

RDA elements

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The following table gives information about the elements, element sub-types, and sub-elements used in RDA: Resource Description and Access. The elements are listed in order by the RDA instruction number in RDA Toolkit. The same information is given by order of element name in a second table. The RDA Registry (www.rdaregistry.info) contains representations of the elements in Resource Description Framework for linked data applications.

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Element

The name of the element.

Indication of element categories:

Element: A place/holder for storing values resulting from the application of RDA instructions.

- Element sub-type: A refinement of an element which narrows the meaning or scope of the element.
- Sub-element: An element which is a component of a coarser element that is an aggregation or combination of two or more (sub-)elements.

Aggregating or Super Element

The name of the element that aggregates a sub-element or is the super-type of an element sub-type.

Domain

The RDA entity that the element is assigned to. An RDA description using the element is assumed to describe something that is the same kind of entity.

Vocabulary Encoding Scheme

The RDA terminology that is recommended for the values of the element.

RDA Instruction Number

The number of the RDA instruction in RDA Toolkit that refers to the element.

Instruction Group

The name of the group of instructions that refers to the element.

RDA elements in instruction number order

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
title		Manifestation	n/a	2.3	Identifying manifestations and items
• title proper	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.2	Identifying manifestations and items
• parallel title proper	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.3	Identifying manifestations and items
• other title information	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.4	Identifying manifestations and items
• parallel other title information	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.5	Identifying manifestations and items
• variant title	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• earlier title proper	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.7	Identifying manifestations and items
• later title proper	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.8	Identifying manifestations and items
• key title	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.9	Identifying manifestations and items
• abbreviated title	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.10	Identifying manifestations and items
statement of responsibility		Manifestation	n/a	2.4	Identifying manifestations and items
• statement of responsibility relating to title proper	statement of responsibility	Manifestation	n/a	2.4.2	Identifying manifestations and items
• parallel statement of responsibility relating to title proper	statement of responsibility	Manifestation	n/a	2.4.3	Identifying manifestations and items
edition statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ designation of edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.2	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel designation of edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ statement of responsibility relating to the edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.4	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel statement of responsibility relating to the edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ designation of a named revision of an edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.6	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel designation of a named revision of an edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.7	Identifying manifestations and items
○ statement of responsibility relating to a named revision of an edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.8	Identifying manifestations and items

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○ parallel statement of responsibility relating to a named revision of an edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.9	Identifying manifestations and items
numbering of serials		Manifestation	n/a	2.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• numeric and/or alphabetic designation of first issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.2	Identifying manifestations and items
• chronological designation of first issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.3	Identifying manifestations and items
• numeric and/or alphabetic designation of last issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.4	Identifying manifestations and items
• chronological designation of last issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.5	Identifying manifestations and items
• alternative numeric and/or alphabetic designation of first issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• alternative chronological designation of first issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.7	Identifying manifestations and items
• alternative numeric and/or alphabetic designation of last issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.8	Identifying manifestations and items
• alternative chronological designation of last issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.9	Identifying manifestations and items
production statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.7	Identifying manifestations and items
○ place of production	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.2	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel place of production	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ producer's name	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.4	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel producer's name	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ date of production	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.6	Identifying manifestations and items
publication statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.8	Identifying manifestations and items
○ place of publication	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.2	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel place of publication	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ publisher's name	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.4	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel publisher's name	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ date of publication	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.6	Identifying manifestations and items
distribution statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.9	Identifying manifestations and items
○ place of distribution	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.2	Identifying manifestations and items

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○ parallel place of distribution	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ distributor's name	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.4	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel distributor's name	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ date of distribution	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.6	Identifying manifestations and items
manufacture statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.10	Identifying manifestations and items
○ place of manufacture	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.2	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel place of manufacture	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ manufacturer's name	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.4	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel manufacturer's name	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ date of manufacture	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.6	Identifying manifestations and items
copyright date		Manifestation	n/a	2.11	Identifying manifestations and items
series statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.12	Identifying manifestations and items
○ title proper of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.2	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel title proper of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ other title information of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.4	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel other title information of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ statement of responsibility relating to series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.6	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel statement of responsibility relating to series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.7	Identifying manifestations and items
○ ISSN of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.8	Identifying manifestations and items
○ numbering within series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.9	Identifying manifestations and items
○ title proper of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.10	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel title proper of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.11	Identifying manifestations and items
○ other title information of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.12	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel other title information of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.13	Identifying manifestations and items
○ statement of responsibility relating to subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.14	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel statement of responsibility relating to subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.15	Identifying manifestations and items
○ ISSN of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.16	Identifying manifestations and items
○ numbering within subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.17	Identifying manifestations and items
mode of issuance		Manifestation	RDA Mode of Issuance	2.13	Identifying manifestations and items

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
frequency		Manifestation	RDA Frequency	2.14	Identifying manifestations and items
identifier for the manifestation		Manifestation	unspecified	2.15	Identifying manifestations and items
• publisher's number for music	identifier for the manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.15.2	Identifying manifestations and items
• plate number for music	identifier for the manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.15.3	Identifying manifestations and items
preferred citation		Manifestation	n/a	2.16	Identifying manifestations and items
note on manifestation		Manifestation	n/a	2.17	Describing carriers
• note on title	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.2	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on statement of responsibility	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.3	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on edition statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.4	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on numbering of serials	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.5	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on production statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on publication statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.7	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on distribution statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.8	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on manufacture statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.9	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on copyright date	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.10	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on series statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.11	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on frequency	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.12	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on issue, part, or iteration used as the basis for identification of the resource	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.13	Identifying manifestations and items
custodial history of item		Item	n/a	2.18	Identifying manifestations and items
immediate source of acquisition of item		Item	n/a	2.19	Identifying manifestations and items
identifier for the item		Item	n/a	2.20	Identifying manifestations and items
note on item		Item	n/a	2.21	Describing carriers
media type		Manifestation	RDA Media Type	3.2	Describing carriers
carrier type		Manifestation	RDA Carrier Type	3.3	Describing carriers
extent		Manifestation	RDA Carrier Type	3.4	Describing carriers
• extent of cartographic resource	extent	Manifestation	RDA Extent of Cartographic Resource	3.4.2	Describing carriers

