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ALA/ALCTS/CaMMS Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access

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Re: RDA rules revision proposal for Sacred Scriptures, particularly with respect to the Bible, its parts, and apocryphal books

Introduction

Shortly after the release of RDA it became apparent that there were some difficulties with the rules for both the Apocrypha and for Apocryphal books. In the case of the former, the full application of 5JSC/LC/8 was not applied, that is, removing Apocrypha as an intervening element between Bible and the title of individual books (as was done for O.T. and N.T.). For the latter, the last sentence, concerning compilations of apocryphal books, directs catalogers to the rules for parts of a single work, which is neither consistent with the treatment in AACR2 for works of this nature nor appropriate to them collectively as they do not constitute a single work.

The Task Force considered both these narrow, mechanical aspects and some wider issues. Specific proposals follow some discussion of the wider issues.

Background

In 2006, after considerable review of possible solutions, the Library of Congress presented 5JSC/LC/8 (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/docs/5lc8.pdf>) to incorporate changes into RDA from the prior rules in AACR2 addressing Bible Uniform Titles, in order to take “a more balanced, neutral, and culturally-sensitive approach to formulating certain headings” in accord with the more global perspective of RDA. The initial proposal advocated the removal of “O.T.”, “N.T.”, and “Apocrypha” as intermediate elements between “Bible” and the name of individual books of the Bible. The portion addressing removal of “Apocrypha” as an intermediate element in the formulation of Bible Uniform Titles for its constituent books and parts did not make it through the editorial process for RDA. It is not clear from the constituency responses and the relevant JSC minutes from April 2007 (<http://www.rda-jsc.org/0704out.html#lc8>) why this was so. Where there was considerable disagreement from the constituencies with some of the alternatives offered in 5JSC/LC/8, there is relative silence on the matter of the Apocrypha. Given the complexity of both the question of biblical canons and the editing/revision process for RDA, it is perhaps possible that the lapse is merely an oversight. Discussions on the RDA-L list indicated that this is a significant issue to be resolved sooner rather than later.

In the cataloging codes preceding AACR2, although the actual rules are not entirely clear, there was a practice to treat a collection of apocryphal books as a group with a collective uniform title of Bible. Apocryphal books. This practice though was

specifically excluded in AACR2, see LCCN n 81090802 (<http://lccn.loc.gov/n81090802>). In the corresponding RDA rule for Apocryphal Books at 6.23.2.6, the instruction for compilations refers catalogers to 6.2.2.9.2 for Two or More Parts (of a [Single] Work), rather than to the equivalent to AACR2 21.7 at RDA 6.27.1.4 for Compilations of Works by Different Persons, Families, or Corporate Bodies. Discussions on the RDA-L list indicated that this also is a significant issue to be resolved sooner rather than later.

Discussion of Particular Points Considered by the Task Force

The examination of the issue of the Apocrypha and Apocryphal Books raises the larger issue of material that is not uniformly considered canonical across all Christian groups, namely those materials that are not included in the Protestant or Roman Catholic biblical canon but are considered canonical for various churches of the East, for example, 3-4 Maccabees (generally for the Eastern Orthodox churches) or Enoch (only for the Ethiopian Orthodox Church). These are distinct from apocryphal books that have uniformly been rejected from the canon, historically considered heretical even, such as the Gnostic Gospel According to Thomas (aka Gospel of Thomas). This then begs the question of how far does one want to address canonicity within a descriptive cataloging code? Does the current restriction to the Protestant and Roman Catholic canon have wider implications for the adaptability and use of RDA in places where Eastern Orthodoxy is the prevalent Christian group? Going down this path however leads to several complicating questions: how does one concisely define the boundaries for which groups' canons are to be included and which are not?, to what authority will one turn for such definitions?, to what authority will one turn for naming conventions?, what are the implications of choosing such an authority for these books on the current choice of the Authorized Version as the authority for the rest of the Bible?, and who are the appropriate parties to include in such decisions? In light of these questions, the Task Force settled on the current restriction to Roman Catholic and Protestant canons as the most workable compromise. This compromise may need to be revisited in the future, particularly as the usage of RDA expands to linguistic and denominational constituencies outside the Anglo-American cataloging tradition. At that point the use of the Authorized Version as the authority for naming and including books under the work Bible can be reassessed. For the time being, the existing guidance on Apocryphal Books remains, with the minor revision to its internal rule reference addressed in the Task Force's proposal 1.

