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## Abstract

Advertising Digital Identification (Ad-ID) Identifiers are used identifying Advertising Assets across all media platforms (over the air, on-line, over the top, mobile, place based). This document defines the formal Uniform Resource Name (URN) Namespace Identifier (NID) for Ad-ID Identifiers.

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## 1. Introduction

This document defines the formal Uniform Resource Name (URN) Namespace Identifier (NID) for Ad-ID Identifiers.

Ad-ID is the industry standard for identifying advertising assets across all media platforms. Ad-ID's data model includes the registration of advertising assets using standardized descriptive metadata about ads including advertiser, product, commercial title and other essential data. Ad-ID Identifiers are unique codes for each advertising asset digitally, and applies that code to all media.

[Ad-ID-INTRO] provides additional background information.

## 2. Completed URN Namespace Definition Template

The namespace definition according to the template in [[RFC3406](#)] is as follows:

## Namespace ID:

adid

## Registration Information:

Version 1

2016-03-22

## Declared registrant of the namespace:

## Name:

Advertising Digital Identification, LLC

## Address:

Advertising Digital Identification, LLC  
11020 David Taylor Drive, Suite 305  
Charlotte, NC 28262-1103  
USA

## Contact:

URL: <http://www.ad-id.org/contact>  
Email: cs@ad-id.org

## Declaration of syntactic structure:

The identifier structure is as follows:

An Ad-ID Identifier consists of a unique eleven character string  
or a unique twelve character string (video codes only).

This string is divided into three parts:

1. A four-character alphanumeric Company Prefix, not starting with "0".
2. A seven-character alphanumeric code.
3. An optional one-character Video Format Identifier.

## Video Format:

- H - High Definition
- D - Three-Dimensional

The URN representation URN-ADID of an Ad-ID Identifier conforms to the syntax specified below using ABNF (as specified in IETF [RFC 5234](#)):

```
URN-ADID = "urn:adid:" full_adid_identifier
full_adid_identifier = adid_prefix adid_code [adid_suffix]
adid_prefix = (ALPHA / %x31-39) 3*alphanum
               ; first character not zero
adid_code = 7*alphanum
adid_suffix = "H" / "D"
alphanum = ALPHA / DIGIT
```

## Examples:

```
Standard Definition (SD): urn:adid:ABCD0001000
High Definition (HD):      urn:adid:ABCD0001000H
Three-dimensional (3D):    urn:adid:ABCD00010003
```

## Relevant ancillary documentation:

[SMTPERP2092-1] specifies Advertising Digital Identifier (Ad-ID) Representations.

## Identifier uniqueness considerations:

The Registrar (Advertising Digital Identification, LLC) is responsible for managing the assignment of the Ad-ID Identifier and shall ensure the uniqueness by checking the identifier against the list of existing ids.

Ad-ID assigns the identifier, adid, in such a way that the uniqueness of the 'adid' will be maintained. Furthermore, an Ad-ID Identifier is associated with a single URN-ADID.

## Identifier persistence considerations:

The assignment process guarantees that 'adids' are not reassigned or reused and the binding between the id and its resource is permanent.

primary benefits of its use are greater transparency and accountability in the advertising marketplace, help eliminate costly errors associated with the inconsistent use of advertising asset identifiers throughout the advertising supply chain, and enable more granular audience measurement across multiple platforms.

#### **4. Security Considerations**

This document specifies the syntax of the Ad-ID-URN namespace and makes no security representations. Note however that failure to conform to the syntactic and lexical equivalence rules specified when using an Ad-ID Identifier as a criterion for accessing restricted resources can result in granting unauthorized access.

#### **5. IANA Considerations**

This document defines a URN NID registration that is to be entered into the IANA registry of URN NIDs. It specifically requests the Ad-ID NID.

#### **6. References**

##### **6.1. Normative References**

[RFC2141] Moats, R., "URN Syntax", [RFC 2141](#), May 1997.

[RFC2234] Crocker, D. and Overall, P.(Editors), "Augmented BNF for Syntax Specifications: ABNF", [RFC 2234](#), Internet Mail Consortium and Demon Internet Ltd., November 1997.

[SMPTERP2092-1] Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers, "Advertising Digital Identifier (Ad-ID) Representations", SMPTE RP 2092-1:2015.

##### **6.2. Informative References**

[Ad-ID-INTRO]

Ad-ID Identifiers are 11 characters except for High Definition (HD) or Three-Dimensional (3D) codes, which have an H or D in the 12th character.

Ad-ID may have Complimentary Definition Codes (CDC's), which are matching SD, HD and/or 3D codes where only the 12th character of the code varies. This only applies to Video codes.

Advertising Digital Identification, <<http://www.ad-id.org/about>>.

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