

extension namespace identifier

A seven digit number allocated by [SNOMED International](#) to an organization that is permitted to maintain a [SNOMED CT Extension](#).

Notes

- The *namespace identifier* enables an authorized organization to generate a unique [SNOMED CT identifier](#) (SCTID) for each of their [SNOMED CT components](#). It forms part of the [SCTID](#) assigned to every [component](#) created by that organization.
- Short format [SCTIDs](#), which are used for [components](#) that originate from SNOMED International, do not include a *namespace identifier*. For these [SCTIDs](#) the [partition identifier](#) provides sufficient information about the origin of the component.

Alternatives

- **Namespace identifier**
- **Namespaceld**

Related Links

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- [Representing SNOMED CT identifiers](#)