

Library of Congress Classification for Judaica: Recent Changes (1989–1990)

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edition. This allowed me to discover that there is a more specific LC subject heading than *Conservative Judaism: Traditional Conservative Judaism*.

The new edition still lacks the reciprocals of *use* references (used for), and the generation of other reciprocals does not seem automatic. For example, under *Hebrew language — Pronoun*, we find BT *Hebrew language — Nominals*, but under the latter term, we do not find NT *Hebrew language — Pronoun*. The use of thesaurus software that generates reciprocals automatically (Milstead, 1990) would obviate this type of problem.

While neither completely independent of LC publications on subject cataloging nor totally error-free, the Galron compilation is the most comprehensive, accurate list of LC subject headings for Judaica available. The compiler notes in the cover letter to the review copy that he is working on a "third updated edition." We look forward to its publication.

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Introduction

The additions and changes to LC classification reported in this column were culled from the following *Lists of LC Classification Additions and Changes*: 235 (July–September 1989), 236 (October–December 1989), 237 (January–March 1990), and 238 (April–June 1990).

The scope of this column encompasses the entire LC classification, with particular emphasis on the classes of major importance to Judaica libraries. Changes in LC classification as they pertain to Judaica, including additions, cancellations, or replacements of class numbers are reported.

We welcome suggestions and comments from our readers.

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BM—Judaism

BM 503.8 In List 235, the Library of Congress corrected a misspelling of the word *Pilpul* (until now erroneously spelled *Philpul*) under class number *BM503.8* (use of the method of *Pilpul* in the Babylonian Talmud).

BM 525 Under class number *BM525.A6* (Individual cabbalistic Zohar supplements), the same list corrected another error, with the addition of the following note under:

A6 122–12279 *BM525.A6122–2279* Idrā de-maskena (change from "1" to "l" following ".A6" here and through ".A615" below)

I3 The schedules until now read:
A6122–2279 Idrā de-maskena

BM 525 A6 I5 A615 Idrā raba
A615 Idrā zuta

In all three cases, the number "1" is to be corrected to the letter "l", thereby adding a second cutter to this class number for those Zohar texts (i.e., A6122–2279, A613, A615).

BM 530 List 235 added the following note under *BM530* (Jewish Myths and Legends):

cf. PN6120.95.J5, Jewish legends and tales (PN6120.95.J5 is the class number for special collections of fiction by subject or form, A-Z.)

BM 545	Under the class number <i>BM545</i> (General works of the Jewish philosopher Maimonides), List 238 has provided a detailed breakdown for his collected works:	BS 579 J83	BS—The Bible	Under class number <i>BS579</i> (Collective biography of other special groups of the Bible, A-Z), List 237 added the following cutter: .J83 Judges																							
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BM 645 P64	List 237 added the following note and new cutter under the class number <i>BM645</i> (Other topics in dogmatic Judaism, A-Z): Kings and rulers, <i>see</i> .P64 .P64 Politics. Kings and rulers	BS 580 H24 BS 680 C69		The following cutters and note were added by the Library of Congress in Lists 235, 236, and 238 under class number <i>BS680</i> (Auxiliary topics about the Bible, not otherwise provided for, A-Z): .C69 Creation .H85 Human rights .I65 Iran																							
BM 675	List 235 once again addressed a needed spelling correction under class number <i>BM675</i> (Special liturgical books, A-Z) with the following note under the breakdown for Ashkenazi texts or texts of unspecified rite: (change from "Ashenazi")	BS 680 H85 BS 680 I65																									
BM 720 N6	Under class number <i>BM720</i> (Practical Judaism, other rites and customs, A-Z), the following four notes have been added as well as the word Aliens to the cutter <i>.N6</i> (referring to the position of Aliens in Judaism): Aliens, <i>see</i> .N6 Gentiles, <i>see</i> .N6 Goyim, <i>see</i> .N6 Heathen, <i>see</i> .N6 .N6 Non-Jews (<i>Aliens</i> , Goyim, Gentiles, Heathen), Position of	BS 680 J8 BS 680 P36		Under <i>.J8</i> Justice add the words: Social justice <i>.P36</i> Patriarchy Social justice, <i>see</i> <i>.J8</i> <i>.S855</i> Suicide																							
BM 729 H65	In Lists 235 and 237, the Library of Congress added the following cutters and notes under <i>BM729</i> (Other special topics in practical Judaism, A-Z): Gays, <i>see</i> .H65 Lesbians, <i>see</i> .H65	BS 680 S855 BS 1199 P69		Under class number <i>BS1199</i> (Topics about, or in, the Old Testament, not elsewhere provided for, A-Z), List 236 added the following cutter: .P69 Preaching																							
BM 729 W38	.H65 Homosexuality. Gays. Lesbians .W38 Water	BS 1451		In List 237, the Library of Congress added the following note under class number <i>BS1451</i> (Study and teaching of the Psalms): (<i>Change</i> indentation of line and line below) i.e. Proverbs, <i>see</i> BS1461 + Song of Solomon, <i>see</i> BS1481 +																							

