# **Aquatic Commons: Entering Series and Serial Titles**

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#### **Guidelines for Entering Series Names**

Aquatic Commons is not using and will not be creating an Authority List for series titles. However, these guidelines may assist depositors with questions regarding form of entry for series names.

Please note: Records added to Aquatic Commons prior to the creation of these guidelines and revisions in 2011 may not be edited.

#### Series Statements for Monographs

Enter **Series Name** as it appears on the item.

If it is "generic series", i.e. titles that are common to multiple series of documents (Working Papers, Monthly Reports, Research Reports, etc.), qualify the title with the authorized name of the issuing body. Always enter the series name in the same format.

**Example:** Fact sheet. Harry Oppenheimer Okavango Research Centre

Sometimes a series name is created or known to the organization but not clearly indicated on the item. Enter a name that will consistently describe the series and always use the same format including punctuation.

**Example:** Poster Series. Florida Geological Survey

Use the cover and title page information to make decisions about form of entry. Sometimes it may not be clear. A good example is Fish and Wildlife Research Institute Technical Reports (see example below). At the top of the page Technical Reports is in larger font which could lead to the decision to make that the title followed by agency name; however, at the bottom of the page you see FWRI Technical Report, thus the **Series Name** "Fish and Wildlife Research Institute. Technical Report".

Often series titles change, particularly if an organization changes its name. When inputting a large collection issued over a number of years, check that the series title (organization or title) has not changed – and even changed back!

## Series Statements for Technical Reports

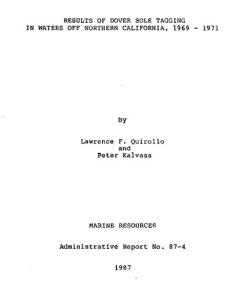
Enter series statement information for technical reports in the **Publication Details** section of the Monograph type. Following are two examples of title pages with the suggested form of entry.

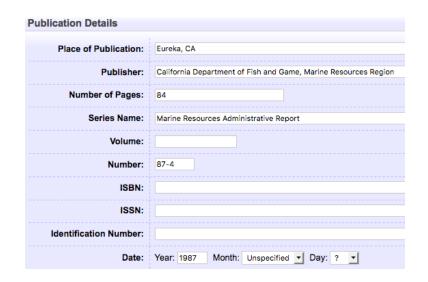
#### Example 1

The **Series Name** is abbreviated as FWRI Technical Report; wherever possible give the full name of the organization Fish and Wildlife Research Institute to aid searchers. The **Number** is TR-12 (include prefix).



# **Example 2**This **Series Name** is Marine Resources Administrative Report. The **Number** is 87-4.





## **Publishers' Series for Books**

Often Publishers issue books with a series title and number (e.g. Elsevier Oceanography Series, 192; Geological Society of America Special Paper, 22).

Enter as given in the book with Volume or Number in the appropriate fields.

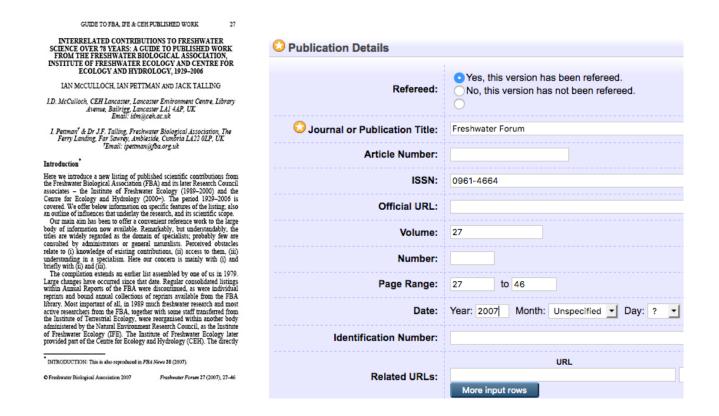
Do not enter if the Series has no Volume or Number and is in fact just a publisher's 'device' (e.g. Blackwell Science Series).

#### **Guidelines for Entering Journal Articles and Journal Issues**

#### **Journal Articles**

For individual articles, select Item Type: Article.

In the **Publication Details** section, fill in as much information as you can. Spell out words in the journal title unless for example the Organization abbreviation is part of the title *e.g.* ICES Journal of Marine Science. You must fill out starred fields.



#### Journal Issues

To enter a complete journal issue, select Item Type: Monograph or Serial Issue.

In the **Publications Details**, enter as much information as you can, including the Official URL.

If Volume and Number are available, enter those in the Title field, e.g. Aquaculture Asia, Vol. 11, No. 2, April/June 2006. If not, please specify as much about the date as possible.



# **Additional Support**

If you have questions or concerns about entering series or serial titles, please contact: <a href="mailto:AquaticCommons@gmail.com">AquaticCommons@gmail.com</a>