Version 004010

Product/Item Description **PID**

To describe a product or process in coded or free-form format

ID	Name	Data Type	Min/Max Size	Needed
01	Item Description Type	ID	1/1	Y
02	Product/Process Characteristic Code	ID	2/3	N
03	Agency Qualifier Code	ID	2/2	N
04	Product Description Code	Alphanumeric	1/12	N
05	Description	Alphanumeric	1/80	Y
06	Surface/Layer/Position Code	ID	2/2	N
07	Source Subqualifier	Alphanumeric	1/15	N
08	Yes/No Condition or Response Code	ID	1/1	N
09	Language Code	ID	2/3	N

Example:
PID*F****OIL SPRING FLORAL

C0403 - If PID04 is present, then PID03 is required.
SYNTAX NOTES
R0405 - At least one of PID04 or PID05 is required.
C0703 - If PID07 is present, then PID03 is required.
C0804 - If PID08 is present, then PID04 is required.
C0905 - If PID09 is present, then PID05 is required.
Use PID03 to indicate the organization that publishes the code list being referred to.

SEMANTIC NOTES
PID04 should be used for industry-specific product description codes.
PID08 describes the physical characteristics of the product identified in PID04. A "Y" indicates that the specified attribute applies to this item; an "N" indicates it does not apply. Any other value is indeterminate.
PID09 is used to identify the language being used in PID05.
If PID01 equals "F", then PID05 is used. If PID01 equals "S", then PID04 is used. If PID01 equals "X", then both PID04 and PID05 are used.

COMMENTS
Use PID06 when necessary to refer to the product surface or layer being described in the segment.
PID07 specifies the individual code list of the agency specified in PID03.