

RDA Working Group
Minutes from Wednesday, October 12, 2011

1. Report back from User Services and MALC reps on feedback received on the need to regularize capitalization (or not) at the point of cataloging and any implications for citation software like RefWorks or EndNote.

There were no reports of strong feelings about the need to standardize capitalization in RDA records at the point of cataloging, either for how things appear in the OPAC or in RefWorks. It was agreed that anything brought to the attention of Cataloging would be changed to reflect current capitalization rules under AACR2. If CADM receives requests to fix such things, for now they will route them to Rachel Boyd so we can track them and identify any patterns among what is causing complaints. We should not see problems of record merging in Primo due to variation among the MALCs in capitalization because everything gets normalized before merging is done.

2. Status update on ALEPH changes:

indexes (RULE, 336, 337, 338, RDA): done in production, re-indexing of older RDA records complete

codes.eng (defines fields in cataloging editor): not yet in production

tag_text.dat (CTRL F8 functionality): not yet in production

check_doc_tag_text (validation on CTRL F8 functionality): not yet in production

html MARC help files for 336, 337, 338: done in production

3. Location of 33X fields in the MARC cataloging editor: demo and discussion; implications for changing check_doc_line to get rid of invalid field message

Aaron identified tab01 as the table to control the location within the record of the 33X fields. This change has been made in production. Once any RDA record is saved, the 33X fields will appear in tag order in the 3XX sequence, so immediately

after the 300 field for most monographic records. With the 33X fields now more prominently displayed in the record, **the group agreed that we could add the 33X definitions to check_doc_line in order to get rid of the validation messages which have until now been an extra alert to the fact that we had an RDA record.** (Changes sent to LIS by Mary M. 11/18/11 to add to test first)

4. Update from Mary Lehman on analysis of tab_type_config; implications for validation on 337

Mary Lehman brought forth proposed changes to tab_type_config (table is also used by Saint Mary's) to ensure that electronic resources represented by RDA records would still display with their correct virtual type in the OPAC in the absence of the 245\$\$h subfield in those records. The changes had been tested successfully on Barnabas. **She proposed using the broad generic term in 337 Media Type as the data element to key in on.** Because Media Type is not core in RDA, it's quite possible we will see records without this field although for the most part all three 3XX fields are present in the RDA records we've seen to date. Because of the mix of RDA and AACR2 records, we just can't make 337 mandatory. **We agreed to add a validation rule that would make 337 a required field if 336 (Content Type, a core RDA element) is present.** (Changes to check_doc and check_doc_doc sent to LIS by Mary M. 11/18/11 to add to test first)

Mary L. pointed out that ALPEH type doesn't figure at all in Primo facets. Aaron said data from the bib fields are used for faceting and we could maybe look at 33X fields for building facets in PRIMO.

5. Update from Lisa on plan to deal with MARCIt records containing 33X fields (short term and long term)

We had found MARCIt records to have mixed coding: 33X fields (RDA) and 245 \$\$h (AACR2) both present, but no 040 field. **For now, 33X fields will be deleted from all MARCIt records and 245\$\$h added if not present.** The records we've looked at didn't seem to have any other RDA elements other than the 33X fields.

6. Update from Aaron on providing reports to facilitate cleanup of existing RDA records.

Nothing to report here.

7. Other?

Jen Matthews raised the issue of RDA records they're seeing for scores. While AACR2 allowed for both relator terms (\$\$e) and relator codes (\$\$4), RDA only provides for the use of spelled out terms in \$\$e. Mary M. said that ALEPH can filter on subfield 4 (or others) to create separate indexes for composers, arrangers, etc. (A later check of tab11_acc revealed that column 4, where text to be filtered on is entered, provides for 10 characters but truncation is possible so if we wanted to use this feature and had to filter on relator terms rather than codes, we should be able to do it).