

Student's Social Security Number

Loan Identifier:	History Kept:	Date Sequence Edit:	Type:	Size:	Position:	Field Code:
Yes	Yes	No	Character	9	9-17	221
Description:		Social Security Number of a Title IV aid recipient.				
Comments:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May be a real or pseudo Social Security Number. A pseudo SSN may not be used in place of a valid one if the Data Provider has the valid SSN. • Whenever a real SSN is located for a borrower, the Data Provider must change the Pseudo SSN to the real SSN. • SSN history should be maintained during SSN changes and updates. All student loan records should be merged into the current SSN by using the current and new identifier fields. • Where a valid Social Security Number (SSN) is not on file, a pseudo SSN must be generated for the record, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The first position of the SSN must start with a 9 to clearly identify the record as containing a dummy SSN. The second, third, fourth, and fifth positions must be the second, third, fourth, and fifth digits of the OPE code. Each dummy SSN generated must be unique for each student whose data is in the school's file in order to distinguish one student's records with a dummy SSN from another. The partial use of the OPE code will help ED to distinguish between the dummy SSN from another. – A dummy SSN may not be substituted for a valid SSN if the school's files contain the valid SSN. – If a pseudo SSN is used, populate Student's SSN Indicator (Field 269) with a P. • Whenever a Social Security Number is reported, the system checks whether the number has already been reported to NSLDS. If not, the student is added to NSLDS. If it was previously reported, NSLDS uses the following match logic to confirm the identity of the person. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. First Name and Date of Birth (DOB) matches. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>First Name</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Three of first four characters of first name on incoming record (excluding punctuation and spaces) match three of four characters of first name (excluding punctuation and spaces) in NSLDS (current or history), or alias matches exactly. The letters must match in the same sequence. If fewer than three characters, all characters must match; and <i>Date of Birth</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Year matches exactly; or – Year matches plus or minus one, with month matching exactly; or – Year matches plus or minus ten, with month and day matching exactly; or – Incoming DOB is real and NSLDS' DOB is one of the following plug dates: 19000101, 18991231, 18581117, 19581117, 19040404, 19600101, or 19??1111, where ?? can be any year. <p><i>Note:</i> When NSLDS performs the analysis on the three of first four characters in first name or five of first seven characters in last name, the letters must match in the same sequence. For example, Nary and Mary</p> 				

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would match, as "ary" is in same sequential order. So would Maty and Mary, as "may" is in the same sequential order.

2. Transposed first name and last name with DOB match.

Last Name

- Three of the first four characters of last name on incoming record (excluding punctuation and spaces) match three of first four characters of first name (excluding punctuation and spaces) in NSLDS (current or history); and

Date of Birth

- Year matches exactly; or
- Year matches plus or minus one, with month matching exactly; or
- Year matches plus or minus ten, with month and day matching exactly; or
- Incoming DOB is real and NSLDS' DOB is one of the following plug dates: 19000101, 18991231, 18581117, 19581117, 19040404, 19600101, or 19??1111, where ?? can be any year.

3. Match on first initial of first name when NSLDS' first name is only an initial and no other first names exist in NSLDS.

First Name

- Incoming first name begins with same letter as NSLDS' first initial (a name that is an initial only or an initial followed by a period, not a comma, and no first name in history); and

Date of Birth

- Exact match and is not a plug date: 19000101, 18991231, 18581117, 19581117, 19040404, 19600101, or 19??1111, where ?? can be any year. (Note: If both incoming and NSLDS have same plug date, this is considered an exact match.)

4. Match on first initial and part of last name with DOB match.

First Name

- First character of first name matches first character of first name or first initial (current or history); and

Last Name

- Five of first seven characters of last name (excluding punctuation and spaces) match five of first seven characters of last name (excluding punctuation and spaces) in NSLDS (current or history). If fewer than five characters, all characters must match; and

Date of Birth

- Year matches exactly; or
- Year matches plus or minus one, with month matching exactly; or
- Year matches plus or minus ten, with month and day matching exactly; or
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- For loans or grants made before 1-1-1997, incoming DOB is plug date

