

OCLC WorldCat Resource Sharing Enhancements

On Sunday, August 6, OCLC installed two enhancements to WorldCat Resource Sharing:

Users are able to automatically log into the WorldCat administrative module from WorldCat Resource Sharing – When a user logs into WorldCat Resource Sharing, a new button appears at the top of the screen that automatically links from WorldCat Resource Sharing to the WorldCat Services administrative module. The administrative module will open in another window. Users do not have to re-enter their authorization and password and are taken to the resource sharing administrative module landing page just as if they had logged into the administrative module directly with their resource sharing authorization/password.

Constant Data persistence made optional – In the administrative module, users can now decide whether or not Constant Data should act persistently. Unless users make a change, and turn off persistence, Constant Data will continue to work as it always has.

For additional information about these enhancements, please contact Jon Penn at Nylink.

Quick Price Link to Copyright Clearance Center from WorldCat Resource Sharing

There is a quick copyright price link from WorldCat Resource Sharing that indicates if rights are granted through the Copyright Clearance Center, and if so, how much the royalty fee would be. This link is available from the detailed record in WorldCat Resource Sharing.

After entering a date, the number of copies and number of pages, the system will respond with a “Quick price” statement indicating if rights are granted and how much the CCC fee would be.

Request Aging in WorldCat Resource Sharing

Every time your symbol appears in the Lender string of an ILL request, you have up to four working days (Saturday, Sunday, and major holidays are not counted) to reply to a request. This period is measured from the time a request appears in your Pending file (**not** from the time you first look at it) until you update to Yes, No, Conditional or Future Date. Updating to In Process has no effect on request aging.

If you don't act on a request in that time, the system will automatically send it on to the next library in the string or, if there aren't other libraries, it will become an *Unfilled* request. Sending a *Conditional* response resets the clock and gives the requesting library four days to respond to your Conditional or Conditional/Pending message.

If you would like to increase the amount of time that the lending library has to respond to your request, you may enter their symbol twice in succession in the lender string.

OCLC Non-Referral Days

OCLC does not count Saturdays, Sundays and the following as working days for ILL requests:

- New Year's Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Day after Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- New Year's Eve

Resource Sharing Contact Information

Please contact Jon Penn, Resource Sharing Librarian, at Nylink, with questions. Jon is available via email (pennj@nylink.org) or phone (800-342-3353 / 518-443-5444).

