

Fields Definition Table

Fields used to identify documents in EDIS are listed and explained below. Users of EDIS-II need to understand these fields of information when both uploading documents and in performing targeted searches and retrievals.

EDIS File Number	<p>For administrative convenience, this is a compound number composed of the investigation type and investigation number. It is usually the first investigation cited when an investigation is instituted. (Therefore, Inv. Nos. 701-TA-417-421 and 731-TA-953-963 is assigned EDIS File Number 701-417; 337-TA-479 is assigned EDIS File Number 337-479; and similarly, TA-131-22 and TA-2104-1 is assigned EDIS File Number 131-022.)</p> <p>This EDIS File Number remains constant for the entire life cycle of the investigation.</p> <p>Document collections other than investigations are identified in this same way. These collections are assigned numbers by the Secretary. (Therefore, Byrd Amendment documents are assigned EDIS File Number misc-006.</p> <p>If you know that 701-417 was assigned as the EDIS File Number for Inv. Nos. 701-TA-417-421 and 731-TA-953-963, Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Brazil, Canada, Egypt, Germany, Indonesia, Mexico, Moldova, South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, and Venezuela, you can enter 701-417 directly.</p>
Full Title	<p>The full title of the investigation (or other document collection) is provided in this field. For investigations, this title is the same as the title used on the notice of institution. This title does not change even if during the conduct of an investigation one of the countries is terminated.</p>
Security	<p>This field is used to restrict access to documents. Documents are either determined to be public documents available for viewing over the Internet or, confidential documents containing either confidential business or business proprietary information.</p>

<p>Area of Interest</p>	<p>Area of interest groups investigations into one of the major ITC operations.</p> <p>Import Injury includes antidumping and countervailing duty investigations, as well as global and bilateral safeguard investigations.</p> <p>Section 337 includes intellectual property-based import investigations of certain unfair practices in import trade such as patent and trademark infringement.</p> <p>General Factfinding includes investigations analyzing major trade related issues; estimating the probable economic effects of trade agreements; and analyzing the competitiveness of specific industries. Also included is investigations that examine current practice, seek public input, or propose alternative methods or structures in the areas of customs procedures or tariff nomenclature.</p> <p>Non-investigation document collections are grouped into the Miscellaneous area of interest. These document collections include rule makings, Byrd Amendment</p>
<p>Investigation Number</p>	<p>This number identifies the individual investigation. For administrative convenience, this is a compound number composed of the investigation type and investigation number. The EDIS reference table cross references these individual investigation numbers to the EDIS File Number. Thus, either investigation number 131-022 or 2104-002 can be entered to locate or file documents in the US-Central America FTA investigation.</p>
<p>Investigation Phase</p>	<p>The “phase” identifies the unique period in the life cycle of an investigation that the document pertains to. Thus, all documents filed prior to the Commission transmitting its preliminary determination to Commerce in an Import Injury investigation are filed in “preliminary” phase; all documents filed after the determination is transmitted to Commerce are filed in the “final” phase; and any documents filed as the result of a remand proceeding are filed under the “remand” phase. If there are no distinct phases for an investigation (e.g., the majority of the 332 studies), or, if the document collection is other than an investigation, the phase is indicated as “final”.</p> <p>When you select the EDIS file number from the lookup table, the phase is automatically populated based on which entry you select. If you enter the EDIS File Number you then must enter the phase.</p>
<p>Document Type</p>	<p>All documents are assigned a document type based on the nature of the document. Certain types of documents can only be filed in certain areas of interest. Further, certain types of documents can only be filed by internal staff. The attached chart shows the document types that can be filed within areas of interest.</p>
<p>Document Title</p>	<p>This is a free text field used to convey information about the purpose of the filing. For instance, in the 337 area of interest “motion” is one of the document types. To distinguish the motion being filed, the document title field would be filled in with the title of the motion.</p>

Document Number	The document number is a unique number assigned by EDIS to each document filed. Electronic documents are assigned the document number at the time the electronic transmission is completed. The document number for paper format filings is assigned at the time the cover sheet is successfully completed.
Filed By	This is the name of the person who filed the document. A document filed using a Registered User's User ID and Password is deemed signed by that Registered User. A document filed by a non-Registered User is deemed signed by that user.
Firm/Organization	
Filed On Behalf Of.	
Document Date	This is the date on the document being filed. It typically is the date that the document is finalized.
System Received Date	This is the date that the system received the document. For electronically filed documents it will be the date that the electronic transmission successfully completed. For paper format submissions it will be the date that the document was scanned.
Official Received Date	This is the effective filing date. If an electronically filed document is received during business hours then the effective filing date is that date. If the electronically filed document is received on a Saturday, Sunday, Federal holiday, or after business hours on a business day, the effective filing date is the next business day.
Country	Certain ITC investigations pertain to products imported from a specific country, or study an issue related to a specific country. In these instances, the country code is entered. This is a searchable field.

<p>Category</p>	<p>The category provides a grouping of investigations to aid in searching for investigations of a similar type or pertaining to similar products.</p> <p>Import Injury investigations are categorized based on the Harmonized Tariff Schedule chapter covering the majority of the products under investigation. One deviation from this is that products listed under product codes in chapters 72 and 73 are categorized as either Iron & Steel Mill Products, Iron and Steel Products and Castings, or Iron and Steel Pipe. The attached chart shows the <u>Import Injury categories</u>.</p> <p>General Factfinding investigations are categorized based on type of study conducted. The attached chart shows the <u>General Factfinding categories</u>.</p> <p>All Section 337 investigations are categorized as “Section 337”.</p> <p>Miscellaneous document collections are categorized by subject matter. Two such collections are rule making and Byrd amendment.</p>
<p>APO Release</p>	<p>This field is used to indicate that the document being filed is to be released under APO.</p>