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• extent of notated music	extent	Manifestation	RDA Format of Notated Music	3.4.3	Describing carriers
• extent of still image	extent	Manifestation	RDA Extent of Still Image	3.4.4	Describing carriers
• extent of text	extent	Manifestation	RDA Extent of Text	3.4.5	Describing carriers
• extent of three-dimensional form	extent	Manifestation	RDA Extent of Three-Dimensional Form	3.4.6	Describing carriers
dimensions		Manifestation	unspecified	3.5	Describing carriers
• dimensions of map, etc.	dimensions	Manifestation	unspecified	3.5.2	Describing carriers
• dimensions of still image	dimensions	Manifestation	unspecified	3.5.3	Describing carriers
base material		Manifestation	RDA Base Material	3.6	Describing carriers
details of base material		Manifestation	n/a	3.6.1.4	Describing carriers
applied material		Manifestation	RDA Applied Material	3.7	Describing carriers
details of applied material		Manifestation	n/a	3.7.1.4	Describing carriers
• emulsion on microfilm and microfiche	applied material	Manifestation	RDA Emulsion on Microfilm and Microfiche	3.7.2	Describing carriers
details of emulsion on microfilm and microfiche		Manifestation	n/a	3.7.2.4	Describing carriers
mount		Manifestation	RDA Base Material	3.8	Describing carriers
details of mount		Manifestation	n/a	3.8.1.4	Describing carriers
production method		Manifestation	RDA Production Method	3.9	Describing carriers
details of production method		Manifestation	n/a	3.9.1.4	Describing carriers
• production method for manuscript	production method	Manifestation	RDA Production Method for Manuscript	3.9.2	Describing carriers
details of production method for manuscript		Manifestation	n/a	3.9.2.4	Describing carriers
• production method for tactile resource	production method	Manifestation	RDA Production Method for Tactile Resource	3.9.3	Describing carriers
details of production method for tactile resource		Manifestation	n/a	3.9.3.4	Describing carriers

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
generation		Manifestation	RDA Generation of Audio Recording; RDA Generation of Digital Resource; RDA Generation of Microform; RDA Generation of Motion Picture Film; RDA Generation of Videotape	3.10	Describing carriers
details of generation		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.1.3	Describing carriers
• generation of audio recording	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Audio Recording	3.10.2	Describing carriers
details of generation of audio recording		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.2.4	Describing carriers
• generation of digital resource	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Digital Resource	3.10.3	Describing carriers
details of generation of digital resource		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.3.4	Describing carriers
• generation of microform	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Microform	3.10.4	Describing carriers
details of generation of microform		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.4.4	Describing carriers
• generation of motion picture film	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Motion Picture Film	3.10.5	Describing carriers
details of generation of motion picture film		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.5.4	Describing carriers
• generation of videotape	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Videotape	3.10.6	Describing carriers
details of generation of videotape		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.6.4	Describing carriers
layout		Manifestation	RDA Layout	3.11	Describing carriers
details of layout		Manifestation	n/a	3.11.1.4	Describing carriers
book format		Manifestation	RDA Book Format	3.12	Describing carriers
details of book format		Manifestation	n/a	3.12.1.4	Describing carriers
font size		Manifestation	RDA Font Size	3.13	Describing carriers

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
details of font size		Manifestation	n/a	3.13.1.4	Describing carriers
polarity		Manifestation	RDA Polarity	3.14	Describing carriers
details of polarity		Manifestation	n/a	3.14.1.4	Describing carriers
reduction ratio		Manifestation	RDA Reduction Ratio	3.15	Describing carriers
details of reduction ratio		Manifestation	n/a	3.15.1.4	Describing carriers
sound characteristic		Manifestation	RDA Type of Recording; RDA Recording Medium; RDA Groove Width; RDA Groove Pitch; RDA Track Configuration; RDA Configuration of Playback Channels; RDA Special Playback Characteristic	3.16	Describing carriers
details of sound characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.1.4	Describing carriers
• type of recording	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Type of Recording	3.16.2	Describing carriers
details of type of recording		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.2.4	Describing carriers
• recording medium	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Recording Medium	3.16.3	Describing carriers
details of recording medium		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.3.4	Describing carriers
• playing speed	sound characteristic	Manifestation	unspecified	3.16.4	Describing carriers
details of playing speed		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.4.4	Describing carriers
• groove characteristic	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Groove Width; RDA Groove Pitch	3.16.5	Describing carriers
details of groove characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.5.4	Describing carriers
• track configuration	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Track Configuration	3.16.6	Describing carriers

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details of track configuration		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.6.4	Describing carriers
• tape configuration	sound characteristic	Manifestation	unspecified	3.16.7	Describing carriers
details of tape configuration		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.7.4	Describing carriers
• configuration of playback channels	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Configuration of Playback Channels	3.16.8	Describing carriers
details of configuration of playback channels		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.8.4	Describing carriers
• special playback characteristic	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Special Playback Characteristic	3.16.9	Describing carriers
details of special playback characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.9.4	Describing carriers
projection characteristic of motion picture film		Manifestation	RDA Presentation Format	3.17	Describing carriers
details of projection characteristic of motion picture film		Manifestation	n/a	3.17.1.4	Describing carriers
• presentation format	projection characteristic of motion picture film	Manifestation	RDA Presentation Format	3.17.2	Describing carriers
details of presentation format		Manifestation	n/a	3.17.2.4	Describing carriers
• projection speed	projection characteristic of motion picture film	Manifestation	unspecified	3.17.3	Describing carriers
details of projection speed		Manifestation	n/a	3.17.3.4	Describing carriers
video characteristic		Manifestation	RDA Video Format; RDA Broadcast Standard	3.18	Describing carriers
details of video characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.18.1.4	Describing carriers
• video format	video characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Video Format	3.18.2	Describing carriers
details of video format		Manifestation	n/a	3.18.2.4	Describing carriers
• broadcast standard	video characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Broadcast Standard	3.18.3	Describing carriers
details of broadcast standard		Manifestation	n/a	3.18.3.4	Describing carriers
digital file characteristic		Manifestation	RDA File Type; RDA Encoding Format	3.19	Describing carriers
details of digital file characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.19.1.4	Describing carriers

