

ONIX for Books

This is the consolidated list of additions and changes agreed by the ONIX International Steering Committee for Issue 21 of the ONIX for Books codelists.

Codelists Issue 21 Additions and Changes

Within the tables, additions are in red, changes and clarifications in blue and unchanged codes or text are in black.

List 2 – Product composition (ONIX 3.0 only)

Code	Label	Note
31	Multi-item pack	Carrying multiple copies, primarily for retailing as separate items. The pack may be split and retailed as separate items OR retailed as a single item. Use instead of Multiple item trade pack (code 30) only if the data provider specifically wishes to make explicit that the pack may optionally be retailed as a whole.

List 5 – Product identifier type (ONIX 2.1 and 3.0)

Code	Label	Note
29	JP Magazine ID	Japanese magazine identifier, similar in scope to ISSN but identifying a specific issue of a serial publication. Five digits to identify the periodical, plus a hyphen and two digits to identify the issue.

List 7 – Product form (ONIX 2.1 only)

Code	Label	Note
DO	Digital product license key	Digital product license delivered through the retail supply chain as a physical “key”, typically a card or booklet containing a code enabling the purchaser to download or activate the associated product.
ZG	E-book reader	Dedicated e-book reading device, typically with mono screen.
ZH	Tablet computer	General purpose tablet computer, typically with color screen.

Lists 26 and 27 – Subject scheme identifier codes (ONIX 2.1 and 3.0)

Code	Label	Note
99	Thema style qualifier	

Note that the original range of two-digit codes in these lists is now exhausted, and as announced in January 2012, any future additions will incorporate letters as well as digits (eg A0, A1, A2 and so on).

List 29 – Audience code type (ONIX 2.1 and 3.0)

Code	Label	Note
24	Korean Publication Ethics Commission rating	Rating used in Korea to control selling of books and e-books to minors. Current values are 0 (suitable for all) and 19 (only for sale to ages 19+). See ‘ http://www.kpec.or.kr/english/ ’.

List 59 – Price type qualifier (ONIX 2.1 and 3.0)

Code	Label	Note
09	Linked price	Price requires purchase with, or of proof of ownership of another product. Further details of ownership requirements must be given in <PriceTypeDescription>.

This code allows <Price> to carry prices which are dependent on ownership or purchase of a separate but related product. For example, this could be used to set a lower price for a revised edition for end customers who have purchased an earlier edition, or for an e-book companion to a printed product. The product may also be available independently (*ie* without the other product) but at a higher price, and this different price would be carried in a separate repeat of the <Price> composite.

The related product on which the price is dependent should ideally also be identified in <RelatedProduct> (use code 08 to link a companion e-book to a printed product, or code 03 for an 'upgrade' from an earlier to a current edition).

List 64 – Publishing status (ONIX 2.1 and 3.0)

Code	Label	Note
17	Permanently withdrawn from sale	Withdrawn permanently from the market. Effectively synonymous with 'Out of print' (code 07), but specific to downloadable and online digital products (where no 'stock' would remain in the supply chain).

List 79 – Product form feature type (ONIX 2.1 and 3.0)

Code	Label	Note
14	IATA Dangerous Goods warning	<ProductFormFeatureDescription> must give details.

This might for example be used to indicate that the product contains a lithium battery – when such products are shipped in bulk by airfreight, this may require hazard warning labels on the outer carton.

List 80 – Product packaging type (ONIX 2.1 and 3.0)

Code	Label	Note
06	Digipak	Common CD-style packaging, a card folder with one or more panels incorporating a tray, hub or pocket to hold the disc(s).

This code also covers similar card-folder style packaging such as Sony Bend It disc packages.

List 139 – Sales Outlet IDs (ONIX 2.1 and 3.0)

Code	Label	Note
ELE	Electre	
FDB	FeedBooks	
MYB	MyBoox	
NUM	Numilog	
RDB	ReadBooks	
TEA	The Ebook Alternative	

List 150 – Product form (ONIX 3.0 only)

Code	Label	Note
ZG	E-book reader	Dedicated e-book reading device, typically with mono screen.
ZH	Tablet computer	General purpose tablet computer, typically with color screen.

List 178 – Supporting resource file format (ONIX 3.0 only)

Code	Label	Note
E116	Amazon Kindle	A format proprietary to Amazon for use with its Kindle reading devices or software readers [File extensions .azw, .mobi, .prc].

Other minor changes

In List 139, GoSpoken is rebranded as Blinkbox Books. A change in the underlying ISO Country Code list is reflected in the name of the State of Palestine in List 91.

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