The Task Force also considered briefly the possibility of naming all individual books of the Bible directly by title, possibly with a modifier such as "(Jewish and Christian sacred work)" or "(Christian sacred work)" as appropriate. There is some precedence for this treatment in the heading structures of cataloging codes outside the Anglo-American tradition, cf treatments by the Dutch and Germans. However, this seemed to deviate too far from the treatment in RDA for individual components of the sacred works for other faith traditions as well as RDA's general guidance for naming parts of works. This too

may need to be revisited in the future as other cataloging traditions, with different philosophies and approaches to analytics, are incorporated into the RDA community.

The Task Force realized that the rules for the Testaments and for the Apocrypha would essentially be directional “stubs” and could be eliminated. After considering this possibility, the prominence of these divisions in historical cataloging practice and more importantly in both common perception and academic treatment argued for retention of these rules.

The Task Force considered three other details within the existing RDA rule 6.23.2.9 for Parts of the Bible. First, the rule for the Apocrypha, concerning as it is a “metagroup,” ought to follow immediately the rule for the Testaments. Second, it was observed that an additional grouping of books, “Wisdom Literature” was lacking from the lists under RDA 6.23.2.9.2. Despite a similar lack in AACR2, subject specialists on the Task Force indicated there is adequate scholarship addressing this group and thereby warranting explicit inclusion in the rule. Lastly, the Task Force felt a strong preference for the enumeration of the books included in each of the groups to be restored to a parenthetical inclusion within the rule itself as in AACR2 rather than as footnotes as currently found in RDA. Task Force members working with the RDA Toolkit found the need to click through to linked footnotes to be cumbersome and counterproductive: catalogers will be better served by reverting to the previous arrangement. The Task Force incorporated these changes in its proposal 2 for the rules under 6.23.2.9 for Parts of the Bible.

The sequence of the rules for Parts of Sacred Scriptures, with parts of sacred scriptures specific to individual faith traditions preceding a more generalized rule for Parts of Other Sacred Scriptures, is in marked contrast with other areas of RDA, for example at 3.4.1.3 for Extent, where a generalized rule is given with exceptions and cross-references to the rules addressing those exceptional cases. The Task Force addresses this in its proposal 3.

Membership

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Proposal #1

Proposal 1 corrects the rule reference in the instruction for compilations for apocryphal books to 6.27.1.4. If the JSC concurs that this is an editorial correction, this has the potential to be fast-tracked.

Revised Text (marked up, examples omitted)

6.23.2.6 Apocryphal Books

Choose as the preferred title for an apocryphal book (i.e., one included neither in the Catholic canon nor in the Protestant Apocrypha) the title commonly found in sources in the language preferred by the agency creating the data.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

For compilations of apocryphal books, apply the instructions given under ~~6.2.2.9.2~~ [6.27.1.4](#).

Revised Text (clean)

6.23.2.6 Apocryphal Books

Choose as the preferred title for an apocryphal book (i.e., one included neither in the Catholic canon nor in the Protestant Apocrypha) the title commonly found in sources in the language preferred by the agency creating the data.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

For compilations of apocryphal books, apply the instructions given under [6.27.1.4](#).

Proposal #2

Proposal 2 removes Apocrypha as an intervening element between Bible and the title of an individual book when recording the preferred title for an individual book of the Apocrypha. It also revises rules 6.23.2.9.2, 6.23.2.9.3, and 6.23.2.9.4 to treat the Testaments and the Apocrypha on par with any other group of books of the Bible, with stub rules left in place for the Testaments and the Apocrypha however. Further structural changes to the rule are addressed: resequencing the rule on Apocrypha to immediately follow that of the rule on Testaments; adding n additional group, Wisdom Literature; incorporating the enumeration of the groups of books within the text of the rule. Rule references in 6.23.2.9.6-6.23.2.9.7 are updated to reflect the previously described changes.

Revised Text (marked up, some unchanged examples omitted)**6.23.2.9 Parts of the Bible**

Record the preferred title for parts of the Bible as instructed under [6.23.2.9.1–6.23.2.9.7](#) as applicable.

6.23.2.9.1**Testaments**

~~For the Old Testament, record Old Testament as a subdivision of the preferred title for the Bible.~~

~~For the New Testament, record New Testament as a subdivision of the preferred title for the Bible.~~

For the Old Testament and the New Testament, see [6.23.2.9.4](#) (Groups of Books).

6.23.2.9.23**Books**

For books of the Catholic or Protestant canon, including those of the collection commonly referred to as the Apocrypha, record the brief citation form of the Authorized Version as a subdivision of the preferred title for the Bible.