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• file type	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	RDA File Type	3.19.2	Describing carriers
details of file type		Manifestation	n/a	3.19.2.4	Describing carriers
• encoding format	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Encoding Format	3.19.3	Describing carriers
details of encoding format		Manifestation	n/a	3.19.3.4	Describing carriers
• file size	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	n/a	3.19.4	Describing carriers
• resolution	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	n/a	3.19.5	Describing carriers
• regional encoding	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	unspecified	3.19.6	Describing carriers
• encoded bitrate	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	n/a	3.19.7	Describing carriers
• digital representation of cartographic content	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	unspecified	3.19.8	Describing carriers
details of digital representation of cartographic content		Manifestation	n/a	3.19.8.4	Describing carriers
equipment or system requirement		Manifestation	n/a	3.20	Describing carriers
note on carrier		Manifestation	n/a	3.21	Describing carriers
• note on extent of manifestation	note on carrier	Manifestation	n/a	3.21.2	Describing carriers
• note on dimensions of manifestation	note on carrier	Manifestation	n/a	3.21.3	Describing carriers
• note on changes in carrier characteristics	note on carrier	Manifestation	n/a	3.21.4	Describing carriers
note on item-specific carrier characteristic		Item	n/a	3.22	Describing carriers
• note on extent of item	note on item-specific carrier characteristic	Item	n/a	3.22.2	Describing carriers
• note on dimensions of item	note on item-specific carrier characteristic	Item	n/a	3.22.3	Describing carriers
terms of availability		Manifestation	n/a	4.2	Providing acquisition and access information
contact information		Manifestation	unspecified	4.3	Providing acquisition and access information
restrictions on access		Manifestation	n/a	4.4	Providing acquisition and access information
restrictions on access		Item	n/a	4.4	Providing acquisition and access information
restrictions on use		Manifestation	n/a	4.5	Providing acquisition and access information

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restrictions on use		Item	n/a	4.5	Providing acquisition and access information
Uniform Resource Locator		Manifestation	n/a	4.6	Providing acquisition and access information
title of the work		Work	n/a	6.2	Identifying works and expressions
• preferred title for the work	title of the work	Work	n/a	6.2.2	Identifying works and expressions
• variant title for the work	title of the work	Work	n/a	6.2.3	Identifying works and expressions
form of work		Work	unspecified	6.3	Identifying works and expressions
date of work		Work	n/a	6.4	Identifying works and expressions
place of origin of the work		Work	unspecified	6.5	Identifying works and expressions
other distinguishing characteristic of the work		Work	n/a	6.6	Identifying works and expressions
history of the work		Work	n/a	6.7	Identifying works and expressions
identifier for the work		Work	n/a	6.8	Identifying works and expressions
content type		Expression	RDA Content Type	6.9	Identifying works and expressions
date of expression		Expression	n/a	6.10	Identifying works and expressions
language of expression		Expression	unspecified	6.11	Identifying works and expressions

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other distinguishing characteristic of the expression		Expression	RDA Other Distinguishing Characteristic of the Expression; RDA Other Distinguishing Characteristic of the Expression of a Musical Work; RDA Other Distinguishing Characteristic of the Expression of a Legal Work; RDA Other Distinguishing Characteristic of the Expression of a Religious Work	6.12	Identifying works and expressions
identifier for the expression		Expression	n/a	6.13	Identifying works and expressions
medium of performance		Work	RDA Medium of Performance	6.15	Identifying works and expressions
numeric designation of a musical work		Work	n/a	6.16	Identifying works and expressions
key		Work	unspecified	6.17	Identifying works and expressions
nature of the content		Work	n/a	7.2	Describing content
coverage of the content		Work	n/a	7.3	Describing content
coordinates of cartographic content		Work	RDA Longitude and Latitude; RDA Strings of Coordinate Pairs	7.4	Describing content
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> longitude and latitude 	coordinates of cartographic content	Work	RDA Longitude and Latitude	7.4.2	Describing content
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> strings of coordinate pairs 	coordinates of cartographic content	Work	RDA Strings of Coordinate Pairs	7.4.3	Describing content

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• right ascension and declination	coordinates of cartographic content	Work	n/a	7.4.4	Describing content
equinox		Work	n/a	7.5	Describing content
epoch		Work	n/a	7.6	Describing content
intended audience		Work	unspecified	7.7	Describing content
system of organization		Work	n/a	7.8	Describing content
dissertation or thesis information		Work	n/a	7.9	Describing content
○ academic degree	dissertation or thesis information	Work	n/a	7.9.2	Describing content
○ granting institution or faculty	dissertation or thesis information	Work	n/a	7.9.3	Describing content
○ year degree granted	dissertation or thesis information	Work	n/a	7.9.4	Describing content
summarization of the content		Expression	n/a	7.10	Describing content
place and date of capture		Expression	n/a	7.11	Describing content
○ place of capture	place and date of capture	Expression	n/a	7.11.2	Describing content
○ date of capture	place and date of capture	Expression	n/a	7.11.3	Describing content
language of the content		Expression	unspecified	7.12	Describing content
form of notation		Expression	RDA Form of Musical Notation; RDA Form of Notated Movement; RDA Form of Tactile Notation	7.13	Describing content
• script	form of notation	Expression	ISO 15924	7.13.2	Describing content
details of script		Expression	n/a	7.13.2.4	Describing content
• form of musical notation	form of notation	Expression	RDA Form of Musical Notation	7.13.3	Describing content
details of form of musical notation		Expression	n/a	7.13.3.4	Describing content
• form of tactile notation	form of notation	Expression	RDA Form of Tactile Notation	7.13.4	Describing content
details of form of tactile notation		Expression	n/a	7.13.4.4	Describing content

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• form of notated movement	form of notation	Expression	RDA Form of Notated Movement	7.13.5	Describing content
details of form of notated movement		Expression	n/a	7.13.5.4	Describing content
accessibility content		Expression	n/a	7.14	Describing content
illustrative content		Expression	RDA Illustrative Content	7.15	Describing content
details of illustrative content		Expression	n/a	7.15.1.4	Describing content
supplementary content		Expression	n/a	7.16	Describing content
colour content		Expression	RDA Colour Content	7.17	Describing content
details of colour content		Expression	n/a	7.17.1.4	Describing content
sound content		Expression	RDA Sound Content	7.18	Describing content
aspect ratio		Expression	RDA Aspect Ratio	7.19	Describing content
details of aspect ratio		Expression	n/a	7.19.1.4	Describing content
format of notated music		Expression	RDA Format of Notated Music	7.20	Describing content
details of format of notated music		Expression	n/a	7.20.1.4	Describing content
medium of performance of musical content		Expression	unspecified	7.21	Describing content
duration		Expression	n/a	7.22	Describing content
details of duration		Expression	n/a	7.22.1.5	Describing content
scale		Expression	n/a	7.25	Describing content
• scale of still image or three-dimensional form	scale	Expression	n/a	7.25.2	Describing content
• horizontal scale of cartographic content	scale	Expression	n/a	7.25.3	Describing content
• vertical scale of cartographic content	scale	Expression	n/a	7.25.4	Describing content
• additional scale information	scale	Expression	n/a	7.25.5	Describing content
projection of cartographic content		Expression	n/a	7.26	Describing content
other details of cartographic content		Expression	n/a	7.27	Describing content
award		Expression	n/a	7.28	Describing content
note on expression		Expression	n/a	7.29	Describing content
• note on changes in content characteristics	note on expression	Expression	n/a	7.29.2	Describing content

