

NEW FORMAT FOR CLASSIFICATION WEEKLY LISTS

Users of Library of Congress Classification Weekly Lists will notice a change in the appearance of the weekly lists beginning with List 49 (December 6, 2006), due to the implementation of a new automated system for producing the lists.

The most noticeable change will be the absence of italicized "anchor" numbers and lines, which formerly served to indicate the location of new numbers and captions. New captions will now be accompanied by their full hierarchy, which will show the location of the caption in context. Below is an example of the "old" format and the "new" format for displaying the same caption.

Old format:

<i>N7593.3</i>	<i>20th century</i>
<i>N7593.4</i>	<i>21st century</i>

New format:

<i>N7593.4</i>	Special subjects of art Portraits Medieval and modern By country America United States General works 21st century
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In the new format, certain "summary" number spans and artificially created numbers for "see" references will be displayed on the weekly list in square brackets. These bracketed numbers are suppressed in *Classification Web* browse screens and in the printed editions of the classification schedules. They are shown on the new weekly lists only to indicate the location of the corresponding caption or reference within the classification.

For new developments that consist of multiple consecutive lines, the full hierarchy will be shown only above the first line. The hierarchy will be suppressed for subsequent lines, and a blank line will be shown instead.

Old format:

<i>PB1397.B34</i>	Baile in scáil
<i>PB1397.B342</i>	Text
<i>PB1397.B37</i>	Criticism
	<i>Bás . . .</i>
	<i>Text</i>

New format:

[PB1397.B34-.B342]	Modern languages. Celtic languages Irish Literature Individual authors and works Cycles and anonymous works to 1800, A-Z Baile in scail
<i>PB1397.B34</i>	Text
<i>PB1397.B342</i>	Criticism

Changes to an existing line, which in the old format are indicated by an asterisk following the line, will in the new format be shown as the cancellation of the existing line and the addition of a new line.

Old format:

<i>E99.C842</i>	<i>Cocopa</i> Coeur d'Alene see E99.S63
E99.S63	... Skitswish. Coeur d'Alene*

New format:

	America Indians of North America Tribes and cultures, A-Z Coeur d'Alene see E99.S63
[E99.C8422]	
E99.S63	Skitswish CANCEL
E99.S63	Skitswish. Coeur d'Alene

Users should also note there will also be a slight change in the sort order of newly approved numbers. All new numbers that are in TABLES will now appear at the end of the list, following the approved SCHEDULE numbers. (In the old format, new numbers in tables immediately followed new numbers in the corresponding schedule.)