

**CLASSIFICATION FOR MATERIALS ON THE BAHÁ'Í RELIGION:  
A "B200" SCHEDULE BASED ON  
THE DEWEY DECIMAL CLASSIFICATION**

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**Third Summary**

GENERALITIES

B200 General Works

For works which discuss the Bahá'í Faith in general. This should include official publications, writings by Bahá'ís and by non-Bahá'í authors, providing that the purpose of the work is to discuss or explain. Works that are antagonistic, intended to discredit or disprove the Bahá'í Faith are classed under B209.9.

B200.1 Philosophy of the Baha'í Faith

B200.3 Statistics

B200.4 Directories

B201 Bibliography

All bibliographies concerning the Bahá'í Faith, regardless of subject. For bibliographies on specific Bahá'í topics, create a decimal after B201 composed of the remainder of the appropriate number after B2: e.g., bibliography on the Guardianship is B201.31 (Guardianship is B231; 31 are the digits following B2; these become the decimal after B201).

B202 Media

B202.1 Publishing; Bookselling; Book-collecting

B202.14-.19 Publishing, by locality [DDC Table 2]

B202.2 Broadcasting; Telecommunications; Radio, Television

B202.24-.29 Broadcasting, by locality [DDC Table 2]

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B202.4-.9 Media by locality [DDC Table 2]

B203 Dictionaries; Encyclopedias; Thesauri

Comprehensive, general dictionaries only. Dictionaries for a particular topic are classed with that topic, using the standard subdivision -03 e.g. dictionary of Bahá'í history, B271.03, or using a number specifically provided as in



dictionaries of Bahá'í scriptures, B213.

B204 Meetings; Exhibitions

B204.1 Conventions

In Bahá'í terminology, a convention is held for electoral purposes: to elect delegates in the case of the district or regional convention; to elect administrative bodies in the case of the local, national and international conventions.

B204.14-.19 Geographical treatment of specific conventions [DDC Table 2], then by date.

B204.2 Conferences

A conference is held for the purposes of deepening, study and fellowship. Conferences on specific topics should be entered in B204.9.

B204.24-.29 Geographical treatment of specific conferences [DDC Table 2], then by date.

B204.3 Congresses

A congress is an infrequent international gathering held for the purpose of reverent and joyous commemoration of significant events.

B204.34-.39 Geographical treatment of specific congresses [DDC Table 2], then by date.

[B204.4-.7]

B204.8 Exhibitions

B204.84-.89 Geographical treatment of specific exhibitions [DDC Table 2], then by date.

[B204.9]

B205 Periodicals, Newspapers

B205.1 General international, cutter by title

- B205.2 International organizations: cutter by organization, then by title
- [B205.3]
- B205.4-.9 Geographical jurisdictions (Continental, Regional, National, Local) [DDC Table 2]
- B206 Societies, Associations, Clubs, Organizations  
Use for recognized Bahá'í organizations, associations, societies (e.g. college/university clubs, women's clubs, etc.), and for neutral or orthodox treatment of covenant-breaker organizations. For material on Covenant-breaker groups by Covenant-breakers, use B209.8.
- B206.4-.9 Geographical treatment [DDC Table 2, then cutter by organization name]
- B207 Education  
For specific educational institutions, add the geographical subdivision under the appropriate number, and then cutter by the school name.
- B207.1 Philosophy of Education
- B207.11 Material education
- B207.12 Human education
- B207.13 Spiritual education
- B207.2 Teaching and educational methods
- B207.3 Elementary; Child education (incl. tutorial schools)
- B207.4 Secondary; Youth education
- B207.5 Higher education; universities & colleges
- B207.6 Scholarship; academic study; Bahá'í studies
- B207.7 Seasonal schools; institutes
- B207.8 Adult education; deepening/personal study

B207.9 Education of Bahá'í institutions

B208 Groups/Types of People

B208.1 Racial, Ethnic, National Groups [DDC Table 5]

B208.2 Groups of persons [DDC Table 7]

B209 Opposition and Defense; Persecution

B209.1 Apologetics

B209.2 Persecution; martyrdom

[B209.3-.7]

B209.8 Covenant-breaker works

Classify here the published output of Covenant-breakers. Historical materials treating covenant-breaker groups & individuals should go in B270-279 unless written by covenant-breakers.

