </ul>

Transaction Type Code	Name	Transaction Type Description	Rules and Information
OTHR	Other Contributions	Retirement contributions based on other types of earnings not provided here.	<ul> <li>The value of 'OTHR' should be used for a transaction consisting of retirement eligible contributions which do not meet the criteria of an existing Transaction Type Code listed above.</li> </ul>
SETL	Settlement Contributions	Retirement contributions based on the outcome of a legal settlement.	■ The earnings reported for the settlement portion of the member's pay are used to calculate the settlement contributions.
ADVC	Advance Payment Contributions	Retirement contributions based on a payment advance.	<ul> <li>The earnings reported as an advance of the member's pay are used to calculate the advance payment contributions.</li> </ul>
MKUP	Make-up Payments	Member payments included on the contribution report to satisfy a buyback of service.	<ul> <li>The value of 'MKUP' should be used to report Make-up deductions.</li> <li>Make-up deductions should NOT be reported on other Transaction Type Codes.</li> <li>The amount of the Make-up deductions should match the total amount of all buyback payments the member is making for the pay period.</li> <li>The Payroll Period Earnings should be reported as zero (0.00) for Make-up deductions.</li> </ul>

# **Unpaid Leave Type Code**

The unpaid leave type code is used to report the type of unpaid leave of absence (Leave Transaction record). Because each leave type has different business rules associated with them, the agency is required to classify the type of leave of absence associated to the employee. This allows MSRB to accurately determine the employment history of the member.

Leave Type Code	Name	Leave Type Description	Rules and Information
MLOA	Leave of Absence - Military	Indicates the member is currently on a military leave of absence.	• On the report the member begins the leave, the Leave Start Date should be reported with the date the member began the leave.

Leave Type Code	Name	Leave Type Description	Rules and Information
			<ul> <li>On the report the member ends the leave, the Leave End Date should be reported with the last date the member was on leave.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee on leave for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
EDLV	Leave of Absence - Educational	Indicates the member is currently on an educational leave of absence.	<ul> <li>On the report the member begins the leave, the Leave Start Date should be reported with the date the member began the leave.</li> <li>On the report the member ends the leave, the Leave End Date should be reported with the last date the member was on leave.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee on leave for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
FMLV	Leave of Absence - Family	Indicates the member is currently on a family / medical leave of absence.	<ul> <li>On the report the member begins the leave, the Leave Start Date should be reported with the date the member began the leave.</li> <li>On the report the member ends the leave, the Leave End Date should be reported with the last date the member was on leave.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee on leave for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
MALV	Leave of Absence  – Maternity	Indicates the member is currently on a maternity leave of absence.	<ul> <li>On the report the member begins the leave, the Leave Start Date should be reported with the date the member began the leave.</li> <li>On the report the member ends the leave, the Leave End Date should be reported with the last date the member was on leave.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee on leave for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
PLLV	Leave of Absence  – Personal	Indicates the member is currently on a personal leave of absence.	<ul> <li>On the report the member begins the leave, the Leave Start Date should be reported with the date the member began the leave.</li> <li>On the report the member ends the leave, the Leave End Date should</li> </ul>

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			<ul> <li>be reported with the last date the member was on leave.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee on leave for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
EMSU	Employer Suspension	Indicates the member is currently on suspension by the employer.	<ul> <li>On the report the member begins the suspension, the Leave Start Date should be reported with the date the employer suspended the member.</li> <li>On the report the member ended the suspension; the Leave End Date should be reported with the last date the member was suspended.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee on leave for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
UNWC	Unknown Worker's Comp. Section	Indicates the member is receiving worker's compensation, but the worker's compensation section is not known.	<ul> <li>The worker's compensation transaction indicates the worker's compensation for the member is not known.</li> <li>The unknown worker's compensation section does NOT provide creditable service for the member.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee receiving worker's compensation for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
WC31	Worker's Compensation – Section 31	Identifies the member is receiving worker's compensation under Section 31 for the pay period.	<ul> <li>Section 31 does NOT provide creditable service to the member for the pay period the member is receiving worker's compensation.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee receiving worker's compensation for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
WC34	Worker's Compensation – Section 34	Identifies the member is receiving worker's compensation under Section 34 for the pay period.	<ul> <li>Section 34 provides creditable service to the member for the pay period the member is receiving worker's compensation.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee receiving worker's compensation for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>

