

To: Gordon Dunsire, Chair, RDA Steering Committee

From: Damian Iseminger, Chair, RSC Music Working Group

Subject: Revision of RSC/MusicWG/4

Related documents:

RSC/MusicWG/4

RSC/MusicWG/4/ACOC response

RSC/MusicWG/4/ALA response

RSC/MusicWG/4/CCC response

RSC/MusicWG/4/Europe response

RSC/MusicWG/4/LC response

RSC/MusicWG/4/rev

Abstract

This revised proposal incorporates changes suggested in the responses to RSC/MusicWG/4. This version differs from RSC/MusicWG/4/rev in that new replacement text has been proposed for paragraph 4. In all other respects, the revised proposal is the same as RSC/MusicWG/4/rev.

Summary of Changes

6.28.1.9

Paragraph 1

- The word “of” is added before the phrase “two or more types.”

Paragraph 2 (includes lettered list)

- The reference in a) to 6.15 has been replaced with a reference to 6.28.1.9.1.
- The words “and/or” have been added before g).
- The Working Group did not agree with ALA’s suggestion that the phrase “in this order” should replace “as appropriate.” The Working Group believes that guidance of this sort belongs in application profiles.

Paragraph 3

- The word “always” has been removed.
- The Working Group could not reach a consensus on whether the phrase “in this order” should be removed from the paragraph. Several members felt that this guidance was best for application profiles, while others felt that order, for this particular instance (preferred titles consisting only of a type or two or more types of composition), was warranted. Because it was present in the original proposal, the guidance concerning order has been retained, but has been moved after the word “include,” as suggested in the CCC response.

Paragraph 4

- This paragraph supersedes the paragraph found in RSC/MusicWG/4 and options 1 and 2 in RSC/MusicWG/4/rev. This version of the paragraph makes it more clear that it only applies to authorized access points representing compilations that consist of a conventional collective title naming a type of composition followed by *Selections*.

Paragraph 5

- The paragraph has been removed.

6.28.1.9.1

- A see reference to 6.15 has been added.
- In response to issues raised in the Europe response, the Working Group has removed the prescribed order for medium of performance elements and has instead replaced it with text to use an order preferred by the agency creating the data.

6.28.1.9.1 Exceptions

- Full stops have been removed from Exceptions a) i), a) ii), and a) iii).
- The Working Group has included the suggestion from LC for Exception a) i) of additional text and examples for adding the medium of performance if it is not the one implied by the preferred title. However it should be noted that several members of the Working Group feel that this additional text is redundant and is not needed.
- The former Exception g) has been moved and placed after Exception a) as suggested in the ALA response.
- Exception c) (formerly Exception b)) has been modified as suggested in the responses from ALA and CCC.
- Exception d) (formerly Exception c)) has been modified as suggested by CCC and to match the style of Exception c).
- Exception f) (formerly Exception e)) has been modified as suggested by ALA.

- Exception j) includes the small change suggested by ALA.
- Exception k) has been modified to indicate that works in question have the same preferred title.

Unresolved Issue

LC questioned the need for Exception k) in 6.28.1.9.1. The Working Group plans to discuss this issue further and hopes to have a response ready by the RSC meeting. For the time being, the Exception remains a part of the proposal.

Exceptions in 6.28.1.9.1

Several members of the Working Group were sympathetic to the issue concerning the number of Exceptions that was raised in the ACOC and Europe responses. The Working Group could be amenable to removing the Exceptions, however, as was noted in our original proposal, the removal of the Exceptions could be extremely disruptive to current music cataloging practice, especially in North America. If the RSC feels that the time is right to remove the Exceptions, the Working Group suggests that either it or the RSC contact stakeholders as soon as possible, so that contingency plans, such as having the guidance previously present in the Exceptions placed in policy statements, can be formed and implemented.

Marked-up version (based on Working Group text in RSC/MusicWG/4)

6.28.1.9 Additional Elements in Authorized Access Points Representing Musical Works

Include additional elements in authorized access points for a musical work if:

the preferred title for the work (see [6.14.2](#)) consists solely of the name of a type, or of two or more types, of composition

or

the elements are needed to distinguish the access point from one that is the same or similar but represents a different work

or

the elements are needed to distinguish the access point from one that represents a person, family, corporate body, or place.

Include one or more of the following elements, as appropriate:

- a) medium of performance (see ~~6.15~~ [6.28.1.9.1](#))
- b) numeric designation of a musical work (see [6.16](#))
- c) key (see [6.17](#))
- d) form of work (see [6.3](#))
- e) date of work (see [6.4](#))
- f) place of origin of the work (see [6.5](#))
- and/or
- g) other distinguishing characteristic of the work (see [6.6](#)).

If the preferred title for the work consists solely of the name of a type, or of two or more types, of composition, ~~always~~ include (in this order) the medium of performance, numeric designation of a musical work, and key (~~in this order~~), as applicable.

