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This Distribution Element 2.0 (DE 2.0) specification describes a standard message distribution format for data sharing among emergency information systems. The DE 2.0 serves two important purposes: (1) The DE 2.0 allows an organization to wrap separate but related pieces of emergency information, including any of the EDXL message types, into a single “package” for easier and more useful distribution; (2) The DE 2.0 allows an organization to “address” the package to organizations or individuals with specified roles, located in specified locations or those interested in specified keywords. This version of the DE expands the ability to use local community-defined terms, uses a profile of the Geographic Markup Language (GML) , follows best practices for naming conventions, provides the capability to link content objects, and is reorganized for increased flexibility and reuse of common types. The DE 2.0 packages and addresses emergency information for effective distribution with improved standardization and ability to be tailored for user needs.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The primary purpose of the Distribution Element 2.0 is to facilitate the routing of any properly formatted emergency message to recipients. The Distribution Element may be thought of as a "container". It provides the information to route "payload" message sets (such as Alerts or Resource Messages), by including key routing information such as distribution type, geography, incident, and sender/recipient Ids.

The DE 2.0 specification joins the published EDXL suite of standards. The Emergency Data eXchange Language suite of standards continuing goal is to facilitate emergency information sharing and data exchange across the local, state, tribal, national and non-governmental organizations of different professions that provide emergency response and management services. EDXL accomplishes this goal by focusing on the standardization of specific messages (messaging interfaces) to facilitate emergency communication and coordination particularly when more than one profession or governmental jurisdiction is involved.

The published suite of EDXL Standards includes:

- The Common Alerting Protocol v1.2 specification (EDXL-CAP)
- The Distribution Elements specification v1.0 (EDXL-DE)
- The Hospital AVailability Exchange specification v1.0 (EDXL-HAVE)
- The Resource Messaging specification v1.0 (EDXL-RM)
- The Situation Reporting v1.0 (EDXL-SitRep)

1.2 History

The Disaster Management (DM) eGov Initiative of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) determined in 2004 to launch a project to develop interagency emergency data communications standards. It called together a group of national emergency response practitioner leaders and sought their guidance on requirements for such standards. In June, 2004 the first such meeting identified the need for a common distribution element for all emergency messages. Subsequent meetings of a Standards Working Group developed detailed requirements and a draft specification for such a distribution element (DE).

During the same period the DM Initiative was forming a partnership with industry members of the Emergency Interoperability Consortium (EIC) to cooperate in the development of emergency standards. EIC had been a leading sponsor of the Common Alerting Protocol (CAP). Both organizations desired to develop an expanded family of data formats for exchanging operational information beyond warning.

EIC members participated in the development of the DE, and in the broader design of the design of a process for the development of additional standards. This was named Emergency Data Exchange Language (EDXL).

The goal of the EDXL project is to facilitate emergency information sharing and data exchange across the local, state, tribal, national and non-governmental organizations of different professions that provide emergency response and management services. EDXL will accomplish this goal by focusing on the standardization of specific messages (messaging interfaces) to facilitate emergency communication and coordination particularly when more than one profession is involved. It is not just an "emergency management" domain exercise.

It is a national effort including a diverse and representative group of local, state and federal emergency response organizations and professionals, following a multi-step process. Just as a data-focused effort targets shared data elements, the EDXL process looks for shared message needs, which are common across a broad number of organizations. The objective is to rapidly deliver implementable standard messages, in an incremental fashion, directly to emergency response agencies in the trenches, providing seamless communication and coordination supporting each particular process. The effort first addresses the most urgent needs and proceeds to subsequent message sets in a prioritized fashion. The goal is to incrementally develop and deliver standards.

EDXL is intended as a suite of emergency data message types including resource queries and requests, situation status, message routing instructions and the like, needed in the context of cross-disciplinary, cross-jurisdictional communications related to emergency response.

The priorities and requirements are created by the DM EDXL Standards Working Group (SWG) which is a formalized group of emergency response practitioners, technical experts, and industry.

The original draft DE specification was trialed by a number of EIC members starting in October, 2004. In November, 2004, EIC formally submitted the draft to the OASIS Emergency Management Technical Committee for standardization.

Since its official release, the DE has been adopted and used by a number of communities and applications and as a result, a few significant enhancements were recommended. The OASIS Infrastructure Framework Subcommittee took on the task of assembling the list of suggestions, considering potential solutions, and recommending an evolved version DE 2.0. This document describes the DE 2.0 and contains references to the schema and examples for download.

1.3 Structure of the EDXL Distribution Element

The EDXL Distribution Element (DE) comprises an <EDXLDistribution> element as described hereafter, optional <TargetArea> elements describing geospatial or political target area for message delivery, and a set of <ContentObject> elements each containing specific information regarding a particular item of content. The included content may be any XML or other content type or a URI to access the content.

The <EDXLDistribution> block may be used without content to form the body of a routing query to, or response from, a directory service.

1.3.1 <EDXLDistribution>

The <EDXLDistribution> element asserts the originator's intent as to the dissemination of that particular message or set of messages.

Note that use of the <EDXLDistribution> element does not guarantee that all network links and nodes will implement the asserted dissemination policy or that unintended disclosure will not occur. Where sensitive information is transmitted over distrusted networks, it should be encrypted in accordance with the Web Services Security (WSS) standard <http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-soap-message-security-1.0.pdf> with any updates and errata published by the OASIS Web Services Security Technical Committee http://www.oasis-open.org/committees/tc_home.php?wg_abbrev=wss, or some other suitable encryption scheme.

1.3.2 <Descriptor>

The <Descriptor> element enables the user to describe the message with information useful for routing the message, including elements such as SenderRole, RecipientRole and Keyword.

1.3.3 <TargetArea>

The <TargetArea> is a container element for a geospatial or political area representing the source, target, or other area relevant for distributing the message content. It contains data necessary to the originator's intent, based on location targeting, as to the dissemination of that particular message or set of messages. Multiple <TargetArea> elements are allowed and can be grouped under a <TargetAreas> element, specifying the <AreaKind> and the type of <AreaGrouping>, such as union or intersection. If multiple <TargetArea> elements are used, then the order top-to-bottom represents precedence, with the top <TargetArea> preferred.

1.3.4 <ContentObject>

The <ContentObject> is a container element for specific messages. The <ContentObject> element MUST either contain a <ContentXML> content container or a <OtherContent> container. Additional elements (metadata) used for specific distribution of the <ContentObject> payload or hints for processing the payload are also present in the <ContentObject> container element.

1.3.5 ValueLists and Defaults

The EDXL-DE 2.0 uses a ValueList structure to enable communities to have user-defined lists of values for elements such as SenderRole, DistributionStatus, Confidentiality, and many others. The first example is a user-defined Valuelist specifying recipient roles:

```
<RecipientRole>
  <ct:ValueListURI>urn:myagency:gov:sensors:recipientRole</ct:ValueListURI>
  <ct:Value>Situational Awareness Apps</ct:Value>
  <ct:Value>Warning Devices</ct:Value>
</RecipientRole>
```

This first example contains two recipient roles, one role whose value is "Situational Awareness Apps" and one role whose value is "Warning Devices". These are notional roles created for this example. The roles are identified as values from a list whose unique Uniform Reference Identifier (URI) is "urn:myagency:gov:sensors:recipientRole". When using a ValueList the user can specify a user-defined list by URI (either using the "urn:..." format or the more familiar "http://..." format) and then include user-defined values from that list. This ValueList structure has several advantages, the ValueList: (a) provides flexibility for local communities to use community-defined terms and vocabulary; (b) allows for the external maintenance of local or standardized lists; and (c) avoids the problems inherent in attempting to constantly update hardcoded enumerations in a specification.

The ValueList is supplemented for many of the EDXL-DE 2.0 elements with an optional default list and values. These defaults are useful when no community-defined or standardized lists are available. This second example is a default for a ValueList specifying the type or kind of DE 2.0 message:

```
<DistributionKind>
  <DistributionKindDefault>
    <ct:ValueListURI>urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:DistributionType</c
t:ValueListURI>
    <ct:Value>Report</ct:Value>
  </DistributionKindDefault>
</DistributionKind>
```

This example specifies a default value of "Report" from the default list whose URI is "urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:DistributionType". When utilizing the default, a specific URI must be used and only the specified values can be included. The default URIs and values are specified in the schema and mentioned in the data dictionary, where applicable.

128 The EXDL-DE 2.0 ValueList and default mechanism provide a reasonable compromise between allowing
129 flexibility for using local or standardized lists and enabling the convenience of utilizing default values with
130 schema validation as needed.

131 **1.3.6 Linking Content Objects and Other DE 2.0 Components**

132 A new feature of the EDXL-DE 2.0 is the ability to specify links between content objects. This linking
133 ability is a useful new feature of the DE 2.0, allowing users to specify meaningful connections among
134 content objects.

135 For example, if a DE 2.0 message contains two alerts and three images, it's now possible to specify by
136 links that two of the images go with the first alert and the third image is tied to the other alert.

137 The linking feature can also be used to link separable parts of a DE 2.0 message. These separable parts
138 are the global elements, EDXLDistribution, Descriptor, Content, ContentDescriptor, and ContentObject.