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W34A	Worker's Compensation – Section 34A	Identifies the member is receiving worker's compensation under Section 34A for the pay period.	<ul> <li>Section 34A provides creditable service to the member for the pay period the member is receiving worker's compensation.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee receiving worker's compensation for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
W34B	Worker's Compensation – Section 34B	Identifies the member is receiving worker's compensation under Section 34B for the pay period.	<ul> <li>Section 34B provides creditable service to the member for the pay period the member is receiving worker's compensation.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee receiving worker's compensation for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
WC35	Worker's Compensation – Section 35	Identifies the member is receiving worker's compensation under Section 35 for the pay period.	<ul> <li>Section 35 provides creditable service to the member for the pay period the member is receiving worker's compensation.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee receiving worker's compensation for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
W35A	Worker's Compensation – Section 35A	Identifies the member is receiving worker's compensation under Section 35A for the pay period.	<ul> <li>Section 35A provides creditable service to the member for the pay period the member is receiving worker's compensation.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee receiving worker's compensation for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>
WC36	Worker's Compensation – Section 36	Identifies the member is receiving worker's compensation under Section 36 for the pay period.	<ul> <li>Section 36 provides creditable service to the member for the pay period the member is receiving worker's compensation.</li> <li>No Contribution Transaction Record (Record Type '2') is expected for an employee receiving worker's compensation for a full payroll period – meaning earnings, contributions, make-up payments, and hours worked for the payroll period are expected to be zero.</li> </ul>

# **Examples**

The following are some examples of how data should be reported for different scenarios. **Note**: Not all data elements listed above are referenced in the examples below. The data elements displayed below focus on the content of the data, not the file formatting of the data.

#### Example 1:

A member is participating in the State Retirement Plan and was hired by Agency A in 09/15/1995. The member is in a 40 hour per week position and is paid by Agency A on a bi-weekly basis. The member is in a normal position and only receives 'regular' payment (i.e., no differentials, no allowances, no incentives). For the payroll period ending on 06/14/2010, the following records would appear on Agency A's 06/14/2010 contribution report:

#### Employee Information Record 1:

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Department	SSN	First Name	Last Name	DOB	Agency Start	Full-Time
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date						Date	Hours
1	00000000	000	06/14/2010	A	000000001	FNAME1	LNAME1	04/12/1970	09/15/1995	40.0
	000									

#### Contribution Transaction Record 1 (Regular Earnings):

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Retirement	Pay Period	Transaction	Transaction	Hours Paid	Pre-Tax
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date	Plan	Earnings	Period	Type Code	for Pay	Employee
						Code		Period	Contribution
									Amount
2	00000000 000	000	06/14/2010	RSB004	1500.00	CURR	REGL	80.0	126.92

Post-Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Pre-Tax Makeup Amount	Post-Tax Makeup Amount
0.00	0.00	0.00

### Example 2:

A member is participating in the State Retirement Plan and was hired by Agency B in 09/15/1993. The member is in a 40 hour per week position and is paid by Agency B on a bi-weekly basis. The member is in a position which receives 'regular' pay and 'differential' pay for working at night. For the payroll period ending on 06/14/2010, the following records would appear on Agency B's 06/14/2010 contribution report:

## Employee Information Record 1:

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Department	SSN	First Name	Last Name	DOB	Agency Start	Full-Time
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date						Date	Hours
1	00000000	000	06/14/2010	В	000000002	FNAME2	LNAME2	03/16/1968	09/15/1993	40.0
	000									

#### Contribution Transaction Record 1 (Regular Earnings):

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Retirement	Pay Period	Transaction	Transaction	Hours Paid	Pre-Tax
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date	Plan	Earnings	Period	Type Code	for Pay	Employee
						Code		Period	Contribution
									Amount
2	00000000	000	06/14/2010	RSB004	1200.00	CURR	REGL	80.0	96.92
	000								

