NWCG Data Standard Meta-data Definition

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Name		
Data Attribute Name	Local Incident Identifier	
Abbreviation	Local Incident ID	
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Source Reference		
System of Record		
Custodian		
Definition		
Description	A number or code that uniquely identifies an incident for a particular local fire management organization within a particular calendar year.	
	Data Exchange Standards	Data Entry Guidelines
Length	Maximum: 10 Minimum: 6	Maximum: 10 Minimum: 1
Data Type	Alphanumeric with hyphens or periods	Alphanumeric with hyphens or periods
Case Sensitivity	n/a	n/a
Format	X(10)	X(10)
Example	000087, 00DK1E	000087, DK1E
Business Rules		
1. Every fire must be assigned a LOCAL INCIDENT IDENTIFIER.		

- 2. A LOCAL INCIDENT IDENTIFIER must be assigned to only one fire for a particular local fire management organization and within a particular calendar year.
- 3. As needed, leading zeroes should be padded to the LOCAL INCIDENT IDENTIFIER to fulfill the 6-character minimum length when fire report data is exchanged (exported).

A discussion paper about assumptions, clarifications, examples, and background related to this data standard is also available.

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