

***Draft for Discussion:***  
**260 Publication, distribution, etc. (imprint) (R)**

First indicator

Sequence of publishing statements

| # **Earliest** available publisher

2 Intervening publisher

3 Current/latest publisher

Second indicator

# Undefined

Subfields

a Place of publication, distribution, etc. (R)

b Name of publisher, distributor, etc. (R)

c Date of publication, distribution, etc. (R)

e Place of manufacture (R)

f Manufacturer (R)

g Date of manufacture (R)

3 Materials specified (NR)

6 Linkage (NR)

8 Field link and sequence number (R)

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### **Description/Instructions**

Field 260 contains the place of publication, publisher and/or distributor, date of publication, as well as the place, name, and date of manufacture when necessary.

Field 260 is repeatable for purposes of recording publisher, etc., changes over time.

Accordingly, first indicator values and subfield #3 (Materials specified) have also been defined to differentiate multiple statements in a record. Before this was the case, each bibliographic record **for a serial** had only a single 260 field, the meaning of which differed according to the cataloging rules being applied. Information about later or earlier places and publishers was given in notes in fields 500 and/or 550. Many records in the CONSER database follow these earlier standards for recording publisher, etc., changes.

| **For serials cataloged according to AACR2, the Publication, Distribution, Etc. area contains information from the first or earliest issue available. The 260 field with first indicator # corresponds to this area and is the 260 field that has any publication dates in subfield #c. If the serial has been described from its first issue, the 260 field remains unchanged except for the eventual completion of publication dates.**

| **When there is an important change, the current publishing information may be given in an additional 260 field coded with the first indicator 3. Coverage dates identifying the issues to**

which the current publishing information applies is given in the subfield 3, the materials specified subfield. Current publishing information is provided or not according to the guidelines in AACR2 12.7B11.2 and its accompanying LCRI for recording important changes.

Also if considered important, publication data applicable to issues that fall between the current and the earliest issues may be given in an intervening 260 field. It is coded with first indicator 2 and also contains coverage dates in subfield 3, materials specified, to identify the issues to which it applies.

#### Editing instructions

1. Input a terminal period only when the field includes an ending date and no other terminal punctuation, such as a closing bracket, is present.

260 ## New York, N.Y. : #b E. Steiger, #c 1878-1879.

260 ## London : #b Howard League for Penal Reform, #c [c1965-c1983]

2. Use closed brackets around supplied information whether or not the 260 field is complete:

260 ## *Moose Jaw* : \$b [s.n.]

260 ## *Chur* [Switzerland] : \$b s.n.]

260 ## *Berkeley* : \$b Auditor's Office, \$c -[1997]

If a date is not being recorded, do not input a comma after the publisher name.

260 ## [New York] : \$b American Statistical Association

These are stylistic conventions introduced with the 2002 revision of AACR2. Many records in the CONSER database therefore follow earlier conventions of open brackets around supplied information if the field was not complete or a comma after a publisher date if a date is not supplied. Generally do not modify a record input according to the earlier conventions only for the purpose of deleting a comma or closing a bracket. However, if a record is being modified for other reasons, these changes can be made.

3. The 2002 revision also included the deletion of former rule 1.4D4, which allowed for shortening of the publisher name if it appeared in a recognizable form in the title and statement of responsibility area. Note that in certain examples below, where the publisher previous to 2002 was given as "\$b The Society," "\$b The Board," "\$b The Committee," etc., the name has been changed to show the form in an un-shortened form in the 260: "\$b Society for Utopian Studies," etc. [Place-holder: This does not supercede the instruction in AACR2 1.4D2 to give the publisher in the shortest form in which it can be understood and identified internationally.]

#### First indicator

The first indicator position contains a value that chronologically sequences multiple publishing statements for a resource.

| # **Earliest available publisher.**

Value # is used when a resource is first cataloged. Place and publisher information given in a 260 field with value # is not changed (unless it is incorrect or unless earlier issues of a serial are later available with differing publishing information).

| Only one 260 field may contain first indicator value # in a record.

260 ## Bristol, England : :b Biopress Ltd., :c [1986]-

260 ## Montréal : :b Canadian Association of Geographers, 1968-1969.

**2 Intervening publisher**

| Value 2 may be used to record additional publishing statements between the earliest and most current, **when this information is considered important**. Value 2 is used only when the same record also has 260 fields with first indicators # and 3.

260 ## Boston, MA : :b Pearl Journal, :c c1996-

260 2# :3 winter 1996- :a Boston, MA : :b Readable Publications

260 2# :3 <spring 2000-> :a New York, NY : :b EarthWeb Inc.

260 3# :3 <fall 2001-> :a San Francisco : :b CMP Media

**3 Current/latest publisher**

| Value 3 is used to add the current publishing statement.

| **Earliest and most current data recorded:**

260 ## Baltimore : :b Williams & Wilkins, :c 1992-c1994.

260 3# :3 -1994 :a Chicago : :b ASCP Press

260 ## Garrett Park, MD : :b Garrett Park Press, :c 1995-

260 3# :3 <1997-> :a Chicago, Ill. : :b Ferguson Pub. Co.

**Earliest, intervening, and current data recorded:**

260 ## New York, N.Y. :#b Ballantine Books, #c c1990-  
260 2# #3 1991- #a Chicago, Ill. :#b STATS, Inc.  
260 3# #3 <1993-> #a New York, N.Y. :#b HarperPerennial

**Subfields**

Input subfields in the following order: **\$3 (when applicable)**, \$a, \$b, \$c, \$e, \$f, \$g, \$6.

