

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
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Subject: Create RDA 2.17.14, *Note on Identifier for the Manifestation*

Abstract

Create an instruction in RDA 2.17, *Note on Manifestation*, to support recording notes associated with Identifier for the Manifestation (RDA 2.15). Add *Note on Identifier for the Manifestation* to the Glossary.

Justification

RDA lacks an instruction that allows for making a note on Identifier for the Manifestation (RDA 2.15). Under certain circumstances, catalogers may wish to provide additional information about these identifiers. Indeed, this is currently being done without the supporting instructions in RDA.

ALA's proposal uses text similar to that in RDA 2.17.12, *Note on Frequency*, and includes a Glossary definition for the new element sub-type proposed in 2.17.14.1.

Issues to be resolved

Should RDA contain instructions for recording a note on Identifier for the Manifestation?

Impact

Adding this instruction ensures that all manifestation-related elements in Chapter 2 have a corresponding instruction for recording notes about that element. The proposed changes should not affect cataloging practice. The additions do not affect anything else in the RDA text. The new Glossary definition will need to be included in the RDA Registry.

Proposal

Create the following new instruction and Glossary entry:

2.17.14 Note on Identifier for the Manifestation

2.17.14.1 Scope

A **note on identifier for the manifestation** ▼ is a note providing details on identifiers for the manifestation not recorded as part of the identifier for the manifestation element.

2.17.14.2 Sources of Information

Take information for notes on identifiers for the manifestation from any source.

2.17.14.3 Details Relating to Identifiers for the manifestation

Make notes providing details on identifiers for the manifestation not recorded as part of the identifier for the manifestation element (see [2.15.1.4](#)).

EXAMPLE

ISBN from publisher's website

UPC and distributor's number on page 4 of cover

Original issue and matrix numbers on container

Publisher's number and ISMN from label on back cover

Glossary

Note on Identifier for the Manifestation

A note providing details on identifiers for the manifestation not recorded as part of the identifier for the manifestation element.