



Microsoft Word Tips

COMMAND/CTRL +D to open the Font Box and select SMALL CAPS



REMOVE AUTO HYPERLINKING

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Word < Preferences < AutoCorrect < AutoFormat as You Type < [unselect] Internet and network paths with hyperlinks

FIND AND REPLACE formatting, e.g., italicizing all "." after "Id."

"Official" State Statutory Code Years

R 12.2.1 *If possible, cite statutes currently in force to the current official code*

2 TYPES of published codes:

- (1) entire set republished **all at once** w/ intervening supplements;
- (2) new volumes published **as necessary** w/ annual supplements

FINDING THE RIGHT YEAR

- Step 1:** Use T1 to find the title of the state's official code
- Step 2:** Who publishes this code? Lexis or West?—T1 will tell you. If no publisher listed, it's state published.
- Step 3:** Google the title and publisher
- Step 4:** Find the title on the publisher's website. *E.g., California.*

Check Out Our Bluebook 101 Guide!

<http://guides.lib.uw.edu/bluebook101>

- ⇒ Different BB formats (*online BB, print, apps, etc.*)
- ⇒ Complete list of differences between 19th & 20th eds
- ⇒ Basic Layout (which you can CTRL + F through)
- ⇒ Books to help with the BB
- ⇒ Online citation generators



Bluebook Journals:

- Columbia Law Review*
- Harvard Law Review*
- Pennsylvania Law Review*
- Yale Law Journal*

STEAL THEIR CITATIONS:

searching HeinOnline Law Journal Library

If no citation from them, look for a recent citation from another general law review

Example: How to cite the current tax form 1040?

Pincite to Page Number or Section??

PAGE NUMBER for most things:

- ⇒ **Nonperiodicals & PDFs** content is never removed (no "at") (R 3.2(a))
- ⇒ **Primary law** published chronologically (Fed. Reg., Statutes at Large)
- ⇒ **Printed & PDF periodicals** like newspapers and journals
- ⇒ **Case reporters**

SECTION for stuff that is organized by § (or ¶) (R 3.3)

- ⇒ **Primary Law** published by subject (stat. & reg. codes, constitutions)
- ⇒ **Some Books** that are organized by section (treatises and deskbooks)

BOTH?

- ⇒ **Where helpful, some books** (R 3.3)

NOTHING

- ⇒ **Webpages**, which have dynamic content (R 18.2(g))

How to Cite an Unfamiliar Source

If it's not perfect, at least ensure that readers can find what you're citing to

Step 1: What is it? Can you locate other things like it?

Primary source (the law)? Statute, case, regulation, constitution, legislative document?

Secondary source (about the law)? Periodical, letter, presentation, book, report, blog post, website?

Step 2: What substantive rule applies?

Use the **Bluebook's index**

Step 3: Where's the "official" version of this thing published?

Use **Tables** to find official versions

Step 4: Still unsure?

Ask for help by emailing a librarian

Borrow someone else's citation: Find how someone else has cited it

More Questions?

Ask Us!



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