

**DPCC Allowed Characters and Global Validation Roles v1.2**

Special purpose characters are allowed but only in specific contexts - see explanation below

**Allowed Characters:**

Data Standard Template	a-z	A-Z	0-9	Space	_	:	-	<	>	()	[]	,	;	/	\	=	@	+	.	'	"		
Animal Surveillance v2.2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Antibody Reagent v1.2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
BioProject Registration v1.2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Cell Reagent v1.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Cohort Study v1.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Commercial Reagent v1.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
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Human Surveillance v2.4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
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Sequencing Results-Consensus Sequence v1.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
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SRA Analysis v1.1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
SRA Run v1.1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
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Viral Isolate Data v2.1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Virus Reagent v1.2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
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**Index Explanation**

1 This character is only allowed in the fasta header of a sequence submission

These rules apply globally. For specific rules regarding the Sample\_Identifier, Host\_Identifier, Virus\_Identifier, Parent\_Sample\_Identifier, or Subject\_Unique\_Identifier fields, see the description listed in the Format section of the Data Standard Reference.

**Global Validation Rules:**

1. All fields are required and cannot be blank
2. The capital letter U for "Unknown" can be used in place of blank
3. The abbreviation NA is used for "Not Available" or "Not Applicable"
4. The OTH- abbreviation is always used for "Other"
5. Use comma (,) to separate multiple values in the same field
6. Use double quotes (") to escape entries with commas when not intended to separate multiple values (e.g., "Jones, Indiana")
7. Controlled values are case-sensitive and must be entered in all-caps