139 For example, the new EDXL-DE 2.0 allows the Descriptor portion of the DE 2.0 to be used independently
140 of the Content portion of the DE 2.0, as would be commonly done when using a “wrapper” other than the
141 DE-provided EDXLDistribution element. In a SOAP message, the DE 2.0 Descriptor might appear in the
142 SOAP header while the DE 2.0 Content appears in the SOAP body. If needed or desired, a link can be
143 used to tie the Descriptor to the Content to make the connection between the two explicit. The new DE
144 2.0 linking feature supports two use cases: one where the user wants to show a connection between or
145 among content objects and the other where the user wants to explicitly link other separable DE 2.0
146 components.

147 The new linking feature is enabled using the W3C standard Xlink. For example, here is a link tying a DE
148 2.0 Descriptor element to a DE 2.0 Content element:

```
149 <de:Link xlink:from="de_descriptor" xlink:to="de_content"  
150 xlink:arcrole="http://www.oasis.org/de/arcroles/isDescriptorOf" xlink:title="is Descriptor of"/>
```

151 Here are a few examples linking content objects:

```
152 <de:Link xlink:from="contentObject_1" xlink:to="contentObject_2"  
153 xlink:arcrole="http://www.oasis.org/de/arcroles/isImageOf" xlink:title="is Image of"/>
```

```
154 <de:Link xlink:from="contentObject_3" xlink:to="contentObject_4"  
155 xlink:arcrole="http://www.oasis.org/de/arcroles/isVideoOf" xlink:title="is Video of"/>
```

```
156 <de:Link xlink:from="contentObject_5" xlink:to="contentObject_6"  
157 xlink:arcrole="http://www.oasis.org/de/arcroles/isAudioOf" xlink:title="is Audio of"/>
```

159 Xlink is a standard specification providing several attributes which can be added to elements to support
160 linking. In the examples above, the “from” and “to” attributes reference the values of xlink label attributes
161 that have been added to the DE 2.0 components or content objects respectively. In the second example,
162 the link is referring to a content object whose xlink:label attribute has been set to “contentObject_2” and is
163 also referring to another content object whose xlink:label attribute has been set to “contentObject_1”. By
164 using these labels as element identifiers, the link connects one to another. Users can specify user-defined
165 labels and roles, and thereby create meaningful connections among content objects or among DE 2.0
166 components.

167 This section is merely an introduction to the linking concept. For more details, see the examples and also
168 see the Xlink specification itself and referenced tutorials.

1.3.7 Common Types

Several Element Types, such as TargetArea, borrow re-usable elements from the EDXL Common Types that apply to and support multiple areas of the DE 2.0 messages. For instance TargetArea relies on the EDXL-CIQ profile for geopolitical info and on the EDXL-GSF profile for geographical information. The Supporting Elements Model distinguishes three groups of elements: CommonTypes (EDXL-CT), Contact Information (EDXL-CIQ) and Location Information (EDXL-GSF).

The following elements are used in this specification and can be found at the locations cited in the normative references in Section 1.6 below.

Supporting Element	Defined In
EDXLLocationType	EDXL-CT
EDXLGeoLocationType	EDXL-GSF
EDXLGeoPoliticalLocationType	EDXL-CT
ValueListURI	EDXL-CT
Value	EDXL-CT

1.4 Applications of the EDXL Distribution Element

The primary use of the EDXL Distribution Element is to identify and provide information to enable the routing of encapsulated payloads, called Content Objects. It is used to provide a common mechanism to encapsulate content information.

1.5 Terminology

The keywords "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this specification are to be interpreted as described in [IETF RFC 2119](http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2119.txt).

In addition, within this Specification, the keyword "CONDITIONAL" should be interpreted as potentially "REQUIRED" or "OPTIONAL" depending on the surrounding context. The term payload refers to some body of information contained in the distribution element. The term "REQUIRED" means that empty elements or NULL values are NOT allowed.

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2 Design Principles & Concepts (non-normative)

2.1 Design Philosophy

Below are some of the guiding principles of the Distribution Element:

1. Provide an Open Container Model to enable dissemination of one or more emergency messages
2. Provide flexible mechanisms to inform message routing and/or processing decisions
3. Enable dissemination of messages based on geographic delivery area
4. Use and re-use of data content and models developed by other initiatives
5. Support business process-driven specific messaging needs across emergency professions
6. Support everyday events and incident preparedness, as well as disasters
7. Facilitate emergency information sharing and data exchange across the local, state, tribal, national and non-governmental organizations of different professions that provide emergency response and management services
8. Multi-use format - One message schema supports multiple message types (e.g., alert / update / cancellations / acknowledgments / error messages) in various applications (actual / exercise / test / system message.)

2.2 Requirements for Design

The Distribution Element specification should:

1. Define a compound XML structure (or an equivalent single structure if transcoded into another format) including the required and optional elements defined below.
2. Specify a desired delivery area, expressed in geospatial coordinates or using political/administrative codes.
3. Allow the ability to encapsulate a payload or set of payloads
4. Take a modular approach to the enumerations of element values which may evolve over time, e.g. by referring to a separate schema for those enumerations.
5. Specify unique distribution and sender identifiers
6. Specify the date and time the distribution was sent
7. Specify the actionability of the distribution message (e.g., real-world, test, exercise)
8. Specify the functional type of the distribution message (e.g., report, request, update, cancellation, etc.)

282 9. Specify that the following elements may be present in a valid payload:

283 (a) A specification of the format of the distribution message (e.g., the URI of an XML Schema for
284 the message)

285 (b) The functional role and/or type of the sender of the distribution message

286 (c) One or more functional role and/or type of desired recipients of the distribution message

287 (d) One or more types of response activity involved

288 (e) A reference to the type of incident

289 (f) One or more characterizations of the etiology of the subject event or incident (e.g., terrorism,
290 natural, under investigation, etc.)

291 (g) The incident name or other identifier of one or more event or incident

292 (h) A reference to one or more response types.

293 (i) One or more specific recipient addresses (as a URI).

294 (j) Specify an assertion of the confidentiality level of the combined payloads.

295 10. In addition, the Content Object element contained within the Distribution Element SHOULD:

296 (a) Allow the encapsulation of one or more payloads in each of the Content Object elements.

297 (b) Specify the functional role and/or type of the sender of each payload

298 (c) Specify one or more functional roles and/or types of desired recipients of each payload

299 (d) Specify an assertion of the confidentiality level of each payload.

300 11. Provide or refer to specific lists (enumerations) of values and definitions for:

301 (a) Types of incidents

302 (b) Types of hazards and/or events

303 (c) Types of agencies

304 (d) Types of response activity

305 (e) The functional role and/or type of the sender

306 (f) The functional roles and/or types of desired recipients

307 (g) The incident name or other identifier of one or more event or incident.

2.3 Example Usage Scenarios

Note: The following examples of use scenarios were used as a basis for design and review of the EDXL Distribution Element Message format. These scenarios are non-normative and not intended to be exhaustive or to reflect actual practices.

2.3.1 Distribution of Emergency Messages or Alerts Based on Geographic Delivery Area and Incident Type

The terror alert level has been raised to RED. Credible intelligence indicates that terrorist groups in the Mid-Atlantic region are seeking to conduct an attack in the next 48 hours. The Department of Homeland Security sends an emergency alert message, and using the Distribution Element, distributes it to all emergency agencies in the specified area.

2.3.2 Encapsulation and Distribution of One or More Emergency Messages or Alerts or Notifications

A Radiological sensor triggered at a prominent Tunnel toll booth. Radiation alarm levels indicates possible dirty bomb. Authorities decide to send multiple messages to a number of jurisdictions. The user sends an EDXL Distribution Element with two encapsulated CAP messages. The first one notifies the area where the sensor has been triggered. The second one is an alert to emergency response agencies that the state Emergency Operation Center (EOC) has been activated, and requests the agencies to be on alert.

