

# News From OCLC

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## OCLC Products and Services Release Notes

Find the most current release notes for many OCLC products and services as well as links to data updates and to dynamic collection lists at [https://help.oclc.org/Librarian\\_Toolbox/Release\\_notes](https://help.oclc.org/Librarian_Toolbox/Release_notes). Included are CONTENTdm, EZproxy, Tipasa, WorldCat Discovery, WorldCat Knowledge Base, WorldCat Matching, WorldCat Validation, WorldShare Acquisitions, WorldShare Circulation, WorldShare Collection Evaluation, WorldShare Collection Manager, WorldShare Interlibrary Loan, WorldShare License Manager, WorldShare Record Manager, and WorldShare Reports.

## WorldCat, Cataloging, and Metadata

### **WorldCat Validation Installation, January 26, 2023**

On January 26, 2023, OCLC installed changes to WorldCat Validation, including the following new features and enhancements:

- OCLC-MARC Validations of New MARC Codes Announced September 2022-January 24, 2023
- Conversion of MARC Codes for LC Children's Cataloging
- MARC 21 Bibliographic Update No. 35 (Announced December 2022)
- MARC 21 Authority Update No. 35 (Announced December 2022) to the Validation Rule Set that Includes All Valid Elements of MARC 21 Authority Format. *These changes apply only to the OCLC-MARC Authority validation rule set that includes all valid elements of MARC 21 Authority Format. Name Authority Cooperative (NACO) participants cannot use these authority format changes in the LC/NACO Authority File at this time. The Library of Congress and OCLC will announce the implementation of these elements for use in name and subject authority records in the LC/NACO Authority File at a future date.*
- MARC 21 Holdings Update No. 35 (Announced December 2022)
- Nonfiling Indicators in Preferred Title Fields in Non-English Language of Cataloging Records
- Family Names in LC Authorities

It is gratifying to report that there were no bug fixes needed for this WorldCat Validation release. These features and enhancements are the result of announcements of new MARC elements and codes by the Library of Congress as well as feedback and requests from members of the OCLC cooperative. Please note that any remaining conversions of codes *lcac* and *leshac* to *cyac* (or in 6XX fields to Second Indicator value *I*) and of code *embuscglg* to *buscem* will be accomplished as quickly as we can manage. See the [WorldCat Validation Release Notes, January 2023](#) at [oclc.org/oclc/val-validation-release-notes](https://oclc.org/oclc/val-validation-release-notes) for more details of the changes.

### **WorldShare Record Manager Installation, February 2023**

The February 13, 2023, release of WorldShare Record Manager provides bug fixes to the following:

- Local Holdings Record (LHR) Text View Editor (also Copy/Items view editor in Circulation and Acquisitions)
- MARC 21 Bibliographic Record Editor
- Label printing
- LHR Change History
- Simplified Cataloging role
- Record creation

Full details are available in the [WorldShare Record Manager Release Notes, February 2023](#).

### **Virtual AskQC Office Hours Through June 2023**

We continue to present Virtual AskQC office hours in most months, offering each monthly session twice. We began a new set of topics starting in February 2023. See [oclc.org/askqc](https://oclc.org/oclc/askqc) for topics, registration, and recordings of past office hours. Through June 2023, the remaining planned sessions are:

- March: **Languages, Non-Latin Scripts, and Mysterious MARC 880 fields**
- April: **Data and algorithms and bibs, oh my**
- May: **What's in a name?: Descriptive access points overview**
- June: **Cataloging Rare Materials Defensively**

Join us either at [10 a.m. Eastern on Tuesday, March 14](#), or [4 p.m. Eastern on Thursday, March 23](#) (or both) for our tips on the cataloging of non-English language materials, including the handling of non-Latin scripts and those mysterious MARC 880 fields.

## **Discovery and Reference Services**

### **WorldCat Discovery Installation on February 22, 2023**

The February 22, 2023, installation of WorldCat Discovery includes the following enhancements as well as several bug fixes:

- Find the right item with enhanced availability table sorting (WMS libraries only)
- Place WorldShare ILL requests for items without an OCLC number
- Use a blank ILL form to place requests without finding an item

Full details are available in the [WorldCat Discovery Release Notes, February 2023](#).

### **Harm Reduction in WorldCat Discovery**

As part of OCLC's [WorldCat Discovery](#) Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion initiative, WorldCat Discovery institutions can now use a universal template that re-maps subject headings to hide sensitive language, leading to a more inclusive search experience. "[Create locally preferred subjects for display and search expansion](#)" offers step-by-step instructions to display locally-chosen alternate subject headings instead of those you locally deem to be problematic. This does not change the local bibliographic data or the WorldCat record itself, just the subject display in your institution's user interface. In this initial phase, the replacement subject displays the first term it matches. A future second phase will enable institutions to build on their work and define local search expansions to support locally preferred subjects.

### **Arabization of WorldCat Discovery**

OCLC has created an Arabic interface to WorldCat Discovery. It is available to anyone who uses WMS. This enables searching using Arabic in the title index, the author index, and the corporate/conference name index, among others. One can search it live at the American University of Kuwait Library (<https://auk.on.worldcat.org/discovery>) where one may switch to an Arabic interface. This developed quickly, so documentation and information on OCLC's website is still in process. Look for more information on this later in 2023.

