

Craigslist Bulk Posting Interface

Overview:

Craigslist provides a bulk posting interface for easy submission of multiple new posts in a single request to our server. This document describes that interface and how it is used.

New postings are submitted to craigslist in [RSS format](#) with [additional craigslist-specific elements](#) via HTTPS POST. Craigslist returns another [RSS document](#) detailing which postings are valid or which have been posted.

A description of the [protocol](#), RSS [submission](#) and [response](#) formats, and a [reference](#) of acceptable values is below.

Important change as of June 22 2006:

In order to improve your posting coverage, we've added a slight (30 second) delay between the posts submitted in a given bulk post batch. What this means is that if you submit a batch of posts via this interface at, say, 9:00am, the first post will appear to have been made at 9:00, the second at 9:00 and 30 seconds, the third at 9:01, etc.

Protocol:

Request:

Submitting a request to post or validate postings is done by establishing an HTTPS connection to craigslist at one of the URLs below, sending an HTTP request with a Content-Type of "application/x-www-form-urlencoded" and containing RSS content in the correct [format](#), and waiting for a response.

Bulk posting interface access URLs:

- <https://post.craigslist.org/bulk-rss/validate> - Submit RSS to this URL to be validated.
- <https://post.craigslist.org/bulk-rss/post> - Submit RSS to this URL to be posted.

See [code sample](#) in this document for an example bulk post client.

Response:

Possible HTTP status values:

- **415** Unsupported Media Type -
Content of response will be one of these error messages:
 - **"Failed to parse RSS"** - This error occurs when the posting submission RSS document is not well-formed, or if the parser encounters an error processing the format of the RSS. A detailed parse failure message should accompany this error.
- **403** Forbidden -
Content of response will be one of these error messages:
 - **"Must supply username"** - A username was not supplied in the <cl:auth> element.
 - **"Must supply password"** - A password was not supplied in the <cl:auth> element.
 - **"AccountID required"** - An accountID was not supplied in the <cl:auth> element.
 - **"Invalid username/password"** - Username and/or password supplied in RSS submission are not known or invalid.
 - **"This user account is not granted bulk post access"** - The user account supplied is not authorized to use the bulk posting interface. Please contact craigslist with authorization requests.
 - **"User is not a buyer for account"** - The user account supplied is not indicated as an authorized buyer for the accountID supplied.
- **200** OK - *Content of response will be RSS document in [posting response format](#)*

Posting Submission Format:

Below is a sample RSS bulk posting submission containing two NYC housing postings.

A submission consists of a <channel> element containing a list of postings to be processed (within <items> element), and a <cl:auth> element containing authentication credentials for the user submitting the postings. The <items> element should contain <rdf:li> elements, each having an attribute, rdf:resource=, whose value is an arbitrary user-supplied string identifying each posting. These identifiers need only be unique within the RSS document.

Additionally, there is an <item> element for every posting submitted, containing various subelements defining the post content. The about= attribute of this element should contain a value that matches one of the rdf:resource= attributes in an <rdf:li> element. A description of the various elements allowed within each <item> is below this example.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<rdf:RDF xmlns="http://purl.org/rss/1.0/"
  xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
  xmlns:cl="http://www.craigslist.org/about/cl-bulk-ns/1.0">

  <channel>
    <items>
      <rdf:li rdf:resource="NYCBrokerHousingSample1"/>
      <rdf:li rdf:resource="NYCBrokerHousingSample2"/>
    </items>

    <cl:auth username="listuser@bogus.com"
      password="p0stp@rtty"
      accountID="14"/>
  </channel>

  <item rdf:about="NYCBrokerHousingSample1">
    <cl:category>fee</cl:category>
    <cl:area>nyc</cl:area>
    <cl:subarea>mnh</cl:subarea>
    <cl:neighborhood>Upper West Side</cl:neighborhood>
    <cl:housingInfo price="1450"
      bedrooms="0"
      sqft="600"/>
    <cl:replyEmail privacy="C">bulkuser@bulkposterz.net</cl:replyEmail>
    <cl:brokerInfo companyName="Joe Sample and Associates"
      feeDisclosure="fee disclosure here" />
    <title>Spacious Sunny Studio in Upper West Side</title>
    <description><![CDATA[
      posting body here
    ]]></description>
  </item>

