TO: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

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SUBJECT: Recording dates in more than one calendar (RDA 2.6.7.1, 2.6.9.1, 2.7.6.3, 2.8.6.3, 2.9.6.3, 2.10.6.3)

The text below reflects the decisions made by the Joint Steering Committee during its November 2013 meeting and email discussion after the meeting. It incorporates an earlier Fast Track entry from the Australian Committee on Cataloguing for RDA 2.11.

2.6.7.1 Scope

[1st paragraph unchanged]

An alternative chronological designation may include a date in a different calendar.

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2.6.9.1 Scope

[1st paragraph unchanged]

An alternative chronological designation may include a date in a different calendar.

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2.7.6 Date of Production

CORE ELEMENT

Date of production is a core element for resources issued in an unpublished form. If the date of production appears on the source of information in more than one calendar, only the date in the calendar preferred by the agency preparing the description is required.

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2.7.6.3 Recording Date of Production

[1st paragraph, its example box, and the Optional addition unchanged]

If the date as it appears on the resource is represented in different calendars, record the dates in the order indicated by the sequence, layout, or typography of the dates on the source of information.

If the date as it appears on the resource is known to be fictitious or incorrect, make a note giving the actual date (see 2.17.6.3).
2.8.6 Date of Publication

CORE ELEMENT

If the date of publication appears on the source of information in more than one calendar, only the date in the calendar preferred by the agency preparing the description is required.

2.8.6.3 Recording Date of Publication

[1st paragraph, its example box, the Optional addition, and its example box unchanged]

If the date as it appears on the resource is represented in different calendars, record the dates in the order indicated by the sequence, layout, or typography of the dates on the source of information.

EXAMPLE

5772
2012
Date of publication appears in both the Jewish and Gregorian calendars

1377 H.Sh.
1419 H.Q.
Date of publication appears in both the Hijri Shamsi (solar) and Hijri Qamari (lunar) calendars. Source of information reads: 1377 H.Sh. 1419 H.Q.

2485 BE
1942
Date of publication appears in both the Thai (Buddhist Era) and Gregorian calendars. Source of information reads: 2485 BE, 1942

If the date as it appears on the resource is known to be fictitious or incorrect, make a note giving the actual date (see 2.17.7.3).

2.9.6 Date of Distribution

CORE ELEMENT

Date of distribution is a core element for a resource in a published form if the date of publication is not identified. If the date of distribution appears on the source of information in more than one calendar, only the date in the calendar preferred by the agency preparing the description is required.
2.9.6.3 Recording Date of Distribution

[1st paragraph, its example box, and the Optional addition unchanged]

If the date as it appears on the resource is represented in different calendars, record the dates in the order indicated by the sequence, layout, or typography of the dates on the source of information.

If the date as it appears on the resource is known to be fictitious or incorrect, make a note giving the actual date (see 2.17.8.3).

2.10.6 Date of Manufacture

CORE ELEMENT

*Date of manufacture is a core element for a resource in a published form if neither the date of publication, the date of distribution, nor the copyright date is identified. If the date of manufacture appears on the source of information in more than one calendar, only the date in the calendar preferred by the agency preparing the description is required.*

2.10.6.3 Recording Date of Manufacture

[1st paragraph, its example box, and the Optional addition unchanged]

If the date as it appears on the resource is represented in different calendars, record the dates in the order indicated by the sequence, layout, or typography of the dates on the source of information.

If the date as it appears on the resource is known to be fictitious or incorrect, make a note giving the actual date (see 2.17.9.3).

2.11 Copyright Date

CORE ELEMENT

*Copyright date is a core element if neither the date of publication nor the date of distribution is identified. If the copyright date appears on the source of information in more than one calendar, only the date in the calendar preferred by the agency preparing the description is required.*
2.11.1.3 Recording Copyright Dates

[1st paragraph, 2nd paragraph, and its example box unchanged]

Optional Addition

If the date as it appears in the resource is not of the Gregorian or Julian calendar, add the corresponding date or dates of the Gregorian or Julian calendar. Indicate that the information was taken from a source outside the resource itself (see 2.2.4).

EXAMPLE

©2556 [2013]
Copyright date appears in Buddhist calendar on the source of information

If the date as it appears on the resource is represented in different calendars, record the dates in the order indicated by the sequence, layout, or typography of the dates on the source of information.

If the resource has multiple copyright dates that apply to various aspects (e.g., text, sound, graphics), record any that are considered important for identification or selection.

[example box, next paragraph, and optional addition unchanged]

D.1.2.5 Publication, Production, Distribution, Etc., Area

[only changes are the addition of the 6th and 10th paragraphs below]

Precede this area by a full stop, space, dash, space.
Precede a second or subsequently named place of publication, production and/or distribution by a semicolon.
Precede the name of a publisher, producer and/or distributor by a colon.
Enclose a supplied statement of function of a distributor in square brackets.
Precede the date of publication, production and/or distribution by a comma.
Precede the date of publication, production and/or distribution in a different calendar by an equals sign when giving a date appearing on the resource in more than one calendar.
Enclose the details of manufacture (place, name, date) in parentheses.
Precede the name of a manufacturer by a colon.
Precede the date of manufacture by a comma.
Precede the date of manufacture in a different calendar by an equals sign when giving a date appearing on the resource in more than one calendar.