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Subject

Cataloging of serial publications -- Handbooks, manuals, etc.;

International Standard Serial Numbers -- Handbooks, manuals, etc.

Accessibility

Free

Language

Multilingual

Publisher

ISSN International Centre

Brief History

The present edition of the ISSN Manual expands and completes in June 2012 by ISSN International Centre. The 2014 edition was prepared by the ISSN Review Group. Successive draft versions were circulated throughout the ISSN Network between 2013 and 2014, and very useful comments and suggestions were received. The present edition came into market in January 2016.

Scope and coverage

The manual incorporates additional instructions and examples, and includes updates to the Annexes, the ISSN record, ISSN, ISSN-L, key title, title proper, variant titles, abbreviated key title, publication information, former frequency, content type, media type, carrier type, dates of publication and/or sequential designation, issuing body, linking entries, information codes, classification, CODEN, coverage by abstracting and indexing publications, reproduction note, system details note, source of the description note, electronic location and access, alternate graphic representation etc.

Kind of Information

Most of the additions of this manual results from the need for more precise ISSN cataloguing instructions, in particular for identifying and describing online resources which often take various and complex forms; the need for clear instructions about the update of ISSN metadata elements (which elements to revise, how, and when); the harmonization discussions held with the RDA JSC and the ISBD Review Group. These additional instructions and examples complement the incorporation of new metadata elements into the ISSN profile (i.e., the list of metadata elements, mandatory or optional, supplied in ISSN records) in MARC 21 and UNIMARC. Some of these elements reflect changes in MARC formats over the past two years, while others were necessary for providing more complete and accurate descriptions of online resources, in particular online resources with multiple manifestations.

Special Features

- ➤ Under this website, along with the manual, the heading "Understanding the ISSN" provides huge number of information about ISSN under the headings like "ISSN in short", "Assignment rules and formats", ISSN uses", "The ISSN International Register", "Standardization".
- The Website under the heading "Services" includes the links like "Requesting the ISSN", "Subscribe to the Register", other "Online services".
- > Undated news are provided

Arrangement Pattern

The content of this manual is arranged topic wise.

Remarks	The manual gives compendium of all aspects of international serial standards numbers and other related issues.
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