[B209.81-.88]

B209.89 Periodicals

B209.9 Anti-Bahá'í, Polemical Works

Use for works written to attack or disprove the Bahá'í Faith. Covenant-breaker works are placed under 209.8.

## SCRIPTURE AND INTERPRETATION

B210 General works

[B211]

B212 Authorship; Method and nature of revelation/writing

Works dealing with the general question of authorship of Bahá'í Scriptures, e.g. the relationship between the word of the Central Figures of the Bahá'í Faith and those letters sent out under the name of a secretary. Works dealing with how the scriptures were revealed, or

how interpretations were written.

B213 Concordances, indexes, dictionaries

B214 Hermeneutics (principles of scriptural criticism)

B215 Commentaries, textual studies

B216 Treatises on special subjects

Add as a facet after B216 the number from the general DDC schedules: e.g. a treatise on symbolic imagery in Bahá'í scriptures, B216/291.37

B217 Study and teaching

[B218]

B219 History

Works dealing with the circumstances of writing, for whom revealed, destiny of original ms., when and where first published.

B219.5 History of translations

B220 Selections, compilations from Bahá'í Scripture

.A11-.A199 Prayerbooks by language [DDC table 6, added to .A1]

Writings by the Báb

B221 General works on the Báb's writings

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B221.2 Authorship; method and nature of revelation/writing

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- B221.6                      Treatises on special subjects  
                                     See note at B216.
- B221.7                      Study and teaching
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- .A2-Z                Specific works [table I]
- .B3-395 Bayan, Arabic
- .B4-495 Bayan, Persian
- .D3-395 Dala'il-i-Sab'ih
- .K3-395 Khasa'il-i-Sab'ih
- .K5-595 Kitab-i-Asma'
- .K7-795 Kitab-i-Panj Sha'n
- .K9-995 Kitabu'r-Ruh
- .L32-3295              Lawh-i-Haji Mirza Aqasi
- .L34-3495              Lawh-i-Hurufát
- .L36-3695              Law-i-Muhammad Shah
- .Q3-395 Qayyumu'l-Asma' (Ahsanu'l-Qisas)

- .R3-395 Risaliy-i-'Adliyyih
- .R4-495 Risaliy-i-Dhahabiyyih
- .R5-595 Risaliy-i-Fiqhiyyih
- .R6-695 Risaliy-i-Furu'-i-'Adliyyih
- .S2-295 Sahifatu'l-Haramayn
- .S3-395 Sahifiy-i-Ja'fariyyih
- .S4-495 Sahifiy-i-Makhdhumiyyih
- .S5-595 Sahifiy-i-Radaviyyih
- .S8-895 Suriy-i-Tawhid
- .T3-395 Tafsir-i-Nubu vvat-i-Khassih
- .Z5-595 Ziyarat-i-Shah 'Abdu'l-Azim
- .Z9-995 Other works of the Bab's

Writings by Bahá'u'lláh

- B223            General work on Bahá'u'lláh's writings
- [B223.1]
- B223.2            Authorship; method and nature of revelation/writing
- B223.3            Concordances, indexes, dictionaries
- B223.4            Hermeneutics
- B223.5            Commentaries, textual studies
- B223.6            Treatises on special subjects  
                    See note at B216.

B223.7 Study and teaching

[B223.8]

B223.9 History

B223.95 History of translations

B224 Selections/Compilations & Specific Works by Bahá'u'lláh

.A1 Selections and compilations from various works, by date for collected works, A-Z by title for selections

.A11-199 Prayerbooks by language [DDC table 6, added to .A1]

.A2-Z Specific works [table I]

.A3-395 Alvah-i-Laylatu'l-Quds

.A5-595 Asl-i-Kullu'l-Khayr (Words of Wisdom)

.A9-995 Az Bagh-i-Ilahi

.B2-295 Baz-Av-i-Bidih-Jami

.B4-495 Bisharat (Glad Tidings)

.C4-495 Chihar Vadi (Four Valleys)

