Guide to filing bibliographic information in libraries and documentation (BS6478: 1984 (1990) = ISO7154). (Reissued without change.)

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A good encyclopedic dictionary, but unfortunately the typeface does not make for easy reading.


The first issue of an annual compilation ‘written to inform and explain without pedantry or obscure technical jargon’. The 24-page, 96-column index is compiled by SI member Fiona Barr, acknowledged in the list of credits.


Following 50 pages of introductory matter there are about 300 typefaces displayed in various sizes and styles. ‘Dingbats’ and some non-Latin fonts are included. The typefaces discussed are mostly available for computer typesetting. ‘Type 1 fonts’ in the title refers to the high resolution, or density of dots per inch, which provides high quality print.


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