

Illinois Department of Revenue
Electronic W-2 Specifications
EFW2 and EFW2C File Layout Changes

EFW2 Header Record Layout:

Position 31 – 100 that were previously marked as reserved are now being used for “Submitter / Transmitter Information”
The overall record length of the header record did not change. 3-5-2009

Removed “All W-2 files must have this Header Record as the first record in the file.” 2-3-2010
Added “Header Record is optional. If submitted, it must be the first record in the file.” 2-3-2010

EFW2 State Total Record (RV) Layout:

Position 10 – 24 Changed Field Name to “Total State Wages, Tips, and Other Compensation” 10-14-2008

Position 10 – 24 Changed Field Name to “Total State Taxable Wages (all States)” 11-24-2008

Position 25 – 39 Changed Field Name to “Total State Income Tax Withheld (all States)” 11-24-2008

EFW2 Acknowledgement Header Record Layout:

Position 31 – 100 that were previously marked as reserved are now being used for “Submitter / Transmitter Information”
The overall record length of the header record did not change. 3-5-2009

EFW2 Acknowledgement (Error Codes):

Added “Error Code 011” to Error Codes List: “SSN DOES NOT MATCH IN RW AND RS RECORDS” 1-2-2009

EFW2C Header Record Layout:

Position 31 – 100 that were previously marked as reserved are now being used for “Submitter / Transmitter Information”
The overall record length of the header record did not change. 3-5-2009

Removed: “All W-2c (Correction) files must have this Header Record as the first record in the file.” 2-3-2010
Added “Header Record is optional. If submitted, it must be the first record in the file.” 2-3-2010

EFW2C State Total Record (RCV) Layout:

Position 11 – 25 Changed Field Name to “Total Originally Reported State Taxable Wages (all States)” 11-24-2008

Position 26 – 40 Changed Field Name to “Total Correct State Taxable Wages (all States)” 11-24-2008

Position 41 – 55 Changed Field Name to “Total Originally Reported State Income Tax Withheld (all States)” 11-24-2008

Position 56 – 70 Changed Field Name to “Total Correct State Income Tax Withheld (all States)” 11-24-2008

EFW2C Acknowledgement Header Record Layout:

Position 31 – 100 that were previously marked as reserved are now being used for “Submitter / Transmitter Information”
The overall record length of the header record did not change. 3-5-2009

EFW2C Acknowledgement (Error Codes):

Added “Error Code 011” to Error Codes List: “SSN NOT MATCHING IN RCW AND RCS RECORDS” 1-2-2009