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	<p style="text-align: center;">and NSLDS DOB is a real date.</p> <p><i>Note:</i> When NSLDS performs the analysis on the three of first four characters in first name or five of first seven characters in last name, the letters must match in the same sequence. For example, Nary and Mary would match, as “ary” is in same sequential order. So would Maty and Mary, as “may” is in the same sequential order.</p> <p>5. Match on student SSN, and a single loan or grant overpayment is found using the non-student related identifiers. This loan or grant overpayment was last reported on by the current provider.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When this Loan Identifier information changes, leave the existing value in this field and report the new value in the New Student's Social Security Number field (e.g., its counterpart New Identifier). Do this until the updated information is accepted by NSLDS. Once accepted, the updated value is reported in the standard Loan Identifier field and the New field is filled with the default value (zeros or blanks). • Changes made to Loan Identifier fields are mapped as a block, so when the information contained in one of the key data elements is changed, the information belonging in all of them must be re-confirmed. Therefore, fill all the New Identifier fields (listed below) for this loan with the values that they should contain – whether those values are new ones or the ones that you have been reporting all along. • Changes made to Identifiers are processed before Past Period Change records are processed. Therefore, if you are submitting an Identifier change and a PPC against the same loan record in the same reporting cycle, the PPC should refer to the New Identifiers, not the old. We recommend submitting PPC changes after the Identifier changes have passed NSLDS' Load-Level edits (e.g., they do not appear on the subsequent Load Process Error File).
Part of Event Type:	Loan Identifier/Student Identifier.
Companion Field(s):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [Linked through edit] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Date of Student's Birth (222) – Student's First Name (223) – Student's Last Name (268) – Student's Social Security Number Indicator (269) • Remaining Identifier Fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Code for Original School (220) – Date of Student's Birth (222) – Student's First Name (223) – Type of Loan/Other Aid (224) – Date of First Disbursement (225) • New Identifier Fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – New Code for Original School (240) – New Student's Social Security Number (241) – New Date of Student's Birth (242) – New Student's First Name (243) – New Type of Loan/Other Aid (244) – New Date of First Disbursement (245)
Default Value / Use:	Must always be filled.

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Reporting:		Report in regular monthly update.		
Edit Level:	Verifies:	Error:	Error No.:	Error Message:
Domain-Level Error	Must be reported.	Is blank or zeros.	1179	Student Social Security Number is required.
Record-Level Error	If SSN Indicator is R (e.g., SSN is Real), this field must be numeric.	Is not numeric.	1164	Invalid Student Social Security Number.
Load-Level Error	NSLDS determines whether conflicting data exists with respect to that SSN number.	Conflicting first name or date of birth information exists.	1251	Student SSN currently used by another student.
Date Revised: 03-16-2006				

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Loan Identifier:	History Kept:	Date Sequence Edit:	Type:	Size:	Position:	Field Code:
Yes	Yes	No	Character	9	58-66	241
Description:		Social Security Number of a Title IV aid recipient.				
Comments:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This field must be populated with spaces unless one or more of the identifier attributes have changed since previous submittal. When the Student's SSN changes, leave the previously-reported SSN in the 'Student's Social Security Number' field, and report the new SSN here. • May be a real or pseudo Social Security Number. A pseudo SSN may not be used in place of a valid one if the Data Provider has the valid SSN. • Whenever a real SSN is located for a borrower, the Data Provider must change the Pseudo SSN to the real SSN. • SSN history should be maintained during SSN changes and updates. All student loan records should be merged into the current SSN by using the current and new identifier fields. • Where a valid Social Security Number (SSN) is not on file, a pseudo SSN must be generated for the record, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The first position of the SSN must start with a 9 to clearly identify the record as containing a dummy SSN. The second, third, fourth, and fifth positions must be the second, third, fourth, and fifth digits of the OPE code. Each dummy SSN generated must be unique for each student whose data is in the school's file in order to distinguish one student's records with a dummy SSN from another. The partial use of the OPE code will help ED to distinguish between the dummy SSN from another. – A dummy SSN may not be substituted for a valid SSN if the school's files contain the valid SSN. – If a pseudo SSN is used, populated the Student's SSN Indicator (Field 269) with a P. • Whenever a Social Security Number is reported, the system checks whether the number has already been reported to NSLDS. If not, the student is added to NSLDS. If it was previously reported, NSLDS uses the following match logic to confirm the identity of the person. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. First Name and Date of Birth (DOB) matches. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>First Name</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Three of first four characters of first name on incoming record (excluding punctuation and spaces) match three of four characters of first name (excluding punctuation and spaces) in NSLDS (current or history), or alias matches exactly. The letters must match in the same sequence. If fewer than three characters, all characters must match; and <i>Date of Birth</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Year matches exactly; or – Year matches plus or minus one, with month matching exactly; or – Year matches plus or minus ten, with month and day matching exactly; or 				

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Companion Field(s):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [Linked through edit] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – New Date of Student's Birth (242) – New Student's First Name (243) – Student's Last Name (268) – Student's Social Security Number Indicator (269) • Identifier Fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Code for Original School (220) – Student's Social Security Number (221) – Date of Student's Birth (222) – Student's First Name (223) – Type of Loan/Other Aid (224) – Date of First Disbursement (225) • Remaining New Identifier Fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – New Code for Original School (240) – New Date of Student's Birth (242) – New Student's First Name (243) – New Type of Loan/Other Aid (244) – New Date of First Disbursement (245)
Default Value / Use:	Report blanks when Loan Identifier information has not changed.
Reporting:	Report in regular monthly update if loan identifier has changed.

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Edit Level:	Verifies:	Error:	Error No.:	Error Message:
Domain-Level Error	All New Identifier fields are populated if any one of the New Identifier fields is populated.	Value missing.	1212	New Student SSN is required.
Record-Level Error	If Student's SSN Indicator is R (Real), this field must be numeric and not zeros.	Is not numeric or is all zeros.	1135	Invalid New Student SSN.
Load-Level Error	NSLDS determines whether conflicting data exists with respect to that SSN number. (See comments.)	Conflicting information exists.	1250	New Student SSN currently used by another student.

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