003   PERSISTENT RECORD IDENTIFIER

Field Definition

This field contains the persistent identifier of the record assigned by the agency which creates, uses or issues the record. This is the persistent identifier for the bibliographic record, not for the resource itself.

Occurrence

Optional. Not repeatable.

Indicators

In conformance with ISO 2709 this field does not have indicators.

Subfields

In conformance with ISO 2709 this field does not contain subfields.

Notes on Field Content

Persistent identifiers are specific internet addresses which allow one to reference an electronic item with the aid of a hypertext link, while making sure that this link will not change. There are several systems which allow the creation of persistent identifiers.

A bibliographic record appearing in an OAI repository can also be referenced through a persistent identifier. Thanks to this tool, it is possible to add this bibliographic record to one's own bookmarks or to quote it on a Web site, in an e-mail, on a blog or in a forum, simply by using the address which is displayed in the browser during an on-line session.

Related Fields

001   RECORD IDENTIFIER

   The persistent identifier is the equivalent on the web of the system control number for the record in the database.

856   ELECTRONIC LOCATION AND ACCESS

   The persistent identifier for the resource described by the record is entered in field 856.

Example

EX 1:   001 FRBNF401336220000001

   003 http://catalogue.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/cb40133622z/PUBLIC