Find the field definition and scope, indicators, subfield codes, and guidelines for applying content designations for field 017.

**Indicators and subfield codes**

First Indicator

Undefined

/content registrar

Second Indicator

Display constant controller

/content registrar

Subfield Codes

- ‡a Copyright or Legal Deposit Number (R)
- ‡b Assigning Agency (NR)
- ‡d Date (NR)
- ‡i Display text (NR)
- ‡z Canceled/invalid Copyright or Legal Deposit Number (R)
- ‡2 Source (NR)
- ‡8 Field link and sequence number (R)

**Field definition and scope**

Field 017 contains a copyright registration or legal deposit number for an item that was acquired by copyright or legal deposit.

The assigning agency is always given with the copyright or legal deposit number.
Field 017 is repeated when more than one agency has assigned a copyright or legal deposit number.

Guidelines for applying content designations

Indicators

First Indicator - Undefined
The first indicator position is undefined and contains a blank (\blank{}).

\blank{} - Undefined

Second Indicator - Display constant controller
Controls the generation of a display constant preceding the note.

\blank{} - Copyright or legal deposit number
Used to generate the display constant Copyright or deposit number.

8 - No display constant generated

Subfields

‡a - Copyright or legal deposit number
Subfield ‡a contains a copyright registration number or the legal deposit number. In the United States, the U.S. copyright number is composed of one or more alphabetic characters indicating the class under which the registration is made (second and third letters may be added for statistical analysis), and a sequentially assigned number.

Multiple numbers assigned by the same agency are each recorded in a separate subfield ‡a, followed by a single subfield ‡b.

Multiple numbers assigned by different agencies are each recorded in a separate field 017.

017 EU781596 ‡b U.S. Copyright Office
017 VA65-843 ‡a VA65-845 ‡b U.S. Copyright Office

‡b - Assigning agency
Subfield ‡b contains the name of the agency assigning the number. Subfield ‡b must always be present whenever field 017 is used. For fields containing more than one subfield ‡a, subfield ‡b is recorded only once after the last subfield ‡a.

017 VA26037 ‡a VA26038 ‡a VA26039 ‡a VA26040 ‡a VA26041 ‡a VA26042 ‡b U.S. Copyright Office
§d - Date
Subfield §d contains the date on which the copyright registration number was assigned. Formatted according to ISO 8601 (yyyy-mm-dd).

017 PA111636 ‡b U.S. Copyright Office ‡d 19990828

§i - Display text
Subfield §i contains the text to be displayed when the display constant associated with second indicator value # is inadequate. When this subfield is present, the second indicator contains value 8 (No display constant generated). Subfield §i precedes subfield §a at the beginning of the field.

017 8 §i Suppl. reg.: §a PA001116455 ‡b U.S. Copyright Office ‡d 20020725 [Display: Suppl reg.: PA001116455]

§z - Canceled/invalid copyright or legal deposit number
Each canceled/invalid number is contained in a separate occurrence of subfield §z. If no valid number exists, subfield §z may be used alone in the record.

017 M44120-2006 ‡z M444120-2006 [Resource has both correct and invalid deposit numbers]

§2 - Source
Contains a MARC code that identifies the source of the copyright registration (or legal deposit) number in subfield §a. The source of the MARC code is Copyright and Legal Deposit Number Source Codes that is maintained by the Library of Congress.

017 99-263 ‡b BwMiBKP ‡2 [code for the registration list of the Belorussian Book Chamber]

§8 - Field link and sequence number
Subfield §8 contains data that identifies linked fields and may also propose a sequence for the linked fields. Subfield §8 may be repeated to link a field to more than one other group of fields.

The structure and syntax for the field link and sequence number subfield is: §8.

The linking number is the first data element in the subfield and required if the subfield is used. It is a variable-length whole number that occurs in subfield §8 in all fields that are to be linked. Fields with the same linking number are considered linked. A linking number of "0" (zero) is not used in this field.

The sequence number is separated from the linking number by a period "." and may be optional. It is a variable-length whole number that may be used to indicate the relative order for display of the linked fields (lower sequence numbers displaying before higher ones).

Subfield §8 is always the first subfield in the field when it is used.