  <item rdf:about="NYCBrokerHousingSample2">
    <cl:category>fee</cl:category>
    <cl:area>nyc</cl:area>
    <cl:subarea>mnh</cl:subarea>
    <cl:neighborhood>Chelsea</cl:neighborhood>
    <cl:housingInfo price="2175"
      bedrooms="1"
      sqft="850"
      catsOK="1"/>
    <cl:mapLocation city="New York"
      state="NY"
      crossStreet1="23rd Street"
      crossStreet2="9th Avenue"/>
    <cl:replyEmail privacy="C"
      otherContactInfo="212.555.1212">
      bulkuser@bulkposterz.net
    </cl:replyEmail>
    <cl:brokerInfo companyName="Joe Sample and Associates"
      feeDisclosure="fee disclosure here" />
    <title>1BR Charmer in Chelsea</title>
    <description><![CDATA[
      posting body goes here
    ]]></description>
    <cl:PONumber>Purchase Order 094122</cl:PONumber>
  </item>
</rdf:RDF>
```

Sample RSS Posting Submission

Inside <channel> Element:

required:

- **<cl:auth>** - Authentication information for this submission.

Attributes:

- **username** - email address used to log into craigslist account / authenticate.
- **password** - Craigslist user password.
- **accountID** - A craigslist account number with sufficient block credit (or an invoiced account), where the username supplied is an authorized buyer for this accountID.

Inside <item> Elements:

required:

- **<title>** - The title of the post.
- **<description>** - The content (body) of the post.
- **<cl:category>** - The category where this will be posted. Contents should be a valid [category abbreviation](#).
- **<cl:area>** - The area (city) where this will be posted. Contents should be a valid [area abbreviation](#).
- **<cl:replyEmail>** - Reply email address for this post.

Attributes:

- **privacy** - How reply email should be displayed on the post.
(**A**=don't show any email address, **C**=use anonymous craigslist email address, **P**=publicly show the replyEmail address)
- **outsideContactOK** - (0 or 1) If set to 0, will add text to bottom of post: *it's NOT ok to contact this poster with services or other commercial interests*.
- **otherContactInfo** - Any alternate contact info text.

optional:

- **<cl:subarea>** - Subarea where this will be posted. Ad will posted under this subarea as well as "all areas". Contents should be a valid [subarea abbreviation](#).
- **<cl:neighborhood>** - The name of the neighborhood that this post applies to. (free-form text)
- **<cl:mapLocation>** - Information for creating map links.

Attributes:

- **city** - City name in text, such as "New York"
- **state** - State postal abbreviation, such as "NY"
- **crossStreet1** - Cross street name
- **crossStreet2** - Other cross street name
- **<cl:PONumber>** - A purchase order number or internal tracking number for your own record-keeping purposes. (free-form text)

housing-specific:

- **<cl:housingInfo>** - Housing info fields.

Attributes:

- **price** - Advertised price. (numeric value)
- **bedrooms** - Number of bedrooms. (integer, **0**=studio)
- **sqft** - Surface area of the space.
- **catsOK** - (0 or 1) Add *Cats are OK* notice to bottom of post.
- **dogsOK** - (0 or 1) Add *Dogs are OK* notice to bottom of post.

- **<cl:brokerInfo>** -

Attributes:

- **companyName** - Broker company name.
- **feeDisclosure** - Broker fee disclosure.

jobs-specific:

- **<cl:jobInfo>** - Jobs info fields.

Attributes:

- **compensation** - Compensation rate. (numeric value)
- **telecommuting** - (0 or 1) Indicates telecommuting job.
- **partTime** - (0 or 1) Indicates part-time job.
- **contract** - (0 or 1) Indicates contract job.
- **nonprofit** - (0 or 1) Indicates non-profit employer.
- **internship** - (0 or 1) Indicates internship job.
- **disability** - (0 or 1) Indicates OK to repost to job developers for persons with disabilities
- **recruitersOK** - (0 or 1) Add *Recruiters OK* notice to bottom of post.
- **phoneCallsOK** - (0 or 1) Add *Phone calls OK* notice to bottom of post.
- **okToContact** - (0 or 1) Add *OK to contact* notice to bottom of post.
- **okToRepost** - (0 or 1) Add *OK to repost* notice to bottom of post.

Posting Response Format:

Below are some examples of an RSS response document for validation and posting, as well as a description of the craigslist-specific elements.

Validation:

