

RDA INTRO SESSION 1

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What is RDA?

- RDA stands for Resource Description and Access
- It is the new cataloging code to replace AACR2, the old cataloging rules

Why was RDA created?

- AACR2 is book centric. RDA will make it easier to describe nonbook items.
- RDA will help us create cataloging that is more compatible with the rest of the Web.
- RDA will help us create linked data, which will make it easier to connect our cataloging with other sources like Wikipedia and IMDB.

RDA vs. AACR2

- The differences between RDA records and current records are minimal.
- This will change when the Library of Congress develops a replacement for the MARC format.
- When that happens, the true power of RDA will be realized.

What does an RDA record look like?

- 040 \$e rda
- NO GMD (\$h) in 245
- 336, 337, 338 fields for content, media, and carrier types

Tag	I1	I2	Subfield Data
035			‡a (OCOLC)ocn773206656
040			‡a STF ‡b eng ‡c STF ‡e rda ‡d STF ‡d AAA
020			‡a 9781467304672 (online)
020			‡a 1467304670 (online)
020			‡z 9781467304689 (print)
020			‡z 1467304689 (print)
050		4	‡a TK7874
049			‡a AAAA
111		2	‡a International Design and Test Workshop ‡n (6th : ‡d 2011 : ‡c Beirut, Lebanon)
245		1 0	‡a 2011 IEEE 6th International Design and Test Workshop (IDT) : ‡b date, 11-14 Dec. 2011.
246		3	‡a IEEE 2011 6th International Design and Test Workshop
246		1	‡i Title from PDF table of contents: ‡a IDT 2011
246		1	‡i Title in IEEE Xplore: ‡a Design and Test Workshop (IDT), 2011 IEEE 6th International
260			‡a [Piscataway, N.J.] : ‡b IEEE, ‡c 2012.
300			‡a 1 online resource : ‡b PDF, illustrations (some color)
336			‡a text ‡2 rdacontent
337			‡a computer ‡2 rdamedia
338			‡a online resource ‡2 rdacarrier

What should I do with RDA records?

- If you find an RDA record in OCLC, use it as is.
- Leave the ones in Voyager alone for now.
- Do not try to change RDA records to follow the old rules.
- You will receive training in the future on how to catalog under RDA.
- So, to repeat: Leave them alone for now.

RDA Timeline at Auburn

- September-December, 2012: Resource Description Committee crafts RDA policy.
- October, 2012: RDA Intro Session 2 with more details.
- January-February, 2013: One-on-one training in RDA cataloging.
- March 31, 2013: Auburn adopts RDA on the same day the Library of Congress does.

Questions?