EXAMPLE

Bible. Ezra

Bible. Revelation

Bible. Song of the Three Children

If the book is one of a numbered sequence of the same name, record its number after the name as an ordinal numeral. Use a comma to separate the name and the number.

EXAMPLE

Bible. Corinthians, 1st

Bible. Esdras, 1st

Bible. Samuel, 2nd

If the resource being described is part of a book (other than a single selection known by its title), add the chapter (in roman numerals) and verse (in arabic numerals). Use inclusive numbering if appropriate. Use commas to separate the name of the book, the number of the chapter, and the number of the verse or verses.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

If the part is a single selection known by its title, apply the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.5](#).

6.23.2.9.34

Groups of Books

For the following groups of books, including the groupings Old Testament, Apocrypha, and New Testament, record the name given below as a subdivision of the preferred title for the Bible.

Old Testament

Chronicles 3 [delete footnote]

1-2 Chronicles

Five Scrolls 4 [delete footnote]

Song of Solomon, Ruth, Lamentations, Ecclesiasticus, Esther

Former Prophets 5 [delete footnote]

Joshua, Judges, 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings

Hagiographa 6 [delete footnote]

Ruth, Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, Lamentations, Daniel

Heptateuch 7 [delete footnote]

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges

Hexateuch 8 [delete footnote]

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua

Historical Books 9 [delete footnote]

Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings, Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther

Kings 10 [delete footnote]

1-2 Kings

Minor Prophets 11 [delete footnote]

Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

Pentateuch 12 [delete footnote]

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy

Prophets 13 [delete footnote]

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

Prophets (Neviim) 14 [delete footnote]

Joshua, Judges, 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Minor Prophets

Samuel 15 [delete footnote]

1-2 Samuel

Wisdom Literature

Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, and optionally Wisdom of Solomon, Ecclesiasticus

Apocrypha

New Testament

Catholic Epistles 16 [delete footnote]

General Epistles of James, Peter, John, Jude

Corinthians 17 [delete footnote]

1-2 Corinthians

Epistles 18 [delete footnote]

All or miscellaneous Epistles

Epistles of John 19 [delete footnote]

1-3 John

Epistles of Paul

Gospels 20 [delete footnote]

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

Pastoral Epistles 21 [delete footnote]

1-2 Timothy, Titus

Peter 22 [delete footnote]

1-2 Peter

Thessalonians 23 [delete footnote]

1-2 Thessalonians

Timothy 24 [delete footnote]

1-2 Timothy

EXAMPLE

Bible. Apocrypha

Bible. Old Testament

Bible. Pentateuch

For other groups of books, apply the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.6](#) (two or more selections) or [6.23.2.9.7](#) (other selections), as applicable.

[Note: RDA footnotes after 6.23 will need to be renumbered to account for the removal of footnotes 3–24.]

6.23.2.9.42

Apocrypha

For the compilation known as the Apocrypha (1–2 Esdras, Tobit, Judith, Rest of Esther, Wisdom of Solomon, Ecclesiasticus, Baruch, History of Susanna, Song of the Three Children, Bel and the Dragon, Prayer of Manasses, 1–2 Maccabees), ~~record Apocrypha as a subdivision of the preferred title for the Bible~~ see [6.23.2.9.4](#) (groups of books). Do not treat an edition of the Bible lacking these books as being incomplete.

EXAMPLE

Bible. Apocrypha

For an individual book, ~~use the name of the book as a further subdivision~~ see [6.23.2.9.3](#).

EXAMPLE

Bible. Apocrypha. Song of the Three Children

Bible. Apocrypha. Esdras, 1st

For a selection or selections, see [6.23.2.9.5](#) (single selections), [6.23.2.9.6](#) (two or more selections), or [6.23.2.9.7](#) (other selections), as appropriate.

For apocryphal books, see [6.23.2.6](#).

6.23.2.9.5

Single Selections

If a single selection is commonly identified by its own title (rather than its designation as part of the Bible), record that directly as the preferred title.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

Record the form of the title resulting from the application of the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.23](#) as a variant title (see [6.23.3.5](#)).

Record the title of any other single selection applying the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.23](#).

