

**To:** Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA  
**From:** Judith A. Kuhagen, JSC Secretary  
**Subject:** Revision of RDA 3.19.7.3, Recording transmission speed

The text below reflects the decisions made by the Joint Steering Committee during its November 2012 meeting and in subsequent email discussion. This text will be merged with the reworded chapters before they appear in the 2013 RDA Update of the RDA Toolkit.

**3.16.4.1 Scope**

[1<sup>st</sup> paragraph: no change]

For instructions on recording the encoded bitrate of an online sound file (e.g., streaming audio), see 3.19.7.3.

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**3.19.1.1 Scope**

[1<sup>st</sup> paragraph: no change]

Digital file characteristics include file type, encoding format, file size, resolution, regional encoding, encoded bitrate, data type, object type, number of objects, density, sectoring, etc.

[remainder of instruction: no change]

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**3.19.1.3 Recording Digital File Characteristics**

[1<sup>st</sup> paragraph: no change except for line f) below]

f) encoded bitrate (see 3.19.7)

[remainder of instruction: no change]

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**3.19.7 Encoded Bitrate**

**3.19.7.1 Scope**

**Encoded bitrate**▼ is the speed at which streaming audio, video, etc., is designed to play.

**3.19.7.2 Sources of Information**

Use evidence presented by the resource itself, including embedded metadata, or on any accompanying material or container as the basis for recording the encoded bitrate. If desired, take additional evidence from any source.

**3.19.7.3 Recording Encoded Bitrate**

Record the encoded bitrate of the file, if it can be readily ascertained and is considered important for identification or selection (e.g., for streaming audio or video).

EXAMPLE

32 kbps

7.17 Mbps

12.52 Mbit/s

**Encoded bitrate recorded using the metric symbol**

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**D.2.1**

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**Glossary:**

**Encoded Bitrate**                      The speed at which streaming audio, video, etc., is designed to play.

~~**Transmission Speed**                      The speed at which streaming audio or video is designed to play.~~