

With regards to the 'Usage Option' that you find in each of the segment or element, please note the following:

If the User Option (Usage) says 'Must Use', it means that the segment or element is mandatory for Kroger application. In other words, you need to send this information as this information is being used by Kroger's application system to process your EDI data. This is irrespective of the fact that the segment/element in question is a mandatory element or an optional element as per the universal EDI standards.

You can find this information in our mappings as:

BIG		Beginning Segment for Invoice			Pos: 020	Max: 1
					Heading - Mandatory	
					Loop: N/A	Elements: 4
User Option (Usage): Must use						
Element Summary:						
<u>Ref</u>	<u>Id</u>	<u>Element Name</u>	<u>Req</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Min/Max</u>	<u>Usage</u>
BIG01	373	Date Invoice Date	M	DT	8/8	Must use
BIG02	76	Invoice Number	M	AN	1/22	Must use
BIG03	373	Date – Purchase order date	O	DT	8/8	Must use
BIG04	324	Purchase Order Number 5 digit PO number	O	AN	1/22	Must use

Examples of such 'Must Use' elements are the PO number in an invoice, etc. The invoice number and PO number are needed to locate your invoice for processing it.

NOTE: If this 'must use' data is not sent across to us, this will result in your data erring out in the EDI system and will never reach the needed application (accounting or DSD etc.)

If the User Option (Usage) says 'Used', it means that the segment or element is used and is being sent to Kroger application. In other words, you need to send this information as this information is being used by Kroger's application system to process your data. This is irrespective of the fact that the segment/element in question is a mandatory element or an optional element as per the universal EDI standards.

You can find this information in our mappings as:

N1 Name

Pos: 070	Max: 1
Heading - Optional	
Loop: N1	Elements: 6

User Option (Usage): Used

Element Summary:

Ref	Id	Element Name	Req	Type	Min/Max	Usage
N101	98	Entity Identifier Code Ralphs must have the vendor remittance information	M	ID	2/3	Must use
		Code Name				
		BT Bill-to-Party				
		RE Party to receive commercial invoice remittance				
		SF Ship From				
		ST Ship To				
N102	93	Name	X	AN	1/60	Must use
N103	66	Identification Code Qualifier	X	ID	1/2	Must use
		Code Name				
		9 D-U-N-S+4, D-U-N-S Number with Four Character Suffix				
N104	67	Identification Code	X	AN	2/80	Used
N105	706	Entity Relationship Code All valid standard codes are used.	O	ID	2/2	Used
N106	98	Entity Identifier Code All valid standard codes are used.	O	ID	2/3	Used

Examples of such 'Used' elements are the DUNS/location number in an invoice, etc. As per universal EDI standards, a DUNS number is not mandatory; however, we need that information to map your invoice to the Kroger location where you have shipped the goods.

NOTE: If this 'Used' data is not sent across to us, this will result in your data erring out in the Kroger application (accounting or DSD etc.) though it might pass the EDI standards.