

Specifications

ValidationTestService (VTS)

CARF

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ValidationTestService CARF

Testfacility

If you develop software for the filing of messages to the Dutch Tax and Customs Administration, you can validate the messages generated by your software using the ValidationTestService (VTS).

The url for the VTS is: <https://vts.belastingdienst.nl/TestWeb>.

The parameters for this messagetype are:

- regeling (messagetype) : CARF
- specification (year) : Vanaf 01-01-2027
- releasenummer : 2.0.0 (XML)

What can you do with the VTS?

You can use the ValidationTestService (VTS) to validate your XML files and to check if your messages meet the specifications applicable to the relevant message.

In the VTS, the test message is subject to the following checks:

- encoding and Character Set
- well-formed check: does the message meet the XML standards
- syntax check: does the message meet the XSD schema
- consistency check: are the data in the message mutually consistent and do they meet the allowed values as documented in the specifications.

The results will appear on your screen immediately after the validation.

The VTS is subject to restrictions with respect to the specifications.

These restrictions are documented below.

Limitations of the VTS

- The VTS performs the checks on a single message. The VTS has no history of previously sent messages.
- Moreover, the substantive tax correctness of the data in the message cannot be tested, but the consistency between those data can be tested.
- Checks that require a link with other systems of the Dutch Tax and Customs Administration during the validation in the VTS, will not be carried out. It concerns, for example, the check on the correctness of the RSIN/tax reference number or the relationship between the RSIN/tax reference number and date of birth.

Limitations specific for this messagetype

- The Validation Test Service cannot check messages for the following requirement:

The Netherlands Tax and Customs Administration can only process the data delivered if for the namespaces the specific prefixes are defined and that prefix is also used for the elements concerned.

- See chapter 5 "MAN_CARFNL_Part_2_Specification_Data_File v1.0" for the mandatory namespaces and specific prefixes.

Advice: Check for yourself if your messages meet this requirement.

- Character set control in the VTS is limited to the MES-1 character set (repertoire according to the Multilingual European Subset-1 (MES-1, described in standard CWA 13873:2000)).
- The VTS cannot determine whether forbidden characters have been used in the message (see section 3.1.1 of the MAN_CARFNL_Part_2_Specification_Data_File v1.0).

- The VTS does not handle information in attributes on repetitive elements correctly. Conditions on such attributes or on elements that contain attributes will not be checked.
- The following conditions will not be checked due to the limitations of the VTS:

Condition	Errormessage
RULE-22020	The corrected or deleted CryptoUser is not related to the specified RCASP.
RULE-24020	A jurisdiction is reported for the issuance of the TIN, while the TIN was marked as unknown
RULE-26020	The RelevantTransactions elements are not aggregated.
RULE-26030	Several currencies have been used for all RelevantTransactions elements related to the same Crypto-Asset.
RULE-50009	MessageRefID has already been used
RULE-50010	File Contains Test Data for Production Environment
RULE-60001	The amount is less than zero.
RULE-60006	The ResCountryCode of the OtherNexus element does not match the ReceivingCountry.
RULE-60008	The TIN element is set to Unknown, but another value than "NOTIN" is specified.
RULE-60010	The value of OtherNexus is not valid.
RULE-80000	The DocRefID is already used for another record.
RULE-80002	The CorrDocRefId refers to an unknown record.
RULE-80003	The corrected record is no longer valid (invalidated or outdated by a previous correction message).
RULE-80009	The RCASP element cannot be deleted without deleting all related Crypto Users.
RULE-80013	An unknown DocRefID was specified for the Resend option (OECD0).
RULE-80014	The DocRefID specified for the Resend option (OECD0) is no longer valid (invalidated or outdated by a previous correction message).
RULE-98000	The relevant information provided with a TIN that was issued by NL (BSN for individuals) should be the same as the information registered with that TIN by the Netherlands Tax and Customs Administration.
RULE-98030	Reference made to the use of an Identification Service is not allowed
RULE-98040	The legal name of an entity (OECD207) must be provided for an entity
RULE-98050	Either the birth name or the individual name must be provided for an individual

Extra information:

- The VTS can process files up to 5 Mb
- The VTS reports up to 100 consistency-errors per validation

History

Date	Version	Change
28-05-2026	1.0	Initial version
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