606 SUBJECT ACCESS POINT – TOPICAL NAME

Field Definition and Scope

Common noun or noun phrase used as a subject access point.

This field contains data entered according to the provisions of the system of subject access points used.

Subfields & Occurrence

Field/Subfield	Field/Subfield Name	Repeatability	Occurrence
606	SUBJECT ACCESS POINT – TOPICAL NAME	R	O
a	Entry Element	NR	MA
j	Form Subdivision	R	O
x	Topical Subdivision	R	O
y	Geographical Subdivision	R	O
z	Chronological Subdivision	R	O
2	System Code	NR	O
3	Authority Record Identifier or Standard Number	R	O
R	Real World Object	O	R

Indicators

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

Indicators Description

Indicator 1: Level of the Subject Item

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 Entry Element

The term in the form prescribed by the system of subject access points used. Not repeatable.

$j Form Subdivision

A term added to the subject access point to further specify the kind(s) or genre(s) of material. Agencies not using this subdivision should use $x instead. Repeatable.

$x Topical Subdivision

A term added to the topical access point to specify the aspect that the subject access point represents. Repeatable.

$y Geographical Subdivision

A term added to the topical access point to specify a place in relation to the topic that the subject access point represents. Repeatable.

$z Chronological Subdivision

A term added to the topical access point to specify the period of time in relation to the topic that the subject access point represents. Repeatable.

$2 Source

Identification in coded form of the system from which the subject access point is derived.

It is recommended that subfield $2 always be present in each occurrence of the field. For a list of system codes, see UNIMARC/Bibliographic format, Appendix A. Not repeatable.

See also specification of [Control Subfield 2](#).

$3 Authority Record Identifier or Standard Number

The control number for the authority record for the topical subject for which an access point is established in the record for a work. Repeatable when it is necessary for more than one authority record number to indicate each part of an access point where the indexing system uses a pre-coordinate syntax.

See also specification of [Control Subfield 3](#).

$R Real World Object URI

See specification of [Control Subfield 3](#). Repeatable.

Related Fields

607 SUBJECT ACCESS POINT – GEOGRAPHICAL NAME	Field 607 is used instead of 606 when the subject access point is a geographical name.

Examples

EX 1
241 ##$1200#1$aШаманов$bН. П.$4070$gНиколай Павлович$1231##$aЦивилизация, энергетика, климат в XXI веке
606 0#$3RU\NLR\AUTH\66175552$aКлимат$xВлияние антропических факторов$2nlr_sh
606 0#$3RU\NLR\AUTH\66623030$aКлимат$xВлияние Мирового океана$2nlr_sh
Topical subject access points (Climate – Human impact and Climate – Impact of the World Ocean) assigned to the work Шаманов, Н. П. Цивилизация, энергетика, климат в XXI веке (Civilization, energetics, climate in XX cent., by N.Shamanov).
EX 2
241 ##$1001RU\NLR\AUTH\7723650$1200#1$aШолохов$bМ. А.$cписатель$f1905-1984$gМихаил Александрович$1231##$aТихий Дон$cроман
606 1#$3RU\NLR\AUTH\661431401$aДонское казачество$xИстория$z20 в.$2nlr_sh
606 1#$3RU\NLR\AUTH\6659821$aПервая мировая война$z1914 - 1918$yРоссия$2nlr_sh
Topical subject access points (Don Cossacks – History – 20 cent. and World War I – 1914 – 1918 – Russia) assigned to the work Шолохов, М.А. Тихий Дон (And Quiet Flows the Don, by M.Sholokhov).

History

2012	New field.
2024	Text edit. New subfield $R.