

It has been reported that there are anomalies when exporting GRID to Excel. If the GRID ID field is set as a 'Number' or 'General' format, and imported to Excel, then the last four digits will become zeroes. This is because Microsoft sets a precision limit on numbers in Excel of 15 digits. This practice aligns with IEEE Standard for Floating-Point Arithmetic (IEEE 754). However, in Excel if the GRID field is set to a 'Text' field as part of export then the number will be displayed correctly.

When cutting and pasting into Excel, you can also add an apostrophe which converts a number to text. Using this method is also useful when exporting HLA codes to excel to prevent HLA codes being converted to time. For example codes like 01:03 are converted to 1:03 am. However, adding an apostrophe ('01:03) keeps the data in the right format.

Please take care when exporting GRIDs, they should always be copied to Excel into a 'Text' field (not 'Number' or 'General') or an apostrophe should be added to ensure GRID is always displayed correctly.