

**TO:** Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR  
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**SUBJECT: RDA Part A Chapters 6-7**

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## General Comments

1. We feel the order of Chapters 6 & 7 should be reversed. We think that related resources would follow more logically after entities described in chapter 7. The instructions in chapter 7 are required both to provide access to the resource in hand and to construct the citations required by chapter 6.
2. **6.1.5.0 Embedded description:** we think this concept needs to be explained more explicitly. It is not clear how one embeds a description or why one would wish to. How would an embedded description differ from a citation in the record?
3. "Resource" is used generically to denote the entities between which relationships may exist. However some relationships can only apply to specific types of resources. For example: **6.4.2.1.1** (reproduction) and **6.5** (formats) can only relate to manifestations.
4. Should there be guidance concerning relationships to specific Items?

## Specific Comments

### *Chapter 6*

**6.1.3.0.1** Insert "standard" before "word or phrase"

**6.1.4.1.1** Ambiguous: "...construct the access point using that access point followed by the title of the work"

Prefer "...construct the name access point using that name"

This is consistent with the pattern followed in 6.1.4.1.2.

**6.2.1.1.1** "Component" & "Unit" require definition.

**6.2-6.10** The text of the headings should include exemplify what is meant by the specific type of relationship: "Primary/adjunct relationships" is not going to be meaningful to many users.

**6.4./6.8/ 6.10** There is scope for confusion between these relationships. The definition of reproduction could be interpreted as including previous editions, which is actually defined in 6.10 (Predecessor/Successor). Instruction 6.8 is described as Edition/Edition Relationships but is concerned only with simultaneously issued editions.

**6.10.1.1.2 / 6.10.2.1.2** propose cross reference to **7.2.4.3** for works with different responsibility

### ***Chapter 7***

**7.2.4.2.1** The rule should make it explicit that adaptations of this kind constitute new works.

**7.12** Amend heading to read, "Addition instructions for academic disputations"