Post-Tax Employee Contribution Amount	Pre-Tax Makeup Amount	Post-Tax Makeup Amount
0.00	0.00	0.00

Contribution Transaction Record 2 (Differential Earnings):

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Retirement	Pay Period	Transaction	Transaction	Hours Paid	Pre-Tax
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date	Plan	Earnings	Period	Type Code	for Pay	Employee
						Code		Period	Contribution
									Amount
2	00000000	000	06/14/2010	RSB004	100.00	CURR	DICT	16.0	8.00
	000								

Post-Tax Employee Contribution	Pre-Tax Makeup Amount	Post-Tax Makeup Amount
Amount		
0.00	0.00	0.00

#### Example 3:

A member is participating in the State Retirement Plan and was hired by Agency X in 07/17/1990. The member is in a 40 hour per week position and is paid by Agency X on a bi-weekly basis. The member is in a position and only receives 'regular' payment (i.e., no differentials, no allowances, no incentives). The member begins an unpaid Family / Medical Leave of Absence on 06/05/2010. For the payroll period ending on 06/14/2010, the following records would appear on Agency X's 06/14/2010 contribution report:

#### Employee Information Record 1:

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Department	SSN	First Name	Last Name	DOB	Agency Start	Full-Time
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date						Date	Hours
1	00000000	000	06/14/2010	X	000000003	FNAME3	LNAME3	05/16/1965	07/17/1990	40.0
	000									

### Contribution Transaction Record 1 (Regular Earnings):

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Retirement	Pay Period	Transaction	Transaction	Hours Paid	Pre-Tax
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date	Plan	Earnings	Period	Type Code	for Pay	Employee
						Code		Period	Contribution
									Amount
2	00000000	000	06/14/2010	RSB004	250.00	CURR	REGL	32.0	20.00
	000								

Post-Tax Employee	Pre-Tax Makeup	Post-Tax Makeup
Contribution	Amount	Amount
Amount		
0.00	0.00	0.00

Leave Transaction Record 1 (Leave Record):

Record Type	Employee ID	Employee Rec. No.	Leave Start Date	Leave End Date	Leave Type Code
3	00000000 000	000	06/05/2010	<spaces></spaces>	FMLV

#### Example 4:

A member is participating in the State Retirement Plan and was hired by Agency X on 04/13/1990. The member is in a 40 hour per week position and is paid by Agency X on a bi-weekly basis. The member is in a position and only receives 'regular' payment (i.e., no differentials, no allowances, no incentives). On the 06/14/2010 contribution report, Agency X submits a prior period adjustment for the 05/31/2010 pay period. For the payroll period ending on 06/14/2010, the following records would appear on Agency X's 06/14/2010 contribution report:

Employee Information Record 1:

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Department	SSN	First Name	Last Name	DOB	Agency Start	Full-Time
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date						Date	Hours
1	00000000	000	06/14/2010	X	000000003	FNAME3	LNAME3	05/16/1965	04/13/1990	40.0
	000									

Contribution Transaction Record 1 (Regular Earnings – Current Period):

Record Type	Employee ID	Employee Rec. No.	Pay Period End Date	Retirement Plan	Pay Period Earnings	Transaction Period Code	Transaction Type Code	Hours Paid for Pay Period	Pre-Tax Employee Contribution
2	00000000	000	06/14/2010	RSB004	4000.00	CURR	REGL	80.0	Amount 376.92

Post-Tax Employee Contribution	Pre-Tax Makeup Amount	Post-Tax Makeup Amount		
Amount 0.00	0.00	0.00		

# Contribution Transaction Record 2 (Regular Earnings – Prior Period Adjustment):

Record	Employee	Employee	Pay Period	Retirement	Pay Period	Transaction	Transaction	Hours Paid	Pre-Tax
Type	ID	Rec. No.	End Date	Plan	Earnings	Period	Type Code	for Pay	Employee
						Code		Period	Contribution
									Amount
2	00000000	000	05/31/2010	RSB004	-150.00	PPAD	REGL	0.00	-15.00
	000								

Post-Tax Employee	Pre-Tax Makeup	Post-Tax Makeup		
Contribution	Amount	Amount		
Amount				
0.00	0.00	0.00		