# 3-- NOTES BLOCK

## **Definition and Scope of Fields**

This block contains notes — free text statements qualifying and amplifying the description and access points and dealing with any aspect of the physical make-up of the item or its contents. The following fields are defined:

300	General Note
301	Notes Pertaining to Identification Numbers
302	Notes Pertaining to Coded Information
303	General Notes Pertaining to Descriptive Information
304	Notes Pertaining to Title and Statement of Responsibility
305	Notes Pertaining to Edition and Bibliographic History
306	Notes Pertaining to Publication, Distribution, etc.
307	Notes Pertaining to Physical Description
308	Notes Pertaining to Series
310	Notes Pertaining to Binding and Availability
311	Notes Pertaining to Linking Fields
312	Notes Pertaining to Related Titles
313	Notes Pertaining to Subject Access
314	Notes Pertaining to Responsibility
315	Notes Pertaining to Material (or Type of Publication) Specific Information
316	Note Relating to the Copy in Hand
317	Provenance Note
318	Action Note
320	Internal Bibliographies/Indexes Note
321	External Indexes/Abstracts/References Note
322	Credits Note (Projected and Video Material and Sound Recordings)
323	Cast Note (Projected and Video Material and Sound Recordings)
324	Facsimile Note
325	Reproduction Note
326	Frequency Statement Note (Continuing resources)
327	Contents Note
328	Dissertation (Thesis) Note
330	Summary or Abstract
332	Preferred Citation of Described Materials
333	Users/Intended Audience Note
334	Awards Note
336	Type of Electronic Resource
337	System Requirements Note
345	Acquisition Information Note

#### **Notes on Field Contents**

## Punctuation:

Certain types of notes may follow ISBD rules for content and form, including punctuation. Although this is not prescribed within UNIMARC, it is recommended that ISBD conventions be followed where possible.

## General notes:

Field 300 has two uses: it is for general notes that do not belong under any of the more specific categories of notes; and it is for notes that belong to other categories but which were not so categorized by the source format, or were coded in the source format as belonging to a category which is not present in UNIMARC. If a note belongs to more than one category represented by fields 301 to 315, then the tag earlier in numerical order other than 300 should be used as a general rule. Notes relating to fields 320 onwards should be entered in those specific fields and not in earlier fields. If two notes belong to the same category they should be contained in separate occurrences of the required field.

#### Notes generated from linking fields:

From the UNIMARC record, a note may be generated from data in other fields, e.g. 4--linking fields or 5-- related title fields. If such a note is to be generated, it is not entered in a 3-- field.