

## 340 BIOGRAPHICAL AND ACTIVITY NOTE

### Field Definition and Scope

Biographical and historical details, areas of expertise or competence, and activity information from different time periods for the person or collective agent defined in the 2-- fields.

This field is used in an authority or a reference record.

### Subfields & Occurrence

Field/Subfield	Field/Subfield Name	Repeatability	Occurrence
340	BIOGRAPHICAL AND ACTIVITY NOTE	R	O
a	Biographical Note	NR	MA
b	Activity Note	NR	O
c	Occupation/Profession	R	O
d	Function/Field of Activity	R	O
e	Term of Rank, Honour, or Office	R	O
f	Dates	NR	O
g	Category of Agent	R	O
p	Affiliation/Address	R	O
2	Source	NR	O
6	Interfield Linking Data	NR	O
7	Script of Cataloguing and Script of the Base Access Point	NR	O
R	Real World Object URI	R	O

### Indicators

Indicator	Value	Description
1	#	blank (not defined)
2	#	blank (not defined)

### Subfields Description

#### \$a Biographical Note

Text of the biographical or historical note.

Not repeatable.

#### \$b Activity Note

A free text activity note.

Not repeatable.

#### \$c Occupation/Profession

A term specifies the profession, business, or avocation of an individual.

If a controlled vocabulary is used, subfield \$2 should follow. Repeatable.

#### \$d Function/Field of Activity

A term specifies the function, activity, organizational processes of the person, family, or corporate body.

Repeatable.

**\$e Term of Rank, Honour, or Office**

A term specifying title, rank, honour, or office of a person or a family (EX [12](#)).

Repeatable.

**\$f Dates**

Dates or period of engagement in a field of endeavour, or work in a profession or occupation, or field of business.

Not repeatable.

**\$g Category of Agent**

A term specifying the category to which an agent belongs.

If a controlled vocabulary is used, subfield \$2 should follow. (EX [13](#))

Repeatable.

Not repeatable.

**\$p Affiliation/Address**

Name of a group, e.g., an institution, and/or place with which the person, corporate body, family etc. is affiliated or was affiliated through employment, membership, cultural identity, residence, etc.

Repeatable.

**\$2 Source**

See specification of [Control Subfield 2](#). Not repeatable.

**\$6 Interfield Linking Data**

See specification of [Control Subfield 6](#). Not repeatable.

**\$7 Script of Cataloguing and Script of the Base Access Point**

See specification of [Control Subfield 7](#). Not repeatable.

**\$R Real World Object URI**

See specification of [Control Subfield 3](#). Repeatable.

**Notes on Field Contents**

The contents of the field will be determined by the provisions of the cataloguing rules used by the cataloguing agency.

If the entity has more than one field of occupation or activity/affiliation/profession at a time subfields \$c, \$d, \$p are repeated. If these vary over time, the field is repeated. If terms from different source vocabularies are used the field is repeated.

**Related Fields**

250 AUTHORIZED ACCESS POINT – TOPICAL SUBJECT
341 ACTIVITY NOTE PERTAINING TO PRINTER/PUBLISHER
640 PLACE(S) AND DATE(S) ASSOCIATED WITH THE ENTITY

**Examples**

EX 1
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102 ##\$aUS\$aDE
152 ##\$aAACR2
200 #1\$aArendt\$bHannah\$f1906-1975
340 ##\$aGerman by birth. Naturalized American in 1951\$bpolitical theorist
EX 2
120 ##\$aca
200 #1\$aMorris,\$bJan,\$f1926-
340 ##\$a James Humphry Morris, 10-2-26; had a sex change operation, took new name "Jan Morris"; intends to complete a trilogy using James Morris, will publish other future books as Jan Morris
500 #1\$aMorris,\$bJames\$,f1926-
EX 3
100 ##\$a19930723frey0103####ba0
101 ##\$aund
102 ##\$aIT
120 ##\$aba
152 ##\$aAFNOR
200 #1\$8freita\$aNiccolini da Sabbio\$bDomenico\$f15..-160.?\$cimprimeur-libraire
300 0#\$aA publié également sous la raison: "Ad signum Seminantis" ("al segno del Seminante") entre 1572 et 1575
300 0#\$aEn 1559-1560 travaille en association avec son frère Cornelio Niccolini da Sabbio
340 ##\$aVenezia, 1557-1605? In contrada San Giulian. Al segno del Seminante
340 ##\$aDominus illuminatio mea et salus mea, quem timebo? Prudentia negocium non Fortuna ducat. Nisi qui legitime certaverit
EX 4
100 ##\$a 19831125frey0103####ba0
101 ##\$aara\$afre
102 ##\$aZZ
150 ##\$af
152 ##\$aAFNOR
210 02\$7ba0yba0y\$8frefre\$aInstitut du monde arabe
300 0#\$aCréé en commun avec les États arabes et la République française. Acte de fondation signé le 28-2-1980. Décret portant reconnaissance d'utilité publique du 14-10-1980
340 ##\$p23 quai Saint-Bernard, 75005 Paris. Tel. 46.34.25.25 (Standard) et 40.51.38.38 (Informations)
EX 5
216 ##\$aColumbia\$cmarque américaine
340 ##\$aDates d'existence : 1890-
340 ##\$aInitialement créée aux États-Unis, elle s'implante en Angleterre en 1928. En 1928, cette filiale connue sous le nom de British Columbia, se sépare de la maison mère américaine pour fonder EMI (Electrical Music Industries) en 1930 en association avec Gramophone. EMI déclare le label Columbia à la Chambre de commerce de Londres en privant la maison mère américaine du droit d'utiliser ce label. En 1945, la maison mère américaine Columbia crée le label CBS pour les exportations vers l'Europe et continue parallèlement à publier sous le label Columbia aux Etats-Unis
EX 6
152 ##\$aRCR
200 #0\$aАввакум\$cЧестной, Дмитрий Семенович, архим.\$f1804-1866