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
scope of usage			n/a	8.8	Recording attributes of persons, families, and corporate bodies
date of usage		Name	n/a	8.9	Recording attributes of persons, families, and corporate bodies
undifferentiated name indicator		Person	unspecified	8.11	Recording attributes of persons, families, and corporate bodies
name of the person		Person	n/a	9.2	Identifying persons
• preferred name for the person	name of the person	Person	n/a	9.2.2	Identifying persons
• variant name for the person	name of the person	Person	n/a	9.2.3	Identifying persons
date associated with the person		Person	n/a	9.3	Identifying persons
• date of birth	date associated with the person	Person	n/a	9.3.2	Identifying persons
• date of death	date associated with the person	Person	n/a	9.3.3	Identifying persons
• period of activity of the person	date associated with the person	Person	n/a	9.3.4	Identifying persons
title of the person		Person	n/a	9.4	Identifying persons
fuller form of name		Person	n/a	9.5	Identifying persons
other designation associated with the person		Person	n/a	9.6	Identifying persons
gender		Person	RDA Gender	9.7	Identifying persons
place of birth		Person	unspecified	9.8	Identifying persons
place of death		Person	unspecified	9.9	Identifying persons
country associated with the person		Person	unspecified	9.10	Identifying persons
place of residence, etc.		Person	unspecified	9.11	Identifying persons
address of the person		Person	n/a	9.12	Identifying persons
affiliation		Person	n/a	9.13	Identifying persons
language of the person		Person	unspecified	9.14	Identifying persons
field of activity of the person		Person	unspecified	9.15	Identifying persons
profession or occupation		Person	unspecified	9.16	Identifying persons
biographical information		Person	n/a	9.17	Identifying persons
identifier for the person		Person	n/a	9.18	Identifying persons
name of the family		Family	n/a	10.2	Identifying families
• preferred name for the family	name of the family	Family	n/a	10.2.2	Identifying families

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
• variant name for the family	name of the family	Family	n/a	10.2.3	Identifying families
type of family		Family	unspecified	10.3	Identifying families
date associated with the family		Family	n/a	10.4	Identifying families
place associated with the family		Family	n/a	10.5	Identifying families
prominent member of the family		Family	n/a	10.6	Identifying families
hereditary title		Family	n/a	10.7	Identifying families
language of the family		Family	unspecified	10.8	Identifying families
family history		Family	n/a	10.9	Identifying families
identifier for the family		Family	n/a	10.10	Identifying families
name of the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.2	Identifying corporate bodies
• preferred name for the corporate body	name of the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.2.2	Identifying corporate bodies
• variant name for the corporate body	name of the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.2.3	Identifying corporate bodies
place associated with the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.3	Identifying corporate bodies
• location of conference, etc.	place associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.3.2	Identifying corporate bodies
• other place associated with the corporate body	place associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.3.3	Identifying corporate bodies
date associated with the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.4	Identifying corporate bodies
• date of conference, etc.	date associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.4.2	Identifying corporate bodies
• date of establishment	date associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.4.3	Identifying corporate bodies
• date of termination	date associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.4.4	Identifying corporate bodies
• period of activity of the corporate body	date associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.4.5	Identifying corporate bodies
associated institution		Corporate Body	n/a	11.5	Identifying corporate bodies
number of a conference, etc.		Corporate Body	n/a	11.6	Identifying corporate bodies
other designation associated with the corporate body		Corporate Body	unspecified	11.7	Identifying corporate bodies
• type of corporate body	other designation associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.7.1.4	Identifying corporate bodies

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
• type of jurisdiction	other designation associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.7.1.5	Identifying corporate bodies
• other designation	other designation associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.7.1.6	Identifying corporate bodies
language of the corporate body		Corporate Body	unspecified	11.8	Identifying corporate bodies
address of the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.9	Identifying corporate bodies
field of activity of the corporate body		Corporate Body	unspecified	11.10	Identifying corporate bodies
corporate history		Corporate Body	n/a	11.11	Identifying corporate bodies
identifier for the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.12	Identifying corporate bodies
name of the place			unspecified	16.2	Identifying places
• preferred name for the place	name of the place		unspecified	16.2.2	Identifying places
• variant name for the place	name of the place		unspecified	16.2.3	Identifying places
expression of work		Work	unspecified	17.5	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
work expressed		Expression	unspecified	17.6	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
manifestation of work		Work	unspecified	17.7	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
work manifested		Manifestation	unspecified	17.8	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
manifestation of expression		Expression	unspecified	17.9	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
expression manifested		Manifestation	unspecified	17.10	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
exemplar of manifestation		Manifestation	unspecified	17.11	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
manifestation exemplified		Item	unspecified	17.12	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
creator		Work	unspecified	19.2	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
other person, family, or corporate body associated with a work		Work	unspecified	19.3	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
contributor		Expression	unspecified	20.2	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
producer of an unpublished resource		Manifestation	unspecified	21.2	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
publisher		Manifestation	unspecified	21.3	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
distributor		Manifestation	unspecified	21.4	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
manufacturer		Manifestation	unspecified	21.5	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
other person, family, or corporate body associated with a manifestation		Manifestation	unspecified	21.6	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
owner		Item	unspecified	22.2	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
custodian		Item	unspecified	22.3	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
other person, family, or corporate body associated with an item		Item	unspecified	22.4	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
subject relationship		Work	unspecified	23.4	Recording subject relationships
numbering of part	related work	Work	n/a	24.6	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related work		Work	unspecified	25.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
related expression		Expression	unspecified	26.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related manifestation		Manifestation	unspecified	27.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related item		Manifestation	unspecified	28.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related item		Item	unspecified	28.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related person		Agent	unspecified	30.1	Recording relationships between persons, families, and corporate bodies
related family		Agent	unspecified	31.1	Recording relationships between persons, families, and corporate bodies
related corporate body		Agent	unspecified	32.1	Recording relationships between persons, families, and corporate bodies
cataloguer's note			n/a		
explanation of relationship			n/a		
source consulted			n/a		
status of identification			RDA Status of Identification		