2.3.3 Distribution of Resource Messages or Reports

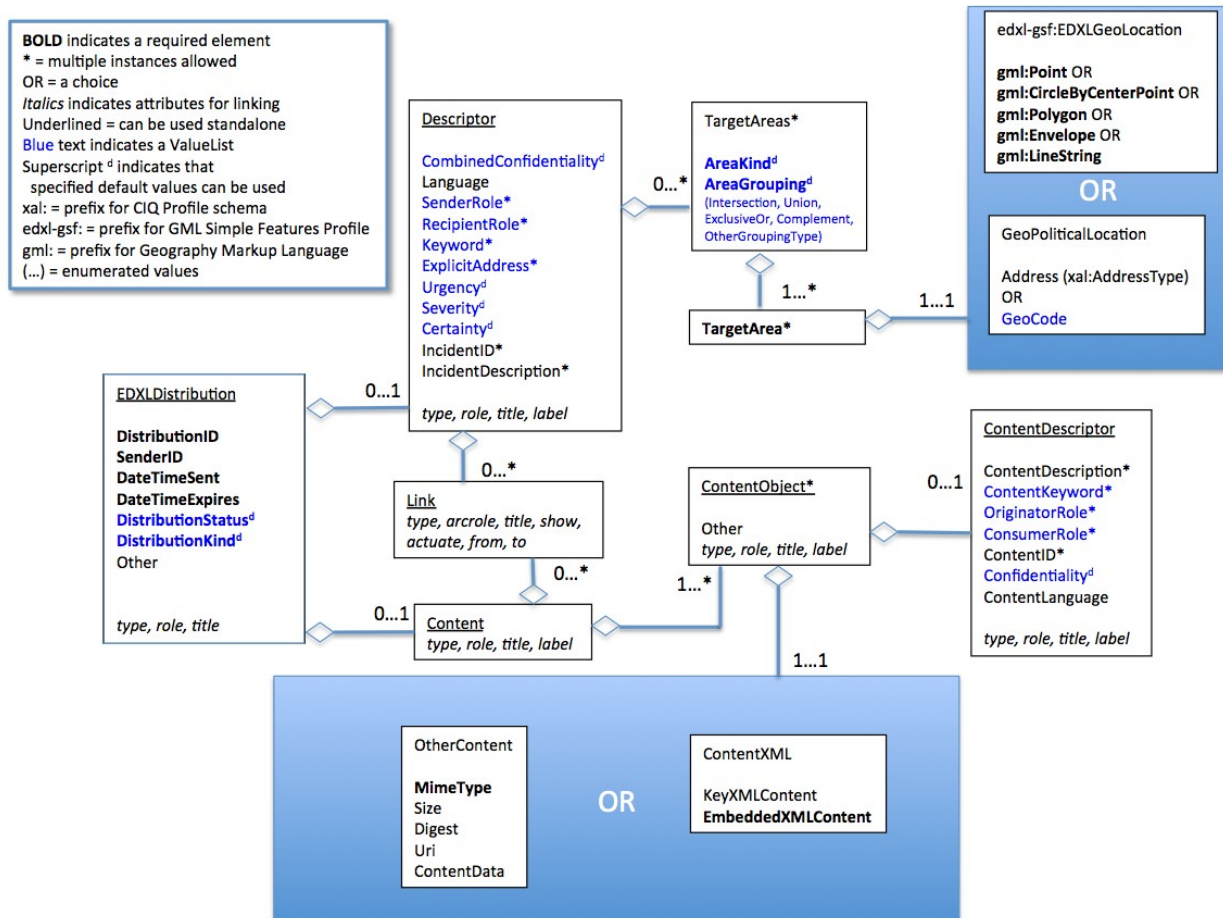
The Local EOC has a need for additional resource/support, but is unsure what specifically to request. A free-form request for information and resource availability is prepared, and is sent to the state EOC and other organizations (person to person) using the Distribution Element. The Local EOC receives an acknowledgment message from the State EOC, as well as a request for Information on additional details of the requested resource. Both of these messages are contained within a single Distribution Element.

2.3.4 Distribution of Well-Formed XML Messages

A huge crash, involving a car and a HAZMAT truck, occurs at a busy junction on an inter-state freeway. Separate automatic notifications of both the car crash and the HAZMAT carrier are sent using the Vehicular Emergency Data Set (VEDS), contained in the Distribution Element. The Transportation Management Center (TMC) shares information (related to the above incident) with the adjacent TMC, using the IEEE 1512 Incident Management Message Set. These sets of messages are exchanged using the EDXL Distribution Element.

3 EDXLDistribution Element Structure (normative)

3.1 Document Object Model



3.2 Data Dictionary

3.2.1 EDXLDistribution Element and Sub-elements

The Distribution Element, <EDXLDistribution> is the container element for all data necessary to the originator's intent as to the dissemination of the contained message or set of messages.

Element	EDXLDistribution
Type	XML Structure
Usage	CONDITIONAL , MUST be used once and only once when an EDXL envelope is desired, top level container
Definition	A container of all of the elements related to the distribution of the content messages.
Comments	1. The <EDXLDistribution> element includes administrative envelope information as well as

	<p>optionally one <Descriptor> block and one <Content> block.</p> <p>2. Use of the <EDXLDistribution> element does not guarantee that all network links and nodes will implement the asserted dissemination policy or that unintended disclosure will not occur. Where sensitive information is transmitted over untrusted networks, it should be encrypted in accordance with the Web Services Security (WSS) standard (http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-soap-message-security-1.0.pdf) with any updates and errata published by the OASIS Web Services Security Technical Committee (http://www.oasis-open.org/committees/tc_home.php?wg_abbrev=wss), or some other suitable encryption scheme.</p> <p>3. This element can be the source or destination for a link. See Section 1.3.5.</p>
Sub-elements	<p>DistributionID [1..1]</p> <p>SenderID [1..1]</p> <p>DateTimeSent [1..1]</p> <p>DateTimeExpires [1..1]</p> <p>DistributionStatus [1..1]</p> <p>DistributionKind [1..1]</p> <p>DistributionReference [0..*]</p> <p>Descriptor [0..1]</p> <p>Content [0..1]</p> <p>Other [0..*]</p>
Used In	top level element

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Element	Descriptor
Type	XML Structure
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once; can be used as a top level element when used outside of the EDXLDistribution envelope.
Definition	A container of all of the substantive elements related to describing the distribution of the content messages as a whole.
Comments	1. This element can be the source or destination for a link. See Section 1.3.5.
Sub-elements	<p>CombinedConfidentiality [0..1]</p> <p>Language [0..1]</p> <p>SenderRole [0..*]</p> <p>RecipientRole [0..*]</p> <p>Keyword [0..*]</p>

	ExplicitAddress [0..*] TargetAreas [0..*] Urgency [0..1] Severity [0..1] Certainty [0..1] IncidentID [0..*] IncidentDescription [0..*] Link [0..*]
Used In	EDXLDistribution or independently if an alternative envelope is used.

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Element	Content
Type	XML Structure
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once; may be used outside of EDXLDistribution if an alternative envelope to <EDXLDistribution> is used.
Definition	A container for the ContentObject and any Links among content objects
Comments	<p>1.The <Content> block must contain one or more <ContentObject> blocks and optionally one ore more <Link> elements.</p> <p>2. This element can be the source or destination for a link. See Section 1.3.5.</p>
Sub-ele-ments	ContentObject [1..*] Link [0..*]
Used In	EDXLDistribution or independently if an alternative envelope is used.

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Element	Link
Type	XML Structure
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used multiple times
Definition	A method for linking <ContentObject> elements or other elements
Comments	<p>1.The Link element includes attributes from the xlink:arcLink attributeGroup, consisting of type="arc", xlink:arcrole, xlink:title , xlink:show, xlink:actuate, xlink:from, and xlink:to. The role attribute indicates a property of the resource, the title indicates a human-readable description of the resource, and the label attribute provides a way for an arc-type element to refer to it. The xlink:from attribute defines the start of a link by referencing a resource's "label" attribute while the xlink:to attribute defines the endpoint of a link by referencing the ending resource label. Since label attributes are available in the DE Content, ContentObject, and Descriptor elements, the Link element can be used to link any of these elements. For example, content objects can be linked to each other and to descriptor elements. The linkage is useful to associate content objects when multiple pieces of content are included in one DE or to link a descriptor to content when the two elements</p>

	<p>are separated, as when using an alternative envelope to the EDXLDistribution element, for example when using a SOAP envelope. For more information on xlink, see the XLINK specification referenced in Section 1.</p> <p>2. See Section 1.3.5 for a summary overview of the new DE linking capability.</p> <p>3. <Descriptor> elements can utilize the resourceLink attributes defined in Xlink 1.1.</p>
Used In	Content Descriptor

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Element	DistributionID
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	REQUIRED , MUST be used once and only once
Definition	The unique identifier of this distribution message.
Comments	<p>1.Uniqueness is assigned by the sender to be unique for that sender.</p> <p>2.The identifier MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p> <p>3.The string length of the identifier MUST be less than 1024.</p>
Used In	EDXLDistribution

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Element	SenderID
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	REQUIRED , MUST be used once and only once
Definition	The unique identifier of the sender.
Comments	<p>1.Uniquely identifies human parties, systems, services, or devices that are all potential senders of the distribution message.</p> <p>2. In the form actor@domain-name.</p> <p>3.Uniqueness of the domain-name is guaranteed through use of the Internet Domain Name System, and uniqueness of the actor name enforced by the domain owner.</p> <p>4.The identifier MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Used In	EDXLDistribution

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Element	DateTimeSent
Type	ct:EDXLDateTimeType

Usage	REQUIRED , MUST be used once and only once
Definition	The date and time the distribution message was sent.
Comments	1. The Date Time combination must include the offset time for time zone. Must be in the restricted W3C format for the XML [dateTime] data type, see ct:EDXLDateTimeType.
Used In	EDXLDistribution

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Element	DateTimeExpires
Type	ct:EDXLDateTimeType
Usage	REQUIRED , MUST be used once and only once
Definition	The date and time the distribution message should expire.
Comments	1. The Date Time combination must include the offset time for time zone. Must be in the restricted W3C format for the XML [dateTime] data type, see ct:EDXLDateTimeType.
Used In	EDXLDistribution

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Element	DistributionStatus
Type	A choice between a user-defined value or a default value
Usage	REQUIRED , MUST be used once and only once
Definition	The action-ability of the message.
Comments	<p>1. If the default value list is used, then the ValueListURI must be: "urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:StatusType" and the Value must be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Actual - "Real-world" information for action b. Exercise - Simulated information for exercise participants c. System - Messages regarding or supporting network functions d. Test - Discardable messages for technical testing only. <p>2. The status MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Sub-elements	Either StatusKindValueList or StatusKindDefault
Used In	EDXLDistribution

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Element	StatusKindDefault
Type	ct:StatusKindDefaultType

Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the default distribution status list and value, for example “Actual” or “Exercise”.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><StatusKindDefault> <ct:ValueListURI>urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:StatusKind</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </StatusKindDefault></pre> <p>2. The Value must be Actual, Exercise, System, or Test</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI ct:Value
Used In	DistributionStatus

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Element	StatusKindValueList
Type	ct:ValueKeyType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the distribution status of the message”.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><StatusKindValueList> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </StatusKindValueList></pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. One and only one instance of <ct:Value> MUST occur.</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	DistributionStatus

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Element	DistributionKind
Type	A choice between a user-defined value or a default value
Usage	REQUIRED , MUST be used once and only once
Definition	The function of the message.

Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><DistributionType> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </DistributionType></pre> <p>The content of <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and the content of <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. Only a single value may be specified</p> <p>3. If the default value list is used, the ValueListURI must be:"urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE2.0:Defaults:StatusType" and the Value must be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Report - New information regarding an incident or activity b. Update - Updated information superseding a previous message c. Cancel - A cancellation or revocation of a previous message d. Request - A request for resources, information or action e. Response - A response to a previous request f. Dispatch - A commitment of resources or assistance g. Ack - Acknowledgment of receipt of an earlier message h. Error - Rejection of an earlier message (for technical reasons) i. SensorConfiguration - These messages are for reporting configuration during power up or after Installation or Maintenance. j. SensorControl - These are messages used to control sensors/sensor concentrator components behavior. k. SensorStatus - These are concise messages which report sensors/sensor concentrator component status or state of health. l. SensorDetection - These are high priority messages which report sensor detections. <p>4. The status MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Sub-elements	Either DistributionKindDefault or DistributionKindValueList
Used In	EDXLDistribution

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Element	DistributionKindDefault
Type	ct:DistributionDefaultType

Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the default kind of distribution list and value, for example “Report” or “Update”.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><DistributionKindDefault> <ct:ValueListURI>urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:DistributionType</c t:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </DistributionKindDefault></pre> <p>2. The Value must be one of Report, Update, Cancel, Request, Response, Dispatch, Ack, Error, SensorConfiguration, SensorControl, SensorStatus, SensorDetection.</p>
Sub-ele- ments	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	DistributionKind

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Element	DistributionKindValueList
Type	ct:ValueKeyType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the kind of distribution of the message”.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><DistributionKindValueList> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </DistributionKindValueList></pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. One and only one instance of <value> MUST occur.</p>
Sub-ele- ments	ct:ValueListURI ct:Value
Used In	DistributionKind

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Element	CombinedConfidentiality
Type	A choice between a user-defined value or a default value
Usage	CONDITIONAL , Must be present when confidentiality is used in a content object
Definition	Confidentiality of the combined distribution message’s content.

Comments	<p>1.The list and associated value are in the form:</p> <pre><CombinedConfidentiality> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </CombinedConfidentiality></pre> <p>2. Only one value can be specified</p> <p>3. When present, the combined ContentObjects MUST use the same <ct:ValueListURI> where the values in the referenced list are ordered from highest confidentiality at the top to the lowest at the bottom.</p> <p>4. The <CombinedConfidentiality> indicates the confidentiality of the combined <ContentObject> sub-elements. Generally the combined confidentiality is the most restrictive of the <Confidentiality> elements in the container <ContentObject> element, but it can be more restrictive than any of the individual <Confidentiality> elements.</p> <p>5. The <CombinedConfidentiality> element MUST be present if a <Confidentiality> element is present in any of the <ContentObject> elements.</p> <p>6. The confidentiality MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p> <p>7. If the default value list is used, the ValueListURI must be:"urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:ConfidentialityType" and the Value must be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Unclassified b. Classified
Sub-elements	<p>ConfidentialityDefault [1..1]</p> <p>ConfidentialityValueList [1..1]</p>
Used In	Descriptor

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Element	ConfidentialityDefault
Type	ct:ConfidentialityDefaultType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the default confidentiality list and value, for example "Classified" or "Unclassified".
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><ConfidentialityDefault> <ct:ValueListURI>urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:ConfidentialityType </ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value></pre>

	</ConfidentialityDefault> 2. The Value must be Classified or Unclassified
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI ct:Value
Used In	CombinedConfidentiality , Confidentiality

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Element	ConfidentialityValueList
Type	ct:ValueKeyType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the confidentiality of the message.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><ConfidentialityValueList> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI><ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </ConfidentialityValueList></pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. One and only one instance of <ct:Value> MUST occur.</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	CombinedConfidentiality , Confidentiality

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Element	Language
Type	xsd:language
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	The primary language (but not necessarily exclusive) used in the payloads.
Comments	<p>1. Valid language values are supplied in the ISO standard [RFC3066].</p> <p>2. The language MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Used In	Descriptor ContentObject

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Element	SenderRole
Type	ct:ValueListType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The functional role of the sender, as it may determine message routing decisions.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) is in the form:</p> <pre><SenderRole> <ct:ValueListURI>valueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </SenderRole></pre> <p>2. The <ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Name of a published list of values and definitions, and <value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>3. Multiple instances of the <ct:Value>, May occur with a single <ct:ValueListURI> within the <senderRole> container.</p> <p>4. Multiple instances of <SenderRole> MAY occur within a single <Descriptor> container</p> <p>5. Numerous organizations provide role definitions; the external role references provided are examples only. The IF committee does not endorse and/or approve any particular role definition -external references.</p> <p>Example Role External References: http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/NIMS_core.pdf http://www.ccc.ca.gov/emer/Pages/RolesCapabilities.aspx https://www.niem.gov/training/Documents/Mod09_NIEM_PI_How_NIEM_uses_XML.pdf</p>
Sub-elements	ValueListURI [1..1] Value [1..*]
Used In	Descriptor

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Element	RecipientRole
Type	ct:ValueListType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The functional role of the recipient, as it may determine message routing decisions.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><RecipientRole> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </RecipientRole></pre> <p>2. The <ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Name of a published list of values and</p>

	<p>definitions, and the <value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>3. Multiple instances of the <ct:Value>, MAY occur with a single <ct:ValueListURI> within the <recipientRole> container.</p> <p>4. Multiple instances of <RecipientRole> MAY occur within a single <Descriptor> container.</p> <p>5. Numerous organizations provide role definitions; the external role references provided are examples only. The IF committee does not endorse and/or approve any particular role definition -external references.</p> <p>Example Role External References: http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/NIMS_core.pdf http://www.ccc.ca.gov/emer/Pages/RolesCapabilities.aspx https://www.niem.gov/training/Documents/Mod09_NIEM_PI_How_NIEM_uses_XML.pdf</p>
Sub-elements	<p>ct:ValueListURI [1..1]</p> <p>ct:Value [1..*]</p>
Used In	Descriptor

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Element	Keyword
Type	ct:ValueListType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The topic related to the distribution message, as it may determine message routing decisions.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) is in the form:</p> <pre><Keyword> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </Keyword></pre> <p>2. The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Name of a published list of values and definitions, and the <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>3. Multiple instances of the <ct:Value>, MAY occur with a single <ct:ValueListURI> within the <Keyword> container.</p> <p>4. Multiple instances of <Keyword> MAY occur within a single <EDXLDistribution> container.</p> <p>5 Examples of things <Keyword> might be used to describe include event type, event etiology, incident ID and response type.</p>

Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..*]
Used In	Descriptor

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Element	ExplicitAddress
Type	XML Structure
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The identifier of an explicit recipient.
Comments	<p>1. Identifies human parties, systems, services, or devices that are all potential recipients of the distribution message.</p> <p>2. The explicit address of a recipient in the form: <ExplicitAddress> <ExplicitAddressScheme> explicitAddressScheme </ExplicitAddressScheme> <ExplicitAddressValue> explicitAddressValue </ExplicitAddressValue> </ExplicitAddress ></p> <p>The content of <ExplicitAddressScheme> is the distribution addressing scheme used, and the content of <ExplicitAddressValue> is a string denoting the addressees value.</p> <p>3. Multiple instances of the < ExplicitAddressValue > MAY occur with a single < ExplicitAddressScheme > within the <ExplicitAddress > container.</p> <p>4. Multiple instances of <ExplicitAddress > MAY occur within a single <Descriptor> container.</p>
Sub-elements	ExplicitAddressScheme [1..1] ExplicitAddressValue [1..*]
Used In	Descriptor

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Element	Urgency
Type	A choice between a user-defined value or a default value
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	The urgency of the content of the message.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value are in the form:</p> <pre><DistributionType> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </DistributionType></pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and</p>

