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Resource Discovery in the Government of Canada**[Previous Page](#)[Table of Contents](#)[Next Page](#)**2.15 Title**

Attributes	Attribute Description
Identification	
Name	title
Label	Title
Defined by	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1
Term URI	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/title
Definition	
Type of term	Element
Definition	A name given to the resource.
Comment	Typically, a Title will be a name by which the resource is formally known. [DC] The title is taken from the top heading or title page of the content. It is the official name of the resource. If no official name exists, a title should be created to convey the topic and/or purpose of content of the resource as succinctly as possible. The Title element should be the same as the content of the HTML <title> tag.
References	
Relations	
Refined by	alternative
Has Encoding Scheme	
Constraints	
Obligation	Mandatory
Condition	For bilingual Web pages (i.e. <i>welcome</i> or <i>splash</i> pages), two separate instances of the Title element must be used: one containing the English title and one containing the French.
Datatype	String
Occurrence	Repeatable (for bilingual resources)

2.15.1 Alternative

Attributes	Attribute Description
Identification	
Name	alternative
Label	Alternative
Defined by	http://purl.org/dc/terms
Term URI	http://purl.org/dc/terms/alternative
Definition	

Type of term	Element Refinement
Definition	Any form of the title used as a substitute or alternative to the formal title of the resource.
Comment	The Alternative refinement can be used to provide commonly used titles that are not the "official" title. Alternative titles should reflect how searchers may look for the resource, such as the "Gomery Report" whose official title is "Who is Responsible?"
References	
Relations	
Refines	title
Has Encoding Scheme	
Constraints	
Obligation	Optional
Condition	
Datatype	String
Occurrence	Repeatable

2.16 Type

Attributes	Attribute Description
Identification	
Name	type
Label	Type
Defined by	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1
Term URI	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/type
Definition	
Type of term	Element
Definition	The nature or genre of the content of the resource.
Comment	<p>Type includes terms describing general categories, functions, genres, or aggregation levels for content. [DC]</p> <p>Type provides information about the purpose and internal structure of a resource's content.</p> <p>Terms must be selected from a controlled vocabulary. It is recommended that at least one term be selected from the <i>Government of Canada Type Scheme</i>.</p> <p>Not to be confused with the Format element used to describe the physical or digital manifestation of the resource</p>
References	
Relations	
Refined by	
Has Encoding Scheme	<p><i>Government of Canada Type Scheme</i></p> <p>http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/im-gi/mwg-gtm/typ-typ/docs/2003/schem/schem_e.asp</p>
Has Encoding Scheme	<p><i>Government of Canada Aggregation Level Scheme</i></p> <p>http://www.tbs-sct.gc.ca/im-gi/mwg-gtm/typ-typ/docs/2003/schem/schem_e.asp</p>

Has Encoding Scheme	<i>DCMI Type Vocabulary</i> http://dublincore.org/documents/dcmi-terms/index.shtml#H5
Constraints	
Obligation	Optional
Condition	The appropriate encoding scheme label must be included whenever a term is selected from a controlled vocabulary. The Type element must be repeated for each type that applies to the resource.
Datatype	String
Occurrence	Repeatable

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