

## **PCC Guidelines on Punctuation Used in \$3 and \$x in 260, 490, 8XX Fields**

These guidelines are in response to a number of questions raised with regard to the use of punctuation in \$3 (Materials specified) newly defined for 260, 490, and 8XX fields, and the use of \$x (International Standard Serial Number) in 8XX fields. The practices have been reviewed by the PCC Standing Committee on Standards, and will be reflected in the appropriate guidelines, LCRIs, and other program documents as time allows.

### **\$3 used with 260, 490, and 8XX fields**

When a \$3 (Materials specified) subfield is used in 260, 490, or 8XX fields to reflect the issues, parts, or iterations applicable to the field, follow the numeric designation, chronological designation, publication date, etc., with a colon (:). If the designation, publication date, etc., represents incomplete information designated by a hyphen (-), insert a single space between the hyphen and the colon for clarity in displays.

#### ***Examples:***

\$3 v. 1-3:  
\$3 v. 9-<10>:  
\$3 Apr. 2010-<July 2010>:  
\$3 2010- :  
\$3 -v. 4:  
\$3 -May 2010:

### **Use of \$3 in 490 and/or 830**

Because of varying application of the PCC series policy, some PCC records may have 490 only, some may have both 490 and 8XX, and some may have 8XX only (CONSER Standard Record). When \$3 is required to indicate that a series does not apply to all issues, parts, or iterations covered by a record, it may be added to field 490 only, field 8XX only, or to both a 490 field and its corresponding 8XX, depending on the practices followed by the cataloging agency. Because practices may differ, catalogers should be mindful when working in a shared environment to maintain, but not to remove, valid data.

### **Use of \$x in 8XX fields**

To allow for accurate sorting of series access points, predictable validation of ISSN strings, and/or validation of series access points, append \$x (International Standard Serial Number) used in 8XX fields to the end of the field as the final subfield. A mark of punctuation (e.g., a period, ending parentheses) that ends the series would precede \$x. Do not add any punctuation to \$x, except for the hyphen in the middle position of the ISSN.

***Examples:***

830 #0 \$a DHEW publication. \$x 0090-0206  
830 #0 \$a Bibliographies of modern authors (San Bernadino,  
Calif.) ; \$v no. 27. \$x 0749-470X  
830 #0 \$a Series in applied psychology (New York, N.Y.) \$x  
1048-8146

(Note that this placement of \$x fields applies to 8XX fields only; follow conventional AACR2/MARC 21 practices for recording ISSNs in 490 fields, when applicable.)

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