## **Resource Sharing Services**

### **My Account Installation on February 16, 2023**

The February 16, 2023, installation of My Account provides enhancements and bug fixes for libraries with Tipasa to help you offer an improved experience for your library users, including:

- Provide an improved user experience for submitting interlibrary loan requests.

Full details are in the [My Account Release Notes, February 2023](#).

## **Management Services**

### **OCLC's Capira Library Services Recognized with 2023 Modern Library Awards**

OCLC's Capira library services—CapiraMobile, LendingKey, and MuseumKey—have received platinum and gold awards in LibraryWorks' ninth annual Modern Library Awards. CapiraMobile, a gold Modern Library Award (MLA) winner, makes it possible for users to interact with their library through their mobile phones. The customizable app lets users engage with their library and learn about events, services, and resources conveniently through their phones. Libraries can send push and account-level notifications about new programs and promotions, allow users to search the catalog, and support self-checkout and digital library cards through CapiraMobile. MuseumKey, a platinum MLA winner, allows libraries to simplify

museum pass reservations through a library's website and lets users browse a responsive calendar by museum or by date. And LendingKey received a gold MLA as a premier Library of Things reservation and management solution that gets a library's non-book items—like a camera, or a croquet set—into users' hands. The MLAs were created to recognize the top products and services in the library industry in a truly unbiased format. Products and services were submitted in the fall of 2022 using a simple application, and then were posted on a private site with an enhanced description and attendant materials. These products were batched into small groups and sent to the LibraryWorks database of more than 80,000 librarians at public, K-12, academic, and special libraries. Only customers with experience with these products/services in their facilities were permitted to judge the products/services, resulting in a truly unbiased score. Each judge scored the product on a numeric basis from 1-10 on a series of questions regarding functionality, value, customer service, etc. Find more about Capira products and services on the OCLC website.

### **WorldShare Acquisitions Installation on February 2, 2023**

The February 2, 2023, release of WorldShare Acquisitions provides five new features and enhancements in addition to numerous bug fixes. These features will help you manage more complex workflows, including:

- Disabling a fund for all uses
- Transfer details for budgeted amount history
- Changing the resource for multiple one-time order items
- Improved secondary matching process for print books
- Increased number of rows on budget page

Full details can be found in the [WorldShare Acquisitions Release Notes, February 2023](#).

### **WorldShare Circulation Installation on January 29, 2023**

The January 29, 2023, release of WorldShare Circulation provides these new features and enhancements:

- View Loan Policy on checkouts table in Circulation
- Choose to include long overdue items in a user's list of current loans in My Account, SIP2, etc.
- Manage your library's override credentials in OCLC Service Configuration
- Manage your retention history settings in an improved interface
- Bug fixes and performance improvements

Full details can be found in the [WorldShare Circulation Release Notes, January 2023](#).

### **WorldShare License Manager Installation, February 2023**

The February 25, 2023, release of WorldShare License Manager release includes database changes necessary for upcoming enhancements:

- The Bulk Change Terms of Use button has been moved within a new Bulk Actions menu. Use the checkboxes on the table to select which licenses to include in the Bulk Change Terms of Use. You can see how many licenses will be included in the bulk change in the parenthesis.
- The current Export button has been retired. The Export function can now be accessed beneath the Bulk Actions menu. At this time, the export will trigger a download of all licenses in the table, regardless of checkbox selections. We are planning to improve this in the future. You will see a count of how many licenses will be included in the export in the parenthesis. Larger exports may result in a timeout based on the amount of data they contain. If you experience this, please narrow your license search and export a smaller set.
- The Filters have a slightly new design, and the reset button has been moved within the filters.

In addition, the bug that the Public Notes Template did not populate for custom terms set to "Silent" has been fixed. Full details of the release can be found in the [WorldShare License Manager Release Notes, February 2023](#).

## **OCLC Research**

### **Using Data to Identify Library Collaboration Opportunities**

[Sustaining Art Research Collections: Using Data to Explore Collaboration](#) is a new report from OCLC Research that explores collaboration opportunities between art, academic, and independent research libraries. This report models how quantitative analysis of library collection and resource sharing data could be used as evidence to support decision-making about partnership opportunities. The findings are intended

to help support art libraries and their leaders in the ongoing stewardship and availability of art research resources. As art and independent research libraries face challenges from an evolving environment, repercussions from the COVID-19 pandemic, and static or diminishing resources, finding sustainable pathways forward becomes an increasing priority. Collaboration is an important option for art research collections in achieving long-term sustainability. The findings of this research underscore how collective collections and a diverse library resource sharing network create a richer ecosystem to support users, and models analytic efforts that can be used for decision making by a broad range of libraries. Read the free report at <https://oc.lc/sustaining-art-research>. This report is an outcome from the [Operationalizing the Art Research Collective Collection](#) project, which is supported through a grant by the [Samuel H. Kress Foundation](#) with significant co-investment from OCLC. OCLC Research reports are a community resource to advance library thinking and promote discussion. They are freely available to all to read, download, and share.