	<p>definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. Only a single value may be specified</p> <p>3. If the default value list is used, then the ValueListURI must be: "urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Urgency" and the Value must be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Immediate" - Responsive action SHOULD be taken immediately b. "Expected" - Responsive action SHOULD be taken soon (within next hour) c. "Future" - Responsive action SHOULD be taken in the near future d. "Past" - Responsive action is no longer required e. "Unknown" - Urgency not known <p>4. The value MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Sub-elements	Either UrgencyDefault [0..1] or UrgencyValueList [0..1]
Used In	Descriptor

Element	UrgencyDefault
Type	ct:UrgencyDefaultType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the default urgency list and value, for example "Immediate" or "Expected".
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><UrgencyDefault> <ct:ValueListURI>urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Urgency</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </UrgencyDefault></pre> <p>2. The Value must be Immediate, Expected, Future, Past, or Unknown</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI ct:Value
Used In	Urgency

Element	UrgencyValueList
Type	ct:ValueKeyType

Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the urgency of the message".
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><UrgencyValueList> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI><ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </UrgencyValueList></pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. One and only one instance of <ct:Value> MUST occur.</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	Urgency

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Element	Severity
Type	A choice between a user-defined value or a default value
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	The severity of the content of the message.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value are in the form:</p> <pre><DistributionType> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </DistributionType></pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. Only a single value may be specified</p> <p>3. If the default value list is used, then the ValueListURI must be: "urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Severity" and the Value must be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Extreme" - Extraordinary threat to life or property b. "Severe" - Significant threat to life or property c. "Moderate" - Possible threat to life or property d. "Minor" – Minimal to no known threat to life or property e. "Unknown" - Severity unknown

	4. The value MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.
Sub-elements	Either SeverityDefault or SeverityValueList
Used In	Descriptor

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Element	SeverityDefault
Type	ct:SeverityDefaultType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the default severity list and value, for example “Extreme” or “Severe”.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><SeverityDefault> <ct:ValueListURI>urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Severity</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </SeverityDefault></pre> <p>2. The Value must be Extreme, Severe, Moderate, Minor, Unknown</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	Severity

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Element	SeverityValueList
Type	ct:ValueKeyType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the severity of the message”.
Comments	<p>1.The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><SeverityValueList> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </SeverityValueList></pre> <p>The content of <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and the content of <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. One and only one instance of <ct:Value> MUST occur.</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]

Used In	Severity
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Element	Certainty
Type	A choice between a user-defined value or a default value
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	The certainty of the content of the message.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value are in the form:</p> <pre><DistributionType> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </DistributionType></pre> <p>The content of <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and the content of <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. Only a single value may be specified</p> <p>3. If the default value list is used, then the ValueListURI must be: "urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Certainty" and the Value must be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Observed" – Determined to have occurred or to be ongoing b. "Likely" - Likely (p > ~50%) c. "Possible" - Possible but not likely (p <= ~50%) d. "Unlikely" - Not expected to occur (p ~ 0) e. "Unknown" - Certainty unknown <p>4. The value MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Sub-elements	Either CertaintyDefault [0..1] or CertaintyValueList [0..1]
Used In	Descriptor

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Element	CertaintyDefault
Type	ct:SeverityDefaultType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the default certainty list and value, for example "Observed" or "Likely".
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><CertaintyDefault> <ct:ValueListURI>urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Certainty</ct:Value</pre>

	ListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </CertaintyDefault> 2. The value must be Observed, Likely, Possible, Unlikely, Unknown
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	Certainty

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Element	CertaintyValueList
Type	ct:ValueKeyType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the certainty of the message".
Comments	1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form: <CertaintyValueList> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </CertaintyValueList> The content of <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and the content of <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself. 2. One and only one instance of <ct:Value> MUST occur.
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	Certainty

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Element	IncidentID
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple times
Definition	The human-readable text uniquely identifying the incident/event/situation associated with the Content.
Comments	1. MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.
Used In	Descriptor

401

Element	IncidentDescription
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	The human-readable text describing the incident/event/situation associated with the ContentObject.
Comments	1. MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.
Used In	ContentDescriptor

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3.2.2 TargetAreas Element and Sub-elements

The <TargetAreas> is a container element for the geospatial or political areas targeting or describing the message content. It indicates the originator's intent based on location targeting as to the dissemination of that particular message or set of messages. The <TargetArea> utilizes the EDXL GML SimpleFeatures Profile, which should be consulted for detailed description of <TargetArea> sub-elements.

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Element	TargetAreas
Type	XML Structure
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	A container for TargetArea information.
Comments	1. The <TargetAreas> block must contain one <AreaKind> block, one <AreaGrouping> block, and one or more <TargetArea> elements.
Sub-elements	AreaKind [1..1] AreaGrouping [1..1] TargetArea [1..*]
Used In	Descriptor

409

Element	AreaGrouping
Type	XML Structure
Usage	REQUIRED , MAY use multiple
Definition	The container element for location information.
Comments	1. The value must be one of: "Intersection", "Union", "ExclusiveOr", "Complement", "Other-GroupingType".
Used In	TargetAreas

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Element	TargetArea
Type	XML Structure
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The container element for location information.
Comments	<p>1. If multiple Sub-elements appear in a single <TargetArea> element then it should be in the document order with most accurate representation first.</p> <p>2. Multiple <TargetArea> blocks may appear in a single <TargetAreas>element.</p>
Sub-elements	<p>edxl-gsf:EDXLGeoLocation [0..*]</p> <p>ct:EDXLGeoPoliticalLocation [0..*]</p>
Used In	TargetAreas

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Element	AreaKind
Type	A choice between a user-defined value or a default value
Usage	REQUIRED , MUST use once and only once.
Definition	Specifies the kind of area, for example “target” or “source”.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><AreaKind> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </AreaKind></pre> <p>The content of <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and the content of <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. One and only one instance of <ct:Value> MUST occur.</p> <p>3. If the default is used, the ValueListURI must be “urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:AreaKind” and the Value must be “DistributionTargetArea” or “SourceTargetArea”</p>
Sub-elements	Either AreaKindDefault [0..1] or AreaKindValueList [0..1]
Used In	TargetAreas

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Element	AreaKindDefault
Type	ct:AreaKindDefaultType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once

Definition	Specifies the default kind of area, for example “target” or “source”.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><AreaKindDefault> <ct:ValueListURI>urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:AreaKind</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </AreaKindDefault></pre> <p>2. The Value must be “DistributionTargetArea” or “SourceTargetArea”</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	AreaKind

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Element	AreaKindValueList
Type	ct:ValueKeyType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used once and only once
Definition	Specifies the default kind of area, for example “target” or “source”.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><AreaKindValueList> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </AreaKindValueList></pre> <p>The content of <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Identifier of a published list of values and definitions, and the content of <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. One and only one instance of <ct:Value> MUST occur.</p>
Sub-elements	ct:ValueListURI [1..1] ct:Value [1..1]
Used In	AreaKind

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417 3.2.3 ContentObject Element and Sub-elements

418 The <ContentObject> element is the container element for specific messages. The <ContentObject>
419 element MUST either contain a <ContentXML> content container or a <OtherContent> content container.
420 Additional elements (metadata) used for specific distribution of the <ContentObject> payload or hints for
421 processing the payload are also present in the <ContentObject> container element.

Element	ContentObject
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Type	XML Structure
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The container element for message data and content.
Comments	<p>1. The <ContentObject> is the container element for specific messages.</p> <p>2. The <ContentObject> may have an optional attribute that defines a namespace prefix which resolves ambiguous element names.</p> <p>3. The <ContentObject> contains an optional <ContentDescriptor> to describe the content.</p> <p>4. The <ContentObject> element MUST contain exactly one of the two content formats:</p> <p><ContentXML>, for valid namespaced XML content</p> <p>or</p> <p><OtherContent>, containing either a <Uri> element, for reference to the content's location, or a <ContentData> element, for data encapsulated in the message.</p> <p>5. This element can be the source or destination for a link. See Section 1.3.5.</p>
Sub-elements	<p>ContentDescriptor [0..1]</p> <p>Either ContentXML [1..1] or OtherContent [1..1])</p> <p>Other [0..*]</p>
Used In	EDXLDistribution or Stand-alone

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Element	ContentDescriptor
Type	XML Structure
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	The description of the message content object
Comments	1. This element can be the source or destination for a link. See Section 1.3.5.
Sub-elements	<p>ContentDescription [0..1]</p> <p>ContentKeyword [0..*]</p> <p>OriginatorRole [0..*]</p> <p>ConsumerRole [0..*]</p> <p>ContentID [0..*]</p> <p>Confidentiality [0..1]</p> <p>ContentLanguage [0..1]</p>

Used In	EDXLDistribution or Stand-alone
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Element	ContentDescription
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	The human-readable text describing the content object.
Comments	MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.
Used In	ContentDescriptor

425

Element	ContentKeyword
Type	ct:ValueListType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The topic related to the message data and content, as it may determine message distribution and presentation decisions.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><ContentKeyword> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </ContentKeyword></pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Name of a published list of values and definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. Multiple instances of the <ct:Value>, MAY occur with a single <ct:ValueListURI> within the <ContentKeyword> container.</p> <p>3. Multiple instances of <ContentKeyword> MAY occur within a single <ContentObject> container.</p>
Sub-elements	ValueListURI [1..1] Value [1..*]
Used In	ContentDescriptor

426

Element	OriginatorRole
Type	ct:ValueListType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The functional role of the message originator, as it may determine message distribution and presentation decisions.

Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre> <OriginatorRole> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </OriginatorRole> </pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Name of a published list of values and definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. Multiple instances of the <Value>, MAY occur with a single <ValueListURI> within the <OriginatorRole> container.</p> <p>3. Multiple instances of <OriginatorRole> MAY occur within a single <ContentObject> container.</p>
Sub-elements	<p>ct:ValueListURI [1..1]</p> <p>ct:Value [1..*]</p>
Used In	ContentDescriptor

Element	ConsumerRole
Type	ct:ValueListType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use multiple
Definition	The functional role of the message consumer, as it may determine message distribution and presentation decisions.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value(s) are in the form:</p> <pre><ConsumerRole> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </ConsumerRole></pre> <p>The <ct:ValueListURI> is the Uniform Resource Name of a published list of values and definitions, and <ct:Value> is a string (which may represent a number) denoting the value itself.</p> <p>2. Multiple instances of the <ct:Value>, MAY occur with a single <ct:ValueListURI> within the <consumerRole> container.</p> <p>3. Multiple instances of <ConsumerRole> MAY occur within a single<ContentObject> container.</p>
Sub-elements	<p>ct:ValueListURI [1..1]</p> <p>ct:Value [1..*]</p>
Used In	ContentDescriptor

Element	ContentID
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be used multiple times.
Definition	An identifier for a ContentObject.
Comments	<p>1. Multiple instances of ContentID MAY occur within a ContentDescriptor.</p> <p>2.The identifier MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p> <p>3.The string length of the identifier MUST be less than 1024.</p>
Used In	ContentDescriptor

Element	Confidentiality
Type	A choice between a user-defined value or a default value
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once

Definition	Special requirements regarding confidentiality of the content of this <ContentObject>.
Comments	<p>1. The list and associated value are in the form:</p> <pre><Confidentiality> <ct:ValueListURI>ValueListURI</ct:ValueListURI> <ct:Value>value</ct:Value> </Confidentiality></pre> <p>2. MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p> <p>3. Only one ct:Value may be specified.</p> <p>4. If the default value list is used, the ValueListURI must be:"urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:ConfidentialityType" and the Value must be one of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Unclassified b. Classified
Sub-elements	Either ConfidentialityDefault [1..1] or ConfidentialityValueList [1..1]
Used In	ContentDescriptor

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Element	ContentLanguage
Type	xsd:language
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	Specifies the language of this particular content object
Comments	<p>1. Valid language values are supplied in the ISO standard [RFC3066].</p> <p>2. The language MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Used In	ContentDescriptor

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Element	Other
Type	XML content from any namespace other than the DE 2.0 namespace
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY be use to add an unlimited number of XML elements for enveloped signing process.
Definition	Special requirements allowing for signature of the content of a <ContentObject>.
Comments	<p>1. There is no mandatory validation of the elements if the namespace reference can not be located.</p> <p>2. MUST be a properly formed XML string – escaped, if necessary.</p> <p>3. Element names cannot duplicate other element names in the ContentObject. Such duplication would prevent validation due to the ambiguity introduced.</p> <p>4. This element may be used for signatures. If this element is used for experimental</p>

	extensions, such extensions may not be supported by all users or in future versions of EDXL-DE.
Used In	ContentObject

432 3.2.4 OtherContent Element and Sub-elements

Element	OtherContent
Type	XML Structure
Usage	CONDITIONAL , MUST use once if ContentXML is not used
Definition	Container for content provided in a non-XML MIME type.
Comments	<p>1. The <OtherContent> container MUST contain either <ContentData> or <Uri> or both.</p> <p>2. If the <Uri> element is used in conjunction with the <ContentData> element, it must reference a data location that contains the same data as is contained in the <ContentData> element.</p>
Sub-elements	MimeType [1..1] Size [0..1] Digest [0..1] Uri [0..1] ContentData [0..1]
Used In	ContentObject

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Element	MimeType
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	REQUIRED , MUST be used once and only once
Definition	The format of the payload.
Comments	<p>1. MIME content type and sub-type as described in [RFC 2046].</p> <p>2. The string length of the identifier MUST be less than 1024.</p> <p>3. MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Used In	OtherContent

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Element	Size
Type	xsd:integer
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	The file size of the payload.

Comments	1. Value must be in bytes and represent the raw file size (not encoded or encrypted).
Used In	OtherContent

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Element	Digest
Type	xsd:base64Binary
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	The digest value for the payload.
Comments	<p>1. Used to ensure the integrity of the payload.</p> <p>2. Calculated using the Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA-1)</p> <p>3. MUST be a hexadecimal representation of a SHA-1 Hash followed by a BASE 64-encoding to be carried in a non-CDATA element.</p>
Used In	OtherContent

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Element	Uri
Type	xsd:anyURI
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	A Uniform Resource Identifier that can be used to retrieve the identified resource.
Comments	<p>1. May be a full absolute URI, typically a Uniform Resource Locator, that can be used to retrieve the resource over the Internet.</p> <p>2. May be a relative URI naming a file. This may be just a pointer to a file or specifically to the file represented in the <ContentData>.</p>
Used In	OtherContent

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Element	ContentData
Type	xsd:base64Binary
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	The base-64 encoded data content.
Comments	<p>1. MAY be used either with or instead of the <Uri> element in contexts where retrieval of a resource via a URI is not feasible.</p> <p>2. MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.</p>
Used In	OtherContent

438 3.2.5 ContentXML Element and Sub-elements

Element	ContentXML
Type	XML Structure
Usage	CONDITIONAL , MUST use once and only once if OtherContent is not used
Definition	Container for valid-namespaced XML data.
Comments	An optional namespace attribute may be included.
Sub-elements	KeyXMLContent [0..1] EmbeddedXMLContent [1..1]
Used In	ContentObject

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Element	KeyXMLContent
Type	XML content from any namespace other than the DE 2.0 namespace
Usage	OPTIONAL , MAY use once and only once
Definition	A container element for collected fragments of valid XML.
Comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Extracts must come from the XML document contained within the <EmbeddedXMLContent> element within the current <ContentObject> block. 2. All content within this element MUST be explicitly namespaced as defined in the enclosing <ContentObject> tag. 3. MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.
Used In	ContentXML

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Element	EmbeddedXMLContent
Type	XML content from any namespace other than the DE 2.0 namespace
Usage	CONDITIONAL , REQUIRED if parent element ContentXml is present, MAY use only one per content object
Definition	The <EmbeddedXMLContent> element is an open container for valid XML from an explicit namespaced XML Schema.
Comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The content MUST be a separately-namespaced well-formed XML document. 2. The enclosed XML content MUST be explicitly namespaced as defined in the enclosing <EmbeddedXMLContent> tag. 3. Enclosed XML content may be encrypted and/or signed within this element.

	4. This element MUST be present if parent element, ContentXML, is present.
Used In	ContentXML

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444 **3.2.6 Explicit Addressing**

Element	ExplicitAddressScheme
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	REQUIRED , MUST use once and only once
Definition	Identifies the distribution addressing scheme used.
Comments	1. MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.
Used In	ExplicitAddress

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Element	ExplicitAddressValue
Type	ct:EDXLStringType
Usage	REQUIRED , MAY use multiple
Definition	A properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string denoting the addressees value.
Comments	1. MUST be a properly formed -escaped if necessary- XML string.
Used In	ExplicitAddress

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4 Conformance

An XML 1.0 element is a conforming EDXL-DE-v2.0 Message if and only if:

a) it meets the general requirements specified in Section 3;

b) if its namespace name is "urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0", and the element is valid according to the schema located at <http://docs.oasis-open.org/emergency/EDXL-DE-v2.0/EDXL-DE-v2.0.xsd>

c) if its namespace name is "urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0", then its content(which includes the content of each of its descendants) meets all the additional mandatory requirements provided in the specific subsection of Section 3 corresponding to the element's name.

