

# GENEALOGY STANDARDS COMPARISON CHART

## Old versus New Standards

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Standards in *The BCG Genealogical Standards Manual*, published in 2000, and their equivalents in the new *Genealogy Standards*, published in 2014.

2000 STANDARDS		2014 STANDARDS
CATEGORY	NUMBER	CATEGORY: NUMBER AND DESCRIPTOR
DATA-COLLECTION STANDARDS	1	Collecting Data: 20, Careful handling
	2	Collecting Data: 21, Respect for source caretakers
	3-4	Collecting Data: 22, Using others' work Assembled Research Results: 55, Integrity and ownership
	5	Planning Research: 9-18 (see manual for descriptors)
	6	Collecting Data: 23, Reading handwriting
		Collecting Data: 24, Understanding meanings
		Collecting Data: 25, Note-taking content
		Collecting Data: 26, Distinction between content and comments
	7	Collecting Data: 27, Note-taking objectivity
	8	Documenting: 1-8 (see manual for descriptors)
	9-10	Collecting Data: 28, Images and Printouts
	11-12	Collecting Data: 29, Transcriptions
		Collecting Data: 32, Transcribing, abstracting, and quoting principles
	13	Collecting Data: 31, Quotations
		Collecting Data: 32, Transcribing, abstracting, and quoting principles
	14	Collecting Data: 30, Abstracts
		Collecting Data: 32, Transcribing, abstracting, and quoting principles Special-Use Genealogical Products: 71, Compiled abstracts
	15-16	Collecting Data: 33, Paraphrases and summaries
17	Documenting: 1-8 (see manual for descriptors)	
18	Collecting Data: 34, Agents	
EVIDENCE-EVALUATION STANDARDS	19	Planning Research: 12, Broad context
		Planning Research: 14, Topical breadth
		Planning Research: 17, Extent
		Collecting Data: 19, Data-collection scope
		Reasoning from Evidence: 41, Evidence scope
	Genealogical Proofs: 51, Research scope	
	20	Reasoning from Evidence: 40, Evidence mining
Reasoning from Evidence: 47, Evidence correlation		
21	Collecting Data: 35, Source analysis	
	Reasoning from Evidence: 37, Sources, information and evidence Reasoning from Evidence: 38, Source preference	
22	Collecting Data: 36, Information analysis	
	Reasoning from Evidence: 37, Sources, information and evidence Reasoning from Evidence: 39, Information preference	
23	Reasoning from Evidence: 48, Resolving evidence inconsistencies	
	Reasoning from Evidence: 49, Unresolved evidence inconsistencies	
24	Reasoning from Evidence: 41, Evidence scope	

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EVIDENCE- EVALUATION, CONTINUED	25	Reasoning from Evidence: 42, Evidence discrimination Reasoning from Evidence: 43, Evidence integrity Reasoning from Evidence: 44, Evidence reliability
	26	Reasoning from Evidence: 50, Assembling conclusions from evidence
	27	Reasoning from Evidence: 47, Evidence correlation
	28	Reasoning from Evidence: 45, Assumptions
	29	Reasoning from Evidence: 37, Sources, information and evidence Reasoning from Evidence: 40, Evidence mining
	30	Reasoning from Evidence: 40, Evidence mining
	31–32	Reasoning from Evidence: 42, Evidence discrimination
	33	Reasoning from Evidence: 46, Evidence independence
	34	Reasoning from Evidence: 48, Resolving evidence inconsistencies Reasoning from Evidence: 49, Unresolved evidence inconsistencies
	Compilation STANDARDS	35
36		Documenting: 1–8 (see manual for descriptors)
37		Planning Research: 9–18 (see manual for descriptors) Special-Use Genealogical Products: 67, Reports (bullet 2)
38–40		Special-Use Genealogical Products: 67, Reports Assembled Research Results: 60, Overall format Assembled Research Results: 61, Structure Assembled Research Results: 64, Cross referencing
41		Assembled Research Results: 57, Background information
42		Assembled Research Results: 58, Content
43		Reasoning from Evidence: 50, Assembling conclusions from evidence Genealogical Proofs: 51–54 (see manual for descriptors) Assembled Research Results: 57, Background information
44–48		Genealogical Proofs: 51–54 (see manual for descriptors) Assembled Research Results: 56, Honesty Assembled Research Results: 57, Background information Assembled Research Results: 59, Proofs included
49		Documenting: 1–8 (see manual for descriptors)
50		Reasoning from Evidence: 50, Assembling conclusions from evidence Genealogical Proofs: 51–54 (see manual for descriptors)
51		Assembled Research Results: 66, Biographical information
52		Assembled Research Results: 65, Genealogical formats
53		Documenting: 1–8 (see manual for descriptors)
54		Special-Use Genealogical Products: 68, Lineage-society applications
55		Planning Research: 11, Sound basis
56		Reasoning from Evidence: 50, Assembling conclusions from evidence Genealogical Proofs: 51–54 (see manual for descriptors)

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STANDARDS FOR LECTURERS	57	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 74, Planned outcomes
	58	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 75, Content titles
	59	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 78, Presentation style
	60	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 76, Enhancements
STANDARDS FOR INSTRUCTORS	61–62	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 77, Bibliographies
	63	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 79, Ownership
	64	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 74, Planned outcomes
	65	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 80, Course design
	66	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 81, Student evaluation
STANDARDS FOR WRITERS	67	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 75, Content titles
	68	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 76, Enhancements
	69	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 77, Bibliographies
	70	Standards for Lecturers and Instructors: 78, Presentation style
	71	Assembled Research Results: 62, Clear writing
	72	Assembled Research Results: 63, Technically correct writing
STANDARDS FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION	73	Documenting: 1–8 (see manual for descriptors)
	74	Special-Use Genealogical Products: 69, Source guides
		Special-Use Genealogical Products: 70, Methodology guides
		Genealogical Proofs: 51–54 (see manual for descriptors)
		Special-Use Genealogical Products: 72, Reviews
		Special-Use Genealogical Products: 73, Database programs
		Standards for Continuing Education: 83, Regular engagement
		Standards for Continuing Education: 82, Development goals

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