## **Adding and Deleting Reference Types**

There are three Reference Types titled Unused, where you can define a new type of reference. If these are already in use, you can overwrite other reference types that you do not need in order to create new reference types. For example, if your subject area never involves art, you may have no use for the Artwork reference type; you could replace it with another reference type.

## To add a new reference type:

- 1. From the EndNote Edit menu, choose *Preferences*, select the *Reference Type* option in the list of preferences, and click *Modify Reference Types* to open the Reference Types preference.
- 2. Use the drop-down list at the top to select one of the Unused reference types. If all of the "Unused" reference types are in use, select a reference type that you are willing to overwrite.
- 3. Type a name for that new reference type into the column heading

A reference type must have fields defined in order to appear in the reference type list for new or existing references. If you simply change the name of an Unused reference type, it will not appear in your reference type list. You must also include fields in the reference type as described next.

- 4. Continue down the column for that reference type, adding new fields as necessary. (Delete or rename unwanted fields if you are overwriting another reference type.) Remember to match the meaning of the fields you add with the Generic row headings. It is often helpful to use the other reference types as guides, too.
- 5. Click *OK* after you have added all of the necessary fields, and you will return to the main Preferences window for Reference Types.
- 6. Click OK Save to save your changes.

You can now use this new reference type when entering references. You should also edit your styles so that they correctly reflect the type of format required for this new reference type. If you overwrite an existing reference type, any references that used the old reference type will change to use the new reference type.

**Note**: If you ever plan to use journal articles in your library, do not overwrite the Journal Article or Electronic Article reference types. These two reference types are the only ones for which Journal Abbreviation replacements can be made with the Journals Term List.

## To hide an unwanted reference type:

- 1. EndNote Edit menu, choose *Preferences*, select the *Reference Type* option in the list of preferences, and click *Modify Reference Types* to open the Reference Types preference.
- 2. Use the drop-down list at the top to find the reference type that you want to hide.
- 3. Add a period before the reference type's name in the column header to have EndNote remove that item from the *Reference Type* list in the Reference windows and elsewhere.

The definition, however, remains in case you later wish to restore it by removing the period.

For example, if you were hiding the Map reference type, the column heading would be ".Map".

- 4. Click OK to return to the main Preferences window for Reference Types.
- 5. Click OK Save to save your changes.

Once you have hidden a reference type, you should not select it under Preferences as the default reference type for new references; if you do, EndNote will default to the Generic reference type.