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Appendix B EDXL-DistributionElement XML Schema

The EDXL-DistributionElement XML Schema is provided here for convenience, the schema can be downloaded at the OASIS website: <http://docs.oasis-open.org/emergency/>

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xs:schema xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink"
  xmlns:edxl-gsf="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:edxl:gsf:1.0"
  xmlns:ct="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:edxl:ct:1.0" xmlns-
  lns="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0"
  xmlns:gml="http://www.opengis.net/gml/3.2" target-
  Namespace="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0"
  elementFormDefault="qualified" attributeFormDefault="unqualified" ver-
  sion="1.0CD">
  <xs:import namespace="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink" schemaLocation="./other-support-
  ing-schema/xlink.xsd"/>
  <xs:import namespace="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:edxl:gsf:1.0" schemaLoca-
  tion="./other-supporting-schema/EDXLCT_wd05/edxl-gsf.v1.0.xsd"/>
  <xs:import namespace="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:edxl:ct:1.0" schemaLoca-
  tion="./edxl-de-dvl-v2.0-wd09.xsd"/>
  <xs:element name="EDXLDistribution" type="DEDistributionType"/>
  <xs:complexType name="DEDistributionType">
    <xs:complexContent>
      <xs:extension base="DEEnvelopeType">
        <xs:sequence>
          <xs:element ref="Descriptor" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
          <xs:element ref="Content" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
          <xs:element name="Other" type="AnyXMLType" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbound-
          ed"/>
        </xs:sequence>
        <xs:attributeGroup ref="xlink:extendedAttrs"/>
      </xs:extension>
    </xs:complexContent>
  </xs:complexType>
  <xs:complexType name="DEEnvelopeType">
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element name="DistributionID" type="ct:EDXLStringType" minOccurs="1"/>
      <xs:element name="SenderID" type="ct:EDXLStringType" minOccurs="1"/>
      <xs:element name="DateTimeSent" type="ct:EDXLDateTimeType" minOccurs="1"/>
      <xs:element name="DateTimeExpires" type="ct:EDXLDateTimeType" minOccurs="1"/>
      <xs:element name="DistributionStatus" type="DistributionStatusType" minOc-
      curs="1"/>
      <xs:element name="DistributionKind" type="DistributionType" minOccurs="1"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>
  <xs:element name="Descriptor" type="DEDescriptorType"/>
  <xs:complexType name="DEDescriptorType">
    <xs:sequence>
      <xs:element name="CombinedConfidentiality" type="ConfidentialityType" minOc-
      curs="0"/>
      <xs:element name="Language" type="xs:language" minOccurs="0"/>
      <xs:element name="SenderRole" type="ct:ValueListType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
      curs="unbounded"/>
      <xs:element name="RecipientRole" type="ct:ValueListType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
      curs="unbounded"/>
      <xs:element name="Keyword" type="ct:ValueListType" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="un-
      bounded"/>
      <xs:element name="ExplicitAddress" type="ValueSchemeType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
      curs="unbounded"/>
      <xs:element name="TargetAreas" type="TargetAreasType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
      curs="unbounded"/>
      <xs:element name="Urgency" type="UrgencyType" minOccurs="0"/>
    </xs:sequence>
  </xs:complexType>

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535     <xs:element name="Severity" type="SeverityType" minOccurs="0"/>
536     <xs:element name="Certainty" type="CertaintyType" minOccurs="0"/>
537     <xs:element name="IncidentID" type="ct:EDXLStringType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
538     curs="unbounded"/>
539     <xs:element name="IncidentDescription" type="ct:EDXLStringType" minOccurs="0"
540     maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
541     <xs:element ref="Link" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
542   </xs:sequence>
543   <xs:attributeGroup ref="xlink:resourceAttrs"/>
544 </xs:complexType>
545 <xs:element name="Content" type="DEContentType"/>
546 <xs:complexType name="DEContentType">
547   <xs:sequence>
548     <xs:element ref="ContentObject" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
549     <xs:element ref="Link" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
550   </xs:sequence>
551   <xs:attributeGroup ref="xlink:resourceAttrs"/>
552 </xs:complexType>
553 <xs:element name="Link" type="DELinkType"/>
554 <xs:complexType name="DELinkType">
555   <xs:attributeGroup ref="xlink:arcAttrs"/>
556 </xs:complexType>
557 <xs:element name="ContentDescriptor" type="DEContentDescriptorType"/>
558 <xs:complexType name="DEContentDescriptorType">
559   <xs:sequence>
560     <xs:element name="ContentDescription" type="ct:EDXLStringType" minOccurs="0"
561     maxOccurs="1"/>
562     <xs:element name="ContentKeyword" type="ct:ValueListType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
563     curs="unbounded"/>
564     <xs:element name="OriginatorRole" type="ct:ValueListType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
565     curs="unbounded"/>
566     <xs:element name="ConsumerRole" type="ct:ValueListType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
567     curs="unbounded"/>
568     <xs:element name="ContentID" type="ct:EDXLStringType" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
569     curs="unbounded"/>
570     <xs:element name="Confidentiality" type="ConfidentialityType" minOccurs="0"
571     maxOccurs="1"/>
572     <xs:element name="ContentLanguage" type="xs:language" minOccurs="0" maxOc-
573     curs="1"/>
574   </xs:sequence>
575 </xs:complexType>
576 <xs:element name="ContentObject" type="DEContentObjectType"/>
577 <xs:complexType name="DEContentObjectType">
578   <xs:sequence>
579     <xs:element ref="ContentDescriptor" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
580     <xs:choice minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1">
581       <xs:element name="ContentXML" type="ContentXmlType"/>
582       <xs:element name="OtherContent" type="OtherContentType"/>
583     </xs:choice>
584     <xs:element name="Other" type="AnyXMLType" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
585   </xs:sequence>
586   <xs:attributeGroup ref="xlink:resourceAttrs"/>
587 </xs:complexType>
588 <xs:complexType name="OtherContentType" mixed="false">
589   <xs:sequence>
590     <xs:element name="MimeType" type="ct:EDXLStringType" minOccurs="1"/>
591     <xs:element name="Size" type="xs:integer" minOccurs="0"/>
592     <xs:element name="Digest" type="xs:base64Binary" minOccurs="0"/>
593     <xs:element name="Uri" type="xs:anyURI" minOccurs="0"/>
594     <xs:element name="ContentData" type="xs:base64Binary" minOccurs="0" />
595   </xs:sequence>
596 </xs:complexType>
597 <xs:complexType name="ContentXmlType" mixed="false">
598   <xs:sequence>
599     <xs:element name="KeyXMLContent" type="AnyXMLType" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>

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600     <xs:element name="EmbeddedXMLContent" type="AnyXMLType" minOccurs="1" maxOc-
601 curs="1"/>
602   </xs:sequence>
603 </xs:complexType>
604 <xs:complexType name="AnyXMLType">
605   <xs:sequence>
606     <xs:any namespace="##other" processContents="lax" maxOccurs="1"/>
607   </xs:sequence>
608   <xs:anyAttribute namespace="##other" processContents="lax"/>
609 </xs:complexType>
610 <xs:complexType name="TargetAreasType">
611   <xs:sequence>
612     <xs:element name="AreaKind" type="AreaKindType" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
613     <xs:element name="AreaGrouping" type="AreaGroupingType" minOccurs="1" maxOc-
614 curs="1"/>
615     <xs:element name="TargetArea" type="TargetAreaType" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="un-
616 bounded"/>
617   </xs:sequence>
618 </xs:complexType>
619 <xs:complexType name="TargetAreaType">
620   <xs:choice>
621     <xs:element ref="edxl-gsf:EDXLGeoLocation" minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
622     <xs:element name="GeoPoliticalLocation" type="ct:EDXLGeoPoliticalLocationType"
623 minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1"/>
624   </xs:choice>
625 </xs:complexType>
626 <xs:complexType name="ValueSchemeType">
627   <xs:sequence>
628     <xs:element name="ExplicitAddressScheme" type="ct:EDXLStringType"/>
629     <xs:element name="ExplicitAddressValue" type="ct:EDXLStringType" minOccurs="1"
630 maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
631   </xs:sequence>
632 </xs:complexType>
633 <xs:complexType name="AreaKindType">
634   <xs:choice>
635     <xs:element name="AreaKindValueList" type="ct:ValueKeyType"/>
636     <xs:element name="AreaKindDefault" type="ct:AreaKindDefaultType"/>
637   </xs:choice>
638 </xs:complexType>
639 <xs:simpleType name="AreaGroupingType">
640   <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
641     <xs:enumeration value="Intersection"/>
642     <xs:enumeration value="Union"/>
643     <xs:enumeration value="ExclusiveOr"/>
644     <xs:enumeration value="Complement"/>
645     <xs:enumeration value="OtherGroupingType"/></xs:enumeration>
646   </xs:restriction>
647 </xs:simpleType>
648 <xs:complexType name="ConfidentialityType">
649   <xs:choice>
650     <xs:element name="ConfidentialityValueList" type="ct:ValueKeyType"/>
651     <xs:element name="ConfidentialityDefault" type="ct:ConfidentialityDefaultType"/>
652   </xs:choice>
653 </xs:complexType>
654 <xs:complexType name="CertaintyType">
655   <xs:choice>
656     <xs:element name="CertaintyValueList" type="ct:ValueKeyType"/>
657     <xs:element name="CertaintyDefault" type="ct:CertaintyDefaultType"/>
658   </xs:choice>
659 </xs:complexType>
660 <xs:complexType name="DistributionType">
661   <xs:choice>
662     <xs:element name="DistributionKindValueList" type="ct:ValueKeyType"/>
663     <xs:element name="DistributionKindDefault" type="ct:DistributionDefaultType"/>
664   </xs:choice>

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665 </xs:complexType>
666 <xs:complexType name="DistributionStatusType">
667   <xs:choice>
668     <xs:element name="StatusKindValueList" type="ct:ValueKeyType"/>
669     <xs:element name="StatusKindDefault" type="ct:StatusKindDefaultType"/>
670   </xs:choice>
671 </xs:complexType>
672 <xs:complexType name="SeverityType">
673   <xs:choice>
674     <xs:element name="SeverityValueList" type="ct:ValueKeyType"/>
675     <xs:element name="SeverityDefault" type="ct:SeverityDefaultType"/>
676   </xs:choice>
677 </xs:complexType>
678 <xs:complexType name="UrgencyType">
679   <xs:choice>
680     <xs:element name="UrgencyValueList" type="ct:ValueKeyType"/>
681     <xs:element name="UrgencyDefault" type="ct:UrgencyDefaultType"/>
682   </xs:choice>
683 </xs:complexType>
684 </xs:schema>
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Appendix C EDXL-DistributionElement 2.0 Defaults XML Schema

