

To: ALA/ALCTS/CCS Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access
From: Kathy Glennan, ALA Representative to the Joint Steering Committee
Subject: Revision of RDA 2.12.9.2 and 2.12.17.2: Source of numbering within series and subseries

Background:

According to RDA 2.2.4, Other Sources of Information, catalogers may take information about numbering within series and numbering within subseries from any available source, not just from the resource itself. However, the specific instructions at 2.12.9.2 and 2.12.17.2 do not permit taking information from outside the resource itself. AACR2 did permit supplying information from outside the resource for series and subseries numbering (see 1.6A2).

Proposed solution:

Modify 2.12.9.2 and 2.12.17.2 to allow for taking numbering within series and subseries from any source, following the model in 2.12.2.2 (sources of information for the title proper of series), in laying out the preferred sources of information for these numbering elements.

Proposed revision:

2.12.9.2 Sources of Information

Take the numbering within a series from ~~any source within the resource.~~ the following sources (in order of preference):

- a) the series title page
- b) another source within the resource itself (see 2.2.2)
- c) one of the other sources of information specified at 2.2.4.

2.12.17.2 Sources of Information

Take the numbering within a subseries from ~~any source within the resource.~~ the following sources (in order of preference):

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- b) another source within the resource itself (see 2.2.2)
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