```
<rdf:RDF xmlns="http://purl.org/rss/1.0/"
  xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
  xmlns:cl="http://www.craigslist.org/about/cl-bulk-ns/1.0">
  <channel>
    <items>
      <rdf:Seq>
        <rdf:li rdf:resource="NYCBrokerHousingSample1"/>
        <rdf:li rdf:resource="NYCBrokerHousingSample2"/>
      </rdf:Seq>
    </items>
  </channel>
  <item rdf:about="NYCBrokerHousingSample1">
    <cl:postedStatus>VALID</cl:postedStatus>
    <cl:postedExplanation>This posting seems to be valid.</cl:postedExplanation>
    <cl:previewHTML><![CDATA[
      HTML preview of posting will appear here.
    ]]></cl:previewHTML>
  </item>
  <item rdf:about="NYCBrokerHousingSample2">
    <cl:postedStatus>VALID</cl:postedStatus>
    <cl:postedExplanation>This posting seems to be valid.</cl:postedExplanation>
    <cl:previewHTML><![CDATA[
      HTML preview of posting will appear here.
    ]]></cl:previewHTML>
  </item>
</rdf:RDF>
```

Sample RSS Validation Response

Posting:

```
<rdf:RDF xmlns="http://purl.org/rss/1.0/"
  xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
  xmlns:cl="http://www.craigslist.org/about/cl-bulk-ns/1.0">
  <channel>
    <items>
      <rdf:Seq>
        <rdf:li rdf:resource="NYCBrokerHousingSample1"/>
        <rdf:li rdf:resource="NYCBrokerHousingSample2"/>
      </rdf:Seq>
    </items>
  </channel>
  <item rdf:about="NYCBrokerHousingSample1">
    <cl:postedStatus>POSTED</cl:postedStatus>
    <cl:postedExplanation>Successfully enqueued posting.</cl:postedExplanation>
    <cl:postingID>159144091</cl:postingID>
    <cl:postingManageURL>https://post.craigslist.org/manage/159144091/to6s1
    </cl:postingManageURL>
    <cl:previewHTML><![CDATA[
      HTML preview of posting will appear here.
    ]]></cl:previewHTML>
  </item>
</rdf:RDF>
```

