

Subfield \$q in Field 020 for Bibliographic Records

Note: Subfield \$q in the 020 field has been valid in the LC ILS for some time, but an announcement with instructions to LC staff was delayed until the launch of PrePub Book Link. Apply these instructions to current cataloging work. Do not apply to completed records with 906 \$b value “cbc.”

LC practice:

Subfield \$q should be actively supplied by LC staff in the 020 field when adding qualifying information to an ISBN number in field 020. Follow these instructions when using \$q in the 020 field:

- Add qualifying information in a single set of parentheses
- Separate multiple pieces of qualifying information by a space, semicolon, space
- The first use of subfield \$q should be outside the opening parenthesis
- A second use of subfield \$q should appear inside the parentheses and follow the semicolon.

Examples:

020 ## \$a 9780764212000 \$q (cloth ; \$q alk. paper)

020 ## \$a 9780544977228 \$q (paper over board ; \$q alk. paper)

020 ## \$z 9780544974265 \$q (ebook)

020 ## \$a 9780415645256 \$q (set ; \$q alk. paper)

020 ## \$a 9780415747233 \$q (v. 1 ; \$q alk. paper)

020 ## \$a 9780415747240 \$q (v. 2 ; \$q alk. paper)

(ISBNs recorded in a collected set record for a non-analyzable multipart monograph)