

## 610 UNCONTROLLED SUBJECT TERMS

### Field Definition and Scope

This field is used to record subject terms that are not derived from controlled subject **access point** lists.

### Subfields & Occurrence

Field/Subfield	Field/Subfield Name	Repeatability	Occurrence
610	UNCONTROLLED SUBJECT TERMS	R	O
a	Subject Term	R	O

### Indicators

Indicator	Value	Description
1		Level of the Subject Term
	0	No level specified
	1	Primary term
	2	Secondary term
2	#	blank (not defined)

### Indicators Description

#### Indicator 1: Level of the Subject Term

The first indicator is used to distinguish primary and secondary descriptors. A term is considered primary (value “1”) if it covers the main focus or subject of the material. A term covering a less important aspect is considered secondary (value “2”). Value “0” is used when no decision has been made as to whether the term is primary or secondary.

### Subfields Description

#### \$a Subject Term

Repeatable when more than one term is assigned for the resource.

### Notes on Field Contents

Terms belonging to structured subject system should be coded in other fields 6XX with the appropriate \$2 Source.

### Related Fields

6XX subject **access point** fields

### Examples

EX 1
610 1#\$afuel cells\$amolten carbonate\$apower
EX 2
610 1#\$amicrographics\$aCOM\$adata capture\$acomputer-assisted retrieval
EX 3
610 2#\$aKing, Donald W.\$aWilliams, James G.\$aNetworks, Topology\$aPublic corporation
EX 4
610 1#\$aCorporation for Open Systems\$aOSI

**History**

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