```

</item>
<item rdf:about="NYCBrokerHousingSample2">
  <cl:postedStatus>POSTED</cl:postedStatus>
  <cl:postedExplanation>Successfully enqueued posting.</cl:postedExplanation>
  <cl:postingID>159144092</cl:postingID>
  <cl:postingManageURL>https://post.craigslist.org/manage/159144092/b0n65
</cl:postingManageURL>
  <cl:previewHTML><![CDATA[
    HTML preview of posting will appear here.
  ]]></cl:previewHTML>
</item>
</rdf:RDF>

```

Sample RSS Posting Response

<item> Elements:

- **<cl:postedStatus>** - Status of processing this posting. Possible values are **VALID**, **NOT_VALID**, **INSUFFICIENT_BLOCKS**, **POSTED**, and **FAILED**. **VALID** appears only in validation mode and if your RSS document is valid. **NOT_VALID** appears in post and validate modes and will be accompanied by message in **<cl:postedExplanation>** detailing where the validation failed. **INSUFFICIENT_BLOCKS** is reported when the accountID supplied does not have enough remaining blocks to create a posting in the city/category and is not an invoiced account, more blocks must be purchased before the posting is processed. **POSTED** indicates that the posting was successfully accepted. **FAILED** indicates an unexpected error at post time.
- **<cl:postedExplanation>** - Human-readable status of processing this posting. If there is an error in validation, error details will appear in this element.
- **<cl:previewHTML>** - HTML preview of submitted posting.
- **<cl:postingID>** - In post mode, this element will contain the craigslist ID of the newly created posting.
- **<cl:postingManageURL>** - In post mode, this element will contain a URL that can be used to edit or delete the new posting.

See the [sample XSLT](#) in this document for a possible way to process a response.

Note: If you submit a posting item with the same `rdf:about` as an existing posting item, the existing posting item will *not* be updated. Presently the only way to alter the content of a posting is via URL specified in the `cl:postingManageURL` element.

Reference:

Categories:

Abbreviation	Description	Type
apa	apts/housing for rent	Housing
fee	apts broker fee	Housing
nfb	apts broker no fee	Housing
off	office & commercial	Housing
reb	real estate - by broker	Housing
vac	vacation rentals	Housing
acc	accounting/finance jobs	Jobs
bus	business/mgmt jobs	Jobs
csr	customer service jobs	Jobs
edu	education/teaching jobs	Jobs
egr	architect/engineer/CAD jobs	Jobs
eng	internet engineering jobs	Jobs
etc	et cetera jobs	Jobs
fbh	food/beverage/hospitality jobs	Jobs
gov	government jobs	Jobs
hea	healthcare jobs	Jobs
hum	human resource jobs	Jobs
lab	general labor jobs	Jobs

lgl	legal/paralegal jobs	Jobs
mar	marketing/advertising/PR jobs	Jobs
med	art/media/design jobs	Jobs
mnu	manufacturing jobs	Jobs
npo	nonprofit jobs	Jobs
ofc	admin/office jobs	Jobs
rej	real estate jobs	Jobs
ret	retail/wholesale jobs	Jobs
sad	systems/networking jobs	Jobs
sci	science/biotech jobs	Jobs
sec	security jobs	Jobs
sls	sales jobs	Jobs
sof	software/QA/DBA/etc jobs	Jobs
spa	salon/spa/fitness jobs	Jobs
tch	technical support jobs	Jobs
tfr	tv/film/video/radio jobs	Jobs
trd	skilled trades/artisan jobs	Jobs
trp	transportation jobs	Jobs
web	web/HTML/info design jobs	Jobs
wri	writing/editing jobs	Jobs

Areas and Subareas:

Area Abbreviation	Description	Subarea Abbreviation	Description
aaa	ann arbor		
abb	fraser valley		
abi	abilene		
abq	albuquerque		
abr	northeast SD		
aby	albany, GA		
aex	central louisiana		
ahn	athens, GA		
alb	albany		
alt	lehigh valley		
ama	amarillo		
ame	ames, IA		
anb	gadsden-anniston		
anc	anchorage / mat-su		
anp	annapolis		
aoa	altoona-johnstown		
app	appleton-oshkosh-FDL		
ash	asheville		
atl	atlanta		
aub	auburn		
aug	augusta		
aus	austin		
avp	scranton / wilkes-barre		
bak	bakersfield		
bal	baltimore		
bel	belleville, ON		
bfd	brantford-woodstock		
bff	scottsbluff / panhandle		
bgm	binghamton		
bhm	birmingham, AL		
bil	billings		
bis	bismarck		

bjj	bemidji		
blg	bowling green		
bli	bellingham		
bln	bloomington-normal		
bmg	bloomington, IN		
bnc	boone		
bnd	bend		
boi	boise		
bos	boston	gbs	boston/cambridge/brookline
bos	boston	nwb	northwest/merrimack
bos	boston	bmw	metro west
bos	boston	nos	north shore
