

CONTROL SUBFIELDS

Definition and Scope of Subfields

The group of subfields, defined similarly in many fields throughout the format, used to provide specific identifiers, relationships, sources of terms and codes and to qualify the form recorded in the field.

Possible uses include providing links to both authority and bibliographic records, and to other fields within a single record.

The name, description, repeatability and input standard may vary from the field to field.

Notes on Subfield Contents

Control fields are valid only for certain fields listed in the table. Note that when the control field is marked as 'where applicable,' the manual includes it only for fields where this control subfield is typically relevant in practice, not for all applicable fields.

Subfield	Used in Fields
\$0 Instruction Phrase	4-- block (except 431, 432), 5-- block (except 531, 532), 640, 741, 742
\$1 Linking Data	240, 241, 242, 245, 430, 440, 441, 442, 445, 540, 541, 542, 545, 641, 642, 740, 741, 742, 745
\$2 Source*	017, 036, 101, 105, 123, 125, 140, 145, 147, 340, 356, 360, 4-- block (except 431, 432), 5-- block, 6-- block (except 610, 640, 675, 676, 680), 7-- block (except 731, 732), 801, 822, 886
\$3 Authority Record Identifier or Standard Number	Where applicable
\$4 Relator Code	200, 210, 220, 241, 242, 400, 410, 420, 441, 442, 500, 501, 502, 510, 511, 512, 520, 521, 522, 541, 542, 700, 710, 720, 741, 742
\$5 Relationship Control	4-- block (except 431, 432), 5-- block
\$6 Interfield Linking Data	Where applicable
\$7 Script of Cataloguing and Script of the Base Access Point	2-- block, 3-- block, 4-- block, 5-- block, 7-- block
\$8 Language of Cataloguing and Language of the Base Access Point	2-- block, 4-- block, 5-- block, 7-- block
\$R Real World Object URI	Where applicable

*Subfields \$2 in the fields not included in the table are not control subfields.

History

2009	Updated.
2019	Editorial changes. Redefinition. Added the fields where the subfields are used. Subfield \$2 - renamed.
2024	Text edit. Update \$3 and new \$R.