

Universal product code (UPC) and other codes (MARC 024)

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UPC, International (formerly European) Article Number (EAN), ISWC (International Standard Works Code)

The **UPC** code is a 12-digit number appearing underneath a barcode on commercial products in the US and Canada. The 1st and 12th digits are smaller and appear on either end of the barcode; the 2nd through 11th are divided into two groups of five underneath the barcode.

The UPC code is entered in the 024 field without any spaces.

1st indicator = 1

2nd indicator = blank

The first 6 of these digits is the manufacturer's code.

The next 5 digits are the product code.

The last digit is a check digit.



UPC code under a barcode

Enter all 12 digits without hyphens or spaces in the 024 field, with 1st indicator "1":

024 1_ 028943083239

Don't confuse a 13-digit **International (formerly European) Article Number (EAN)** with an UPC. The EAN, international standard corresponding to the UPC, looks very much like a UPC code, except for the extra digits.



EAN code under a barcode

Enter all 13 digits without hyphens or spaces in the 024 field, with 1st indicator "3":

024 3_ 4901234567894

The **ISWC (International Standard Works Code)** code is an 11-digit number divided into three elements: the letter T (the prefix element), followed by nine digits (the work identifier), and a numeric check digit.

It appears with or without hyphens and/or dots:

ISWC T-034.524.680-1

ISWC T0413603765

Enter the ISWC code in the 024 field without spaces, hyphens, or dots.

1st indicator = 7

2nd indicator = blank

in ‡2 add iswc (in lower case):

024 7_ T0413603765 ‡2 iswc

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