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Problem

In Lasernet BC Connector, the data field **Type** varies depending on which system language is used, as shown in the following images:

This, however, can make it hard to work on the report in Lasernet, for instance, when using patterns, because it will be necessary to create a pattern for each language. The following images show the two different patterns created for the Danish and the English versions:

Solution

To resolve this issue, it is possible to change the XML output by changing the format via **Lasernet Document Layout**.

Follow these steps:

- 1. In Lasernet BC Connector, navigate to **Lasernet Document Management**, and then click the **Data Formats** tile.
- 2. From the top menu, click **New**.
- 3. In the **Type** column, select **Option** from the drop-down menu.
- 4. In the **Formula** column, type in **<Standard Format,9>**, and then give it a description in the **Description** column.
- 5. Close the page.
- 6. Open Lasernet Document Layout.
- 7. Locate your report's Document Layout and open it.
- 8. Select the table where the field is located. In this case, we are choosing the **Sales Line**.
- 9. Locate the Field section and click Add.

- 10. Add the field from the table. In this case, we will use **Field No. 5**, **Type**.
- 11. In the **Default Format Id** column, select the new **Data format** you created earlier in the drop-down menu.
- 12. Close the page, and then print the report to get the XML file in Lasernet.
- 13. In the XML file, you should now see a number instead of the text. The number represents the **Type**.

Conclusion

Using this system, you will no longer need to create a separate pattern for each language that is used within your Lasernet form.

Instead, you can create one pattern that is based on the numeric **Type** value. The number linked to the **Type** will not change, no matter which language is being used.