.H3-395 Haft Vadi (Seven Valleys)

.H4-495 Halih Halih Ya Bisharat

.H7-795 Hur-i-'Ujab

.H8-895 Hurufat-i-'Allin

.I7-795 Ishraqat

.K2-295 Kalimat-i-Firdawsiyyih (Words of Paradise)

- .K3-395 Kalimat-i-Maknunih (Hidden Words)
- .K4-495 Kitab-i-'Ahd
- .K6-695 Kitab-i-Aqdas
- .K7-795 Kitab-i-Badi'
- .K8-895 Kitab-i-Iqan
- .L12-1295 Lawh-i-'Abdu'l-'Aziz va Vukala
- .L13-1395 Lawh-i-'Abdu'l-Vahhab
- .L14-1495 Lawh-i-'Abdu'r-Razzaq
- .L15-1595 Lawh-i-Ahbab
- .L16-1695 Lawh-i-Ahmad (Tablet of Ahmad)
- .L17-1795 Lawh-i-Amvaj
- .L18-1895 Lawh-i-Anta'l-Kafi (Long Healing Prayer)
- .L19-1995 Lawh-i-Aqdas (Tablet to the Christians)
- .L22-2295 Lawh-i-Ashraf
- .L23-2395 Lawh-i-Ashiq va Ma'shuq
- .L24-2495 Lawh-i-Ayy-i-Nur
- .L25-2595 Lawh-i-Baha
- .L26-2695 Lawh-i-Baqa
- .L27-2795 Lawh-i-Basitatu'l-Haqiqah
- .L28-2895 Lawh-i-Bismilih
- .L29-2995 Lawh-i-Bulbulu'l-Firaq



.L32-3295	Lawh-i-Burhan
.L33-3395	Lawh-i-Dunya
.L34-3495	Lawh-i-Fitnih
.L35-3595	Lawh-i-Ghulamu'l-Khuld
.L36-3695	Lawh-i-Habib
.L37-3795	Lawh-i-Haft Pursish
.L38-3895	Lawh-i-Hajj
.L39-3995	Lawh-i-Hawdaj
.L42-4295	Lawh-i-Hikmat (Tablet of Wisdom)
.L43-4395	Lawh-i-Hirtik
.L44-4495	Lawh-i-Huriyyih
.L45-4595	Lawh-i-Husayn
.L46-4695	Lawh-i-Ibn-i-Dhi'b (Epistle to the Son of the Wolf)
.L47-4795	Lawh-i-Ittihad
.L48-4895	Lawh-i-Jamal
.L49-4995	Lawh-i-Karim
.L52-5295	Lawh-i-Karmil (Tablet of Carmel)
.L53-5395	Lawh-i-Kullu't-Ta'am
.L54-5495	Lawh-i-Maliki (Tablet to Queen Victoria)
.L55-5595	Lawh-i-Malik-i-Rus (Tablet to Czar Alexander II)
.L56-5695	Lawh-i-Mallahu'l-Quds (Tablet of the Holy Mariner)

.L57-5795	Lawh-i-Manikji Sahib
.L58-5895	Lawh-i-Maqsud
.L59-5995	Lawh-i-Maryam
.L62-6295	Lawh-i-Mawlund
.L63-6395	Lawh-i-Mubahilih
.L64-6495	Lawh-i-Napulyun I (1st Tablet to Napoleon III)
.L65-6595	Lawh-i-Napulyun II (2nd Tablet to Napoleon III)
.L66-6695	Lawh-i-Nasir
.L67-6795	Lawh-i-Nuqtih
.L68-6895	Lawh-i-Pap (Tablet to Pope Pius IX)
.L69-6995	Lawh-i-Pisar 'Amm
.L72-7295	Lawh-i-Qina'
.L73-7395	Lawh-i-Quds
.L74-7495	Lawh-i-Rafi'
.L75-7595	Lawh-i-Ra'is
.L76-7695	Lawh-i-Raqsha
.L77-7795	Lawh-i-Rasul
.L78-7895	Lawh-i-Ruh
.L79-7995	Lawh-i-Ru'ya
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.L83-8395	Lawh-i-Salman I