[example omitted; unchanged]

6.23.2.9.6

Two or More Selections

If the resource being described consists of two or more selections (including whole books) that are encompassed precisely by two preferred titles for parts of the Bible as specified under [6.23.2.9.2](#), [6.23.2.9.3](#), [6.23.2.9.4](#), or [6.23.2.9.5](#), identify each of the selections separately.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

6.23.2.9.7

Other Selections

For other selections (including miscellaneous extracts) use the most specific title formulated according to the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.1](#), [6.23.2.9.2](#), [6.23.2.9.3](#), or [6.23.2.9.4](#) that is appropriate to the selections.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

Revised Text (clean, examples omitted, with some additions)

6.23.2.9

Parts of the Bible

Record the preferred title for parts of the Bible as instructed under [6.23.2.9.1](#)–[6.23.2.9.7](#) as applicable.

6.23.2.9.1

Testaments

For the Old Testament and the New Testament, see [6.23.2.9.4](#) (Groups of Books).

6.23.2.9.2

Apocrypha

For the compilation known as the Apocrypha (1–2 Esdras, Tobit, Judith, Rest of Esther, Wisdom of Solomon, Ecclesiasticus, Baruch, History of Susanna, Song of the Three Children, Bel and the Dragon, Prayer of Manasses, 1–2 Maccabees), see [6.23.2.9.4](#) (groups of books). Do not treat an edition of the Bible lacking these books as being incomplete.

For an individual book, see [6.23.2.9.3](#).

For a selection or selections, see [6.23.2.9.5](#) (single selections), [6.23.2.9.6](#) (two or more selections), or [6.23.2.9.7](#) (other selections), as appropriate.

For apocryphal books, see [6.23.2.6](#).

6.23.2.9.3

Books

For books of the Catholic or Protestant canon, including those of the collection commonly referred to as the Apocrypha, record the brief citation form of the Authorized Version as a subdivision of the preferred title for the Bible.

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Bible. Ezra

Bible. Revelation

Bible. Song of the Three Children

If the book is one of a numbered sequence of the same name, record its number after the name as an ordinal numeral. Use a comma to separate the name and the number.

EXAMPLE

Bible. Corinthians, 1st

Bible. Esdras, 1st

Bible. Samuel, 2nd

If the resource being described is part of a book (other than a single selection known by its title), add the chapter (in roman numerals) and verse (in arabic numerals). Use inclusive numbering if appropriate. Use commas to separate the name of the book, the number of the chapter, and the number of the verse or verses.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

If the part is a single selection known by its title, apply the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.5](#).

6.23.2.9.4

Groups of Books

For the following groups of books, including the groupings Old Testament, Apocrypha, and New Testament, record the name given below as a subdivision of the preferred title for the Bible.

Old Testament

Chronicles

1-2 Chronicles

Five Scrolls

*Song of Solomon, Ruth, Lamentations,**Ecclesiasticus, Esther*

Former Prophets

Joshua, Judges, 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings

Hagiographa

Ruth, Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, Lamentations, Daniel

Heptateuch

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges

Hexateuch

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua

Historical Books

Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings, Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther

Kings

1-2 Kings

Minor Prophets

Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

Pentateuch

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy

Prophets

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

Prophets (Neviim)

Joshua, Judges, 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Minor Prophets

Samuel

1-2 Samuel

Wisdom Literature

Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, and optionally Wisdom of Solomon, Ecclesiasticus

Apocrypha

New Testament

Catholic Epistles

General Epistles of James, Peter, John, Jude

Corinthians

1-2 Corinthians

Epistles

All or miscellaneous Epistles

Epistles of John

1-3 John

Epistles of Paul

Gospels

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

Pastoral Epistles

1-2 Timothy, Titus

Peter

1-2 Peter

Thessalonians

1-2 Thessalonians

Timothy

1-2 Timothy

EXAMPLE

Bible. Apocrypha

Bible. Old Testament

Bible. Pentateuch

For other groups of books, apply the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.6](#) (two or more selections) or [6.23.2.9.7](#) (other selections), as applicable.

6.23.2.9.5

Single Selections

If a single selection is commonly identified by its own title (rather than its designation as part of the Bible), record that directly as the preferred title.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

Record the form of the title resulting from the application of the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.3](#) as a variant title (see [6.23.3.5](#)).

Record the title of any other single selection applying the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.3](#).

