

TO: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
FROM: Judith A. Kuhagen, JSC Secretary
SUBJECT: Proposed Revision of RDA 16.2.2 (Preferred Name for the Place)

The text below reflects the decisions made by the Joint Steering Committee during its November 2012 meeting, in subsequent JSC email discussion, and via email with the National Library of Malaysia and their colleagues. This text will be merged with reworded chapter 16 before it appears in the 2013 RDA Update of the RDA Toolkit.

The new 2nd paragraph and alternative in 16.2.2.4 are from 6JSC/ALA/9/Sec final.

16.2.2.4 Recording the Preferred Name

Record the name of a place in the form most commonly found in gazetteers or other reference sources used in choosing the name, unless the instructions given under 16.2.2.8-16.2.2.14 indicate otherwise.

When recording the preferred name of a place, include an initial article if present.

EXAMPLE

The Dalles
Los Angeles
El Centro
Le Mans
al-Ghardaqah
Y Bala
The Hague

Alternative

Omit an initial article (see appendix C) unless the name is to be accessed under the article.

EXAMPLE

Dalles
not The Dalles

Ghardaqah
not al-Ghardaqah

Bala
not Y Bala

Hague
not The Hague

but

La Ronge

Los Angeles

Record as part of the name of a place (other than a country or a state, etc., listed in 16.2.2.9.1, 16.2.2.10.1, or 16.2.2.11.1) the name of the larger place in which it is located or the larger jurisdiction to which it belongs applying the instructions given under 16.2.2.9-16.2.2.14.

If the place name is being used as the conventional name for a government (see 11.2.2.5.4), enclose the name of the larger place in parentheses.

EXAMPLE

Budapest (Hungary)

If the place name is being used to record the location of a conference, etc., (see 11.3.2), the location of the headquarters, etc., of a corporate body (see 11.3.3), the place of origin of a work (see 6.5), or a place associated with a person (see 9.8-9.11), family (see 10.5), or corporate body (see 11.3), precede the name of the larger place by a comma.

EXAMPLE

Budapest, Hungary

Place name recorded as the location of the corporate body with the preferred name: Rumbach Utcai Zsinagóga

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16.2.2.9 Places in Australia, Canada, the United States, the former U.S.S.R., or the former Yugoslavia

Record the preferred name for a place in Australia, Canada, the United States, or a country that was a constituent republic of the former U.S.S.R. or of the former Yugoslavia, as instructed under 16.2.2.9.1 (states, provinces, territories, etc.) or 16.2.2.9.2 (places in a state, province, territory, etc.), as applicable.

16.2.2.9.1 States, Provinces, Territories, Etc.

Do not record the name of the larger jurisdiction as part of the preferred name of a state, province, territory, etc., of Australia, Canada, the United States, or a country that was a constituent republic of the former U.S.S.R. or of the former Yugoslavia.

EXAMPLE

Northern Territory

Prince Edward Island

Oregon

District of Columbia

Guam

Puerto Rico

Azerbaijan S.S.R.

Slovenia

Dakota Territory

16.2.2.9.2 Places in a State, Province, Territory, Etc.

If the place is in a state, province, territory, etc., of one of the countries listed under 16.2.2.9.1, record the name of the state, etc., in which it is located as part of the preferred name, applying the instructions given under 16.2.2.4. Abbreviate the name of the larger place as instructed in Appendix B (B.2), as applicable.

[delete two existing examples; others unchanged]

~~Ipoh (Perak)~~

~~Kota Kinabalu (Sabah)~~

16.2.2.10 England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales

Do not record the name of the larger jurisdiction (e.g., United Kingdom or Great Britain) as part of the preferred names of England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales.

EXAMPLE

England

Northern Ireland

Record the preferred name for a place in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, or Wales by applying the instructions at 16.2.2.10.1, as applicable.

16.2.2.10.1 Places in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales

If a place is located in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, or Wales, record *England*, *Northern Ireland*, *Scotland*, or *Wales*, as appropriate, as part of the preferred name by applying the instructions at 16.2.2.4.