.L84-8495	Lawh-i-Salman II
.L85-8595	Lawh-i-Samsun
.L86-8695	Lawh-i-Sayyah
.L87-8795	Lawh-i-Shaykh Fani
.L88-8895	Lawh-i-Sultan
.L89-8995	Lawh-i-Tawhid
.L92-9295	Lawh-i-Tibb
.L93-9395	Lawh-i-Tuqa
.L94-9495	Lawh-i-Yusuf
.L95-9595	Lawh-i-Zaynu'l-Muqarrabin
.L96-9695	Lawh-i-Ziyarih
.M2-295	Madinatu'r-Rida
.M3-395	Madinatu't-Tawhid
.M4-495	Mathnavi
.M8-895	Munajathay-i-Siyam
.Q2-295	Qad-Ihtaraqal-Mukhlisun (Fire Tablet)
.Q3-395	Qasidiy-i-Varqa'iyih
.R3-395	Rashh-i-'Ama
.R5-595	Ridvanu'l-'Adl
.R6-695	Ridvanu'l-Iqrar
.S2-295	Sahify-i-Shattiyih

- .S3-395 Salat-i-Mayyit
- .S4-495 Saqi Az Ghayb-i-Baqa
- .S5-595 Shikkar Shikan Shavand
- .S6-695 Subhana Rabbiya'l-'Ala
- .S7-795 Subhanika Ya Hu
- .S8-895 Suratu'llah
- .S911-91195 Suriy-i-Ahzan
- .S913-91395 Suriy-i-Amin
- .S915-91595 Suriy-i-Amr
- .S917-91795 Suriy-i-A'rab
- .S919-91995 Suriy-i-Ashab
- .S921-92195 Suriy-i-Asma'
- .S923-92395 Suriy-i-Bayan
- .S925-92595 Suriy-i-Damm
- .S927-92795 Suriy-i-Dhabih
- .S929-92995 Suriy-i-Dhibh
- .S931-93195 Suriy-i-Dhikr
- .S933-93395 Suriy-i-Fadl
- .S935-93595 Suriy-i-Fath
- .S937-93795 Suriy-i-Fu'ad
- .S939-93995 Suriy-i-Ghusm (Tablet of the Branch)

.S941-94195	Suriy-i-Hajj I
.S943-94395	Suriy-i-Hajj II
.S945-94595	Suriy-i-Haykal
.S947-94795	Suriy-i-Hifz
.S949-94995	Suriy-i-Hijr
.S951-95195	Suriy-i-'Ibad
.S953-95395	Suriy-i-Ism
.S955-95595	Suriy-i-Ismuna'l-Mursil
.S957-95795	Suriy-i-Javad
.S959-95995	Suriy-i-Khitab
.S961-96195	Suriy-i-Ma'ani
.S963-96395	Suriy-i-Man'
.S965-96595	Suriy-i-Muluk (Tablet to the Kings)
.S967-96795	Suriy-i-Nida
.S969-96995	Suriy-i-Nush
.S971-97195	Suriy-i-Qadir
.S973-97395	Suriy-i-Qahir
.S975-97595	Suriy-i-Qalam
.S977-97795	Suriy-i-Qamis
.S979-97995	Suriy-i-Sabr
.S981-98195	Suriy-i-Sultan

- .S983-98395 Suriy-i-Va fa
- .S985-98595 Suriy-i-Ziyarih
- .S987-98795 Suriy-i-Zubur
- .S989-98995 Suriy-i-Zuhur
- .T2-295 Tafsir-i-Hu
- .T3-395 Tafsir-i-Hurufat-i-Muqatt'a'ih
- .T4-495 Tafsir-i-Suriy-i-Va'sh-Shams
- .T5-595 Tajalliyat
- .T6-695 Tarazat
- .Z3-395 Ziyarat-namih (Tablet of Visitation)
- .Z4-495 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Awliya
- .Z5-595 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Babu'l-Bab va Quddus
- .Z6-695 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Bayt
- .Z7-795 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Maryam
- .Z8-895 Ziyarat-namiy-i-Siyyidu'sh-Shuhada
- .Z9-995 Other works of Baha'u'llah's

