

To: Renate Behrens, RSC Chair  
From: Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary  
Subject: Soft-deprecated elements related to Manifestation: material

[RSC/TechnicalWG/2026/1](#) was published on 23 February for discussion at the April 2026 Meeting of the RSC. Responses were received from 2-24 April.

In the Public Session of the RSC Meeting, following discussion, the recommendations of the proposal were approved unanimously, with one amendment from NARDAC: “deleting the Prerecording option, “Do not use this element; use Manifestation: material instead to record a value<sup>1</sup>.”

### Recommendation 1:

**Remove the following elements from the alignment of soft-deprecated elements in the RDA Registry, and remove the prerecording instructions in the Toolkit recommending the cataloger to use manifestation: material:**

- [applied material](#)
- [base material](#)
- [emulsion on microfilm and microfiche](#)
- [mount](#)

### Recommendation 1.1: [Manifestation: applied material](#)

Remove the element from the alignment of soft-deprecated elements in the RDA Registry. Remove the following statement from [this Prerecording option](#):

*Marked-up copy only:*

The following option is recommended.

#### **OPTION**

Do not use this element; use Manifestation: material instead to record a value.

### Recommendation 1.2: [Manifestation: base material](#)

Remove the element from the alignment of soft-deprecated elements in the RDA Registry. Remove the following statement from [this Prerecording option](#):

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<sup>1</sup> RSC/TechnicalWG/2026/1/NARDAC, <https://hdl.handle.net/11213/24198>

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The following option is recommended.

**OPTION**

~~Do not use this element; use Manifestation: **material** instead to record a value.~~

**Recommendation 1.3: [Manifestation: emulsion on microfilm and microfiche](#)**

Remove the element from the alignment of soft-deprecated elements in the RDA Registry.

Remove the following statement from [this Prerecording option](#):

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The following option is recommended.

**OPTION**

~~Do not use this element; use Manifestation: **material** instead to record a value.~~

**Recommendation 1.4: [Manifestation: mount](#)**

Remove the element from the alignment of soft-deprecated elements in the RDA Registry.

Remove the following statement from [this Prerecording option](#):

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The following option is recommended.

**OPTION**

~~Do not use this element; use Manifestation: **material** instead to record a value.~~