

XML SPECIFICATION V1.1

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Introduction

This XML specification has been developed to enable members of HomesGoFast.com to bulk upload their properties to our system, using XML is most useful when you have a website that you have already populated with properties and you do not wish to re-enter these properties into the HomesGoFast.com system.

Who should read this document?

This document is intended for web masters who have the necessary technical skills and experience in order to setup and maintain the XML feed required by HomesGoFast.com. You should not attempt to create the XML feed unless you are experienced in this area, if you have no means of creating your XML feed, it is possible that a member of our technical team can assist you.

What should i do once i have setup my XML feed?

We need to test your XML feed to ensure it meets our criteria and contains enough information to be found in our search, please send us a website address to your xml feed, so that we can download the feed and test it on our system. If we find problems with your feed, we will report these back to you, otherwise we will let you know that your feed has passed, and we can start gathering information from your XML file within 24 hours.

HOW TO STRUCTURE YOUR XML FILE

FIELD NAME	DATA TYPE	EXAMPLE DATA / INFO
<property_title>	varchar (250)	Investment Apartment in Brazil
<userid>	int (11)	You can request this from us.
<addition_date>	date (yyyy-mm-dd)	2008-01-28
<currency>	char (3)	Can be GBP / EUR / USD
<price>	bigint (11)	For \$11,000 use 11000
<price_type>	varchar (255)	See appendix A below
<property_type>	varchar (255)	See appendix B below
<ref>	varchar (255)	Can be alphanumeric INAPBRA212
<text_description>	text	Must not contain HTML
<property_name_number>	varchar (255)	
<street_address>	varchar (100)	
<town>	varchar (100)	Town / Village / City
<county>	varchar (100)	County / Region / Province
<postcode>	varchar (100)	Can be zip code also
<country>	char (3)	See appendix C below
<pic1>	varchar (255)	Should be a http:// address to image
<pic2>	varchar (255)	Should be a http:// address to image
<pic3>	varchar (255)	Should be a http:// address to image
<pic4>	varchar (255)	Should be a http:// address to image
<pic5>	varchar (255)	Should be a http:// address to image
<pic6>	varchar (255)	Should be a http:// address to image
<pic7>	varchar (255)	Should be a http:// address to image
<pic8>	varchar (255)	Should be a http:// address to image
<tenure>	varchar (50)	See appendix D below
<property_age>	varchar (50)	See appendix E below
<bedrooms>	int (11)	3
<bathrooms>	int (11)	2
<keywords>	text	Must include location keywords

AN EXAMPLE OF A WELL STRUCTURED FILE

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<properties>
  <property>
    <property_title></property_title>
    <userid></userid>
    <addition_date></addition_date>
    <currency></currency>
    <ref></ref>
    <text_description></text_description>
    <property_name_number></property_name_number>
    <street_address></street_address>
    <town></town>
    <county></county>
    <postcode></postcode>
    <country></country>
    <pic1></pic1>
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    <pic5></pic5>
    <pic6></pic6>
    <pic7></pic7>
    <pic8></pic8>
    <tenure></tenure>
    <property_age></property_age>
    <bedrooms></bedrooms>
    <bathrooms><bathrooms>
    <keywords></keywords>
  </property>
</properties>
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APPENDIXES

Appendix A

Asking price of	Auction	Auction guide	By Tender
Guide Price of	In the region of	Offers invited	Offers in excess of
Price range of	Prices from	Reduced to	Price on application
Fixed price of	Shared ownership		

Appendix B

Houses	Studios	1-bedroom apartments	2-bedroom apartments
Large apartments	Maisonettes	Shops	Restaurants & Bars
Hotels	Chalets	Development land	Industrial land
Land	Agricultural land	Offices	Business For Sale
Investment land	Investment property		

Appendix C

We use Alpha 2 ISO 3166-2 codes, which you can view here: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO_3166-1_alpha-2

Appendix D

Not Applicable	Freehold	Leasehold	Other
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Appendix E

New	Less than 10 years	10-50 Years	50-100 Years
100+ Years Old	Off Plan/ under construction	Dont Know	