Writings and Talks by `Abdu'l-Bahá

B225 General works on `Abdu'l-Bahá's Writings

[B225.1]

B225.2 Authorship; method and nature of revelation/writing

- B225.3                      Concordances, indexes, dictionaries
- B225.4                      Hermeneutics
- B225.5                      Commentaries, textual studies
- B225.6                      Treatises on special subjects  
                                    See note at B216.
- B225.7                      Study and teaching
- [B225.8]
- B225.9                      History
- B225.95                      History of translations
- B226                      Selections/Compilations & Specific Works by `Abdu'l-Bahá
- .A1                      Selections and compilations from various works, by date for collected works, A-Z by title for selections (including collections of talks)
- .A11-199                  Prayerbooks by language [DDC table 6, added to .A1]
- .A2-Z                      Specific works [table I]
- .A5-595 Alvah-i-Tablighiy-i-Imrika (Tablets of the Divine Plan)
- .A6-695 Alvah-i-Vasaya (Will and Testament)
- .L12-1295                  Lawh-i-Aflakiyyih
- .L14-1495                  Lawh-i-'Ahd va Mithaq
- .L16-1695                  Lawh-i-'Ammih
- .L18-1895                  Lawh-i-Ayat
- .L22-2295                  Lawh-i-Du Niday-i-Falah va Najah
- .L24-2495                  Lawh-i-Duktur Fural (Tablet to Dr. Forel)

- .L26-2695 Lawh-i-Haft Sham
- .L28-2895 Lawh-i-Hizar Bayti
- .L32-3295 Lawh-i-Khurasan
- .L34-3495 Lawh-i-Lahih
- .L36-3695 Lawh-i-Mahfil-i-Shawr
- .L38-3895 Lawh-i-Muhabbat
- .L42-4295 Lawh-i-Tanzih va Taqdis
- .L44-4495 Lawh-i-Tarbiyat
- .M3-395 Madaniyyih (Secret of Divine Civilization)
- .M4-495 Maqaliy-i-Sayyah (Traveller's Narrative)
- .M8-895 Mufavidat (Some Answered Questions)
- .S3-395 Sharh-i-Fass-i-Nigin-i-Ism-i-A'zam
- .S4-495 Sharh-i-i-Shuhaday-i-Yazd va Isfahan
- .S5-595 Siyasiyyih
- .T2-295 Tadhkiratu'l-Vafa (Memorials of the Faithful)
- .T3-395 Tafsir-i-Bismi'llahi'r-Rahmani'r-Rahim
- .T4-495 Tafsir-i-Kuntu Kanzan Makhfiyyan
- .Z5-595 Ziyarat-namih (Tablet of Visitation)
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Interpretation by Shoghi Effendi



[B227.1]

B227.2 Authorship; method and nature of writing

B227.3 Concordances, indexes, dictionaries

B227.4 Hermeneutics

B227.5 Commentaries, textual studies

B227.6 Treatises on special subjects  
See note at B216.

B227.7 Study and teaching

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B227.9 History

B227.95 History of translations

B228 Selections/Compilations & Specific Works by Shoghi Effendi

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

B230            General works

B230.1                    Administrative rights and obligations of the individual; sanctions

B231            Guardianship

B231.1                    Infallibility

B231.2                    Succession

B231.3                    Relationship to the Universal House of Justice

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B233            Rulers

B233.1                    Universal House of Justice

B233.11                    Constitution

B233.12                    Authority; infallibility

B233.13                    Messages

B233.14                    Legislation

B233.15                    Procedures

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B233.17                    Operational organization  
                                  This institution has no permanent officers, but  
                                  operates on a series of rotating responsibilities.

B233.18                    Bahá'í World Centre; Departments and Committees

B233.19                    Endowments (International)

- B233.2                    National Spiritual Assemblies
  - B233.21                    Constitutions; incorporation
  - B233.22                    Authority
  - B233.23                    Messages, subdivide by country
  - B233.24                    Procedures
  - B233.25                    Annual reports, subdivide by country
  - B233.26                    Haziratu'l-Quds, subdivide by country
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    - B233.272                    Secretary
    - B233.273                    Treasurer
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B239.2 Bahá'í World Centre institutions

B239.21 Bahá'í International Archives

B239.22 Bahá'í International Library

B239.23 Centre for the Study of the Sacred Texts

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B239.29 International Bahá'í Council

B239.3 Funds

Use for general works on the principle of voluntary giving, and Bahá'í funds supported by such donations. Financial obligations under Bahá'í law are under B251.8.

