

BACKGROUND: In 1985 the topical heading *Miniature books* replaced the obsolete heading *Bibliography–Microscopic and miniature editions*; the form heading *Miniature books–Specimens*, assigned to actual specimens of such books, replaced *Bibliography–Miniature and microscopic editions–Specimens*. This instruction sheet presents guidelines on the use of the topical subject heading *Miniature books* and the form heading *Miniature books–Specimens*.

1. Scope of the headings. The topical heading **Miniature books** (*May Subd Geog*) is used for works that discuss books 10 centimeters (i.e. 100 millimeters) or less in both height and width.

The form heading **Miniature books–Specimens** is used for actual specimens of such books. This form heading is assigned without geographic subdivision.

2. Assignment of the form heading. In addition to the appropriate topical or form headings, assign to a miniature book the form heading **Miniature books–Specimens**.

3. Examples.

Title: Russian miniature books : a history. (29 cm.)
650 #0 \$a Miniature books \$z Russia \$x History.

Title: American miniature books : a bibliography. (48 mm.)
650 #0 \$a Miniature books \$z United States \$v Bibliography.
650 #0 \$a Miniature books \$v Specimens.

Title: Romanian painting 1921-1971. (50 mm.)
650 #0 \$a Painting, Romanian \$y 20th century.
650 #0 \$a Miniature books \$v Specimens.

Title: The selected poems of Longfellow. (10 cm.)
650 #0 \$a Miniature books \$v Specimens.

Title: A bibliography of miniature book bibliographies. (10 cm.)
650 #0 \$a Miniature books \$v Bibliography of bibliographies.
650 #0 \$a Miniature books \$v Specimens.