Library of Congress decisions on application of *Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (Books)*

LC's Rare Book Team, Special Materials Cataloging Division, has made decisions about the application of *Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (Books)* (DCRM(B)).

<u>Preliminary decisions:</u>

When to apply DCRM(B): Apply DCRM(B) to all pre-1801s and selectively for later publications per cataloger's judgment or based on a collection-wide (processing plan) decision.

Catalog at edition or copy level: Generally follow DCRM(B) by cataloging at the edition level with exceptions per cataloger's judgment or based on a collection-wide (processing plan) decision.

<u>Options at specific rules:</u>
(identified by "alternative rule", "optional", "optionally", "optional note", "optional local note", "if considered important")

Rule	Decision
0F2.2	Usually exercise option and follow LCRI 1.7B2 for giving a note.
0G3.1	Rarely exercise option. Also remove original punctuation from any copy cataloging used.
0G3.5	Cataloger's judgment.
0G3.7	Cataloger's judgment.
0G4.1	Rarely exercise option.
0G5.2	Cataloger's judgment.
0G5.3	Cataloger's judgment.
0G6.2	Cataloger's judgment.
0G6.4	Usually exercise option.
0G8.2	Cataloger's judgment.
0G7.2	Cataloger's judgment.
0G7.3	Cataloger's judgment.
1C1	Cataloger's judgment.
1D1	Cataloger's judgment.
1D2.3	Cataloger's judgment.
1D4	Cataloger's judgment.
1E5	Cataloger's judgment.
1E14.3	Cataloger's judgment.
1E9	Cataloger's judgment.
1G4	Cataloger's judgment.
2B3.2	**Optional (local) note:** Cataloger's judgment. **Alternative rule:** Usually exercise

	option. LC will generally catalog at the edition level, but when the decision has been made for an exception, we will exercise this option.
2B4.2	**Optional (local) note:** Cataloger's judgment. **Alternative rule:** Usually exercise option. LC will generally catalog at the edition level, but when the decision has been made for an exception, we will exercise this option.
2B5.2	Cataloger's judgment.
2B9.2	Usually exercise option.
2D2	**Optional (local) note:** Cataloger's judgment. **Alternative rule:** Usually exercise option. LC will generally catalog at the edition level, but when the decision has been made for an exception, we will exercise this option.
4B6.2	Cataloger's judgment.
4B13.2	Cataloger's judgment.
4C2	Cataloger's judgment.
4C6.2	Cataloger's judgment.
4C11.2	Cataloger's judgment.
4D2.2	Cataloger's judgment.
4D2.6	Cataloger's judgment.
4D6.4	Cataloger's judgment.
4D7.2	Cataloger's judgment.
4G	**Optional (local) note:** Cataloger's judgment. **Alternative rule:** Usually exercise option. LC will generally catalog at the edition level, but when the decision has been made for an exception, we will exercise this option.
5B5.3	Cataloger's judgment on both local note and option.
5B6.6	Cataloger's judgment.
5B7.1	Cataloger's judgment.
5B7.2	Cataloger's judgment.
5B8.2	Cataloger's judgment.
5B9.3	Cataloger's judgment.
5B14.2	Cataloger's judgment.
5B15.3	Cataloger's judgment.
5B17.2	Cataloger's judgment.
5B18	Cataloger's judgment on option and where recorded.
5B19	Usually exercise option.
5C1.2	Rarely exercise option.
5C1.3	Cataloger's judgment.
5C1.4	Cataloger's judgment.
5C1.5	Cataloger's judgment.
5C2.1	Usually exercise option.
5C3.2	Cataloger's judgment.
5C3.3	Cataloger's judgment.
5C5	Usually exercise option.
5D1.3	Rarely exercise option.
5E1.2	Usually exercise option.

6A2.3	Cataloger's judgment.
6A2.5	Cataloger's judgment.
6C2	Cataloger's judgment.
6D2	Cataloger's judgment.
6E2.3	Cataloger's judgment.
6G2	Cataloger's judgment.
6G3	Cataloger's judgment.
6H3	Cataloger's judgment.
7B4.2	Cataloger's judgment.
7B7.5	Cataloger's judgment.
7B9.1	Cataloger's judgment. Strongly recommend for single-volume, pre-1801 publications.
7B9.12	Rarely exercise option.
7B10.1	Cataloger's judgment.
7B10.2	Cataloger's judgment.
7B10.3	Cataloger's judgment.
7B10.4	Cataloger's judgment.
7B10.5	Cataloger's judgment
7B12	Cataloger's judgment
7B14.2	Cataloger's judgment
7B15	Cataloger's judgment
7B16.1	Cataloger's judgment
7B18.3	Usually exercise option.
7B19.1.4	Usually exercise option. Certainly for 5xx $5 DLC; 051 is LC copy by definition; follow DCM B17.
7B19.2	Cataloger's judgment.
7B19.3.1	Cataloger's judgment.
7B19.3.2	Usually exercise option.
7B19.3.3	Cataloger's judgment
7B19.3.4	Usually exercise option.
7B19.3.6	Cataloger's judgment.
8B2	Cataloger's judgment
8B3	Cataloger's judgment.
8C	Rarely exercise option.
8D	Cataloger's judgment.
App. B, B4, 1XX field	Cataloger's judgment.
App. B, B4, 300 field, Extent	Cataloger's judgment
App. B, B4, 300 field, Dimensions	Cataloger's judgment.
App. C, C3, 5xx fields	Cataloger's judgment
App. D,	Rarely exercise option; rarely make optional notes.

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App. F, 0G3.7	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 0G7.1	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 0G8.2	Usually exercise option. Exercise option for first statement but not for second since redundant in Voyager.
App. F, 0G10	Cataloger's judgment. Always if first six words will not file the same in Voyager.
App. F, 1B1.1	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 1B3.2	Usually exercise option.
App. F, 1B6	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 1C	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 1E14	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 1F1-1F2	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 1G1-1G8	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 6B1	Usually exercise option. Latter clause would not presently apply to LC. Follow main rule as written. Provide no series uniform title access.
App. F, 7B4-7B5	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 7B11	Cataloger's judgment.
App. F, 7B19	Cataloger's judgment.
App. G, G5.2	Cataloger's judgment
App. H, H6	Cataloger's judgment. Exercise the option when possible.