[example omitted; unchanged]

6.23.2.9.6 Two or More Selections

If the resource being described consists of two or more selections (including whole books) that are encompassed precisely by two preferred titles for parts of the Bible as specified under [6.23.2.9.2](#), [6.23.2.9.3](#), [6.23.2.9.4](#), or [6.23.2.9.5](#), identify each of the selections separately.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

6.23.2.9.7 Other Selections

For other selections (including miscellaneous extracts) use the most specific title formulated according to the instructions given under [6.23.2.9.1](#), [6.23.2.9.2](#), [6.23.2.9.3](#), or [6.23.2.9.4](#) that is appropriate to the selections.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

Proposal #3

Proposal 3 treats the current rules between 6.23.2.9 for Parts of the Bible and 6.23.2.18 for Parts of the Qur'an as exceptions to a significantly revised general rule currently at 6.23.2.19 Parts of Other Sacred Scriptures. The existing sequence of the rules from 6.23.2.9-6.23.2.19 is shifted and renumbered. To highlight the changes involved, only the revised texts of 6.23.2.4 and the former 6.23.2.19 are rendered, otherwise only the renumbering for rule headings is provided, with instructions as appropriate for changes to internal rule references.

Revised Text (marked up, examples and some unchanged text omitted)

6.23.2.4 Recording the Preferred Title

Record the title chosen as the preferred title for a religious work applying the general guidelines on recording titles for works given under [6.2.1](#).

For parts of individual sacred scriptures, record the preferred title applying the instructions given under [6.23.2.9](#) and its exceptions at [6.23.2.10](#) (for parts of the Bible), [6.23.2.1011](#) (for parts of the Talmud), [6.23.2.1112](#) (for parts of the Mishnah and Tosefta), [6.23.2.1213](#) (for parts of compilations of midrashim), [6.23.2.1314](#) (for parts of Buddhist scriptures), [6.23.2.1415](#) (for the Vedas), [6.23.2.1516](#) (for parts of the Aranyakas, Brahmanas, and Upanishads), [6.23.2.1617](#) (for parts of the Jaina Āgama), [6.23.2.1718](#) (for parts of the Avesta), and [6.23.2.1819](#) (for

parts of the Qur'an), and [6.23.2.19](#) (for parts of the other sacred scriptures).

For parts of liturgical works, record the preferred title applying the instructions given under [6.23.2.20](#).

6.23.2.199 **Parts of Other Sacred Scriptures**

For a part of a sacred scripture other than one covered under ~~[6.23.2.9](#)–[6.23.2.18](#)~~, record the title of the part as a subdivision of the preferred title for the scripture as a whole.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

For an individually titled part of one of the main components, record the title of the part as a subdivision of the preferred title for the main component.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

If a single selection is commonly identified by its own title (rather than its designation as part of the larger sacred scripture), record that directly as the preferred title.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

Exceptions

Parts of the Bible. Record the preferred title for parts of the Bible as instructed under [6.23.2.10](#).

Parts of the Talmud. Record the preferred title for parts of the Talmud as instructed under [6.23.2.11](#).

Parts of the Mishnah and Tosefta. Record the preferred title for parts of the Mishnah and Tosefta as instructed under [6.23.2.12](#).

Midrashim. Record the preferred title for the Midrashim as instructed under [6.23.2.13](#).

Parts of Buddhist Scriptures. Record the preferred title for parts of Buddhist scriptures as instructed under [6.23.2.14](#).

Parts of the Vedas. Record the preferred title for parts of the Vedas as instructed under [6.23.2.15](#).

Parts of the Aranvakas, Brahmanas, and Upanishads. Record the preferred title for parts of the Aranvakas, Brahmanas, and Upanishads as instructed under [6.23.2.16](#).

Parts of the Jaina Āgama. Record the preferred title for parts of the Jaina Āgama as instructed under [6.23.2.17](#).

Parts of the Avesta. Record the preferred title for parts of the Avesta as instructed under [6.23.2.18.](#)

Parts of the Qur'an. Record the preferred title for parts of the Qur'an as instructed under [6.23.2.19.](#)

6.23.2.910**Parts of the Bible**

[Insert the entire content of Revision #2 above, changing the base instruction number from 6.23.2.9 to 6.23.2.10 and adjusting all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1011**Parts of the Talmud**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.10 to 6.23.2.11 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1111**Parts of the Talmud**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.10 to 6.23.2.11 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1212**Parts of the Mishnah and Tosefta**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.11 to 6.23.2.12 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1313**Parts of the Midrashim**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.12 to 6.23.2.13 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1414**Parts of the Buddhist Scriptures**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.13 to 6.23.2.14 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1515**Parts of the Vedas**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.14 to 6.23.2.15 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1616**Parts of the Aranyakas, Brahmanas, and Upanishads**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.15 to 6.23.2.16 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1617 **Parts of the Jaina Āgama**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.16 to 6.23.2.17 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1718 **Parts of the Avesta**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.17 to 6.23.2.18 and adjust all the internal references.]