The EDXL-DistributionElement 2.0 XML Schema imports a separate schema for providing defaults. This defaults schema is provided below for convenience, but it is also available at: <http://docs.oasis-open.org/emergency/>

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xs:schema xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:ct="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:edxl:ct:1.0"
  targetNamespace="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:edxl:ct:1.0" elementFormDefault="qualified" attributeFormDefault="unqualified">
  <xs:include schemaLocation="../other-supporting-schema/EDXLCT_wd05/edxl-ct-v1.0-wd05.xsd"/>
  <!--Default ValueLists-->
  <!-- ***** AREA KIND ***** -->
  <xs:simpleType name="AreaKindTypeDefaultURI">
    <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueListURIType">
      <xs:enumeration
value="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:AreaKindType"/>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:simpleType>
  <xs:simpleType name="AreaKindTypeDefaultValues">
    <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueType">
      <xs:enumeration value="SourceTargetArea"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="DistributionTargetArea"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="OtherTargetArea"/>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:simpleType>
  <xs:complexType name="AreaKindDefaultType">
    <xs:complexContent>
      <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueKeyType">
        <xs:sequence maxOccurs="1">
          <xs:element name="ValueListURI" type="ct:AreaKindTypeDefaultURI"/>
          <xs:element name="Value" type="ct:AreaKindTypeDefaultValues"/>
        </xs:sequence>
      </xs:restriction>
    </xs:complexContent>
  </xs:complexType>

  <!-- ***** DISTRIBUTION TYPE ***** -->
  <xs:simpleType name="DisTypeDefaultURI">
    <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueListURIType">
      <xs:enumeration
value="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:DistributionType"/>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:simpleType>
  <xs:simpleType name="DisTypeDefaultValues">
    <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueType">
      <xs:enumeration value="Report"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Update"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Cancel"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Request"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Response"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Dispatch"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Ack"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="Error"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="SensorConfiguration"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="SensorControl"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="SensorStatus"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="SensorDetection"/>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:simpleType>
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750         </xs:restriction>
751     </xs:simpleType>
752     <xs:complexType name="DistributionDefaultType">
753         <xs:complexContent>
754             <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueKeyType">
755                 <xs:sequence maxOccurs="1">
756                     <xs:element name="ValueListURI" type="ct:DisTy-
757 peDefaultURI"/>
758                     <xs:element name="Value" type="ct:DistTypeDefaultVal-
759 ues"/>
760                 </xs:sequence>
761             </xs:restriction>
762         </xs:complexContent>
763     </xs:complexType>
764     <!-- ***** CONFIDENTIALITY ***** -->
765     <xs:simpleType name="ConfidentialityTypeDefaultURI">
766         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueListURIType">
767             <xs:enumeration
768 value="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:ConfidentialityType"/>
769         </xs:restriction>
770     </xs:simpleType>
771     <xs:simpleType name="ConfidentialityTypeDefaultValues">
772         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueType">
773             <xs:enumeration value="Unclassified"/>
774             <xs:enumeration value="Classified"/>
775         </xs:restriction>
776     </xs:simpleType>
777     <xs:complexType name="ConfidentialityDefaultType">
778         <xs:complexContent>
779             <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueKeyType">
780                 <xs:sequence maxOccurs="1">
781                     <xs:element name="ValueListURI" type="ct:Confidenti-
782 alityTypeDefaultURI"/>
783                     <xs:element name="Value" type="ct:ConfidentialityTy-
784 peDefaultValues"/>
785                 </xs:sequence>
786             </xs:restriction>
787         </xs:complexContent>
788     </xs:complexType>
789     <!-- ***** STATUS ***** -->
790     <xs:simpleType name="StatusKindDefaultURI">
791         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueListURIType">
792             <xs:enumeration
793 value="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:StatusKind"/>
794         </xs:restriction>
795     </xs:simpleType>
796     <xs:simpleType name="StatusKindDefaultValues">
797         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueType">
798             <xs:enumeration value="Actual"/>
799             <xs:enumeration value="Exercise"/>
800             <xs:enumeration value="System"/>
801             <xs:enumeration value="Test"/>
802         </xs:restriction>
803     </xs:simpleType>
804     <xs:complexType name="StatusKindDefaultType">
805         <xs:complexContent>
806             <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueKeyType">
807                 <xs:sequence maxOccurs="1">
808                     <xs:element name="ValueListURI" type="ct:StatusKind-
809 DefaultURI"/>
810                     <xs:element name="Value" type="ct:StatusKindDefault-
811 Values"/>
812                 </xs:sequence>
813             </xs:restriction>
814         </xs:complexContent>

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815     </xs:complexType>
816     <!-- ***** CERTAINTY ***** -->
817     <xs:simpleType name="CertaintyTypeDefaultURI">
818         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueListURIType">
819             <xs:enumeration
820 value="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Certainty"/>
821         </xs:restriction>
822     </xs:simpleType>
823     <xs:simpleType name="CertaintyTypeDefaultValues">
824         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueType">
825             <xs:enumeration value="Observed"/>
826             <xs:enumeration value="Likely"/>
827             <xs:enumeration value="Possible"/>
828             <xs:enumeration value="Unlikely"/>
829             <xs:enumeration value="Unknown"/>
830         </xs:restriction>
831     </xs:simpleType>
832     <xs:complexType name="CertaintyDefaultType">
833         <xs:complexContent>
834             <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueKeyType">
835                 <xs:sequence maxOccurs="1">
836                     <xs:element name="ValueListURI" type="ct:CertaintyTy-
837 peDefaultURI"/>
838                     <xs:element name="Value" type="ct:CertaintyTy-
839 peDefaultValues"/>
840                 </xs:sequence>
841             </xs:restriction>
842         </xs:complexContent>
843     </xs:complexType>
844     <!-- ***** SEVERITY ***** -->
845     <xs:simpleType name="SeverityTypeDefaultURI">
846         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueListURIType">
847             <xs:enumeration
848 value="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Severity"/>
849         </xs:restriction>
850     </xs:simpleType>
851     <xs:simpleType name="SeverityTypeDefaultValues">
852         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueType">
853             <xs:enumeration value="Extreme"/>
854             <xs:enumeration value="Severe"/>
855             <xs:enumeration value="Moderate"/>
856             <xs:enumeration value="Minor"/>
857             <xs:enumeration value="Unknown"/>
858         </xs:restriction>
859     </xs:simpleType>
860     <xs:complexType name="SeverityDefaultType">
861         <xs:complexContent>
862             <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueKeyType">
863                 <xs:sequence maxOccurs="1">
864                     <xs:element name="ValueListURI" type="ct:SeverityTy-
865 peDefaultURI"/>
866                     <xs:element name="Value" type="ct:SeverityTy-
867 peDefaultValues"/>
868                 </xs:sequence>
869             </xs:restriction>
870         </xs:complexContent>
871     </xs:complexType>
872     <!-- ***** URGENCY ***** -->
873     <xs:simpleType name="UrgencyTypeDefaultURI">
874         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueListURIType">
875             <xs:enumeration
876 value="urn:oasis:names:tc:emergency:EDXL:DE:2.0:Defaults:Urgency"/>
877         </xs:restriction>
878     </xs:simpleType>
879     <xs:simpleType name="UrgencyTypeDefaultValues">

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880         <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueType">
881             <xs:enumeration value="Immediate"/>
882             <xs:enumeration value="Expected"/>
883             <xs:enumeration value="Future"/>
884             <xs:enumeration value="Past"/>
885             <xs:enumeration value="Unknown"/>
886         </xs:restriction>
887     </xs:simpleType>
888     <xs:complexType name="UrgencyDefaultType">
889         <xs:complexContent>
890             <xs:restriction base="ct:ValueKeyType">
891                 <xs:sequence maxOccurs="1">
892                     <xs:element name="ValueListURI" type="ct:UrgencyTy-
893 peDefaultURI"/>
894                     <xs:element name="Value" type="ct:UrgencyTypeDefault-
895 Values"/>
896                 </xs:sequence>
897             </xs:restriction>
898         </xs:complexContent>
899     </xs:complexType>
900     <!--/Default ValueLists-->
901 </xs:schema>

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Appendix D Revision History

Revision	Date	Editor	Changes Made
Edxl-de-v2.0-wd02	26 Sept 2011	Jeff Waters	First Full Working Draft
Edxl-de-v2.0-wd03	11 Oct 2011	Jeff Waters	Added recommended changes by Martena Gooch, as recorded in the document at http://www.oas-is-open.org/apps/org/workgroup/emergency-if/download.php/43842/de-notes-fixed-in-wd02.doc
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Edxl-de-v2.0-wd05	25 Oct 2011	Jeff Waters	Added recommended changes by Werner Joerg, including multiplicities for sub elements
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