

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: Kathy Glennan, ALA Representative
Subject: Field of Activity of the Corporate Body (Revision of RDA 11.10.1.3)

ALA thanks BL for this proposal, which we support. We offer one suggested change to the proposal below. In addition, we recommend creating a new instruction for Field of Activity of the Family in Chapter 10.

Suggested change: Move the examples in 11.10.1.3 to 11.11.1.3

While ALA supports removing the existing examples in 11.10.1.3 and adding more appropriate ones, we recommend moving those current examples to 11.11.1.3, *Recording Corporate History*, since even contemporary information about a body may be historic in nature.

Creating a new instruction: Field of Activity of the Family

This proposal prompted ALA to review FRAD, where we noted that 4.2, *Attributes of a Family*, contains the following:

Field of activity

A field of endeavour, area of expertise, etc., in which the family is engaged or was engaged.

Instructions for this attribute are missing in RDA. Thus, ALA proposes the following:

- New instruction, *Field of Activity of the Family*, replacing the current 10.9
- Renumbering 10.9, *Family History*, to 10.10
- Renumbering 10.10, *Identifier for the Family*, to 10.11
- Renumbering 10.11, *Constructing Access Points to Represent Families*, to 10.12
- New Glossary entry for Field of activity of the family

New 10.9 (no markup provided)

10.9 Field of Activity of the Family

10.9.1 Basic Instructions on Recording the Fields of Activity of the Family

10.9.1.1 Scope

Field of activity of the family▼ is a field of endeavour, area of expertise, etc., in which a family is engaged or was engaged.

10.9.1.2 Sources of Information

Take information on the field or fields of activity of the family from any source.

10.9.1.3 Recording the Fields of Activity of the Family

Record the field or fields of endeavour, area or areas of expertise, etc., in which the family is engaged or was engaged by recording a term indicating the field.

Record a field of activity as a separate element. Field of activity is not recorded as part of an access point.

EXAMPLE

Architecture

Preferred name recorded as: Tornés. A family of architects

Indicate the source of information by applying the instructions at [8.12.1.3](#).

New Glossary definition

Field of Activity of the Family

A field of endeavour, area of expertise, etc., in which a family is engaged or was engaged.

Related changes

The following instruction references would need to be updated if the new 10.9 is approved:

Changing 2 index entries from 10.9 to 10.10.

Changing 3 references from 10.10 to 10.11:

8.12.1.3, 2nd paragraph

18.4.1.1

29.4.1

Changing 53 references from 10.11 to 10.12:

6.27.1.2.a

6.27.1.3 (3 occurrences)

6.27.1.5.a

6.27.1.6.a

6.27.1.8.a

6.27.2.2.a

6.27.4.1.a

6.27.4.2.a

6.27.4.4.a
6.27.4.5 (2nd “a”)
6.28.1.2.a
6.28.1.3.a
6.28.1.3.4.a
6.28.1.4.a
6.28.1.5.2.a
6.28.1.7.a
6.28.1.8.a
6.28.4.1.a
6.28.4.2.a
6.28.4.4.a
6.29.3.4 (2nd “a”)
6.30.5.3 (2nd “a”)
8.6
8.7
10.0 (2 occurrences)
10.1.2 (2 occurrences)
10.3.1.3
10.4.1.3
10.5.1.3
10.6.1.3
10.11 (18 occurrences)
16.2.2.7.b
18.4.1.2
29.4.2
Index (8 occurrences)