

# WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW about 3R

The **RDA Toolkit Restructure and Redesign Project**, also known as the **3R Project**, began in late 2016 with a goal of transforming both the RDA standard and the RDA Toolkit to better align with changing cataloging requirements and practices. [Learn more at rdatoolkit.org/3R](https://rdatoolkit.org/3R).

- **You can look at it**—the 3R Project reached a major milestone with the release of the beta site ([beta.rdatoolkit.org](https://beta.rdatoolkit.org)). The site contents are an early draft of a revised RDA text.
- **But don't catalog with it . . . yet**—the RDA standard as it appears on the beta site is in development and is not yet sanctioned for use in cataloging. It is a work in progress that Toolkit users should explore and evaluate.
- **We are still working on it**—New features and functions of the beta site will not be completed until early 2019. We expect the English language content will stabilize around the same time. Translations and policy statements will follow.
- **You have plenty of time to get ready**—When the 3R Project is complete, an announcement will establish the date for the switch from the original Toolkit site to the new Toolkit. The original site will remain accessible for one year after the switch.

Sign up for your free 30-day trial today at [access.rdatoolkit.org/freetrial](https://access.rdatoolkit.org/freetrial). The trial includes access to the beta site [beta.rdatoolkit.org](https://beta.rdatoolkit.org). Learn more about RDA at [rda-rsc.org](https://rda-rsc.org). Questions? Contact us at [rdatoolkit@ala.org](mailto:rdatoolkit@ala.org).

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# WHAT TO DO with the Beta Site

## STUDY

- Explore the beta site and test the new tools.
- Examine the new structure and organization of the standard.
- Get familiar with the IFLA Library Reference Model.
- Watch the training videos at the RDA Toolkit YouTube channel.

## PREPARE

- Review your current practice and documentation.
- Review relevant policy statements when they become available.
- Use the Toolkit features for bookmarks, notes, and documents to convert and revise local policies (because your old toolkit documents won't work on the new site).

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