Apply the following conventions for the subfielding of data in field 260:

1. Enter each place name or publisher in a separate subfield.
2. Enter multiple occurrences of other elements, such as dates, in separate subfields only when a different type of element intervenes.
3. When adding true publication information to a fictitious publisher's statement (AACR2 1.4B6), input the true data in brackets preceded by "i.e.". Give separate subfields only when a different type of element intervenes. The following monograph examples from AACR2 are given to illustrate the subfielding.

260 ## *Belfast [i.e. Dublin : \$b s.n.], \$c 1982.*  
260 ## *Paris : \$b Impr. Vincent, \$c 1798 [i.e. \$a Bruxelles : \$b Moens, \$c 1883]*

**#3 Materials specified**

Subfield \$3 contains information to differentiate the multiple statements of the described materials to which the field applies.

Use subfield #3 only if there are multiple 260 fields. In AACR2 serial records, use subfield #3 in 260 fields with first indicators 2 and 3 and not in those with first indicator #.

260 ## #a Paris ; #a New York : #b Vogue, #c 1964-  
260 2# #3 1980-May 1993 #a London : #b Vogue  
260 3# #3 June 1993- #a London : #b Elle

**#a Place of publication, distribution, etc.**

Input the place of publication and any additions to place names in subfield #a.

260 ## New York, N.Y. :  
260 ## [Reston, Va.?] :  
260 ## Rio [de Janeiro] :  
260 ## Cambridge [England] :  
260 ## [New York] :  
260 ## [United States] :

When two places are given, input each in a separate subfield #a. When repeated, the subsequent

subfield #a is preceded by a space-semicolon-space ( ; ).

260 ## Basel ; #a New York :  
260 ## [Reston, Va.?] : #b U.S. Dept. of the Interior, Geological Survey ; #a  
Washington, D.C. : #b Supt. of Docs., U.S. G.P.O. [distributor]

When the place is unknown and the abbreviation "s.l." is given, capitalize the "S" only if it is the first subfield \$a in the field.

260 ## [S.l. : #b s.n.]  
260 ## Philadelphia : #b United States Pharmacopeial Convention ; #a [s.l.] : #b  
Distributed by Mack Pub. Co., #c 1980-

### **#b Name of publisher, distributor, etc.**

Input in subfield #b the name of the publisher or distributor and any qualifying words. If both a publisher and a distributor are given, input each in a separate subfield #b. Subfield #b is always preceded by a space-colon- space ( ; ).

260 ## [New York] : #b American Statistical Association  
260 ## Cambridge [Cambridgeshire] : #b Published for Medico-Legal Society by  
W. Heffer & Sons, #c 1947-  
260 ## Washington, D.C. : #b U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Forest Service : #b For  
sale by the Supt. of Docs., U.S. G.P.O.  
260 ## Victoria, B.C. : #b [s.n.], #c 1898-1945.  
260 ## Berkeley : #b City Auditor, #c 1947-

### **#c Date of publication, distribution, etc.**

The date of publication is given only when the first and/or last issues are in hand. (Angle brackets cannot be used in this subfield) [Place-holder: Do we want to consider an exception for rare serials?] When cataloging from issues that do not include the first or last, leave this area blank. If a serial begins and ceases publication in the same year, whether in one issue or several, input the year once.

260 ## London : #b Howard League for Penal Reform, #c c1965-c1983.  
260 ## Berkeley : #b City Auditor, #c -1936.  
260 ## Chicago : #b Society for Business Ethics, #c 1992-  
260 ## London : #b [s.n.]  
260 ## Washington : #b Agricultural Statistics Board, #c -[1992]  
260 ## New York : #b Mayors Committee on Water Conservation, #c 1986.

In an AACR2 record for a serial, subfield #c, if present, is input in the 260 field based on the first issue or earliest issue seen, the 260 field is coded first indicator #. When multiple 260 fields are given in a record, only the 260 recording the earliest data available may have subfield #c, if it is appropriate to give any.

260 ## Washington, D.C. : #b Almanac Pub., Inc., #c c1995-  
260 3# #3 <1999-> #a Lanham, MD : #b Bernan Press

**#e, #f, #g Place, name, and date of manufacture.**

When this information is given, enclose it in parentheses. Do not input additional punctuation between the preceding subfield and subfield #e. Subfield #f is preceded by a space-colon-space ( : ). Subfield #g is preceded by a comma. If subfield #g is not given in the record, do not input the comma.

260 ## Pennsylvania : #b [s.n.], #c 1878-[1927?] #e (Gettysburg : #f J.E. Wible,  
Printer)

**Maintenance of CONSER records**

CONSER catalogers may wish to change punctuation (e.g., omitting the comma) when updating records for other purposes but this is not required. CONSER catalogers are encouraged to provide an un-shortened transcription of the publisher name, however, when a shortened form has been used under the former rule 1.4D4 to enhance keyword search access.

All pre-AACR2 and many AACR2 serial records in the CONSER database have a single 260 field and information about earlier and/or later publishers, etc. (depending on the rules), recorded in notes in field 500 and/or 550. [Place-holder: Need to state policies on pre-AACR2 records and dealing with existing records.]

**Related fields, etc.**

008/7-10, 008/11-14, 008/15-17, 008/28, 500, 550

