QIF Definition

QIF stands for Quicken interchange format. A QIF-file is a specially formatted ASCII text-file and is created to use with Intuit Quicken™.

# File formatting

Transactions end with a symbol and each item of the transactions is written on a separate line. The first line of the document is the header and contains the type of transactions.

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| Header | Type of data |
| !Type:Bank | Bank account transactions |
| !Type:Cash | Cash account transactions |
| !Type:CCard | Credit card account transactions |
| !Type:Invst | Investment account transactions |
| !Type:Oth A | Asset account transactions |
| !Type:Oth L | Liability account transactions |
| !Account | Account list or which account follows |
| !Type:Cat | Category list |
| !Type:Class | Class list |
| !Type:Memorized | Memorized transaction list |

The second line is where usually transactions begin, but it’s possible that a line with options is present here.

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| !Option:AllXfr | import all transactions |

## Non-Investment Transactions

A transaction must begin with a letter that indicates the field and end with a “^” to indicate the end.

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| --- | --- |
| Field | Indicator Explanation |
| D | Date |
| T | Amount |
| C | Cleared status |
| N | Num (check or reference number) |
| P | Payee |
| M | Memo |
| A | Address (up to five lines; the sixth line is an optional message) |
| L | Category (Category/Subcategory/Transfer/Class) |
| S | Category in split (Category/Transfer/Class) |
| E | Memo in split |
| $ | Dollar amount of split |
| ^ | End of the entry |

S, E and $-lines can occur multiple times in a split.

## Investment Transactions “!Type:Invst”

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| --- | --- |
| Field | Indicator Explanation |
| D | Date |
| N | Action |
| Y | Security |
| I | Price |
| Q | Quantity (number of shares or split ratio) |
| T | Transaction amount |
| C | Cleared status |
| P | Text in the first line for transfers and reminders |
| M | Memo |
| O | Commission |
| L | Account for the transfer |
| $ | Amount transferred |
| ^ | End of the entry |

## Account Information “!Account”

The account header “!Account” is used in two places-at the start of an account list and the start of a list of transactions to specify to which account they belong.

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| --- | --- |
| Field | Indicator Explanation |
| N | Name |
| T | Type of account |
| D | Description |
| L | Credit limit (only for credit card accounts) |
| / | Statement balance date |
| $ | Statement balance amount |
| ^ | End of entry |

## Category List “!Type:Cat”

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Field | Indicator Explanation |
| N | Category name:subcategory name |
| D | Description |
| T | Tax related if included, not tax related if omitted |
| I | Income category |
| E | Expense category (if category type is unspecified, quicken assumes expense type) |
| B | Budget amount (only in a Budget Amounts QIF file) |
| R | Tax schedule information |
| ^ | End of entry |

## Class List “!Type:Class”

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Field | Indicator Explanation |
| N | Class name |
| D | Description |
| ^ | End of entry |

## Memorized Transaction List “!Type:Memorized”

Immediately preceding the ^ character, each entry must end with one of the following file indicators to specify the transaction type: KC, KD, KP, KI or KE.

The rest is formatted just like non-investment transactions but the Num or Date field is required. If amortization is included, all 1-7 lines are required.

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| --- | --- |
| Field | Indicator Explanation |
| KC | Check transaction |
| KD | Deposit transaction |
| KP | Payment transaction |
| KI | Investment transaction |
| KE | Electronic payee transaction |
| T | Amount |
| C | Cleared status |
| P | Payee |
| M | Memo |
| A | Address |
| L | Category or Transfer/Class |
| S | Category/class in split |
| E | Memo in split |
| $ | Dollar amount of split |
| 1 | Amortization: First payment date |
| 2 | Amortization: Total years for loan |
| 3 | Amortization: Number of payments already made |
| 4 | Amortization: Number of periods per year |
| 5 | Amortization: Interest rate |
| 6 | Amortization: Current loan balance |
| 7 | Amortization: Original loan amount |
| ^ | End of entry |