

THE WEALD & DOWNLAND MUSEUM'S ARMSTRONG LIBRARY

SUBJECT CLASSIFICATIONS – as at September 2019

There are five sections:

B = “BUILDING/S” – shelved in lower Crawley Hall

E = “ENVIRONMENT” – shelved in West Room, beyond Serials Room

M = “MUSEUMS and HERITAGE SITES” – shelved in Serials Room

WCP = “Worshipful Company of Plumbers” – shelved in the Gridshell Artefacts Store, not the Library

DIS = Dissertations – shelved in the Serials Room – use B/E/M coding – see below

With the exception of “Serials” (journals, newsletters, magazines, etc), and most of the Worshipful Company of Plumbers collection of specialist books and trade catalogues, each publication is coded.

There are sub-sections within some categories (eg B05.2 = timber).

Generally within their categories and sub-sections publications are shelved in alphabetical order of author; some are by geographical area.

Be aware that:

: offprints and small booklets are shelved in boxes or lever arch files

: Weald & Downland Museum magazines are in M06 not with the Serials

‘B’ (for ‘BUILDING/S’) followed by the following number:

00	General reference works
01	General studies, history, philosophy
02	Social and economic background (strictly as related to buildings)
03	Methodology including recording techniques and dating
04	not in use
05	Materials, techniques, and crafts
06	Features (fixed elements eg ceilings, hearths, chimneys, doors, stairs etc)
07	Fittings & Services
08	Curtilages (gardens, parks, boundaries, outbuildings – inc follies, icehouses etc) (not gardening which is in the E17 section)
09	not in use
10	Conservation, repair, conversion
0-29	Particular types of building:
20	General studies
21	Early & primitive
22	Domestic houses and cottages – shelved geographically where relevant
23	Agricultural
24	Mills and industrial – shelved geographically where relevant
25	Commercial and community – eg inns, school, workhouses, market halls
26	Ecclesiastical – shelved geographically where relevant
27	Military, eg castles, forts
28	Communications & Commercial
29	Grouped eg village complexes

'E' (for 'ENVIRONMENT') followed by the following number:

01	General reference
02 & 3	not in use
04	Geology & Palaeontology
05	Physical geography
06	not in use
07	Natural history
08 -10	not in use
11	Countryside
12	Directories
13	Place names
14	Maps & Plans, Cartography
15	Landscape towns and villages - shelved in order of place, not author, eg County/Town/Author; if covering a general area rather than a specific town County/A/Author
16	Land utilisation & planning
17	Agriculture, Horticulture, Gardening
18	Forestry & Woodland management
19	Land tenure
20	not in use
21	Social statistics
22	Economics, Employment & Business
23	Politics
24	Law & Legislation
25	Education
26	Social groups & communities
27	Charities & Welfare organisations
28	Recreation & Entertainment
29	Country sports
30	Industrial history & archaeology (see also 61 general archaeology)
31	Medicine & Public health
32	Public Works & Utilities
33	Crafts & Industries – general & rural
34	Power & Energy inc. light
35	Communications – eg roads, waterways etc
36	Engineering and Heavy industry
37	Urban-type crafts, trades, & light industries
38-40	not in use
41	National government and administration
42	Local government
43-50	not in use
51	Biography – shelved in order of subject, not author
52-54	not in use
55	Personal names, Genealogy
56	Anecdotes and reminiscences
57	not in use

58	Titled & royal families & Heraldry
59 & 60	not in use
61	Archaeology
62	Antiquities & Monuments
63	Methodology of local studies
64	Sources, archives, records
65	History – general, political, military,
66	History – social & economic
67-70	not in use
71	Social customs, folklore, etc
72	Domestic life including food and drink
73	Medicine and herbals
74	Costume and dress
75	Conservation
76	Fine arts
77	Illustration, photography
78	not in use
79	Performing arts
80	not in use
81	Language, philology
82	Literature
83	Catalogues
84-90	not in use
91	Philosophy and ethics
92	Religion

‘M’ (for ‘MUSEUMS & HERITAGE SITES’) followed by the following number:

0	General
01	Policy & background (01.1 = open air museums)
02	Finance, Administration etc
03	Curatorial issues
04	Education
05	Training career structure
06	Weald & Downland Museum – inc guide books, magazines
07	Library and archive practice
08	Guide books from around the world (other than the Weald & Downland Museum’s – see M06)
09	Marketing