bos	boston	sob	south shore
bou	boulder		
bpt	beaumont / port arthur		
brd	brainerd		
brl	vermont		
bro	brownsville		
brr	barrie		
btc	battle creek		
btm	butte		
btr	baton rouge		
buf	buffalo		
bwk	brunswick, GA		
bzn	bozeman		
cae	columbia, SC		
cak	akron / canton		
cap	cape cod / islands		
cat	catskills		
cbd	southern illinois		
cbg	cumberland valley		
cbo	cariboo		
ced	cedar rapids		
cfl	heartland florida		
cha	charlotte		
chc	chico		
chi	chicago	chc	city of chicago
chi	chicago	nch	north chicagoland
chi	chicago	wcl	west chicagoland
chi	chicago	sox	south chicagoland
chi	chicago	nwi	northwest indiana
chi	chicago	nwc	northwest suburbs
chk	chatham-kent		
chl	chillicothe		
chm	champaign urbana		
chq	chautauqua		
chs	charleston, SC		
cht	chattanooga		
cin	cincinnati, OH		
ckv	clarksville, TN		
cle	cleveland		
clg	calgary		
cmu	central michigan		
cmx	comox valley		
cnj	central NJ		
col	columbus		
coo	cookeville		
cor	oregon coast		
cos	colorado springs		
cou	columbia / jeff city		
crp	corpus christi		

crv	corvallis/albany		
crw	charleston, WV		
csd	pierre / central SD		
csg	columbus, GA		
cst	college station		
cvn	clovis / portales		
dab	daytona beach		
dal	dallas / fort worth	dal	dallas
dal	dallas / fort worth	ftw	fort worth
dal	dallas / fort worth	mid	mid cities
dal	dallas / fort worth	ndf	north dfw
dal	dallas / fort worth	sdf	south dfw
day	dayton / springfield		
dbq	dubuque		
den	denver		
det	detroit metro		
dhn	dothan, AL		
dil	decaturn, IL		
dlh	duluth / superior		
dlw	delaware		
dnv	danville		
drt	del rio / eagle pass		
dsm	des moines		
eau	eau claire		
eco	eastern CO		
edm	edmonton		
eid	east idaho		
eky	eastern kentucky		
elk	elko		
elm	elmira-corning		
elp	el paso		
ena	kenai peninsula		
enc	eastern NC		
end	northwest OK		
eor	east oregon		
eri	erie, PA		
esh	eastern shore		
etx	tyler / east TX		
eug	eugene		
evv	evansville		
ewv	eastern panhandle		
ezf	fredericksburg		
fai	fairbanks		
far	fargo / moorhead		
fay	fayetteville		
fca	kalispell		
fdk	frederick		
fgl	finger lakes		
fhu	sierra vista		
fig	flagstaff / sedona		
fil	fort lauderdale		
fio	florence, SC		
fmc	ft mcmurray		
fmy	ft myers / SW florida		
fnm	farmington, NM		
fnt	flint		
fre	fresno / madera		
fsd	sioux falls / SE SD		
fsm	fort smith, AR		
ftc	fort collins / north CO		

ftd	fort dodge		
fwa	fort wayne		
fyv	fayetteville, AR		
gbo	greensboro		
gfk	grand forks		
gfl	glens falls		
gil	grand island		
gjt	western slope		
gld	gold country		
gls	galveston		
gnv	gainesville		
gph	guelph		
gpt	gulfport / biloxi		
grb	green bay		
grk	killeen / temple / ft hood		
grr	grand rapids		
gsp	greenville / upstate		
gtf	great falls		
hat	medicine hat		
hez	southwest MS		
hfx	halifax		
hhi	hilton head		
hky	hickory / lenoir		
hld	holland		
hln	helena		
hmb	humboldt county		
hml	hamilton-burlington		
hnf	hanford-corcoran		
hnl	hawaii	oah	oahu
hnl	hawaii	big	big island
hnl	hawaii	mau	maui
hnl	hawaii	kau	kauai
hnl	hawaii	mol	molokai
hou	houston		
hrs	harrisburg		
hsv	huntsville / decatur		
htf	hartford		
hts	huntington-ashland		
hud	hudson valley		
hum	houma		
hvn	new haven		
iac	iowa city		
imp	imperial county		
ind	indianapolis		
inl	inland empire		
isp	long island		
ith	ithaca		
jan	jackson, MS		
jax	jacksonville		
jbr	jonesboro		
jfn	ashtabula		
jln	joplin		
jnu	southeast alaska		
jvl	janesville		
jxn	jackson, MI		
jxt	jackson, TN		
jys	jersey shore		
kch	kitchener-waterloo-cambridge		
kel	kelowna / okanagan		

key	florida keys		
klf	klamath falls		
kml	kamloops		
kng	kingston, ON		
knx	knoxville		
koo	kootenays		
kpr	kennewick-pasco-richland		
krk	kirksville		
ksc	kansas city, MO		
kzo	kalamazoo		
laf	lafayette / west lafayette		
lal	lakeland		
lan	lansing		
law	lawton		
lax	los angeles	wst	westside-southbay-310
lax	los angeles	sfv	san fernando valley
lax	los angeles	lac	central LA 213/323
lax	los angeles	sgv	san gabriel valley
lax	los angeles	lgb	long beach / 562
lax	los angeles	ant	antelope valley
lbb	lubbock		
lbf	north platte		
lcq	north central FL		
lcr	las cruces		
lex	lexington, KY		
lft	lafayette		
lgu	logan		
lit	little rock		
lkc	lake charles		
lma	lima / findlay		
lnk	lincoln		
lns	lancaster, PA		
lon	london, ON		
lou	louisville		
loz	lake of the ozarks		