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Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
• abbreviated title	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.10	Identifying manifestations and items
○ academic degree	dissertation or thesis information	Work	n/a	7.9.2	Describing content
accessibility content		Expression	n/a	7.14	Describing content
• additional scale information	scale	Expression	n/a	7.25.5	Describing content
address of the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.9	Identifying corporate bodies
address of the person		Person	n/a	9.12	Identifying persons
affiliation		Person	n/a	9.13	Identifying persons
• alternative chronological designation of first issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.7	Identifying manifestations and items
• alternative chronological designation of last issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.9	Identifying manifestations and items
• alternative numeric and/or alphabetic designation of first issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• alternative numeric and/or alphabetic designation of last issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.8	Identifying manifestations and items
applied material		Manifestation	RDA Applied Material	3.7	Describing carriers
aspect ratio		Expression	RDA Aspect Ratio	7.19	Describing content
associated institution		Corporate Body	n/a	11.5	Identifying corporate bodies
award		Expression	n/a	7.28	Describing content
base material		Manifestation	RDA Base Material	3.6	Describing carriers
biographical information		Person	n/a	9.17	Identifying persons
book format		Manifestation	RDA Book Format	3.12	Describing carriers
• broadcast standard	video characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Broadcast Standard	3.18.3	Describing carriers
carrier type		Manifestation	RDA Carrier Type	3.3	Describing carriers
cataloguer's note			n/a		

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
• chronological designation of first issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.3	Identifying manifestations and items
• chronological designation of last issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.5	Identifying manifestations and items
colour content		Expression	RDA Colour Content	7.17	Describing content
• configuration of playback channels	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Configuration of Playback Channels	3.16.8	Describing carriers
contact information		Manifestation	unspecified	4.3	Providing acquisition and access information
content type		Expression	RDA Content Type	6.9	Identifying works and expressions
contributor		Expression	unspecified	20.2	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
coordinates of cartographic content		Work	RDA Longitude and Latitude; RDA Strings of Coordinate Pairs	7.4	Describing content
copyright date		Manifestation	n/a	2.11	Identifying manifestations and items
corporate history		Corporate Body	n/a	11.11	Identifying corporate bodies
country associated with the person		Person	unspecified	9.10	Identifying persons
coverage of the content		Work	n/a	7.3	Describing content
creator		Work	unspecified	19.2	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
custodial history of item		Item	n/a	2.18	Identifying manifestations and items
custodian		Item	unspecified	22.3	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
date associated with the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.4	Identifying corporate bodies
date associated with the family		Family	n/a	10.4	Identifying families
date associated with the person		Person	n/a	9.3	Identifying persons
• date of birth	date associated with the person	Person	n/a	9.3.2	Identifying persons
○ date of capture	place and date of capture	Expression	n/a	7.11.3	Describing content

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Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
• date of conference, etc.	date associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.4.2	Identifying corporate bodies
• date of death	date associated with the person	Person	n/a	9.3.3	Identifying persons
○ date of distribution	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• date of establishment	date associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.4.3	Identifying corporate bodies
date of expression		Expression	n/a	6.10	Identifying works and expressions
○ date of manufacture	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.6	Identifying manifestations and items
○ date of production	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.6	Identifying manifestations and items
○ date of publication	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• date of termination	date associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.4.4	Identifying corporate bodies
date of usage		Name	n/a	8.9	Recording attributes of persons, families, and corporate bodies
date of work		Work	n/a	6.4	Identifying works and expressions
○ designation of a named revision of an edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.6	Identifying manifestations and items
○ designation of edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.2	Identifying manifestations and items
details of applied material		Manifestation	n/a	3.7.1.4	Describing carriers
details of aspect ratio		Expression	n/a	7.19.1.4	Describing content
details of base material		Manifestation	n/a	3.6.1.4	Describing carriers
details of book format		Manifestation	n/a	3.12.1.4	Describing carriers
details of broadcast standard		Manifestation	n/a	3.18.3.4	Describing carriers
details of colour content		Expression	n/a	7.17.1.4	Describing content
details of configuration of playback channels		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.8.4	Describing carriers
details of digital file characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.19.1.4	Describing carriers
details of digital representation of cartographic content		Manifestation	n/a	3.19.8.4	Describing carriers
details of duration		Expression	n/a	7.22.1.5	Describing content
details of emulsion on microfilm and microfiche		Manifestation	n/a	3.7.2.4	Describing carriers
details of encoding format		Manifestation	n/a	3.19.3.4	Describing carriers
details of file type		Manifestation	n/a	3.19.2.4	Describing carriers
details of font size		Manifestation	n/a	3.13.1.4	Describing carriers

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
details of form of musical notation		Expression	n/a	7.13.3.4	Describing content
details of form of notated movement		Expression	n/a	7.13.5.4	Describing content
details of form of tactile notation		Expression	n/a	7.13.4.4	Describing content
details of format of notated music		Expression	n/a	7.20.1.4	Describing content
details of generation		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.1.3	Describing carriers
details of generation of audio recording		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.2.4	Describing carriers
details of generation of digital resource		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.3.4	Describing carriers
details of generation of microform		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.4.4	Describing carriers
details of generation of motion picture film		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.5.4	Describing carriers
details of generation of videotape		Manifestation	n/a	3.10.6.4	Describing carriers
details of groove characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.5.4	Describing carriers
details of illustrative content		Expression	n/a	7.15.1.4	Describing content
details of layout		Manifestation	n/a	3.11.1.4	Describing carriers
details of mount		Manifestation	n/a	3.8.1.4	Describing carriers
details of playing speed		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.4.4	Describing carriers
details of polarity		Manifestation	n/a	3.14.1.4	Describing carriers
details of presentation format		Manifestation	n/a	3.17.2.4	Describing carriers
details of production method		Manifestation	n/a	3.9.1.4	Describing carriers
details of production method for manuscript		Manifestation	n/a	3.9.2.4	Describing carriers
details of production method for tactile resource		Manifestation	n/a	3.9.3.4	Describing carriers
details of projection characteristic of motion picture film		Manifestation	n/a	3.17.1.4	Describing carriers
details of projection speed		Manifestation	n/a	3.17.3.4	Describing carriers
details of recording medium		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.3.4	Describing carriers
details of reduction ratio		Manifestation	n/a	3.15.1.4	Describing carriers
details of script		Expression	n/a	7.13.2.4	Describing content
details of sound characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.1.4	Describing carriers
details of special playback characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.9.4	Describing carriers
details of tape configuration		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.7.4	Describing carriers
details of track configuration		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.6.4	Describing carriers
details of type of recording		Manifestation	n/a	3.16.2.4	Describing carriers
details of video characteristic		Manifestation	n/a	3.18.1.4	Describing carriers
details of video format		Manifestation	n/a	3.18.2.4	Describing carriers

