

## CHANGES TO THE 20TH EDITION OF THE BLUEBOOK

Rule	Change
B.2	Permits use of large and small caps in citations for court documents for stylistic purposes.
1.4(e)	Order of authorities—cite federal legislative history before state legislative history.
3.2(b)	Additional guidance on citing range of pages and single footnote within the range in the same citation.
3.5	Suggests naming conventions for subdivisions cited.
5.2(d)(i)	No longer requires parenthetical indicating omission of internal quotation marks.
5.2(f)	Omit internal quotation marks if the opening mark appears at the very beginning of a quotation and the closing mark appears at the end.
10.2.1(f)	Party names—omit all geographical designations that follow a comma (usually the state or country name after a city).
10.2.2	Use T10 to abbreviate states, countries, and other geographical units, unless the geographical unit is the entire name of the party (as opposed to just a part thereof). This includes United States.
10.9(a)(iii)	Clearer short forms for slip opinions.
11	Constitutions—guidance on citation of multiple amendments and sections
12.9.4	Combines 19th ed. rules 12.9.4 and 12.9.5 to provide clearer guidance on citation of model codes, restatements, standards, and guidelines.
13.5	Cite the year a debate was published in the Congressional Record if it is different from the year the debate took place.
14.2(b)	Guidance on citation of comments to proposed regulations.
14.2(d)	Includes guidance and examples on citation of other agency material, including opinion letters and manuals.
14.4	Guidance on citing administrative material found in commercial electronic databases.
15.8(a)	Citations for Black’s Law Dictionary and Ballentine’s Law Dictionary updated to include term or phrase defined without page number.
15.9	“Available at” no longer used in parallel citations.
15.9(c)	Citation to e-books (but preference remains to cite print versions).
16.6(a)	Use “opinion” rather than “op-ed” for opinion pieces in newspapers.
16.6(f)	Clarifies that online newspapers may be used in place of print newspapers.
18	Updated with more examples. All Internet citations are treated as direct, and “available at” is no longer required.
18.2.1(b)(ii)	Clarifies citation of online resources with print characteristics. These should be cited using the relevant rule for the type of resource.
18.2.1(d)	Encourages use of archival Internet sources when a reliable one is available (e.g. perma.cc or web.archive.org).
18.2.2(a)	Guidance on citing authors for social media.
18.2.2(b)(iii)	Guidance on citing titles for blogs and other social media.
18.2.2(b)(v)	
18.3	Provides table of contents to rules on citation for sources found in commercial electronic databases.
21	Rules added for citation of IMF and ICC materials. Simplified citation rules for UN documents.
T1	Updated throughout with current titles for statutory and administrative material.
T13	No longer includes list of abbreviations for individual law reviews. Construct abbreviation using T13.1 (institutions), T13.2 (common words), and T10 (geographical).