

Quick Start Guide:

What to do if required information is unavailable.

If you want to register a DOI, you will be required to supply several pieces of information. If one is unavailable, we recommend using one of the following standard machine-recognizable codes. **Selecting the code from the list below will automatically insert it in the form for you.**

- [\(:unac\)](#) temporarily inaccessible
- [\(:unal\)](#) unallowed, suppressed intentionally
- [\(:unap\)](#) not applicable, makes no sense
- [\(:unas\)](#) value unassigned (e.g., Untitled)
- [\(:unav\)](#) value unavailable, possibly unknown
- [\(:unkn\)](#) known to be unknown (e.g., Anonymous, Inconnue)
- [\(:none\)](#) never had a value, never will
- [\(:null\)](#) explicitly and meaningfully empty
- [\(:tba\)](#) to be assigned or announced later
- [\(:etal\)](#) too numerous to list (et alia)
- [\(:at\)](#) the real value is at the given URL or identifier

None of the above options will work for the PublicationYear property, which requires a four-digit response. If you do not know the PublicationYear, insert 0000 (four zeros).