



Acosta
Data Synchronization Implementation Guide

Version 4

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1 OVERVIEW

This document is intended to be used by suppliers who will be sending item data to Acosta Sales and Marketing Company using electronic Data Synchronization with the Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN®).

Data Synchronization is the electronic transfer of standardized product information between Trading Partners and the continuous synchronization of the data over time.

The benefits of data synchronization include:

- Facilitates accuracy of item data
- Speeds Item Introduction & Creation
- Enables electronic review and approval processes
- Improves market share by increasing speed to shelf for new items
- Reduces out-of-stocks
- Reduced shelf-tag and checkout errors in stores
- Builds foundation for future applications

2 ACOSTA'S DATA SYNCHRONIZATION INFORMATION

2.1 Primary Data Synchronization Contact

Name: Georgina Mayfield
Phone: 864-862-1518
Email: gmayfield@acosta.com

2.2 Acosta's GLN - Publish To

Pre-Production: **085786000011**
Production: **085786000011**

2.3 Important Information about Acosta

Acosta is a food brokerage, and subsequently requests that suppliers publish all available item data to them.

Acosta will subscribe by your Global Location Number (GLN). Acosta will automatically respond with a Catalogue Item Confirmation (CIC) of SYNCHRONISED upon receipt of your published item information. (**Please note:** Acosta will be implementing a CIC status of ACCEPT sometime in the future, but for now will continue to send SYNCHRONISED.)

If any data discrepancies are identified, an Acosta representative will reach out to your company directly to resolve it.

3 STEPS TO BEGIN SYNCHRONIZING YOUR DATA WITH ACOSTA

1. Send the following information via email to Sabrina Beasley at slbeasley@acosta.com (Acosta's primary data synchronization contact listed in Section 2.1 of this document):
 - a. Supplier's Information Provider GLN
 - b. Email address and phone number for Supplier's primary data synchronization contact
 - c. What GDSN data pool are you subscribed to
2. Acosta will create a subscription to the GLN you have provided
3. Acosta will send an email to the supplier's primary data synchronization contact when they are ready for the first publications
4. Have your accurate item data (pack quantities, measurement, weights etc.) loaded in the 1SYNC data pool and ensure your items are ready for publication
 - a. Load all item levels in your packaging configuration (hierarchy) – Each, Case, Pallet etc.
 - b. Contact 1SYNC at customersupport@1sync.org for any education you might require to complete this step.
5. Publish items
 - a. *Publish as Initial Load, New, or send ongoing changes/updates*
6. Upon receipt of your item publication, Acosta will send back a CIC message with a status of SYNCHRONISED. If any data discrepancies are identified, an Acosta representative will reach out to your company directly to resolve.
7. Continue to send changes and corrections for all items via 1SYNC (or your data pool)

4 ATTRIBUTE REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the standard required GDSN attributes (1SYNC customers should refer to Appendix N of the *IM Participant Dictionary* for a full list), there are NO additional attributes that Acosta requires via data synchronization.