Variable Control Fields

Fields 001, 003, 005

001 Control number (NR)

Description/Instructions

Field 001 contains the control number assigned by the organization creating, using, or distributing the record. In OCLC records, field 001 is system-generated for each record on that system. It appears in the top left corner of the OCLC display; the tag "001" does not appear.

When a workform is retrieved, the word "NEW" is displayed at the beginning of the fixed field area following the designation "OCLC:". When the record is added to the data base, the control number appears in the same area. Once a control number has been automatically assigned, it cannot be changed at the terminal.

LC tape processing and distribution

When processing the weekly CONSER tapes from OCLC, LC's programs copy the contents of 010 subfield \$a (Library of Congress Control Number) to the 001 and move the OCLC control number found in field 001 to field 035.

In records distributed by the Library of Congress, the LC control number is carried in both the 001 and 010 (subfield \$a) fields. In addition, the symbol "DLC" appears in field 003 (Control Number Identifier). For further information see field 010. For information on the Canadian control number, see field 016.

Related fields, etc.

003, 010, 016, 019, 035

003 Control number identifier (NR)

Description/Instructions

Field 003 contains the MARC 21 code for the agency whose system control number is present in field 001 (Control Number). The source of this code is *MARC Code List for Organizations*, which is maintained by the Library of Congress.

Field 003 does not appear in online records on OCLC.

Usage/Distribution

Field 003 is system-generated by OCLC and carried in records distributed on tape to the Library of Congress as: 003 ## OCoLC. When LC processes the tape of CONSER records for distribution, the OCLC control number is moved into field 035, the LC control number in field 010 is added to field 001, and field 003 is changed to: 003 ## DLC.

Related fields, etc.

001

005 Date and time of latest transaction (NR)

Description/Instructions

Field 005 consists of sixteen characters indicating the date and time of the latest record transaction. This element is system-generated and does not display on OCLC.

The date is composed according to the *Representation for Calendar Date and Ordinal Date for Information Interchange* (ANSI X3.30). The time is recorded according to the *Representations of Local Time of the Day for Information Interchange* (ANSI X3.43).

The date portion of the field requires eight numeric characters (four for the year, two for the month, and two for the day). The time portion also requires eight numeric characters (two for the hour, two for the minute, two for the second, and two for a decimal fraction of the second, including the decimal point).

```
005 ## 19940223151047.0
```

The date is February 23, 1994 and the time is 3:10 P.M. (3 hours, 10 minutes, 47 seconds).

Usage/Distribution

The field is generated by OCLC, returned on tape to LC, and distributed by LC as received.