To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA  
From: __________, Secretary, JSC  
Subject: Addition of element sub-types for Award (7.28)  

Related document: 6JSC/Sec/77 (Renaming the Award element (7.28))  

**Abstract:** This proposal recommends adding two element sub-types for the element “Award.”  

**Justification**  
Cataloguers at public and school libraries have indicated that their users did not always understand that prizes for local or regional competitions were covered by the element “Award.” Those competitions are very important to many users of those libraries.  

To address this need for clarification, 6JSC/Sec/77 proposed renaming the element as “Award or Prize.” The JSC discussed 6JSC/Sec/77 but decided that the proposed name and definition were not adequate to address the stated need. This proposal addresses the situation with a different approach.  

**Issues requiring resolution**  
The scope of the element “Award” should be clarified so that it includes both national/international and local/regional awards and prizes. Agencies wanting to include local/regional awards and prizes should be able to identify the information appropriately. Agencies not interested in retaining information about local/regional awards and prizes in descriptions created by other agencies should be able to identify easily the level of the award or prize. Establishing sub-types for the element will allow agencies to identify the two categories.  

**Impact of the revisions**  
The recommended revisions will serve user needs to identify and select resources based on information recorded in these element sub-types. The impact on legacy data should be minimal; agencies can decide if information in existing records will be
relabeled with new display captions using or paralleling the names of the element sub-types.

**Change #1: Recommended revisions for 7.28**

Marked-up version:

7.28 Award

7.28.1 Basic Instructions on Recording Information on Awards

7.28.1.1 Scope

An award is a formal recognition of excellence, etc., given by an award- or prize-granting body, for the content of a resource.

7.28.1.2 Sources of Information

Take information on awards from any source.

7.28.1.3 Recording Information on Awards

Record information on awards if considered important for identification or selection.

Record the following information, as applicable:

a) an international or national award (see 7.28.2)

b) a regional or local award (see 7.28.3).

**EXAMPLE**

Caldecott Medal, 1996

American Library Association Stonewall Book Award for Nonfiction, 2002

Academy Award: Best Documentary Feature

Academy Award: Best Actress, Diane Keaton; Best Director, Woody Allen; Best Picture; Best Writing, 1978

7.28.2 International or National Award
7.28.2.1 Scope

An international or national award is a formal recognition of excellence, etc., given by an international or national award- or prize-granting body, for the content of a resource.

7.28.2.2 Sources of Information

Take information on international or national awards from any source.

7.28.2.3 Recording International or National Awards

Record information on international or national awards if considered important for identification or selection.

EXAMPLE

Caldecott Medal, 1996

American Library Association Stonewall Book Award for Nonfiction, 2002

Academy Award: Best Documentary Feature

Academy Award: Best Actress, Diane Keaton; Best Director, Woody Allen; Best Picture; Best Writing, 1978

7.28.3 Regional or Local Award

7.28.3.1 Scope

A regional or local award is a formal recognition of excellence, etc., given by a regional or local award- or prize-granting body, for the content of a resource.

7.28.3.2 Sources of Information

Take information on regional or local awards from any source.

7.28.3.3 Recording Regional or Local Awards

Record information on regional or local awards if considered important for identification or selection.

EXAMPLE
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7.28.3.2 Sources of Information

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7.28.3.3 Recording Regional or Local Awards

Record information on regional or local awards if considered important for identification or selection.

EXAMPLE

Ottawa Film Festival: Best Picture

Red Oak Photography Competition: First Prize

Change #2: Additions to glossary

Marked-up version:

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**regional or local award**
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Clean-copy version:

**international or national award**
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**regional or local award**
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Other changes in RDA

This proposal does not affect other instructions or references to/from other instructions.

Changes to the RDA Element Set

This proposal adds these two element sub-types for the element “Award”:

- -- International or national award
- -- Regional or local award