B239.4 Bahá'í International Community

B239.5 Archives, libraries, museums (general guidelines)

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- B240            General works
- B240.1            Comparative
- B240.2            Outlines
- B240.3            Compendia
- B240.4            Apologetics, proofs  
                    Use B260-269 when apologetics is in regard to a specific religion.
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- B241.2            Names, titles; Greatest Name
- B241.3            Primal will; Holy Spirit
- B242            Manifestations of God; Messengers; Prophets
- B242.1            Oneness
- B242.2            Revelation; progressive revelation
- B242.4            Relationship to God
- B242.5            Most Great Infallibility
- [B242.6]
- B242.7            Miracles
- B242.8            Prophecy (foretelling events by revelation); Forecasting (intelligent prediction by believers based upon what the Manifestations said)  
                    For specific prophecies about the Last Days, and for Bahá'í eschatology, use B246.
- B242.9            Future Manifestations
- B243            Covenant

- B243.1                      Eternal (Greater) Covenant  
                                     The covenant made by each Manifestation with his followers promising the coming of the next Manifestation.
- B243.2                      Specific (Lesser) Covenant  
                                     The covenant made by Bahá'u'lláh with his followers to accept `Abdu'l-Bahá as Head; that made by `Abdu'l-Bahá that they accept Shoghi Effendi as Guardian; agreement by all Bahá'ís to uphold institutions of the Bahá'í administrative order.
- B243.3                      Covenant-breaking  
                                     Use for material dealing with the general Bahá'í teachings on covenant-breaking. Items by covenant-breakers go in B209.8; biography of covenant-breakers and history of covenant-breaker groups in B270-279 or B206 as appropriate.
- B244                      Creation; Worlds of God
- B244.1                      Eternality of creation
- B244.2                      Kingdoms of creation (mineral, vegetable, animal, human)
- B244.29                      Environment; ecology
- B244.3                      Humanity; Man/Mankind/Humankind
- B244.33                      Immortality; life after death; eternal life; reincarnation<sup>1</sup>
- B244.34                      Free will and predestination
- B244.35                      Evolution of humankind
- B244.36                      Soul, mind, spirit; knowledge; dreams
- B244.37                      Purpose of man; personal virtues; 'living the Bahá'í life'; qualities & attributes
- B244.38                      Sin; salvation

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<sup>1</sup> Reincarnation is not a Bahá'í doctrine, but there are Bahá'í statements about it.

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B251.58	Participation in partisan politics For Bahá'í theories of government, use B253.6.
B251.59	Holy war; jihad
B251.6	Membership in secret societies Add decimals from DDC class 366 for specific societies: e.g. B251.61 for Freemasonry [Freemasonry is 366.1 in DDC; add -1 to B251.6]
B251.61	Theft
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                                    Use for works on financial obligations as part of Bahá'í law. Those works dealing with the principles of voluntary giving, and the institution of the Bahá'í Fund supported by such donations, are under B239.3.

B251.81                      Huququ'llah ("the right of God")

B251.82                      Zakat (Tithe)

B251.9                        Other laws of personal status

B252                         Devotional practices; worship

B252.1                        Prayer

B252.11                      Obligatory prayer

B252.12                      Congregational prayer

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B252.3                        Pilgrimage