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
digital file characteristic		Manifestation	RDA File Type; RDA Encoding Format	3.19	Describing carriers
• digital representation of cartographic content	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	unspecified	3.19.8	Describing carriers
dimensions		Manifestation	unspecified	3.5	Describing carriers
• dimensions of map, etc.	dimensions	Manifestation	unspecified	3.5.2	Describing carriers
• dimensions of still image	dimensions	Manifestation	unspecified	3.5.3	Describing carriers
dissertation or thesis information		Work	n/a	7.9	Describing content
distribution statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.9	Identifying manifestations and items
distributor		Manifestation	unspecified	21.4	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
○ distributor's name	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.4	Identifying manifestations and items
duration		Expression	n/a	7.22	Describing content
• earlier title proper	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.7	Identifying manifestations and items
edition statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.5	Identifying manifestations and items
• emulsion on microfilm and microfiche	applied material	Manifestation	RDA Emulsion on Microfilm and Microfiche	3.7.2	Describing carriers
• encoded bitrate	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	n/a	3.19.7	Describing carriers
• encoding format	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Encoding Format	3.19.3	Describing carriers
epoch		Work	n/a	7.6	Describing content
equinox		Work	n/a	7.5	Describing content
equipment or system requirement		Manifestation	n/a	3.20	Describing carriers
exemplar of manifestation		Manifestation	unspecified	17.11	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
explanation of relationship			n/a		
expression manifested		Manifestation	unspecified	17.10	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
expression of work		Work	unspecified	17.5	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item

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extent		Manifestation	RDA Carrier Type	3.4	Describing carriers
• extent of cartographic resource	extent	Manifestation	RDA Extent of Cartographic Resource	3.4.2	Describing carriers
• extent of notated music	extent	Manifestation	RDA Format of Notated Music	3.4.3	Describing carriers
• extent of still image	extent	Manifestation	RDA Extent of Still Image	3.4.4	Describing carriers
• extent of text	extent	Manifestation	RDA Extent of Text	3.4.5	Describing carriers
• extent of three-dimensional form	extent	Manifestation	RDA Extent of Three-Dimensional Form	3.4.6	Describing carriers
family history		Family	n/a	10.9	Identifying families
field of activity of the corporate body		Corporate Body	unspecified	11.10	Identifying corporate bodies
field of activity of the person		Person	unspecified	9.15	Identifying persons
• file size	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	n/a	3.19.4	Describing carriers
• file type	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	RDA File Type	3.19.2	Describing carriers
font size		Manifestation	RDA Font Size	3.13	Describing carriers
• form of musical notation	form of notation	Expression	RDA Form of Musical Notation	7.13.3	Describing content
• form of notated movement	form of notation	Expression	RDA Form of Notated Movement	7.13.5	Describing content
form of notation		Expression	RDA Form of Musical Notation; RDA Form of Notated Movement; RDA Form of Tactile Notation	7.13	Describing content
• form of tactile notation	form of notation	Expression	RDA Form of Tactile Notation	7.13.4	Describing content
form of work		Work	unspecified	6.3	Identifying works and expressions

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
format of notated music		Expression	RDA Format of Notated Music	7.20	Describing content
frequency		Manifestation	RDA Frequency	2.14	Identifying manifestations and items
fuller form of name		Person	n/a	9.5	Identifying persons
gender		Person	RDA Gender	9.7	Identifying persons
generation		Manifestation	RDA Generation of Audio Recording; RDA Generation of Digital Resource; RDA Generation of Microform; RDA Generation of Motion Picture Film; RDA Generation of Videotape	3.10	Describing carriers
• generation of audio recording	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Audio Recording	3.10.2	Describing carriers
• generation of digital resource	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Digital Resource	3.10.3	Describing carriers
• generation of microform	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Microform	3.10.4	Describing carriers
• generation of motion picture film	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Motion Picture Film	3.10.5	Describing carriers
• generation of videotape	generation	Manifestation	RDA Generation of Videotape	3.10.6	Describing carriers
○ granting institution or faculty	dissertation or thesis information	Work	n/a	7.9.3	Describing content
• groove characteristic	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Groove Width; RDA Groove Pitch	3.16.5	Describing carriers
hereditary title		Family	n/a	10.7	Identifying families
history of the work		Work	n/a	6.7	Identifying works and expressions

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
• horizontal scale of cartographic content	scale	Expression	n/a	7.25.3	Describing content
identifier for the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.12	Identifying corporate bodies
identifier for the expression		Expression	n/a	6.13	Identifying works and expressions
identifier for the family		Family	n/a	10.10	Identifying families
identifier for the item		Item	n/a	2.20	Identifying manifestations and items
identifier for the manifestation		Manifestation	unspecified	2.15	Identifying manifestations and items
identifier for the person		Person	n/a	9.18	Identifying persons
identifier for the work		Work	n/a	6.8	Identifying works and expressions
illustrative content		Expression	RDA Illustrative Content	7.15	Describing content
immediate source of acquisition of item		Item	n/a	2.19	Identifying manifestations and items
intended audience		Work	unspecified	7.7	Describing content
○ ISSN of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.8	Identifying manifestations and items
○ ISSN of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.16	Identifying manifestations and items
key		Work	unspecified	6.17	Identifying works and expressions
• key title	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.9	Identifying manifestations and items
language of expression		Expression	unspecified	6.11	Identifying works and expressions
language of the content		Expression	unspecified	7.12	Describing content
language of the corporate body		Corporate Body	unspecified	11.8	Identifying corporate bodies
language of the family		Family	unspecified	10.8	Identifying families
language of the person		Person	unspecified	9.14	Identifying persons
• later title proper	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.8	Identifying manifestations and items
layout		Manifestation	RDA Layout	3.11	Describing carriers
• location of conference, etc.	place associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.3.2	Identifying corporate bodies
• longitude and latitude	coordinates of cartographic content	Work	RDA Longitude and Latitude	7.4.2	Describing content
manifestation exemplified		Item	unspecified	17.12	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
manifestation of expression		Expression	unspecified	17.9	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item

