

6.6 Namespace-Identifier

If the [partition-identifier](#) indicates a long format [SCTID](#), the seven-digits immediately to the left of the partition-digit are a [namespace-identifier](#). The [namespace-identifier](#) is an integer value, left padded with 0 s as necessary to ensure there are always seven digits in the value. The [namespace-identifier](#) does not hold meaning.

Each organization that is authorized to generate [SCTID](#) is allocated a [namespace-identifier](#) by the [SNOMED International](#). Each allocated namespace is represented in the [Namespace Concept](#) metadata sub-hierarchy, released as part of the [International release](#) (see details in [The Namespace hierarchy](#)).