

122 CODED DATA FIELD: TIME PERIOD OF RESOURCE CONTENT

Field Definition and Scope

This field contains a formatted indication of the period covered by the resource.

It was designed prior to the release of the FRBR and IFLA-LRM as well as of the cataloguing rules that conform to them. According to the FRBR/IFLA-LRM, some of the information carried in this field pertains to FRBR/IFLA-LRM entities other than the Manifestation. Such data should preferably be carried in linked authority records describing the relevant related entity rather than in the record describing the Manifestation. However, those data can still be carried in bibliographic records describing manifestations under certain conditions, especially when the records are/were created in a pre-FRBR/IFLA-LRM or a non-FRBR/IFLA-LRM context.

Repeatable only to distinguish between multiple single dates and a range of dates ([EX 1](#)).

Subfields & Occurrence

Field/Subfield	Field/Subfield Name	Repeatability	Occurrence
122	CODED DATA FIELD: TIME PERIOD OF RESOURCE CONTENT	R	O
a	Time Period, 9999 B.C. to Present	R	O

Indicators

Indicator	Value	Description
1		Number of Dates Indicator
	0	Single dated resource
	1	Multiple single dates
	2	Range of dates
2	#	blank (not defined)

Subfields Description

\$a Time Period, 9999 B.C. to Present

Codes and structured data indicate the time period from 9999 BC to the present.

The subfield is minimum of 5-character and a maximum of 11-character in length. Repeatable. ([EX 1](#)) See also [EX 2,3,4](#).

Subfield \$a fixed-length data elements:

Name of Data Element	Number of Characters	Character Positions
Era Identifier	1	0
Year	4	1-4
Month	2	5-6
Day	2	7-8
Time	2	9-10

Notes on Field Contents

\$a/0 Era Identifier

Codes indicate an era of the period.

The subfield is 1-character in length. Mandatory.

Codes:

c	date falls before the year 1 in the Gregorian calendar, i.e. B.C.
d	date falls after the year 1 in the Gregorian calendar, i.e. A.D.

\$a/1-4 Year

4-numeric characters right justified; unused positions contain zeros. Mandatory.

\$a/5-6 Month

2-numeric characters right justified; unused positions contain zeros. Optional.

\$a/7-8 Day

2-numeric characters right justified; unused positions contain zeros. Optional.

\$a/9-10 Time

2-numeric characters right justified; unused positions contain zeros. Based on a 24-hour clock, local time, rounded to the nearest whole hour. Optional.

If one optional code is used, all the earlier optional codes must be used.

Related Fields

UNIMARC/Authorities Format	
122 CODED DATA FIELD: TIME PERIOD OF WORK CONTENT	This field contains a formatted indication of the period covered by the work.
UNIMARC/Bibliographic Format	
100 GENERAL PROCESSING DATA, Date of publication (character positions 8-16)	This field is used as well as or instead of field 122 where the date of issue is the same as the time period of the resource content.
661 TIME PERIOD CODE	This field contains the Time Period Code, indicating only the decades covered by the resource. It may be used as well as or instead of field 122.

Examples

EX 1
122 2#\$ad1971\$ad1979
122 0#\$ad1986
Codes for a map surveyed between 1971 and 1979 and then revised to add 1986 information.
EX 2
122 0#\$ad16051105
The code for Guy Fawkes' Gunpowder Plot, 5 November 1605
EX 3
122 0#\$ad1976080214
The situation date (2 August 1976, 14:08 hours) of a remote sensing image
EX 4
Full record example
001 990521053
100 ##\$a19990521b19981998y0scry0191 ba
101 0#\$ascr\$aeng
102 ##\$aHR
110 ##\$aaka###0xx0tx
122 2#\$ad1992\$ad1997

200 0#	\$aGodišnje izvješće ...\$fRepublika Hrvatska, Državni zavod za intelektualno vlasništvo\$dAnnual report ...\$fRepublic of Croatia, State Intellectual Property Office\$g<glavni i odgovorni urednik Nikola Kopčić>
207 #0	\$a1992/97(1998)
210 ##	\$aZagreb\$cDržavni zavod za intelektualno vlasništvo Republike Hrvatske\$d1998
215 ##	\$d30 cm
300 ##	\$aTekst usporedo na hrv. i engl. jeziku
326 ##	\$aGodišnje
510 1#	\$aAnnual report / Republic of Croatia State Intellectual Property Office\$eng
532 13	\$aGodišnje izvješće (Državni zavod za intelektualno vlasništvo Republike Hrvatske)
712 02	\$3990426016\$aDržavni zavod za intelektualno vlasništvo Republike Hrvatske\$cZagreb
801 #0	\$aHR\$bNSK\$gHR PPIAK
The Annual Report published in 1998 for the years 1992 to 1997. The Publication Date 1 and Publication Date 2 in 100\$a/8-16 are 1998 because only one issue was published. The coverage dates are recorded in 122 field.	

History

2005	Field issued/re-issued with corrections/additions.
2012	Align with FRBR.
2023	Text edit.