

\$6 Interfield Linking Data

Subfield Definition

An information allowing a field to be linked for processing purposes to other fields in the record.

Occurrence

Repeatable.

Notes on Subfield Contents

Both of the fields being linked will contain a \$6 subfield as specified below. The subfield also contains a code indicating the reason for the link. The first two elements in the subfield must always be present when the subfield is used; the third element is optional.

For subfields order see section 5.4.

Fixed Length Data Elements

Subfield \$6 fixed-length data elements:

Name of Data Element	Number of Characters	Character Position
Linking Explanation Code	1	0
Linking Number	2	1-2
Tag of Linked Field	3	3-5

\$6/0 Linking Explanation Code

This code specifies the reason for the interfield linkage.

a	alternate script
z	other

\$6/1-2 Linking Number

This two-digit number is carried in subfield \$6 of each of the fields to be linked together. The function of the linking number is to permit matching of associated fields. (It is not intended to act in any way as a sequence or site number.) The linking number may be assigned at random, so long as it is identical in each of the fields to be linked together and does not duplicate the number used to link any other groups of fields in the record.

\$6/3-5 Tag of Linked Field

This data element indicates the tag of the field to which a link is being made. The element is optional. If the tag of the field being linked to is the same as the tag of the field being linked, this element would ordinarily be omitted.

Examples

EX 1
100 ##\$aYYYYMMDDaenga50#####ba0
101 ##\$ajpn
200 #1\$8engjpn\$aAndo,\$bSizuo
200 #1\$7ba0ydb0y\$8engjpn\$a[Personal name in Japanese kanji]
400 #1\$6a03\$7ba0aba0a\$8engjpn\$aKasima,\$bYasuzo
400 #1\$6a03\$7ba0ydb0y\$8engjpn\$a[Personal name in Japanese kanji]
400 #1\$6a25\$7ba0yba0a\$8engjpn\$aTakai,\$bSyozo
400 #1\$6a25\$7ba0ydb0y\$8engjpn\$a[Personal name in Japanese kanji]

The cataloguing agency gives the vernacular and Roman forms of each access point and reference in its records. The optional tag is omitted from the linked fields.

History

1994	Text errata.
2012	Text errata.
2016	Update.