340 ##\$bВостоковед, дипломат, переводчик\$aПринимал участие в кругосветном плавании на фрегате “Паллада” в составе экспедиции Е.В. Путятина. В качестве миссионера долгое время жил в Китае. Данные о рождении противоречивы. Похоронен на кладбище Александровской лавры в Петербурге.
EX 7
152 ##\$aRCR
200 #1\$aБакунин\$bА. И.\$f1872-1968\$gАнтон Игнатьевич
340 ##\$bПрактик сыскного дела, основоположник русской научной криминалистики. Автор книг “Психология преступника...”, “Теория вероятности преступления”, “Пособие по криминалистике...” и др.\$aПосле 1917 года – в эмиграции. Умер в Англии.
EX 8
152 ##\$aAFNOR
200 #1\$7ba0yba0y\$8frefre\$aAvicenne\$f0980-1037
340 ##\$cPhilosophe\$cMédecin
EX 9
152 ##\$aAFNOR
200 #1\$7ba0yba0y\$8frefre\$aReagan\$bRonald\$f1911-2004
340 ##\$cActeur\$f1937-1964
340 ##\$dGouverneur de Californie\$f1967-1974
340 ##\$dPrésident des États-Unis\$f1981-1988
EX 10
200 #1\$aSaint-Exupéry\$bAntoine de\$f 1900-1944
340 ##\$cNovelists\$2lch\$cEssayists\$2lch\$cAir pilots\$2lch
EX 11
152 ##\$RCR
200 #1\$aПушкин\$bА. С.\$f1799-1837\$gАлександр Сергеевич
340 ##\$dПоэзия русская\$2nlr_sh
EX 12
200 #0\$7ba0yba0y\$8frefre\$aPhilippe\$d III\$f1396-1467\$cduc de Bourgogne
340 ##\$eDuc de Bourgogne (1419-1467)\$eComte de Flandre, d'Artois et de Bourgogne (1419-1467)\$eDuc de Brabant et de Limbourg (1430-1467)\$eComte de Hollande, Zélande et de Hainaut (1433-1467)\$eDuc de Luxembourg (1444-1467)
EX 13
210 02 \$7ba0yba0y\$8engeng\$aApollo 11\$cspace mission
340 ##\$gSpace mission
Note about the category of the Apollo 11 corporate body organising the spaceflight conducted from July 16 to 24, 1969.
EX 14
220 ##\$7ba0yba0y\$8frefre\$aBourbon\$cfamille
340 ##\$gDynastie\$2rdafr
The Bourbon family is a dynasty (according the the RDA-FR list of terms for a category of family) whose members reigned on France, Spain, Naples and the duchy of Parma.

EX 15
210 02 \$7ba0yba0y\$8engeng\$aBenevolent and Protective Order of Elks\$cfraternal order
340 ##\$gFraternal organizations\$2lcsh\$Rhttps://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q996839

## History

2001	New field.
2009	Updated definition/scope.
2009	New paragraphs: History: According to the 2nd edition, definition of this field restricted its use only to personal and family names although examples showed its use also for corporate body names and trademarks. The field definition is now extended to also include these entities. To record biography and activity note for printer/publisher use the new 341 Activity Note Pertaining to Printer/Publisher field. Note that the 340 fields in Example 3 would now be coded as 341.
2009	New indicators and subfields/values: \$b Activity note.
2009	New indicators and subfields/values: \$p Affiliation/Address.
2016	Update.
2024	New \$e.
2025	Updated definition/scope. New subfields (\$g, R) and examples (13-15).