

Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC) Review Schedule

The Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC) system is constantly updated to keep pace with knowledge. Selected updates to the system are announced monthly on the Dewey web site. Each quarter, updated full and abridged edition databases are released in WebDewey and Abridged WebDewey, respectively.

The editors review every part of the DDC over a seven-year cycle. As part of the seven-year editorial cycle, we have developed a list of priorities for short- and long-term development during the period 2004-2008. We expect to give high priority to sci/tech areas, social issues, and suggestions from Dewey translators and users. The areas we have targeted for special attention follow, accompanied by the probable review date. Unless noted otherwise, the changes refer to the full edition and will be reflected as appropriate in the abridged edition. Links to discussion papers, monthly postings, etc., are also included. If you would like to serve on a review panel for a particular update, or have additional updates to suggest, please contact us at dewey@loc.gov.

Schedules

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Review for coverage of key topics **2007**

Special emphasis:

- 003-006
Monitor new developments and update as needed **2006**
- 007
Monitor new developments and update as needed **2006**

100

Review for coverage of key topics **2007**

Special emphasis:

- 150
Review for coverage of key topics **2006**

200

Review for coverage of key topics **2006**

Special emphasis:

- Options in Religion **2005-2006**
- 240-260
Review Christianity **2006**
- 280
Review denominations **2006**
Expand 281.5 **2006**

300

Review for coverage of key topics **2008**

Special emphasis:

- 301-307
Monitor new developments and update as needed **2005-2006**
- 330
Monitor new developments and update as needed **2007**
- 340

[Revise Options A & B 2004](#)

Review treatment of legal systems based on civil law **2004-2008**

- 350

Review use of 350 vs. 360 **2006**

- 360

Investigate the treatment of terrorism and related topics, and the overlap between terrorism and disasters **2004-2005**

Develop notation 7 and 8 in table under 362-363 **2006**

Develop 364.1 and 365 **2006**

Review services to juveniles in prison, mental services in prisons, and provisions for families of perpetrators **2006**

Review treatment of comprehensive works on associations **2006**

- 370

[Provide for Waldorf method: monitor new developments and update as needed 2004-2005](#)

- 380

Monitor new developments and update as needed **2007**

400

[Update selected languages 2004](#)

Extend sign languages **2004-2005**

Review for coverage of key topics **2007**

500

Monitor new developments and update as needed **2008**

Special emphasis:

- 510

Expand areas targeted for additional investigation during revision of 510 **2005**

600

Monitor new developments and update as needed **2008**

Special emphasis:

- 610

Continue to provide for diseases with literary warrant **2006**

- 620 (especially 621.38), 660

Monitor new developments and update as needed **2006**

- 641.22 and 663.2 Wine

Develop parallel provisions for wine and provide for fortified wines **2005**

- 670-680

Review carefully and update as needed **2007**

700

Monitor new developments and update as needed **2005-2006**

Special emphasis:

- Review treatment of iconography in the arts **2005-2006**

- 709.012-709.05 & 759

Review instructions and provide for 21st century styles/movements/forms **2005-2006**

- 720

[Update selected areas of architecture 2005-2006](#)

- 741.5

[Develop provisions for graphic novels and related formats 2004-2005](#)

- 760

Review placement of graphic arts and treatment of comprehensive works on printmaking and prints **2005**

- 770

Review digital art and photography, especially cinematography in a digital world and methods to output (print) artwork **2005-2006**

- 780

Review treatment of new music forms **2006**

- 790

[Update selected sports 2005](#)

[2007](#)

Review provisions for philosophy and psychology of sports **2006**

Look at skills training vs. fitness training; consider adding special notation for the former **2006**

800

[Update selected literatures 2004](#)

Review for coverage of key topics **2007**

900

Update historical periods in abridged edition **2004-2005**

Review general add instructions **2007**

Review historical periods, especially early periods for Africa and elsewhere where provisions are currently limited **2007**

Compare historical periods for Italy and Sicily with Italian edition and consider expansion; review India, too **2007**

Tables

Table 1

Investigate special development for GPS and GIS **2005-2006**

Address gender issues, adults, boys and girls, mental illnesses and disabilities in –08 **2005-2006**

Review use of –08 vs. 092; extend –092 to show miscellaneous kinds of persons, especially women **2005**

Table 2

Update and expand Indonesia **2004-2005**

Update Portugal **2005**

Review all first-level administrative units in cooperation with national agencies **2005-2006**

Expand Mexico and Brazil **2005-2006**

Update selected provisions for the ancient world **2005-2006**

Table 3

Review for coverage of key topics **2007**

Special emphasis:

- Table 3C
Continue to address accommodation of themes in –3 **2005**

Table 4

Review for coverage of key topics **2007**

Table 5

[Update selected ethnic and national groups 2004](#)

Eliminate the add instruction for native American peoples in –97 and –98 and provide table entries that parallel those found in Table 6 **2004-2005**

Table 6

[Update selected languages 2004](#)

Develop Micronesian languages **2005**

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