D—History (General)

- D
802 The following note was added by the Library of Congress in List 238 under class number *D802* (Occupied territory. Laws, etc. of World War II): Including underground movements.
- (The same list adds the same note under class number *D623*, which is for Occupied territories. Laws, etc. of *World War I*.)
- PJ
5050
B4
- PJ
5050
J33

DS—Jewish History

- DS
113.8
T86 List 237 corrected a spelling error, and List 238 added a new cutter under class number *DS113.8* (Other elements in Israel's population, A-Z):
.S4 Sephardim
(until now it read: *Shepardim*)
.T86 Turkmen
(Turkmen or Turkomen are Muslims who are members of tribes of East Turkic stock dwelling in Soviet Socialist Republics of western Asia.)
- PJ
5053
F7

- DS
135
G3315 The Library of Congress has expanded the class number *DS135* (History of Jews outside of Palestine by region or country, A-Z) with the addition of the following cutter in List 236, under the History of Jews in Germany in the 19th and 20th centuries:
.G3315 → 1933–1945
- PJ
5053
P38

- DS
151
W7 The following correction was made by the Library of Congress in List 237 under class number *DS151* (Biography and memoirs of Zionists, A-Z), for the cutter *.W7*:
.W7 Wolffsohn, David
(*Change* from "Wolffohn".)
- PJ
5053
R53

JX—International Law

- JX
4048 List 238 expanded the class number *JX4048* (International status of countries, A-Z) by adding the following cutter and note:
.I8 Israel. Palestine
Palestine, *see* .I8
- PJ
5061–
5069

M—Music

- M
110
S5 An interesting spelling correction by the Library of Congress appeared in List 236 under class number *M110* (Other wind instruments) and *M270* (Duos with pianoforte and other instruments):
M110.S5 Shofar calls
(*Change* from "Shophar.")
M270.S5 Shofar
(*Change* from "Shophar.")
- PJ
5129
A94
- PJ
5129
P32

PJ—Oriental Philology and Literature

Class number *PJ5050* (Individual medieval authors and works through 1700, A-Z) was expanded in Lists 235 and 236 with the establishment of the following cutters:
.B4 Berechiah ben Natroni, 12/13th cent.
.J33 Jagel, Abraham be Hananiah dei Galicchi, 16/17th cent.

Class number *PJ5053* (Hebrew literature, individual authors, A-Z, 1886–1945) was expanded in List 238. The Library of Congress added notes and also added and/or changed the headings for the following authors and their respective cutters:

.F7 is the existing cutter for Frishman, David, 1865?–1922. The following reference from a variant of his name and birth date has been added to the schedule:

Frischman, David, 1859–1922, *see* .F7

Pen, Alexander, 1906–1972
(Under this new heading, the cutter *.P38* has erroneously been left out.)

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Penn, Alexander, 1906–1972, *see* .P38

Rimon, Joseph Zvi, 1899–1958
(Under this new heading, the cutter *.R53* has erroneously been left out.)

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Rimon, Y. Zvi, 1889–1958, *see* .R53

List 237 reported the following caption change under *PJ5061–5069* (Other languages used by Jews, pp. 38–43):

(*Change* caption here and continuation lines through p. 43)

Until now the caption read: *PJ5061–5069 General (VIII)*. It now says: *Mixed Jewish dialects, Special, Yiddish (Judeo-German)*.

In class number *PJ5129* (Yiddish literature, individual authors, A-Z), the following cutters and notes are to be added to the schedule, according to Lists 235, 237, and 238:

.A94 Austri-Dunn, Isaia

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Austridian, Yeshayahu, 1912–, *see* .A94

.P32 Papiernikow, Joseph, 1899–

The following note is to be added to the schedule:

Papyernikov, Yosef, *see* .P32

PJ .R36 Razumny, Mark, 1899–
5129 The following note is to be added to the
R36 schedule:
Razumni, Mark, see .R36

PJ .S3218 Schwartz, Selwyn S.
5129 The following note is to be added to the
S3218 schedule:
Schwartz, Shloime, see .S3218

PJ .S432 Sheps, Elias, 1892–
5129 The following note is to be added to the
S432 schedule:
Almi, A., 1892–1963, see .S432

PJ .Z453 Zelikoviřsh, Getsl, 1863–1926
5129
Z453

PJ Under the class number *PJ8190* (Arabic Liter-
8190 ature outside the Arabian Peninsula), List 238 re-
ports an alteration and expansion in the scope of
the number. Until now, next to the number
PJ8190 was the caption *Other, A-Z*. Now the
caption reads *Palestine. Israel (XXV)*, and class
number *PJ8192* has been added for *Other, A-Z*:
PJ PT
8192 2030
Y53
PT
2475
Y53

PN—Literature

PN List 235 added the following note, which is to
6071 appear after the existing cutter .J5 (Jewish leg-
ends and tales) under *PN6071* (Collections of
general literature by subject, A-Z):
cf. BM530 Jewish myths and legends

PQ—Italian Literature

PQ In List 237, the Library of Congress expanded
4320 class number *PQ4320* (Translated works of
Y53 Dante in non-Slavic languages, A-Z) through the
creation of the cutter *.Y53 Yiddish*.