Element	Aggregating or Super Element	Domain	Vocabulary Encoding Scheme	RDA Instruction Number	Instruction Group
manifestation of work		Work	unspecified	17.7	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
manufacture statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.10	Identifying manifestations and items
manufacturer		Manifestation	unspecified	21.5	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
○ manufacturer's name	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.4	Identifying manifestations and items
media type		Manifestation	RDA Media Type	3.2	Describing carriers
medium of performance		Work	RDA Medium of Performance	6.15	Identifying works and expressions
medium of performance of musical content		Expression	unspecified	7.21	Describing content
mode of issuance		Manifestation	RDA Mode of Issuance	2.13	Identifying manifestations and items
mount		Manifestation	RDA Base Material	3.8	Describing carriers
name of the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.2	Identifying corporate bodies
name of the family		Family	n/a	10.2	Identifying families
name of the person		Person	n/a	9.2	Identifying persons
name of the place			unspecified	16.2	Identifying places
nature of the content		Work	n/a	7.2	Describing content
note on carrier		Manifestation	n/a	3.21	Describing carriers
• note on changes in carrier characteristics	note on carrier	Manifestation	n/a	3.21.4	Describing carriers
• note on changes in content characteristics	note on expression	Expression	n/a	7.29.2	Describing content
• note on copyright date	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.10	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on dimensions of item	note on item-specific carrier characteristic	Item	n/a	3.22.3	Describing carriers
• note on dimensions of manifestation	note on carrier	Manifestation	n/a	3.21.3	Describing carriers
• note on distribution statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.8	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on edition statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.4	Identifying manifestations and items
note on expression		Expression	n/a	7.29	Describing content
• note on extent of item	note on item-specific carrier characteristic	Item	n/a	3.22.2	Describing carriers
• note on extent of manifestation	note on carrier	Manifestation	n/a	3.21.2	Describing carriers
• note on frequency	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.12	Identifying manifestations and items

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• note on issue, part, or iteration used as the basis for identification of the resource	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.13	Identifying manifestations and items
note on item		Item	n/a	2.21	Describing carriers
note on item-specific carrier characteristic		Item	n/a	3.22	Describing carriers
note on manifestation		Manifestation	n/a	2.17	Describing carriers
• note on manufacture statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.9	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on numbering of serials	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.5	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on production statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on publication statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.7	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on series statement	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.11	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on statement of responsibility	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.3	Identifying manifestations and items
• note on title	note on manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.17.2	Identifying manifestations and items
number of a conference, etc.		Corporate Body	n/a	11.6	Identifying corporate bodies
numbering of part	related work	Work	n/a	24.6	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
numbering of serials		Manifestation	n/a	2.6	Identifying manifestations and items
○ numbering within series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.9	Identifying manifestations and items
○ numbering within subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.17	Identifying manifestations and items
• numeric and/or alphabetic designation of first issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.2	Identifying manifestations and items
• numeric and/or alphabetic designation of last issue or part of sequence	numbering of serials	Manifestation	n/a	2.6.4	Identifying manifestations and items
numeric designation of a musical work		Work	n/a	6.16	Identifying works and expressions
• other designation	other designation associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.7.1.6	Identifying corporate bodies
other designation associated with the corporate body		Corporate Body	unspecified	11.7	Identifying corporate bodies
other designation associated with the person		Person	n/a	9.6	Identifying persons
other details of cartographic content		Expression	n/a	7.27	Describing content

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other distinguishing characteristic of the expression		Expression	RDA Other Distinguishing Characteristic of the Expression; RDA Other Distinguishing Characteristic of the Expression of a Musical Work; RDA Other Distinguishing Characteristic of the Expression of a Legal Work; RDA Other Distinguishing Characteristic of the Expression of a Religious Work	6.12	Identifying works and expressions
other distinguishing characteristic of the work		Work	n/a	6.6	Identifying works and expressions
other person, family, or corporate body associated with a manifestation		Manifestation	unspecified	21.6	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
other person, family, or corporate body associated with a work		Work	unspecified	19.3	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
other person, family, or corporate body associated with an item		Item	unspecified	22.4	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
• other place associated with the corporate body	place associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.3.3	Identifying corporate bodies
• other title information	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.4	Identifying manifestations and items
○ other title information of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.4	Identifying manifestations and items
○ other title information of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.12	Identifying manifestations and items
owner		Item	unspecified	22.2	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies

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○ parallel designation of a named revision of an edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.7	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel designation of edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel distributor's name	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel manufacturer's name	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.5	Identifying manifestations and items
• parallel other title information	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel other title information of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel other title information of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.13	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel place of distribution	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel place of manufacture	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel place of production	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel place of publication	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel producer's name	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel publisher's name	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.5	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel statement of responsibility relating to a named revision of an edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.9	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel statement of responsibility relating to series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.7	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel statement of responsibility relating to subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.15	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel statement of responsibility relating to the edition	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.5	Identifying manifestations and items
• parallel statement of responsibility relating to title proper	statement of responsibility	Manifestation	n/a	2.4.3	Identifying manifestations and items
• parallel title proper	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel title proper of series	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.3	Identifying manifestations and items
○ parallel title proper of subseries	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.11	Identifying manifestations and items
• period of activity of the corporate body	date associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.4.5	Identifying corporate bodies
• period of activity of the person	date associated with the person	Person	n/a	9.3.4	Identifying persons
place and date of capture		Expression	n/a	7.11	Describing content
place associated with the corporate body		Corporate Body	n/a	11.3	Identifying corporate bodies

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place associated with the family		Family	n/a	10.5	Identifying families
place of birth		Person	unspecified	9.8	Identifying persons
○ place of capture	place and date of capture	Expression	n/a	7.11.2	Describing content
place of death		Person	unspecified	9.9	Identifying persons
○ place of distribution	distribution statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.9.2	Identifying manifestations and items
○ place of manufacture	manufacture statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.10.2	Identifying manifestations and items
place of origin of the work		Work	unspecified	6.5	Identifying works and expressions
○ place of production	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.2	Identifying manifestations and items
○ place of publication	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.2	Identifying manifestations and items
place of residence, etc.		Person	unspecified	9.11	Identifying persons
• plate number for music	identifier for the manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.15.3	Identifying manifestations and items
• playing speed	sound characteristic	Manifestation	unspecified	3.16.4	Describing carriers
polarity		Manifestation	RDA Polarity	3.14	Describing carriers
preferred citation		Manifestation	n/a	2.16	Identifying manifestations and items
• preferred name for the corporate body	name of the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.2.2	Identifying corporate bodies
• preferred name for the family	name of the family	Family	n/a	10.2.2	Identifying families
• preferred name for the person	name of the person	Person	n/a	9.2.2	Identifying persons
• preferred name for the place	name of the place		unspecified	16.2.2	Identifying places
• preferred title for the work	title of the work	Work	n/a	6.2.2	Identifying works and expressions
• presentation format	projection characteristic of motion picture film	Manifestation	RDA Presentation Format	3.17.2	Describing carriers
producer of an unpublished resource		Manifestation	unspecified	21.2	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
○ producer's name	production statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.7.4	Identifying manifestations and items
production method		Manifestation	RDA Production Method	3.9	Describing carriers
• production method for manuscript	production method	Manifestation	RDA Production Method for Manuscript	3.9.2	Describing carriers
• production method for tactile resource	production method	Manifestation	RDA Production Method for Tactile Resource	3.9.3	Describing carriers

