# How to fill in

## Before you start

Have the XML export from your invoicing software and the buyer’s instructions ready. Use UBL or CII. A PDF printout cannot replace the XML; export the electronic invoice from your software.

## Steps

1. Open the e-invoice validator and choose the package XRechnung.
2. Choose your XRechnung file (UBL or CII), or paste the XML.
3. Tick the consent box, then click Check invoice.
4. Read the result card: rule, field, XML path, and a failing and a passing example.
5. Fix the field in your software, export and check again.

## Three errors to check first

- BR-DE-15: Buyer reference missing. Ask the buyer for the routing reference and put it in BuyerReference.
- BR-DE-2: Seller contact missing. Add the invoicing contact to the seller record and export again.
- BR-DE-21: Wrong specification ID. Choose the XRechnung export in your software, then check the new file.

A passed check means the selected rules passed. Confirm the buyer’s delivery requirements before sending the invoice.

The language of these instructions can differ from the controls shown. Keep the rule ID when asking a colleague for help.

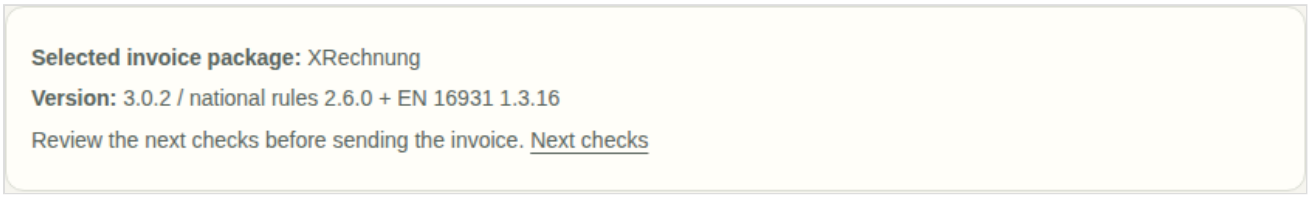
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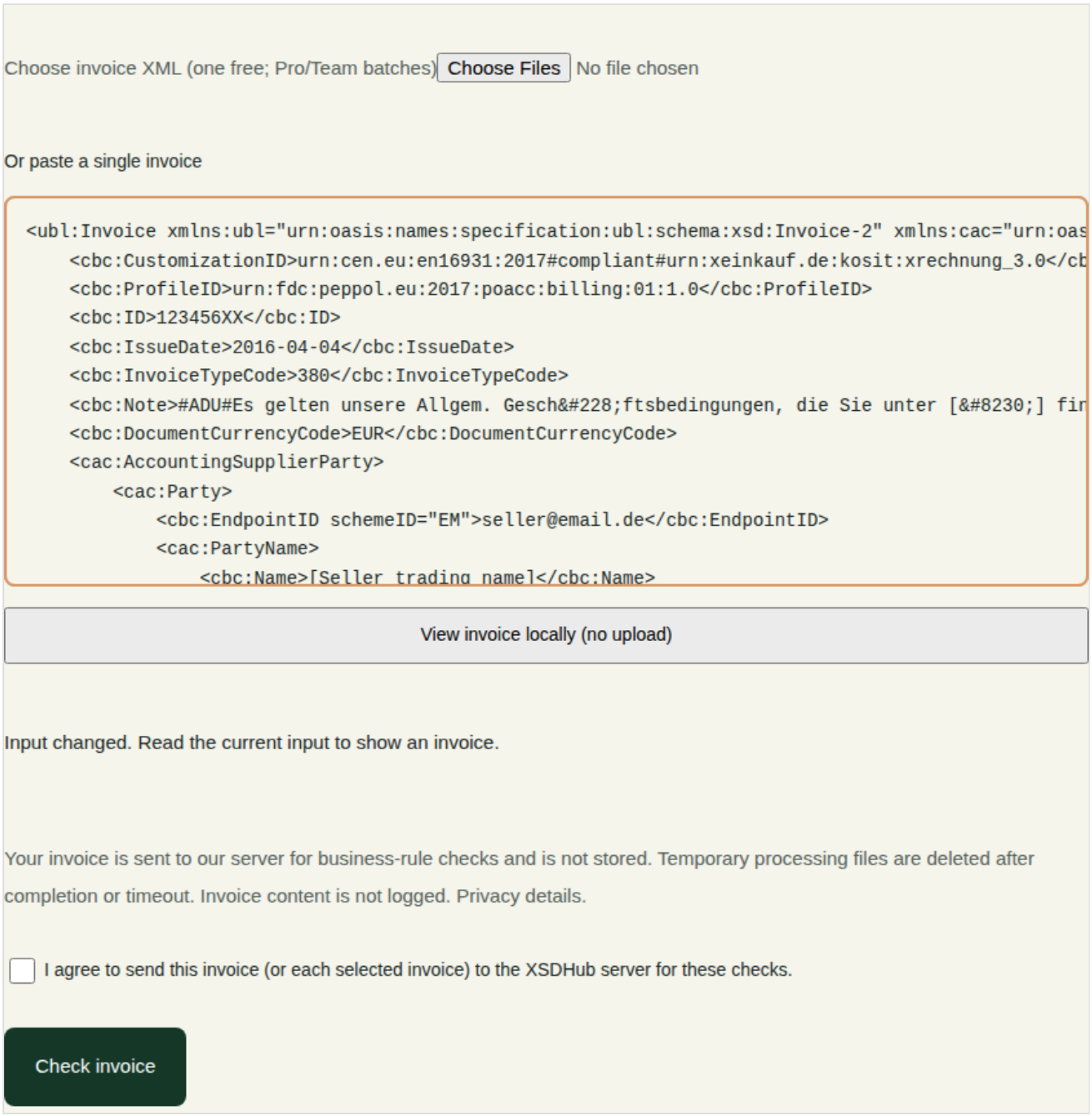
# Screenshots

Screen: English. The German validator has German controls. All examples shown here are fictional.

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### Result: rule ID, location and correction

## BR-DE-15 · Buyer reference is missing

The checked XRechnung rule requires a non-blank buyer reference (BT-10). Enter the reference provided by the recipient in the source system, then export and check again. The fictional value below is only a tested example; it is not a reference for your invoice.

Expected field path:

```
/Q{urn:oasis:names:specification:ubl:schema:xsd:Invoice-2}Invoice/Q{urn:oasis:names:specification:ubl:schema:xsd:CommonBasicComponents-2}BuyerReference
```

Engine code: BR-DE-15

Engine location:

```
/Q{urn:oasis:names:specification:ubl:schema:xsd:Invoice-2}Invoice[1]
```

Failing example

```
<!-- BuyerReference absent -->
```

Passing example

```
<cbc:BuyerReference xmlns:cbc="urn:oasis:names:specification:ubl:schema:xsd:CommonBasicComponents-2">FICTIONAL-REFERENCE</cbc:BuyerReference>
```

Tested UBL fixture: the complete failing and passing invoices differ only by this element. Place it after DocumentCurrencyCode in this example.

**Open BR-DE-15 and the complete examples**

▶ Original engine message