6.23.2.1819 **Parts of the Qur'an**

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.18 to 6.23.2.19 and adjust all the internal references.]

~~**6.23.2.19** **Parts of Other Sacred Scriptures**~~

[Instructions deleted, moved to 6.23.2.9]

Revised Text (clean, examples and some unchanged text omitted)**6.23.2.4** **Recording the Preferred Title**

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For parts of individual sacred scriptures, record the preferred title applying the instructions given under [6.23.2.9](#) and its exceptions at [6.23.2.10](#) (for parts of the Bible), [6.23.2.11](#) (for parts of the Talmud), [6.23.2.12](#) (for parts of the Mishnah and Tosefta), [6.23.2.13](#) (for parts of compilations of midrashim), [6.23.2.14](#) (for parts of Buddhist scriptures), [6.23.2.15](#) (for the Vedas), [6.23.2.16](#) (for parts of the Aranyakas, Brahmanas, and Upanishads), [6.23.2.17](#) (for parts of the Jaina Āgama), [6.23.2.18](#) (for parts of the Avesta), and [6.23.2.19](#) (for parts of the Qur'an).

For parts of liturgical works, record the preferred title applying the instructions given under [6.23.2.20](#).

6.23.2.9 **Parts of Sacred Scriptures**

Record the title of the part as a subdivision of the preferred title for the scripture as a whole.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

For an individually titled part of one of the main components, record the title of the part as a subdivision of the preferred title for the main component.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

If a single selection is commonly identified by its own title (rather than its designation as part of the larger sacred scripture), record that directly as the preferred title.

[examples omitted; unchanged]

Exceptions

Parts of the Bible. Record the preferred title for parts of the Bible as instructed under [6.23.2.10](#).

Parts of the Talmud. Record the preferred title for parts of the Talmud as instructed under [6.23.2.11](#).

Parts of the Mishnah and Tosefta. Record the preferred title for parts of the Mishnah and Tosefta as instructed under [6.23.2.12](#).

Midrashim. Record the preferred title for the Midrashim as instructed under [6.23.2.13](#).

Parts of Buddhist Scriptures. Record the preferred title for parts of Buddhist scriptures as instructed under [6.23.2.14](#).

Parts of the Vedas. Record the preferred title for parts of the Vedas as instructed under [6.23.2.15](#).

Parts of the Aranvakas, Brahmanas, and Upanishads. Record the preferred title for parts of the Aranvakas, Brahmanas, and Upanishads as instructed under [6.23.2.16](#).

Parts of the Jaina Āgama. Record the preferred title for parts of the Jaina Āgama as instructed under [6.23.2.17](#).

Parts of the Avesta. Record the preferred title for parts of the Avesta as instructed under [6.23.2.18](#).

Parts of the Qur'an. Record the preferred title for parts of the Qur'an as instructed under [6.23.2.19](#).

6.23.2.10

Parts of the Bible

[Insert the entire content of Revision #2 above, changing the base instruction number from 6.23.2.9 to 6.23.2.10 and adjusting all the internal references.]

6.23.2.11

Parts of the Talmud

[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.10 to 6.23.2.11 and adjust all the internal references.]

- 6.23.2.11** **Parts of the Talmud**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.10 to 6.23.2.11 and adjust all the internal references.]
- 6.23.2.12** **Parts of the Mishnah and Tosefta**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.11 to 6.23.2.12 and adjust all the internal references.]
- 6.23.2.13** **Parts of the Midrashim**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.12 to 6.23.2.13 and adjust all the internal references.]
- 6.23.2.14** **Parts of the Buddhist Scriptures**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.13 to 6.23.2.14 and adjust all the internal references.]
- 6.23.2.15** **Parts of the Vedas**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.14 to 6.23.2.15 and adjust all the internal references.]
- 6.23.2.16** **Parts of the Aranyakas, Brahmanas, and Upanishads**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.15 to 6.23.2.16 and adjust all the internal references.]
- 6.23.2.17** **Parts of the Jaina Āgama**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.16 to 6.23.2.17 and adjust all the internal references.]
- 6.23.2.18** **Parts of the Avesta**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.17 to 6.23.2.18 and adjust all the internal references.]
- 6.23.2.19** **Parts of the Qur'an**
[No substantive changes; the base instruction number from 6.23.2.18 to 6.23.2.19 and adjust all the internal references.]