lrd	laredo		
lse	la crosse		
lsl	la salle co		
lth	lethbridge		
lvg	las vegas		
lwr	lawrence		
lws	lewiston / clarkston		
lyn	lynchburg		
mad	madison		
mbs	saginaw-midland-baycity		
mca	mcallen / edinburg		
mcn	macon / warner robins		
mdo	mendocino county		
mdv	meadville		
mei	meridian		
mem	memphis, TN		
mer	merced		
mfd	mansfield		
mfr	medford-ashland		
mgm	montgomery		
mhk	manhattan, KS		
mhv	mohave county		
mia	south florida	mdc	miami / dade county
mia	south florida	brw	broward county

mia	south florida	pbcc	palm beach county
mil	milwaukee		
min	minneapolis / st paul		
mkg	muskegon		
mkt	mankato		
mlb	space coast		
mli	quad cities, IA/IL		
mlk	moses lake		
mlu	monroe, LA		
mml	southwest MN		
mne	maine		
mnr	monroe		
mnt	montana (old)		
mob	mobile		
mod	modesto		
mon	montreal		
msc	mason city		
msl	florence / muscle shoals		
mso	missoula		
mtb	monterey bay		
mto	mattoon-charleston		
mun	muncie / anderson		
mvw	skagit / island / SJI		
myr	myrtle beach		
nbw	new brunswick		
nct	northwest CT		
ndk	north dakota		
nfk	hampton roads		
nfl	st john's, NL		
nhm	new hampshire		
njy	north jersey		
nlo	eastern CT		
nmi	northern michigan		
nmo	nanaimo		
nms	north mississippi		
nor	new orleans		
nph	tuscarawas co		
nsc	niagara region		
nsh	nashville		
nwg	northwest GA		
nwi	northern WI		
nwk	northwest KS		
nyc	new york city	mnh	manhattan
nyc	new york city	brk	brooklyn
nyc	new york city	que	queens
nyc	new york city	brx	bronx
nyc	new york city	stn	staten island
nyc	new york city	jsy	new jersey
nyc	new york city	lgi	long island
nyc	new york city	wch	westchester
nyc	new york city	fct	fairfield co, CT
oaj	jacksonville, NC		
obx	outer banks		
oca	ocala		
och	deep east texas		
odm	odessa / midland		
ogd	ogden-clearfield		
ohu	athens, OH		
okc	oklahoma city		
okk	kokomo		

okv	winchester		
olp	olympic peninsula		
oma	omaha / council bluffs		
onh	oneonta		
orc	orange county		
orl	orlando		
osu	stillwater		
ott	ottawa-hull-gatineau		
otu	southeast IA		
owb	owensboro		
ows	owen sound		
oxr	ventura county		
pax	peace river country		
pdx	portland, OR	mlt	multnomah county
pdx	portland, OR	wsc	washington county
pdx	portland, OR	clk	clark/cowlitz WA
pdx	portland, OR	clc	clackamas county
pdx	portland, OR	nco	north coast
pdx	portland, OR	yam	yamhill co
pei	prince edward island		
pfn	panama city, FL		
phi	philadelphia		
phn	port huron		
phx	phoenix	cph	central / south phx
phx	phoenix	evl	east valley
phx	phoenix	nph	phx north
phx	phoenix	wvl	west valley
pia	peoria		
pit	pittsburgh		
pkb	parkersburg-marietta		
plb	plattsburgh- adirondacks		
plm	pullman / moscow		
pns	pensacola		
poc	poconos		
prc	prescott		
prv	rhode island		
psl	treasure coast		
psp	palm springs, CA		
psu	state college		
ptd	potsdam-canton- massena		
pub	pueblo		
pvu	provo / orem		
qbc	quebec city		
qcy	western IL		
rac	kenosha-racine		
ral	raleigh / durham / CH		
rap	rapid city / west SD		
rbg	roseburg		
rck	high rockies		
rct	rochester, NY		
rdd	redding		
rea	reading		
red	red deer		
reg	regina		
rfd	rockford		
ric	richmond		
rin	richmond, IN		
rmn	rochester, MN		
rno	reno / tahoe		

roa	roanoke		
row	roswell / carlsbad		
sac	sacramento		
saf	santa fe / taos		
sat	san antonio		
sav	savannah / hinesville		
sba	santa barbara		
sbm	sheboygan, WI		
sbn	south bend / michiana		
sdk	south dakota		
sdo	san diego		
sea	seattle-tacoma	see	seattle
sea	seattle-tacoma	est	eastside
sea	seattle-tacoma	sno	snohomish county
sea	seattle-tacoma	kit	kitsap / west puget
sea	seattle-tacoma	tac	tacoma / pierce
sea	seattle-tacoma	oly	olympia / thurston
sea	seattle-tacoma	skc	south king co
sek	southeast KS		
sfo	san francisco bay area	sfc	city of san francisco
sfo	san francisco bay area	sby	south bay area
sfo	san francisco bay area	eby	east bay area
sfo	san francisco bay area	pen	peninsula
sfo	san francisco bay area	nby	north bay / marin
sfo	san francisco bay area	scz	santa cruz co
sgf	springfield, MO		
sgy	saguenay		
shb	sherbrooke		
shd	harrisonburg		
shv	shreveport		
sjt	san angelo		
ske	skeena-bulkley		
skt	saskatoon		
sky	sandusky		
slc	salt lake city		
sle	salem, OR		
slo	san luis obispo		
sma	south coast		
smd	southern maryland		
smo	southeast missouri		
smx	santa maria		
snj	south jersey		
sns	salina		
