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Subject: Formal response to RSC/RSCSecretary/2022/4 - Proposal to amend and clarify instructions in Manifestation “place of” elements

NARDAC generally supports this proposal.

The absence of examples makes understanding all of the conditions and options more difficult than if examples had been included.

The issue of the use of definite vs. indefinite articles should be checked throughout the proposed text. Condition lines typically use indefinite articles, and should stand alone, not dependent on another condition line (the condition lines could be reordered and still be understood when considered as a whole). For example:

CONDITION

A value of Manifestation: *place of publication* is a local place name (city, town, etc.).

A name of a larger place is not present on the manifestation.

**The local place name** is known to be used in other places.

would work better as

CONDITION

**A value of Manifestation: *place of publication* is a local place name (city, town, etc.) that is known to be used in other places.**

A name of a larger place is not present on the manifestation.

Another example: “Record the full address” should read “Record a full address.”

**Recommendation 1:**

The placement of the option to record a full address is questionable. Why isn't there a separate condition for when a full address is present?

CONDITION

A value of Manifestation: place of publication is a local place name (city, town, etc.)

A name of a larger place is present on the manifestation.

**OPTION**

Record a value of both a local place name (city, town, etc.) and a name of a larger place.

**CONDITION**

A value of Manifestation: place of publication is a local place name (city, town, etc.)

A full address is present on the manifestation.

**OPTION**

Record a full address.

Without examples, it is also difficult to envision what recording a full address actually looks like. Does it include a street address and postal code, for example?

This suggested change applies to the other recommendations as well.

Otherwise, NARDAC supports this recommendation.

**Recommendation 2:**

The condition found repeatedly “A value of Manifestation: place of distribution is a local place name (city, town, etc.)” should end in a period: “A value of Manifestation: place of distribution is a local place name (city, town, etc.).”

Otherwise, NARDAC supports this recommendation, taking into account comments on Recommendation 1.

**Recommendation 3:**

NARDAC supports this recommendation, taking into account comments on Recommendation 1.

**Recommendation 4:**

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**Recommendation 5:**

NARDAC supports this recommendation, taking into account comments on Recommendation 1.

**Recommendation 6:**

NARDAC supports this recommendation, taking into account comments on Recommendation 1.