

▶ GEM Building Taxonomy – Photo Contribution Guideline

The GEM Building Taxonomy, its Glossary and GEM in general is made possible by contributors from around the globe, from professionals and academic researchers to engineers and students. GEM's mission is to bring data, tools and knowledge together and to share it. We invite you to join us in this fundamentally cooperative adventure.

We welcome and appreciate serious contributions to the GEM Building Taxonomy Glossary, in particular photographs of building attributes. Contributions which are accepted for publication in the Glossary are credited online, and copyright remains with the owner. The GEM Foundation greatly appreciates all contributions to enhancing the knowledge base of buildings around the globe.

Photo Types and Resolution

We can only accept photos which you have taken yourself (or for which you otherwise own the copyright to), because only the copyright holder can authorize photo usage. Please submit the photos in the JPEG format with the maximum resolution.

How to Name Photos

When supplying photos for the glossary, please name the image files according to the following standard:

ID_Country_Author_Number

Where:

ID refers to the taxonomy ID for the specific attribute; IDs are provided in the taxonomy tables which are linked to the glossary - please click on the attribute table which is related to the glossary term associated with the images

(URL <http://www.nexus.globalquakemodel.org/gem-building-taxonomy/overview>)

Country = country in which the photo has been taken

Author = author's name, that is, last name and initial(s)

Number = include "1" unless you have provided more than one image for the same glossary term

In addition, please provide a brief caption (text description) for the photo, which you can submit via email along with the photo. Image naming format will be illustrated by the following two examples.

Example 1: You contribute a photo for the Glossary term 'braced frame':

<http://www.nexus.globalquakemodel.org/gem-building-taxonomy/glossary/braced-frame>

The caption of the first image is "Eccentrically Braced Frame, New Zealand (A. Charleson)". So the image file would be named

LFBR_New Zealand_CharlesonA_1

Note: ID (LFBR) can be found in Table 3 of the GEM Building Taxonomy, which is posted here

<http://www.nexus.globalquakemodel.org/gem-building-taxonomy/overview/basic-table2>

Example 2: You contribute a photo for the Glossary term 'fired clay solid bricks':

<http://www.nexus.globalquakemodel.org/gem-building-taxonomy/glossary/fired-clay-solid-bricks>

The caption of the first image is "Fired clay solid bricks, Chile (S. Brzev)". So the image file would be named

CLBRS_Chile_BrzevS_1

Note: ID (CLBRS) can be found in Table 2 of the GEM Building Taxonomy, which is posted here

<http://www.nexus.globalquakemodel.org/gem-building-taxonomy/overview/basic-table1>

Credit

Author(s) of each photo will be given credit. It is envisaged that their names will appear in the caption of the photo they have contributed.

Copyright and Use

Authors will continue to own copyrights for the photos they have contributed. However we ask you to share them under a CC-BY license, so that the GEM Foundation and others can use them, in the context of the GEM Building Taxonomy Project.

Submission

You can submit photos online through the Testing and Evaluation website ([Submission Page](#)), renamed as we propose above. In particular if you are not able to rename images, you can upload an additional word-file with background information / captions.

You can also submit images and background information to buildingtaxonomy@globalquakemodel.org

Questions

For any question, feel free to contact us at buildingtaxonomy@globalquakemodel.org