



Specifications for Encoding in E-13B using Magnetic Ink

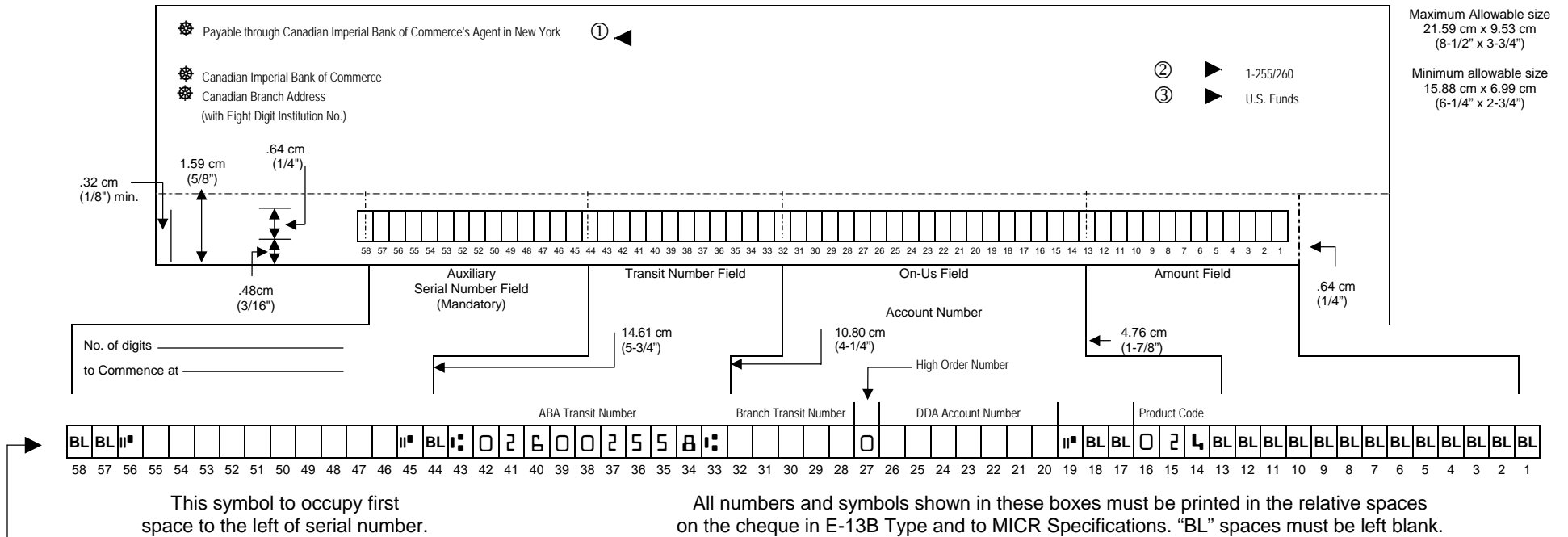
This Specification Sheet to be used only for U.S. Dollar Cheques drawn on CIBC Branches-Payable through New York

Printing to be arranged by Customer. Before your cheque order is complete, provide 20 – 50 cheques to your CIBC representative for testing.

Customer's Name		Printer's Name							
Street Address		Address							
City or Town		Comments							
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* All printing is to be in a minimum of 8-point type size

- ① The following clause should be printed along the top of the cheque: Payable through Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce's Agent in New York
- ② The ABA transit number should appear in the following format 1-255/260 in the upper right corner.
- ③ The designation "U.S. FUNDS" should be printed under the amount in figures of the cheque.



Numerals 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 Blank BL Transit No. Symbol Amount Symbol Account No. Symbol Dash Symbol

Due to increasing concerns regarding fraudulent items, CIBC strongly recommends all cheques include security features. Your cheque printer can advise you on available features.

Printer Instructions - MICR Line

Note: Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce will not authorize use of any cheques printed in-house or by an outside vendor that do not conform with the requirements listed below and cheques not conforming could result in being returned unpaid.

All MICR fields are mandatory

1. A new printing specification form should be obtained prior to all customer reorders.
2. **Amount in Figures Field (Convenience Amount Rectangle)**
The amount in figures field is preceded or followed by a dollar sign, and shall be located at the extreme right side of the cheque.
3. **Date Field**
The date field is to be located towards the upper right end of the cheque. The date field shall be preceded with the word "Date". Acceptable numeric representation for the date field on all cheques is in the form of YYYYMMDD, MMDDYYYY and DDMMYYYY. Date field indicators must be printed below the date field line to indicate which format is being used.
4. **Serial Number Field**
The consecutive numbers must be printed and matching consecutive Arabic numbers must be printed in the upper right corner of the cheque.
Minimum/Maximum 3 digits for minimum size cheques 15.88 cm x 6.99 cm (6-1/4" x 2-3/4").
Maximum 10 digits for maximum size cheques 21.59 cm x 9.53cm (8-1/2" x 3-3/4").
The consecutive numbers for smaller cheques should be right justified and zero filled, example 1 would be 001.
The consecutive numbers for larger cheques should be right justified and zero filled, example 123 would be 0000000123.
5. **Transit Number Field**
026002558 identifies CIBC's U.S. Clearing point as New York.
6. **On-US Field**
Branch Transit Number consisting of 5 digits allocated to each branch domicile.
High Order Number default 0.
DDA Account Number consists of the 7 digit account number assigned by the branch of account.
7. **Product Code**
Product Code 024 identifies the product type for domestic branches.
8. No ink printing is permitted in the 1.59 cm (5/8") MICR band other than MICR characters. Refrain from the use of borders. The signature line(s) should be located above the MICR imprint area. MICR characters that are embossed are not acceptable, all MICR encoding must be in E-13B using magnetic ink. The left edge of the cheque must extend at least .64 cm (1/4") beyond the last encoded character to the left. Fractional ABA number(1-255/260) must be printed in upper right corner of the cheque under the Arabic consecutive numbering.

Reverse side of the cheque:

- The "Teller Stamp Here" box shall be located in the upper left hand corner.
- The endorsement area includes the signature or stamp line and/or address line (where applicable).
- It shall be underscored by the phrase "Endorsement - Signature or Stamp"
- The phrase "BACK/VERSO" shall also be printed.

All cheques must conform to the specifications as outlined in "Standard 006 - Specifications for Imageable MICR-encoded cheques and other MICR-encoded documents". Refer to the Canadian Payments Association's website (www.cdnpay.ca) for complete details.

Back of Cheque

