

# MARC to Aquifer MODS XSLT Stylesheet

## Stylesheet Documents

[Current MARCXML to Aquifer MODS XSLT Stylesheet \(5/19/2008\)](#)

[Introduction to the stylesheet](#)

## Announcement

The DLF Aquifer MARCXML to MODS XSL Stylesheet is based on the MARCXML to MODS stylesheet for MODS version 3.2 made available by the Library of Congress on the [MODS website](#), and is based on a version incorporating LC's revisions up to number 1.15. We are grateful to the Library of Congress for providing and maintaining this document and for their help in preparing our version.

Our goal in making this version available is to make it easier for institutions having digital content they wish to contribute metadata to the DLF Aquifer project aggregation, American Social History Online. For institutions with MARC records, the stylesheet may help to convert their metadata to MODS records in a way that we believe better meets the requirements and recommendations of the Aquifer Guidelines. Our changes address the specific needs of the Aquifer project, but may be useful to consider for other aggregators who are mapping MARCXML to MODS or other formats for OAI sharing.

The changes made by the DLF Aquifer Metadata Working Group reflect revisions to address the requirements and recommendations of the [Digital Library Federation Aquifer Implementation Guidelines for Shareable MODS Records](#). More information about these changes can be found in the [Introduction](#), comments on specific changes at the beginning of the stylesheet, and the "Mapping" "MARC to MODS" section of the [FAQ for MODS Guidelines Implementers](#). The latter document will be updated as new questions are answered.

**Please note** that content standards and practices using MARC vary between institutions, and sometimes within an institution over time or between types of collections or materials. No one stylesheet can deal appropriately with all variations in the use of MARC. The mapping decisions underlying the changes we have made, as well as the decisions underlying the LC stylesheet (documented [here](#)), should be studied by an institution and tested on sample records to determine whether the results are as desired or whether the institution needs to modify the stylesheet for a particular collection of records.

Questions about the stylesheet may be addressed to any Metadata Working Group member; addresses can be found in the [Roster of members](#). The members of the MARC to MODS subcommittee were Laura Akerman, John Chapman and Tracy Meehleib.