B252.31                      To the House of the Báb, Shiraz

B252.32                      To the House of Bahá'u'lláh, Baghdad

B252.33                      To the Holy Tombs, Haifa-'Akka

B252.39                      Other pilgrimages

B252.4                        Meditation

B252.5                        Mysticism

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B252.831

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B252.832

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B252.835

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B252.836

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B253.2

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Equality of men and women

- B253.3                    Unity of religions  
                                   Use for general Bahá'í principles of religious unity. For relationship to other religions, use B260-269.
- B253.35                    Cycles
- B253.4                    Harmony of science and religion
- B253.5                    Universal peace
- B253.51                    Lesser peace; collective security
- B253.519                    War; just war  
                                   For the Bahá'í position on military service and duty towards government, see B253.62; prohibition against holy war is under B251.59.
- B253.52                    Most Great Peace
- B253.59                    Universal auxiliary language (incl. uniform script, approach to Esperanto and other international languages)
- B253.6                    Theories of government and the body politic  
                                   For prohibition against participation in politics, use B251.58.
- B253.61                    World government; world commonwealth; world federation
- B253.611                    International executive
- B253.612                    International legislature
- B253.613                    International tribunal
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- B253.622                    Military service  
                                   Doctrine on war, just war, is under

B253.519; prohibition of holy war under  
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B256.912 Nine Year Plan, 1964-1973

B256.913 Five Year Plan, 1974-1979

B256.914 Seven Year Plan, 1979-1986

B256.915 Six Year Plan, 1986-1992

B256.916 Three Year Plan, 1993-1996

B256.917 Four Year Plan, 1996-2000

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B256.919 Five Year Plan, 2001-2006

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RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER RELIGIONS (incl. atheism/agnosticism)

B260 General works

When a work is written with the purpose of disproving or attacking the Bahá'í Faith, place it in B209.

- B261            Sabaeanism
- B262            Hinduism
- B262.9                  Yoga
- B263            Buddhism
- B264            Zoroastrianism
- B265            Judaism
- B265.9                  Zionism; Jewish nationalism
- B266            Christianity; Bible
- B266.1                  Catholicism  
                                Include Roman Catholicism and members of the Roman  
                                communion.
- B266.2                  Eastern Orthodox Christianity  
                                Include Greek Orthodox, Russian Orthodox, Nestorian,  
                                Armenian, Doukhobors.
- B266.3                  Protestantism  
                                Include Baptists, Anglicans, Congregationalist, Methodists,  
                                Presbyterians, Seventh-Day Adventists, etc.
- B266.4                  Mormonism
- [B266.5-.8]
- B266.9                  Other Christian groups
- B267            Islam; Qur'an (Koran)
- B267.1                  Shiah
- B267.2                  Sunni
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- .A44 Ali Kuli Khan
- .A92 'Azizi, 'Azizu'llah
- .B33 Bahiyyih Khanum
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- .R68 Rouhizadegan, Olya [Ruhizadigan, 'Ulya]
- .S313 Sabet, Habib
- .S315 Sabit, Rustom
- .S32 Sadru's-Sudur
- .S35 Samandar, Kazim
- .S37 Schopflocher, Lorol

.S38 Schuurman, Tristan  
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 .S93 Szanto-Felbermann, Renee  
 .S94 Szepesi, Angela  
 .T33 Tahirih  
 .T48 Thabit-i-Maraghi'i, Muhammad  
 .T78 True, Corinne  
 .Y35 Yan Kee Leong  
 .Y39 Yazdi, Marion Carpenter  
 .Z35 Zamenhof, Lidia

- B270.8 Covenant-breaker biography (collective)
- B270.81 Covenant-breaker biography (individual, A-Z)
- B270.9 Relationship of non-Bahá'ís to the Bahá'í Faith (collective)
- B270.91 Relationship of non-Bahá'ís to the Bahá'í Faith (individual, A-Z)
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- B272.1 Ministry of the Báb, 1844-1853; pre-Bábí preparation (Shaykhis)
- B272.2 Ministry of Bahá'u'lláh, 1853-1892
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- B273.11 First epoch, 1921-1946
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- B273.2 Stewardship of Hands of the Cause of God, 1957-1963
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Including description of international teaching plans from a historical viewpoint (except the Ten Year Crusade)
- B273.31 Third epoch, 1963-1986
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- B273.312 Five Year Plan, 1974-1979  
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- B273.32 Fourth epoch, 1986-
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- B273.322 Holy Year, 1992-1993
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RELATION OF THE BAHÁ'I FAITH TO OTHER DISCIPLINES

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