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8	Correction Number CP-1563	
9	Log Summary: Correct text describing non-zero Image and Frame Type values	
10	Name of Standard	
11	PS3.3	
12	Rationale for Correction:	
13	There is an inconsistency in whether or nor Image or Frame Type values may be zero length (e.g., when legacy converted). Correct	
14	the introductory text so that it is consistent with the descriptions of the specific values.	
15	Correction Wording:	

Amend DICOM PS3.3 as follows:

## C.8.16 Common CT, MR and US Descriptions

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### C.8.16.1 Image Type and Frame Type

Image Type (0008,0008) and associated Image Type related attributes provide a high level description of a multi-frame SOP Instance. These attributes describe properties that provide key summary information to users of the SOP Instance. Image Type (0008,0008) contains the highest level summary of what is in the SOP Instance.

Frame Type (0008,9007) mirrors the corresponding Image Type attribute and applies to the frame level rather than to the image level.

If more than one value is used by the set of frames for a given Frame Type (0008,9007) attribute value or associated attribute value then the corresponding value of Image Type (0008,0008) or associated attribute shall contain a value of MIXED. This indicates that a mixed set of values exists within the multi-frame SOP Instance.

The value MIXED shall only be used in Image Type (0008,0008) when the corresponding values for the individual frames are not equal. When a value of an attribute is equal for all frames, the same value shall be used for the corresponding value of Image Type (0008,0008). Values 2 and 3 of Image Type (0008,0008) are an exception to the rule for MIXED: Values 2 and 3 may never have the value of MIXED as described in Section C.8.16.1.2 and Section C.8.16.1.3.

Image Type (0008,0008) and Frame Type (0008,9007) shall consist of four ~~non-zero-length~~ values.

#### C.8.16.1.1 Pixel Data Characteristics

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Value 1 of Image Type (0008,0008) and Value 1 of Frame Type (0008,9007) shall not be zero length.

#### C.8.16.1.2 Patient Examination Characteristics

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Value 2 of Image Type (0008,0008) and Value 2 of Frame Type (0008,9007) shall not be zero length.

#### C.8.16.1.3 Image Flavor

Value 3 is an overall representation of the image type. This value may be a summary of several other attributes or a duplication of one of the other attributes to indicate the most important aspect of this image. Value 3 Image Flavor is to be used with Value 4 Derived Pixel Contrast to indicate the nature of the image set.

##### Note

For example Value 3 = DIFFUSION together with Value 4 = NONE indicates that the image set was originally collected for DIFFUSION.

If Value 3 = DIFFUSION together with Value 4 = DIFFUSION this indicates that the object contains DIFFUSION weighted post processed images.

Value 3 of Image Type (0008,0008) shall not be zero length.

Value 3 of Frame Type (0008,9007) may have the same value as found in Value 3 of Image Type (0008,0008), or may have a different value ~~or may be of zero length~~.

The attribute value may not be MIXED as this value needs to be a summary of the primary purpose of the images, whether the frames have the same value or not.

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#### C.8.16.1.4 Derived Pixel Contrast

Value 4 shall be used to indicate derived pixel contrast - generally, contrast created by combining or processing images with the same geometry. Value 4 shall have a value of NONE when Value 1 is ORIGINAL.

**Note**

If more than one of the following derived types is applicable, then it is up to the generating application to specify the value that best characterizes the derived image.

Value 4 of Image Type (0008,0008) and Value 4 of Frame Type (0008,9007) shall not be zero length unless the SOP Class UID is "1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.2.2" or "1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.4.4" or "1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.128.1" (Legacy Converted).

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