PQ The same list added the following note under
4324 *PQ4324* (Translation of Dante's works in artificial
or mixed (pidgin or creole) languages, A-Z),
which refers the cataloger to the aforementioned
new cutter:
cf. *PQ4320.Y53 Yiddish*

PR—English Literature

PR Under class number *PR2795* (Translation of
2795 the works of William Shakespeare, By language,
Y5–52 A-Z), List 237 changed its former reference note,
Yiddish, see *PR2800.Y5*, to create a new cutter
under the former class number:
.Y5–52 Yiddish

Z
695.1
R424

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The following note is to be added to the
schedules here:

(Add *.Y5–52*; *change* line from reference)
In consonance with this change, the same
List cancels the note under class number
PR2796 (Translations of William Shake-
speare's works into Asian languages):
Yiddish, see *PR2800.Y5*, and also cancels
the cutter *.Y5 Yiddish* under the class
number *PR2800* (Translations of Shake-
speare's works into mixed languages, A-Z).

[*Editor's Note: A previous column (JL vol. 4 no. 2 (1989), p. 156*
noted the downgrading of Yiddish in the LC Classification from a
language to a "special topic" in Germanic linguistics. The
changes reported here, in contrast, represent the upgrading of
Yiddish from a mixed language to a full-fledged one.—B.H.W.]

PT—German Literature

List 237 added the cutter *.Y53 Yiddish* to the
class number *PT 2030* (Translations of works of
Johann Wolfgang von Goethe into other Euro-
pean languages) and to *PT2475* (Translations of
works of Johann Christoph Friedrich von Schiller
into other European languages).

The same list adds the following note under
PT2038 (Translations of works of Johann Wolf-
gang von Goethe into mixed languages, A-Z):
**(.Y6) Yiddish*, see *PT2030.Y53*

(Until now *.Y6* was the cutter for Yiddish under
this class number)
and instructs the cataloger to:
(*Parenthesize ".Y6"*; *change* line to refer-
ence)

Under class number *PT2481* (Translations of
works of Johann Christoph Friedrich von Schiller
into other European languages), the Library of
Congress adds the following note:

**(.Y5) Yiddish*, see *PT2475.Y53*
(Until now *.Y5* was the cutter for Yiddish under
this class number)
and instructs the cataloger to:
(*Parenthesize ".Y5"*; *change* indentation
of line; *change* line to reference)

Z—Library Science

In List 235, the Library of Congress added the
cutter *.R424 Refugees* under *Z695.1* (Cataloging
of literature by subject, A-Z).

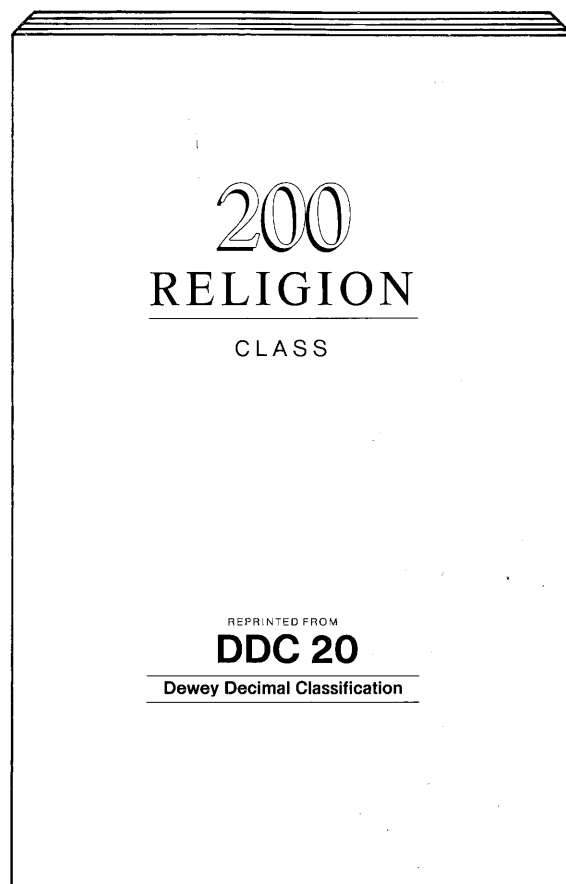
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