Citing Sources – Surveying

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Elements of a Standard Citation

• Author (s)
• Publication Date
• Title
• Publication Data / Source

Standard Examples – Print

Book - Author(s). (Date). Title. Publication Data.


Article - Author(s). (Date). Title. Publication Data.


Standard Examples – Electronic

Book - Author(s). (Date). Title. Publication Data.


Article - Author(s). (Date). “Article title.” Title. Publication Data.


Citing Maps & Aerial Photographs

• Author (s)
• (Publication Date)
• “Title” and Atlas (if applicable) + edition
• Scale
• Projection if stated on the map
• Publication Data / Source – if it’s a corporate author, only include place of publication.

Citing Maps – Single Sheet

Author(s). (Date). “Title.” Scale. Projection. Publication Data/Source.


Single Sheet – Series


**Single Sheet - Topographic Series**


**Map from an Atlas**


**Citing Property Deeds**

Include as much information as is needed to identify the specific parcel of land, including the source of the deed.

- **Corporate author**
- **(Date)** – include specific date of registration if available.
- “**Location / Title**” – in as much detail as is available including civic address and document type
- **Identifier** – PID, Document# or Location & Deed book
- **Source** – link to Property Online or indicate page from Deed Book; use both if available


**Citing Geospatial Data**


GIS Software Maps: *Map Title* [format]. Scale. Database Name [type of medium]. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year. Using: GIS Software Title [type of software]. Version. Software Manufacturer Location: Software Manufacturer, date of software release/copyright.


**Citing Photos, Illustrations, etc.**

Format: Author(s). (Role). (Date taken/created). Title, [Format]. Publication source.

Stand alone print


From a book: Caption the photo/image; cite the book

Caption: Sunset at Margaree Harbour Beach. Source: LeBlanc, p. 25 (2009)

Online with a title

Online without title / date

Remember the Parts

- **Author (s)** – not for databases/software
- **Publication Date** – include as much info as is available, use n.d. if there is no date.
- **“Title”** – sometimes more than one, i.e. GIS maps
- **Edition #** - especially important for NTS
- **[format]** or **[type of medium]** – always for non-standard material
- **Version** – only for software
- **Scale** – maps and air photos
- **Projection** – when available
- **Identifier / Series** – for documents / maps with assigned numbers
- **Publication Data / Source**

References:


