Dates (RDA 2.7.6, 2.8.6, 2.9.6, 2.10.6, 2.11)

CORE ELEMENT

Publication date: “A date associated with the publication, release, or issuing of a resource” – RDA 2.8.6.1.

Copyright date: “A date associated with a claim of protection under copyright or a similar regime. Copyright dates include phonogram dates, that is, dates associated with claims of protection for audio recordings” – RDA 2.11.1.1

Production date: “A date associated with the inscription, fabrication, construction, etc., of a resource in an unpublished form” – RDA 2.7.6.1.

Distribution date: “A date associated with the distribution of a resource in a published form” – RDA 2.9.6.1.

Manufacture date: “A date associated with the printing, duplicating, casting, etc., of a resource in a published form” – RDA 2.10.6.1.

Code all dates in MARC field 264, ᵂᶜ
Code OCLC fixed fields DtSt (MARC 008/06) using appropriate codes and Dates (MARC 008/07-14)

Publication and Copyright Dates (RDA 2.8.6)

On resource:

A book of travelers' tales
This Picador edition published in 1986 by Pan Books Ltd in Cavaye Place, London.

Code as:

OCLC Fixed Field DtSt: s Dates: 1986

Publication Date inferred from a copyright date: (RDA 2.8.6.6, LC-PCC PS)

If an item has a copyright date but lacks a publication date, “[s]upply a date of publication that corresponds to the copyright date, in square brackets” – RDA 2.8.6.6, LC-PCC PS.

PINES local practice: if a publication date is inferred from a copyright date, place the date in brackets for 264 _1 and record the copyright date in 264 _4:

264 _1 New York : ᵂᵇ New Directions, ᵂᶜ [2013]
264 _4 ᵂᶜ ©2013
Notice that the 264 _4 copyright date field does not end with a period

OCLC Fixed Field DtSt: s Dates: 2013

**Publication Date that Differs from Copyright Date** (RDA 2.8.6.6)

**On resource:**

THE GLASS MENAGERIE

by Tennessee Williams

New York

New Directions

2011

©1989

**Code as:**

264 _1 New York : ‡b New Directions, ‡c 2011.
264 _4 ‡c ©1989


**Publication Date Not Identified in a Single-Part Manifestation**  
(RDA 2.8.6.6, LC-PCC PS 2.)

If the copyright date is the year following the year in which the publication is received, supply a date of publication that corresponds to the copyright date.

**Example:**

Date of publication not given.
Title page verso ©2009
Item received in 2008
Code as:

264 _1 New York : ¶b Lifetime Library, ¶c [2009]
264 _4 ¶c ©2009
OCLC Fixed Field DtSt: t Dates: 2009, 2009

What is printed on the manifestation is more important than information from another source.

Publication Dates: Date of Related Manifestations (RDA 27.1)

Title page on Resource:

The COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO

Alexandre Dumas

Bantam books

Toronto New York

Verso of Title Page:

First Bantam edition
1990
Published by Bantam Books
Originally published by MJ Ivers in US, 1892.

Code as:

245 _4 The Count of Monte Cristo / ¶c Alexandre Dumas.
240 10 Comte de Monte-Cristo. ¶l English
250 First Bantam edition.
264 _1 Toronto ; ¶a New York : ¶b Bantam Books, ¶c 1990.
500 Originally published by MJ Ivers in US, 1892.

OCLC Fixed Field DtSt r Dates: 1990, 1892.

Multipart Monographs (RDA 2.7.6.5)
“If the first issue, part, or iteration of a multipart monograph ... is available, record a date of production of that issue, part, or iteration, followed by a hyphen.”

**Example:**

264 _1 Toronto ; ‡a New York : ‡b Bantam Books, ‡c 1990-
300 volume

**OCLC Fixed Field coding for open dates:** Record the date of the first part/volume and leave the date open using 9999.

DtSt: m Dates: 1990,9999

After the last volume arrives, close the date with the date on the last copy.

264 _1 Toronto ; ‡a New York : ‡b Bantam Books, ‡c 1990-1998.
300 6 volume

**Supplied Dates (RDA 1.9.2)**

If a date does not appear or is unclear on the source of information, supply an approximate date of publication. Indicate the source if taken from somewhere other than the resource.

Actual known record as: [2003]
Either one of two consecutive years record as: [1971 or 1972]
Probable year record as: [2000?]
Probable range of years record as: [between 1970 and 1979?]
Earliest possible date know record as: [not before August, 2011]
Latest possible date known record as: [not after 1865]

**Examples of coding:**

264 _1 New York : ‡b Lifetime Library, ‡c [1960?]
DtSt: s Dates: 1960

264 _1 New York : ‡b Lifetime Library, ‡c [between 1970 and 1979]
DtSt: s Dates: 197u

264 _1 New York : ‡b Lifetime Library, ‡c [between 1800-1899]
DtSt: s Dates: 18uu

**Example wording on resource:**

“O.P. Mims, written on a dark, dreary, snowy day–December 2, 1974”.

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Code as:

264 _0 ǂc [not before December 1974]
DtSt: s Dates: 1974

Fictitious or incorrect dates (RDA 2.8.6.3)

“If the date as it appears in the resource is known to be fictitious or incorrect, make a note giving the actual date” – RDA 2.8.6.3.

Examples:

500 Actually published in Brussels by Morens in 1883.

Date of Publication Not Identified (RDA 2.8.6.6)

Follow LC-PCC PS guidelines and try to supply a probable date. If a date can be supplied, indicate if from a different source. If no date can be supplied, then record as: [date of publication not identified].

264 _1 Atlanta, Ga. : ǂb [publisher not identified], ǂc [date of publication not identified]

Manufacture Date (RDA 2.10.6)

Date of manufacture (printing) in place of publication

“If an item lacking a publication date contains a copyright date and a date of manufacture and the year is the same for both, supply a date of publication that corresponds to that date, in square brackets, if it seems reasonable to assume that date is a likely publication date” – RDA 2.8.6.6 LC-PCC PS)

On Resource:

... Or you Can Let Him Go

Kathryn Seidick

Bantam

Toronto New York
First Bantam printing: April 1987

**Code as:**

264 1 Toronto [Ont.]: ‡a New York: ‡b Bantam, ‡c [1987]

DtSt: s Dates: 1987

**Date of publication not given**

**Example:**

t.p. verso ©1980, 1980 printing

If it is determined the printing company on a resource also publishes, you may treat it as a publisher.

**Examples:**

264 _ 1: ‡b XX Printing, LLC, ‡c [2013]

or;

264 _ 1: ‡b [publisher not identified], ‡c [2013]

264 _ 3: ‡b Dire Printing Sh. Co.

or;

264 _ 3: ‡b Dire Printing Sh. Co., ‡c September 2013. <wrap>

For all above examples: DtSt: s Dates: 2013

**Manufacture date with Publication Date: (RDA 2.17.13)**

**On Resource:**

MOCCASIN TRAIL

Eloise Jarvis McGraw

New York

Junior Literary Guild

Coward-McCann

1952
28th printing 1987

**Code as:**
264 _1 New York : ¶b Junior Literary Guild : ¶b Coward-McCann, ¶c 1952.
500 Description based on 28th printing, 1987.
DtSt: s Dates: 1952

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