

## 2. Dimensions (RDA 3.5)

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### Books:

- Rounded up to next whole centimeter
- “cm” and “mm” are symbols, not abbreviations
- use ISBD full stop after symbol only if a 490 field appears in the record (YUL alternative: or just leave out the period in all cases; member copy: take whatever punctuation is used)

**Serials:** Not core for CONSER. *YUL policy: add dimensions to member copy; record dimensions in original cataloging*

**Audio:** LC practice for Alternative: Use inches for discs (RDA 3.5.1.4.4) and for all audio carriers; otherwise, follow the RDA instruction as written (abbreviate as “in.”)

**Microfilm:** record diameter of the reel in cm, followed by the width of the film in mm, e.g. 11 cm, 25.4 mm (3.5.1.4.9)

Refer to RDA 3.5 for other media.

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