

Input of LC Call Numbers/Copy Statements (050/051 Fields) G 70

BACKGROUND: This instruction sheet provided provides examples to be used as models for content designation when inputting Library of Congress call numbers. This is not an exhaustive list of examples. For further instructions, consult the MARC 21 Format for Bibliographic Data.

1. 050 00 Library of Congress Call Number. The field has two indicator positions: the first contains a value that indicates whether or not LC holds the item under this call number; the second contains a value indicating the source assigning the call number. The call number itself has two parts, the classification number and the item number. Alternate classification numbers may be supplied in LC original cataloging.

\$a Classification number
\$b Item number
\$a Alternate classification number

050 00 Assigned by LC. Since about mid-1999 second position value "0" (Assigned by LC) has been used in all instances of records issued by LC containing a Library of Congress call number.

050 04 Assigned by an agency other than LC. Prior to about mid-1999 second position value "4" (Assigned by an agency other than LC) was retained in certain instances in records:

- a) created by participants in the National Cooperative Cataloging Program (NCCP) (042 = lcncpp) and subsequently used by LC
- b) created by participants in the Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC) (042 - pcc) and subsequently used by LC
- c) reflecting copy cataloging (042 = lccopycat).

050 10 First indicator position value "1" indicates the Item is not in LC or is not in LC under this number

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2. 051 Library of Congress Copy, Issue, Offprint Statement.

\$a Classification number
\$b Item number
\$c Copy information

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051 $a Z663.78 $b .S63 1992 $c Copy 3  
051 $a Z663 $b .F85 1991 $c Copy 2
```

3. Placement of the delimiter indicating subfield \$b.

a. Words. When the call number field consists only of a class number (a word; letters followed by numbers, possibly including a period and also a space), no subfield \$b is used. *Example:*

```
050 00 $a LAW
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b. Cutter numbers. The delimiter for the item numbers (\$b) precedes the last capital letter except when the last capital letter is preceded by a period, in which case the \$b precedes the period. *Examples:*

Single Cutters:

```
050 00 $a TX536 $b .H2 1986  
050 00 $a PN3329 $b .H74 1971
```

Double Cutters

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050 00 $a TC506.H3 $b L7 1986
```

c. CS71. If the call number begins with CS71, subfield \$b contains the date. *Example:*

```
050 00 $a CS71.B118 $b 1974
```

d. No Cutter number. If the class number is followed by a date but no Cutter number, the date is in subfield \$b. *Example:*

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050 00 $a JX1989.5 $b 1944 IXb
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3. *Placement of the delimiter indicating subfield \$b.* (Continued)

e. Volume numbering. If the call number is followed by volume numbering that includes uppercase letters, these letters are ignored in locating the last capital letter.
Example:

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050 00 $a DD3 $b .M83 Bd. 30
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4. *Dates within classification numbers.* When a date is used internally, set off the date by preceding and following it with a single space. *Examples:*

```
050 00 $a KFG401 1983 .A6 $b H55 1994
050 00 $a HV600 1988 .A75 $b K37 1990
050 00 $a HD5329.T72 1974 $b M622 1977
```

Exception: If the schedule provides an instruction to append the date to the classification number, do not use a blank space before the date. *Example:*

In classification schedule:

```
KK985.5<date> Individual codes
                        Arrange chronologically by appending the four-digit
                        year of original enactment or revision of the code to the
                        number KKA985.5 and deleting any trailing zeros
```

Formulation of call number:

```
050 00 $a KK985.51896 $b .A52 1995
```

5. *Alternate numbers.* Alternate numbers appear in a second \$a subfield. *Examples:*

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050 00 $a DS136.6 $b .H38 1986 $a D106
050 00 $a Z5815.B5 $b P53 1985 $a LA551
050 00 $a Z8061 $b .K38 1986 $a Z8651 $a D803 [two alternate call numbers]
050 00 $a DD3 $b .M83 Bd. 30, etc. $a Z723
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