

Field 008 Fixed Length Data Elements

To better understand this field, read the pages 3.0-38 – 3.0-41 from *Cataloging with AACR2 and MARC21*, which are copied and attached.

The 008 contains information that can be used by your local system (and is used by the Locator) to qualify or narrow searches, e.g. by language, dates, types of material, etc. All codes must be entered in lowercase.

The 008 must be 40 characters in length. The meaning of each character is position-dependent, i.e., a 'c' in the 6th position has a different meaning than a 'c' in the 15th position. Therefore, if a position is undefined, it must contain a blank, a pipe or backslash symbol if you are editing directly in a 008 tag. (See example on p.2)

► Construct Field 008 using the guide, the information from the item (book) you are cataloging, and this form. More blanks are attached.

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The Locator processing specifically looks at positions 06, 07-10 for books. There are different guidelines for electronic records, sound recordings, videos and serials. Refer to the pages from *Cataloging with AACR2 and MARC21* 3.0-37 – 3.0-70.

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EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADERS IN THE FOLLOWING TABLES:

Char Pos.: the character positions specified by the MARC21 manual
 OCLC Label: the labels used by OCLC.
 Your Label: the labels or subfields used by YOUR cataloging software--fill in for future reference.
 Related Fields: a reminder about fields that contain related information, e.g., the 008
 Ctry code is related to the information provided in 260\$a Place of publication.

| Char | OCLC Label | Your Label | 008 - All materials - MARC21 order | Related Fields |
|-------|------------|------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 00-05 | Entered | | Date entered on file (date record was first created) | |
| 06 | DIST | | Type of date no dates - B.C. date involved e detailed date - Date 1 = year, Date 2 = mddd i 2 dates - inclusive dates of collection k 2 dates - range of years of bulk of collection m 2 dates - earliest date and latest date (multi-part) p 2 dates - distrib./release/issue and date or prod./recording q 2 dates - earliest date and latest date (questionable) r 2 dates - repub./reissue date and date of original or 'unuu' s 1 date - single known or probable date t 2 dates - publication date and copyright date Publication status (containing resources) c 2 dates - currently published; beginning date and '9999' d 2 dates - ceased; beginning date and ending date u 2 dates - status unknown; beginning date and 'unuu' | 260\$c 500\$a 362; 260\$c |
| 07-10 | Dates | | Date 1 usually the 1 st date (publication, copyright, printing, or creation) from the 260\$c, except continuing resources (from 362) use 'u' for unknown digits, but not 'unuu' | 362; 260\$c |
| 11-14 | Dates | | Date 2 usually the 2 nd date (ending publication or copyright) from the 260\$c; except continuing resources (from 362), but an original or previous publication date if a note is present use 'u' for unknown digits, but use 'unuu' only for DIST: r | 260\$c 500 |
| 15-17 | Ctry | | Place of publication, production or execution a two or three character code from the MARC Code List for Countries; e.g.: jm Jamaica enk England xx Place unknown (not just code unknown) for U.S. places, use the postal code for state + 'u'; e.g.: flu Florida nju New Jersey | 260\$a |
| 35-37 | Lang | | Language code a three character code from the MARC21 code list for languages for the language of the resource; if the resource is multilingual or a translation, enter the code for the predominant language, or the first alphabetically, or use 'unuu', and enter the other codes in field 041 | 041; 546 |

| Char | OCLC | Your Label | 008—Books—MARC21 order | Related Fields |
|-------|---------|------------|---|----------------|
| 00-05 | Entered | | Date entered on file (date record was first created) | |
| 06 | Dist | | system supplied: yymmd e.g., 030214 | |
| | | | Type of date | |
| | | | m 2 dates - earliest date and latest date (multi-part) | |
| | | | q 2 dates - earliest date and latest date (questionable) | |
| | | | r 2 dates - repub./reissue date and date of original or 'unuu' | |
| | | | s 1 date - single known or probable date | |
| | | | t 2 dates - publication date and copyright date | |
| 07-10 | Dates | | Date 1 usually the 1 st date (publication, copyright, printing, or creation) from the 260\$c use 'n' for unknown digits, but not 'unuu' | |
| 11-14 | Dates | | Date 2 usually the 2 nd date (ending publication or copyright) from the 260\$c, but an original or previous publication date if a note is present use 'n' for unknown digits, but use 'unuu' only for DIST: r | |
| 15-17 | City | | Place of publication, production or execution a two or three character code from the MARC Code List for Countries; e.g.: jm Jamaica enk England xx Place unknown (not just code unknown) for U.S. places, use the postal code for state + 'n'; e.g.: flu Florida nju New Jersey | 260\$a |
| 18-21 | Illus | | Illustrations use up to four codes; enter in alphabetical order # no illustrations a illustrations b maps c portraits d charts e plans f plates g music h facsimiles i coats of arms j genealogical tables k forms l samples m phonodiscs, phonowire, etc. n photographs o illuminations | 300\$b |
| 22 | Audn | | Target audience LC qualities codes 'a' to 'v' by age; OCLC by grade unknown or not specified (use for most non-juv. material) # preschool (ages 0-5; pre-K) a primary (ages 6-8; grades K-3) b pre-adolescent (ages 9-13; grades 4-8) c adolescent (ages 14-17; grades 9-12) d adult (really adult material) e specialized (limited interest to other audiences) f general (specifically meant for a general audience) g juvenile (instead of codes a,b, or c) | 6XX\$a; 521 |

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| 23 | Form | | # none of the following a microfilm b microfiche c microopaque d large print f Braille r regular print reproduction (e.g., photocopy) s electronic (computer is needed for access) | 245\$h; 300\$a; 533\$a |
| 24-27 | Cont | | Nature of contents Code only if contents are significant, but code bibliographies, and filmographies if 504 present; use up to four codes; enter in alphabetical order # not specified a abstracts/summaries b bibliographies c catalogs d dictionaries, glossaries, gazetteers e encyclopedias f handbooks g legal articles i indexes (to bibliographical material other than itself) j patent document k discographies l legislation m theses n literature surveys o reviews p programmed texts q filmographies r directories s statistics t technical reports u standards/specifications v legal cases & case notes w law reports & digests z treaties | 504 504 504 |
| 28 | GPub | | # not a government publication a autonomous or semi-autonomous component c multi-local f federal / national i international intergovernmental l local m multi-state o government publication--level undetermined s state, provincial, territorial, dependent, etc. u unknown if item is a government publication z other | 260\$b |
| 29 | Conf | | Conference publication 0 proceedings, reports or summaries of a conference 1 not a conference publication I conference publication | |
| 30 | Fest | | Festschrift 0 a collection honoring a person, institution, or society 1 not a festschrift I festschrift | |
| 31 | Indx | | Index 0 no index present 1 index present | 500; 504 |