EXAMPLE

Dorset (England)

Bangor (Northern Ireland)

Dumfries and Galloway (Scotland)

Powys (Wales)

16.2.2.11 Overseas Territories, Dependencies, Etc.

Do not record the name of the larger jurisdiction as part of the preferred name of an overseas territory, dependency, etc.

EXAMPLE

Greenland

Isle of Man

Guadeloupe

French Guiana

For an overseas territory of the United States (e.g., Guam, Puerto Rico), see 16.2.2.9.1.

For jurisdictional islands, etc., that are not overseas territories, dependencies, etc., (e.g., Sicily, Corsica, Japan), see 16.2.2.4 or 16.2.2.12, as applicable.

Record the preferred name for a place in an overseas territory, dependency, etc., as instructed at 16.2.2.11.1.

16.2.2.11.1 Places in Overseas Territories, Dependencies, Etc.

If the place is in an overseas territory, dependency, etc., record the name of the overseas territory, dependency, etc., in which it is located as part of the preferred name by applying the instructions at 16.2.2.4.

EXAMPLE

Papeete (French Polynesia)

Ramsey (Isle of Man)

Saint-Denis (Réunion)

16.2.2.12 Places in Other Jurisdictions

For places in jurisdictions not covered by 16.2.2.9 (places in Australia, Canada, the United States, the former U.S.S.R., or the former Yugoslavia), 16.2.2.10.1 (places in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales), or 16.2.2.11.1 (places in overseas territories, dependencies, etc.), record the name of the country in which the place is located as part of the preferred name of the place. Abbreviate the name of the country as instructed in Appendix B (B.2), as applicable.

EXAMPLE

Formosa (Argentina)

Maputo (Mozambique)

Lucca (Italy)

Queenstown-Lakes District (N.Z.)

Madras (India)

Palawan (Philippines)

Region Sjælland (Denmark)

Paris (France)

Urlingford (Ireland)

Far North Province (Cameroon)

Perak (Malaysia)

Sarawak (Malaysia)

Ipoh (Malaysia)

Georgetown (Malaysia)

Alternative

Record the name of a state, province, or highest-level administrative division preceding the name of the country.

EXAMPLE

Aba Zangzu Qiangzu Zizhizhou (Sichuan Sheng, China)

Ipoh (Perak, Malaysia)

Georgetown (Pulau Pinang, Malaysia)

Urlingford (Kilkenny, Ireland)

Wiesbaden (Hesse, Germany)

16.2.2.13 Places with the Same Name

If recording the name of the larger place or jurisdiction as part of the preferred name as instructed in 16.2.2.9-16.2.2.12 is insufficient to distinguish between two or more places with the same name, include as part of the preferred name of the place a word or phrase commonly used to distinguish them.

EXAMPLE

Alhama de Almería (Spain)

Short form of name: Alhama. **Fuller form of name recorded to distinguish the place from other places with the same name**

Alhama de Granada (Spain)

Short form of name: Alhama. **Fuller form of name recorded to distinguish the place from other places with the same name**

If there is no such word or phrase, record the name of an appropriate smaller place before the name of the larger place.

EXAMPLE

Friedberg (Bavaria, Germany)

Friedberg (Hesse, Germany)

Tarbert (Argyll and Bute, Scotland)

Tarbert (Western Isles, Scotland)

Farnham (Dorset, England)

Farnham (Essex, England)

Oakdale (Stearns County, Minn.)

Oakdale (Washington County, Minn.)

Qianxi Xian (Guizhou Sheng, China)

Qianxi Xian (Hebei Sheng, China)

16.2.2.14 Places within Cities, Etc.

When recording the preferred name of a place within a city, etc., record the name of the city, etc., and the larger place within which the city, etc., is located, as prescribed in the instructions given under 16.2.2.9-16.2.2.13.

EXAMPLE

Hyde Park (Chicago, Ill.)

Chelsea (London, England)

Tamaki (Auckland, N.Z.)

Las Condes (Santiago, Chile)

Cabbagetown (Toronto, Ont.)

Quartier latin (Paris, France)

Minato-ku (Tokyo, Japan)

Art Deco Historic District (Miami Beach, Fla.)

Dongcheng Qu (Beijing, China)