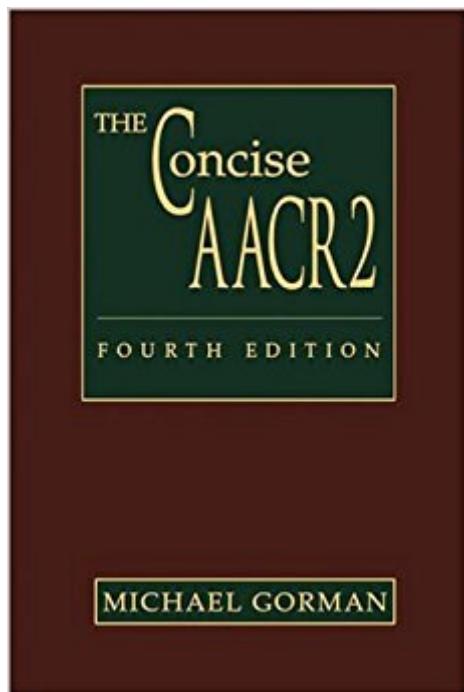


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The Concise AACR2



Synopsis

This practical guidebook, now in its fourth edition, has been fully revised and is now in concordance with AACR2, 2002 Revision 2004 Update. Michael Gorman, co-editor of the original AACR2, explains the more generally applicable AACR2 rules for cataloging library materials in simplified terms that make the rules more accessible and practical for practitioners and students who are in less complex library and bibliographic environments. This new fourth edition provides clear, user-friendly need to know guidance for:

- * Small libraries that require standard cataloging but don't need all the details of structure and content of the full text
- * Beginning students who need to learn about cataloging but do not intend to be catalogers
- * Paraprofessionals engaged in copy cataloging
- * International catalogers who prefer a summary of AACR2 practice

For catalogers learning the ropes, The Concise AACR2, Fourth Edition will provide a bridge as they progress to more complicated cataloging. Featuring new examples and updates throughout, a glossary of important cataloging terms used in the rules, and a concordance with AACR2, this is the must-have reference book for all librarians.

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This book is well written and easy to follow. There is plenty of room to add your own notes, and high-light text for exam purposes. I live in Australia and was impressed by the speed of the shipping, two weeks earlier than expected.

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