

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: Alan Poulter, CILIP Representative to the JSC
Subject: Review of 6JSC/ALA Rep/3: Vocabularies: Extent terms.

Thanks to John for raising these points. I will be working on extending his RDA vocabularies listing over the long weekend. The CILIP rep responses are in red below.

Singular and plural terms.

Question no. 1: Should plural versions of the RDA terms be included in the Registry?

Yes, if needed for the correct labeling and processing of machine-readable data, else No.

Question no. 2: Should the plural terms be added explicitly to RDA or is the instruction to use plural forms sufficient to maintain consistency with the Registry?

Plural terms in RDA itself would seem to be unnecessary if they were obtainable via a Toolkit link to the Registry. If and until this facility becomes available, the instructions to use plural forms in RDA are sufficient.

Definitions.

Question no. 3: Do you agree that we do not need separate definition of the singular and plural forms, either in the Registry or in the RDA Glossary?

Agree that separate definitions of plural terms are not needed.

Implied vocabularies

Question no. 4: Do you agree with my recommendation in the last sentence?

Agree with the recommendation in the last sentence to add terms to the Registry, but not to RDA 3.4.1.3

Overlapping vocabularies.

Question no. 5: Do you agree?

Agree that it is not necessary to add an explicit list at 3.4.3.

Fragments of extent statements.

Question no. 6: Do you agree with these recommendations?

Wait until CC:DA Task Force reports before making a decision.

Order of terms.

Question no. 7: Does the order matter? Should we rearrange the list at 7.20.1.3 in alphabetical order?

Yes, since having all lists in alphabetical order seems logical and more amenable for machine processing.

Hierarchy of Format of Notated Music terms.

Question no. 8: Does this imply a hierarchy? Should the Glossary make a distinction between broader, narrower, and related terms? Should we try to build a hierarchy for this vocabulary either in the Registry, the list at RDA 7.20.1.3 or both?

Would prefer to maintain simple flat lists