



FAQ – Digital Object Identifier (DOI)

Frequently asked questions about Digital Object Identifiers and how they are used in Data Store.

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What is a Digital Object Identifier (DOI)?

Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs) are persistent and unique identifiers that can be assigned to “objects” such as books, journal articles, documents or datasets. Many academic and professional organizations use DOIs for their publications, and federal agencies using them include USGS, the National Science Foundation, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

DOIs are an international standard (ISO 26324) that was developed as a way to ensure access to objects in perpetuity. Here's an example of a DOI URL: <https://doi.org/10.3390/f10080666>. DOI URLs are increasingly included in citations, allowing readers to click through directly to the original work without an additional search.

DOI registry organizations (like DataCite, CrossRef) are used to assign and manage DOIs and the basic metadata associated with each object; registry metadata fields are aggregated into internet search engines such as Google Scholar. Once assigned, the DOI name for an object (such as, 10.3390/f10080666) remains fixed and does not change over the lifetime of the object.

However, we all realize that change happens--metadata may need to be modified; systems, technology, servers and domain names change. When an information producer registers an object and establishes a DOI, the producer (such as NPS) takes on the responsibility of ensuring the DOI's metadata accuracy and the discoverability and accessibility of the object, even in the event of change.

To learn more about DOIs, visit [DOI.ORG](https://doi.org) or take a look at their [DOI Handbook](#).

How do I request a Digital Object Identifier (DOI) Name for my content?

Currently, we are only obtaining DOIs for Natural Resource Reports (NRR) in the Natural Resource Publication Series, and Data Release Reports in the Data Release Report Published Report Series.

We look forward to when we can support obtaining DOIs for other types of published reports and datasets. In the meantime, you can contact IRMA@nps.gov for more information.

Can I upload a published report that already has a DOI name assigned?

You can create a published report reference that has a DOI name that was registered and is maintained by another group (e.g., USGS report, other published reports). We recommend that you link to the original DOI URL by adding an external link from the Files and Links page, and then add the DOI Name to the Digital Object Identifier Name field located on the Core Tab of the published report reference.

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