

To: RDA Steering Committee
From: Ebe Kartus, ACOC Representative
Subject: Revision of RDA 3.4.5 Extent of Text

ACOC thanks the Rare Materials Working Group for this proposal and agrees that the three changes recommended are desirable and will improve the readability and application of these instructions.

Issue 1. Apply the exceptions also to “rare printed resources”

We agree to the proposed changes, as per our response to RareWG/1

Issue 2. Exception for early printed resources in 3.4.5.2

Breaking the exception down into its component parts was very useful in understanding what was being offered by the exception.

Part [a] : “Terms and form presented” (3.4.5.2 exception)

We agree that this first part is a duplication of the main instructions and is unnecessary. We agree to the proposed changes.

Part [b]: Foliated volumes with text on both sides (3.4.5.2 exception)

We agree that this information is better placed at 3.4.5.5 and agree to the proposed changes.

Part [c]: Expand the extent or make a note (3.4.5.2 exception)

We agree that the information in this part of the exception should be clarified and moved elsewhere, but would like to suggest an alternative to the changes proposed by the Working Group. This is outlined below.

Issue 3. Accounting for extent as issued by the publisher (3.4.5.2, new exception)

Our suggested alternative for resolving Issue 2, part [c] applies here.

Issue 4. Inessential matter (3.4.5.3.2)

We agree to this change.

Alternative proposal to resolve Issue 2, part [c] and Issue 3.

ACOC thinks that **part [c]** of the existing exception, in its current wording, and also the proposed rewording by the Working Group, is actually more appropriately placed at **3.4.5.8**. There is already an exception at **3.4.5.8** for early printed resources, which says something similar. Therefore ACOC suggests that the exception proposed by the Working Group be placed at **3.4.5.8**, to replace the existing exception for early printed resources.

ACOC also think that the existing "exception" after the 4th para at 3.4.5.2 is not an exception, but a reference to **3.4.5.8** and so should be presented as such.

Suggested change:

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3.4.5.2 Single Volume with Numbered Pages, Leaves, or Columns

[first part of new instruction unchanged]

[examples unchanged]

Exceptions

For complicated or irregular paging, etc., see **3.4.5.8**.

~~**Early printed resources and rare printed resources.** For early printed resources and rare printed resources, record the number of pages, leaves or columns for every leaf in the volume as issued by the publisher, including leaves of text, leaves of plates, and blank leaves. Do not record leaves added as part of the binding or the binding itself.~~

~~Record more precise information about pagination, blank leaves, or other aspects of collation in a note, if considered important for identification or selection (see **3.21.2.9**).~~

[remainder of 3.4.5.2 unchanged]

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3.4.5.8 Complicated or Irregular Paging, Etc.

[1st paragraph and examples unchanged]

Exceptions

~~**Early printed resources and rare printed resources.** For early printed resources and rare printed resources, record the paging, etc., in the form and sequence presented, if it can be readily ascertained.~~

~~**Early printed resources and rare printed resources.** For early printed resources and rare printed resources, record the number of pages, leaves or columns for every leaf in the volume as issued by the publisher, including leaves of text, leaves of plates, and blank leaves. Do not record leaves added as part of the binding or the binding itself.~~

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[example unchanged]

[3.4.5.9 - 3.4.5.13 unchanged]

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3.4.5.2 Single Volume with Numbered Pages, Leaves, or Columns

[first part of new instruction unchanged]

[examples unchanged]

For complicated or irregular paging, etc., see [3.4.5.8](#).

[remainder of 3.4.5.2 unchanged]

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[1st paragraph and examples unchanged]

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[example unchanged]

[3.4.5.9 - 3.4.5.13 unchanged]