

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

From: Alan Danskin, United Kingdom Representative

Subject: New Chapter 3 elements for Optical Disc Data Storage Format and Optical Disc Recording Method. UK Response.

The British Library and CILIP thank ALA for the proposed revisions, but we do not agree that these changes are necessary. We believe that the desired outcomes can be achieved much more simply within the existing framework of elements.

Change #1

- Create RDA 3.22, Optical Disc Data Storage Format

Disagree. A new element is not required. Optical Disc Data Storage Format is a type of encoding format.

- Renumber current RDA 3.22 to RDA 3.23
- Update references to renumbered instruction

Change #2

- Add Optical discs to the Exceptions in 3.9.1.3

Disagree. We do not believe that treatment as an exception is justified. The existing exceptions for Manuscripts and Tactile resources are justified by specific instructions. No such justification appears to be the case for optical discs. We recommend the addition of “Burning” and “Stamping” to the vocabulary at 3.9.1.3

- Create RDA 3.9.1.4, Production Method for Optical Disc

Disagree. The optional addition to append “Optical Disc Storage Format” to Production Method does not make sense, as it is not a production method.

Change #3

- Add 35 new terms (definitions and cross-references) to RDA Glossary to support the new instructions

Disagree: recommend add generic definitions of “Burning” and “Stamping” to the RDA Glossary.

Burning: a production method consisting of the application of heat to burn a material

Stamping: a production method consisting of the application of pressure to make an impression in a material