W3 Formats

There are two acceptable formats for electronic filing.

Federal Filing Format – MMREF and EFW2

Information about the Federal MMREF and, new in 2007, EFW2 format is available on the Social Security Administration website at: www.ssa.gov/employer Both formats are very similar and can both be read.

Note that the record with local information is not required for filing federally. The RS record must be included to provide city information.

CityTax Proprietary Format (CTP)

This is a simple format for a single employer. It may be created using Microsoft Excel. It is a Comma Delimited format. Details are on a later page.

The following table lists critical fields, with the location in that format

		MMREF	CTP
Local Entity	Record	RS	CTW
Code	Start Position	5	12
	Length	5	
Local	Record	RS	CTW
Withholding	Start Position	320	13
	Length	11	-
Local Taxable	Record	RS	CTW
	Start Position	309	11
	Length	11	