

New 34X fields make resources more functional for emerging technologies

Now as a part of RDA processing performed during authorities processing, we have the ability to create fields that can assist with formulating format facets, and prepare for linked data. These new 34X fields provide consistency in describing the characteristics of various formats. They are:

340 *Physical Medium*

344 *Sound Characteristics*

345 *Projection Characteristics of Moving Image*

346 *Video Characteristics*

347 *Digital File Characteristics*

348 *Format of Notated Music*

The conversion is only as good as the data elements that typically are already present in the MARC record in various fields and subfields. Our processing looks at the LDR, 007, 008, 300, 533, and 538 fields to accurately create the new 34X fields.

Libraries looking to do authorities processing and RDA conversion on their legacy cataloging records can have this new processing included. Existing customers can request that we add this option to any new bibliographic records sent for processing. And even better yet—[Comprehensive Notification](#) customers can have this option applied with their next processing run—essentially having the entire backfile performed to include new RDA tags. There is no additional charge for this option.

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Interested in learning more? Send us a sample and we can show you all the good we can do to make your records more useable. Contact us at info@marcive.com.

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