soo	sault ste marie, ON		
sow	show low		
spi	springfield, IL		
spk	spokane / coeur d'alene		
sm	sarnia		
srq	sarasota-bradenton		
ssk	siskiyou county		
ssn	susanville		
stc	st cloud		
stg	st george		
stj	st joseph		
stk	stockton		
stl	st louis, MO		

sud	sudbury		
sun	sunshine coast		
sux	sioux city, IA		
swk	southwest KS		
swm	southwest michigan		
swv	southern WV		
syr	syracuse		
tal	tallahassee		
tbr	statesboro		
tby	thunder bay		
tha	terre haute		
thb	the thumb		
toc	territories		
tol	toledo		
tor	toronto		
tpa	tampa bay area	hdo	hernando co
tpa	tampa bay area	hil	hillsborough co
tpa	tampa bay area	psc	pasco co
tpa	tampa bay area	pnl	pinellas co
tpk	topeka		
tri	tri-cities, TN		
trs	trois-rivieres		
tsc	tuscaloosa		
tsu	san marcos		
tts	twin tiers NY/PA		
tul	tulsa		
tus	tucson		
twf	twin falls		
txk	texarkana		
txm	texoma		
usm	hattiesburg		
ust	st augustine		
uti	utica-rome-oneida		
uva	charlottesville		
van	vancouver, BC		
vaw	southwest VA		
vic	victoria		
vis	visalia-tulare		
vld	valdosta		
vpi	new river valley		
vps	okaloosa / walton		
vtx	victoria, TX		
wau	wausau		
wco	waco		
wdc	washington, DC	doc	district of columbia
wdc	washington, DC	nva	northern virginia
wdc	washington, DC	mld	maryland
wen	wenatchee		
whh	whitehorse		
whi	whistler, BC		
whl	northern panhandle		
wic	wichita		
win	winnipeg		
wky	western KY		
wlo	waterloo / cedar falls		
wma	western massachusetts		
wmd	western maryland		
wnc	wilmington, NC		
wor	worcester / central MA		
wpb	west palm beach		

wpt	williamsport
wsl	winston-salem
wsr	windsor
wtf	wichita falls
wtn	watertown
wtx	southwest TX
wva	west virginia (old)
wvu	morgantown
wyo	wyoming
yak	yakima
ybs	yuba-sutter
ycc	cornwall, ON
ykf	yellowknife
yng	youngstown
ypq	peterborough
yrk	york, PA
yum	yuma
yup	upper peninsula
yxs	prince george
zvl	zanesville / cambridge

Categories for which bulk posting is no longer supported:

Do not use the bulk posting interface to post to these categories. Thanks.

Abbreviation	Description	Type
aiv	apts registration fee	Housing
sbw	sublet/temp wanted	Housing
rew	real estate wanted	Housing
swp	housing swap	Housing
sub	sublets & temporary	Housing
res	real estate for sale	Deprecated
reo	real estate by owner	Housing
prk	parking & storage	Housing
hou	apts wanted	Housing
ssl	summer sublets	Housing
abo	apts by owner	Housing
sha	room/share wanted	Housing
roo	rooms & shares	Housing
tel	network/WAN/telcom jobs	Jobs

Sample Bulk Post Client:

This example bulk posting client script is written in perl5 and requires the LWP perl module. It processes commandline options, reads an RSS file from disk, then submits it to craigslist for either verification or posting. It returns the reply RSS to STDOUT unless -o option is specified.

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
use LWP;
use LWP::UserAgent;
use Getopt::Std;
use strict;

use constant BASE_URL => 'https://post.craigslist.org/bulk-rss';

# process options
my $opts = {};
getopts('o:f:p', $opts);
my $post = $opts->{'p'};
my $filename = $opts->{'f'};
my $outfile = $opts->{'o'};
unless($filename) {
    print "usage: $0 [-p] [-o outfile] -f filename\n".
        "options:\n".
        "  -f - the name of the RSS file to submit (required)\n".
        "  -p - actually post (otherwise just validate)\n".
        "  -o - output filename (otherwise results sent to STDOUT)\n\n";
}
```

```

exit(0);
}

# open file
my $content = undef;
open(CFH, "<$filename") || die "can't open $filename for read: $!";
{ local $/ = undef; $content = <CFH>; }
close(CFH);

# prepare request
my $ua = LWP::UserAgent->new();
$ua->agent('SampleBulkPostClient/0.1');
my $post_url = BASE_URL . '/' . ($post? 'post': 'validate');
my $req = HTTP::Request->new( POST => $post_url );
$req->content_type('application/x-www-form-urlencoded');
$req->content($content);

# issue request
my $res = $ua->request($req);

# print result
if($res->is_success()) {
    if($outfile) {
        open(OFH,">$outfile") || die "can't open $outfile for write: $!";
        print OFH $res->content();
        close OFH;
    }
    else {
        print $res->content()."\n";
    }
}
else {
    print "request failed:\n".
        $res->status_line()."\n".$res->content()."\n";
}