~~For a compilation of musical works, record the conventional collective title *Selections* following the medium of performance, numeric designation of a musical work, and/or key, but before form of work, date of work, place of origin of work, and/or other distinguishing characteristic of the work, as applicable.~~

Exception

If the authorized access point for a compilation of musical works includes a conventional collective title using the name of a type of composition (see [6.14.2.8.3](#)) followed by *Selections* (see [6.14.2.8.4](#))

alternative), include one or more of the following elements, as appropriate:

a) medium of performance (see 6.28.1.9.1)

b) date of work (see 6.4)

c) place of origin of the work (see 6.5)

and/or

d) other distinguishing characteristic of the work (see 6.6).

Record the medium of performance before the term *Selections*.

Record the other elements after the term *Selections*.

EXAMPLE

Scriabin, Aleksandr Nikolayevich, 1872–1915. Sonatas, piano. Selections

When recording the medium of performance, apply the additional instructions at **6.28.1.9.1**, as applicable.

6.28.1.9.1 Medium of Performance

Add the medium of performance (see 6.15) as applicable, ~~in this order:~~ in an order preferred by the agency creating the data.

~~a) voices~~

~~b) keyboard instrument if there is more than one non-keyboard instrument~~

~~c) the other instruments in score order~~

~~d) ensembles~~

~~e) continuo.~~

Exceptions

a) Do not add the medium of performance if one or more of the following conditions apply:

i) the medium is implied by the title.

EXAMPLE

Peeters, Flor, 1903–1986. Chorale preludes, op. 69

Implied medium: organ

Poulenc, Francis, 1899–1963. Mass, G major

Implied medium: voices, with or without accompaniment

Martinů, Bohuslav, 1890–1959. Overture

Implied medium: orchestra

Mitchell, Joni. Songs

Implied medium: solo voice or voices with accompaniment for keyboard stringed instrument or, if in a “popular” idiom, solo voice or voices with instrumental and/or vocal accompaniment

Strauss, Richard, 1864–1949. Lieder, op. 10

Implied medium: solo voice or voices with accompaniment for keyboard stringed instrument or, if in a “popular” idiom, solo voice or voices with instrumental and/or vocal accompaniment

Kodály, Zoltán, 1882–1967. Symphony

Implied medium: orchestra

If, however, the medium of performance is not the one implied by the title, add the medium.

but

Widor, Charles Marie, 1844–1937. Symphonies, organ

Rapf, Kurt. Requiem, organ, horns (4), trumpets (4), trombones (3), tuba, percussion

Raff, Joachim, 1822–1882. Sinfonietta, flutes (2), oboes (2), clarinets (2), bassoons (2), horns (2), op. 188, F major

Goehr, Alexander, 1932–. Songs, clarinet, viola accompaniment

- ii) the work consists of a set of compositions for different media, or is one of a series of works with the same title but for different media-

EXAMPLE

Fontana, Giovanni Battista, died 1630. Sonatas (1641)

Six sonatas for 1 violin, three for 2 violins, three for violin and bassoon, five for 2 violins and bassoon, and one for 3 violins, all with continuo

Leonarda, Isabella, 1620–1704. Sonatas, op. 16

Eleven sonatas for 2 violins and continuo and one for violin and continuo

Monteverdi, Claudio, 1567–1643. Madrigals, bk. 1

For 5 voices

Monteverdi, Claudio, 1567–1643. Madrigals, bk. 7

For 1–6 voices and instruments

Persichetti, Vincent, 1915–1987. Serenades, no. 14

For solo oboe

Persichetti, Vincent, 1915–1987. Serenades, no. 15
For harpsichord

- iii) the medium was not indicated by the composer.
- iv) the medium of performance cannot be recorded succinctly and other elements are more useful for identifying the work (e.g., thematic index number or opus number, see 6.16).

EXAMPLE

Mozart, Wolfgang Amadeus, 1756–1791. Divertimenti, K. 251, D major

b) Omit alternative or doubling instruments and voices.

EXAMPLE

Hoffmeister, Franz Anton, 1754–1812. Sonatas, flute, piano, op. 12
For flute (or violin) and piano
Holliger, Heinz. Trio, oboe, viola, harp
For oboe (doubling on English horn), viola, and harp

- b) c) If there is only one part or performer for a particular instrument, or voice, or only one ensemble, record the term for the instrument, voice or ensemble in the singular. Do not add the number of parts or performers.

EXAMPLE

[Example needed]

- e) d) If there is more than one part or performer for a particular instrument or voice, record the term for the instrument or voice in the plural. Do not add the number of parts or performers if the number is implicit in the preferred title.

EXAMPLE

Boccherini, Luigi, 1743–1805. Duets, violins, G. 58, A major
Atterberg, Kurt, 1887–1974. Quartets, violins, viola, cello, no. 2, op. 11
Rosetti, Antonio, approximately 1750–1792. Quartets, clarinets, horns, M. B17, E \flat major
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White, Ian, 1955–. Quintets, euphoniums (3), tubas (2)
Aladov, N. (Nikolai), 1890–1972. Scherzo, flutes (2), clarinets (2)
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EXAMPLE

Glanville-Hicks, Peggy. Sonatas, piano, percussion
For piano and 4 percussionists

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EXAMPLE

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