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production statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.7	Identifying manifestations and items
profession or occupation		Person	unspecified	9.16	Identifying persons
projection characteristic of motion picture film		Manifestation	RDA Presentation Format	3.17	Describing carriers
projection of cartographic content		Expression	n/a	7.26	Describing content
• projection speed	projection characteristic of motion picture film	Manifestation	unspecified	3.17.3	Describing carriers
prominent member of the family		Family	n/a	10.6	Identifying families
publication statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.8	Identifying manifestations and items
publisher		Manifestation	unspecified	21.3	Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies
○ publisher's name	publication statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.8.4	Identifying manifestations and items
• publisher's number for music	identifier for the manifestation	Manifestation	n/a	2.15.2	Identifying manifestations and items
• recording medium	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Recording Medium	3.16.3	Describing carriers
reduction ratio		Manifestation	RDA Reduction Ratio	3.15	Describing carriers
• regional encoding	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	unspecified	3.19.6	Describing carriers
related corporate body		Agent	unspecified	32.1	Recording relationships between persons, families, and corporate bodies
related expression		Expression	unspecified	26.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related family		Agent	unspecified	31.1	Recording relationships between persons, families, and corporate bodies
related item		Manifestation	unspecified	28.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related item		Item	unspecified	28.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related manifestation		Manifestation	unspecified	27.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
related person		Agent	unspecified	30.1	Recording relationships between persons, families, and corporate bodies

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related work		Work	unspecified	25.1	Recording relationships between works, expressions, manifestations, and Items
• resolution	digital file characteristic	Manifestation	n/a	3.19.5	Describing carriers
restrictions on access		Manifestation	n/a	4.4	Providing acquisition and access information
restrictions on access		Item	n/a	4.4	Providing acquisition and access information
restrictions on use		Manifestation	n/a	4.5	Providing acquisition and access information
restrictions on use		Item	n/a	4.5	Providing acquisition and access information
• right ascension and declination	coordinates of cartographic content	Work	n/a	7.4.4	Describing content
scale		Expression	n/a	7.25	Describing content
• scale of still image or three-dimensional form	scale	Expression	n/a	7.25.2	Describing content
scope of usage			n/a	8.8	Recording attributes of persons, families, and corporate bodies
• script	form of notation	Expression	ISO 15924	7.13.2	Describing content
series statement		Manifestation	n/a	2.12	Identifying manifestations and items
sound characteristic		Manifestation	RDA Type of Recording; RDA Recording Medium; RDA Groove Width; RDA Groove Pitch; RDA Track Configuration; RDA Configuration of Playback Channels; RDA Special Playback Characteristic	3.16	Describing carriers

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sound content		Expression	RDA Sound Content	7.18	Describing content
source consulted			n/a		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> special playback characteristic 	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Special Playback Characteristic	3.16.9	Describing carriers
statement of responsibility		Manifestation	n/a	2.4	Identifying manifestations and items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> statement of responsibility relating to a named revision of an edition 	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.8	Identifying manifestations and items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> statement of responsibility relating to series 	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.6	Identifying manifestations and items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> statement of responsibility relating to subseries 	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.14	Identifying manifestations and items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> statement of responsibility relating to the edition 	edition statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.5.4	Identifying manifestations and items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> statement of responsibility relating to title proper 	statement of responsibility	Manifestation	n/a	2.4.2	Identifying manifestations and items
status of identification			RDA Status of Identification		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> strings of coordinate pairs 	coordinates of cartographic content	Work	RDA Strings of Coordinate Pairs	7.4.3	Describing content
subject relationship		Work	unspecified	23.4	Recording subject relationships
summarization of the content		Expression	n/a	7.10	Describing content
supplementary content		Expression	n/a	7.16	Describing content
system of organization		Work	n/a	7.8	Describing content
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> tape configuration 	sound characteristic	Manifestation	unspecified	3.16.7	Describing carriers
terms of availability		Manifestation	n/a	4.2	Providing acquisition and access information
title		Manifestation	n/a	2.3	Identifying manifestations and items
title of the person		Person	n/a	9.4	Identifying persons
title of the work		Work	n/a	6.2	Identifying works and expressions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> title proper 	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.2	Identifying manifestations and items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> title proper of series 	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.2	Identifying manifestations and items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> title proper of subseries 	series statement	Manifestation	n/a	2.12.10	Identifying manifestations and items

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• track configuration	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Track Configuration	3.16.6	Describing carriers
• type of corporate body	other designation associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.7.1.4	Identifying corporate bodies
type of family		Family	unspecified	10.3	Identifying families
• type of jurisdiction	other designation associated with the corporate body	Corporate Body	unspecified	11.7.1.5	Identifying corporate bodies
• type of recording	sound characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Type of Recording	3.16.2	Describing carriers
undifferentiated name indicator		Person	unspecified	8.11	Recording attributes of persons, families, and corporate bodies
Uniform Resource Locator		Manifestation	n/a	4.6	Providing acquisition and access information
• variant name for the corporate body	name of the corporate body	Corporate Body	n/a	11.2.3	Identifying corporate bodies
• variant name for the family	name of the family	Family	n/a	10.2.3	Identifying families
• variant name for the person	name of the person	Person	n/a	9.2.3	Identifying persons
• variant name for the place	name of the place		unspecified	16.2.3	Identifying places
• variant title	title	Manifestation	n/a	2.3.6	Identifying manifestations and items
• variant title for the work	title of the work	Work	n/a	6.2.3	Identifying works and expressions
• vertical scale of cartographic content	scale	Expression	n/a	7.25.4	Describing content
video characteristic		Manifestation	RDA Video Format; RDA Broadcast Standard	3.18	Describing carriers
• video format	video characteristic	Manifestation	RDA Video Format	3.18.2	Describing carriers
work expressed		Expression	unspecified	17.6	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item
work manifested		Manifestation	unspecified	17.8	Recording primary relationships between work, expression, manifestation, and item

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○ year degree granted	dissertation or thesis information	Work	n/a	7.9.4	Describing content