```

Sample Perl Bulk Posting Client Script

Sample XSLT for transforming from the [Posting Response Format](#) to HTML

Here's an example XSLT stylesheet for transforming a posting response to HTML.

```

<xsl:stylesheet version = '1.0'
  xmlns:xsl='http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform'
  extension-element-prefixes="cl rdf"
  xmlns:rss="http://purl.org/rss/1.0/"
  xmlns:cl="http://www.craigslislist.org/about/cl-bulk-ns/1.0"
  xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#">

  <xsl:template match="/">
    <html>
      <head><title>Bulk posting results</title>
      <style type="text/css">
        tr.error { color : red; }
      </style>
    </head>
    <body>
      <xsl:apply-templates select="rdf:RDF"/>
    </body>
  </html>
</xsl:template>

  <xsl:template match="rdf:RDF">
    <h3> Bulk posting results: </h3>
    <xsl:apply-templates select="rss:channel"/>
    <table border="1">
      <thead>
        <tr> <td>Item</td><td>Status</td><td>Explanation</td><td>ID</td> </tr>
      </thead>
      <xsl:apply-templates select="rss:item">
        <xsl:sort select="@rdf:about"/>
      </xsl:apply-templates>
    </table>
  </xsl:template>

  <xsl:template match="rss:channel">
    <xsl:apply-templates select="rss:items"/>
  </xsl:template>

  <xsl:template match="rss:item">
    <xsl:variable name='status' select="cl:postedStatus"/>
    <xsl:variable name='rowclass'>
      <xsl:choose>
        <xsl:when test="$status = 'POSTED' or $status = 'VALID'">
          <xsl:text>valid</xsl:text>
        </xsl:when>
        <xsl:otherwise>
          <xsl:text>error</xsl:text>
        </xsl:otherwise>
      </xsl:choose>
    </xsl:variable>
    <tr class="{ $rowclass }">
      <td> <xsl:value-of select="@rdf:about"/> </td>
      <td> <xsl:value-of select="$status"/> </td>
      <td> <xsl:value-of select="cl:postedExplanation"/> </td>
      <td>
        <a href="{cl:postingManageURL}">

```



```
<xsl:value-of select="cl:postingID"/>
</a>
</td>
</tr>
</xsl:template>
</xsl:stylesheet>
```

Sample XSLT