



VDX

Give your group greater local control of resource sharing



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The **VDX[®]** service from OCLC is a document delivery and interlending management system that fully automates the requesting and supply of books and journal articles. It meets the needs of consortia that require greater local control of resource sharing among their members by offering tight integration with disparate local library systems.

Expanding options for groups

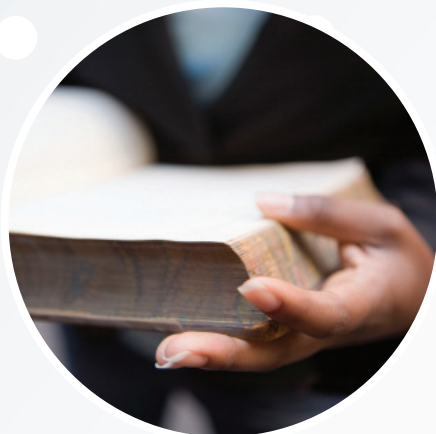
An optional service for groups, VDX builds on the foundation of other OCLC[®] services for groups that include cataloging, resource sharing, reference and digitization services. It also expands the benefits of OCLC group catalogs by fully automating the requesting and supply of books and journal articles.

Physical and electronic discovery and delivery for any format

VDX follows automatic rules based on item format that enables automatic request processing and is integrated into scanning and electronic delivery software, including Infotrieve's Ariel system. Request input is streamlined through population of requests directly from search results. Access to serials at the issue level means fast, accurate fulfillment.

Integration with local systems

VDX uses NCIP, SIP or SIP2 to integrate tightly with your ILS circulation system VDX can also report on real-time holdings data. Workflow integration across interlibrary loan and circulation functions reduces repetitive and redundant tasks.



Reliability, ease and speed

The VDX option for groups provides transparent real-time searching of multiple library systems and intelligent management of the entire discovery-to-delivery process. The option of hosting by OCLC means no additional hardware for your staff to purchase or support, and scalability to support the expanding needs of your group. Developed by the former Fretwell Downing organization (now part of OCLC), VDX software offers the reliability and speed that library groups need and expect to serve their users effectively.

Be part of something much larger

While it facilitates resource sharing among members of groups and consortia, VDX is also integrated into a much larger universe of libraries—more than 7,500 of them—that share resources through OCLC's WorldCat Resource Sharing™ service. Learn more at www.oclc.org/resourcesharing/.

WorldCat puts your library group on the Web—where most research begins

When your group adds its holdings to the WorldCat® database it is investing in increased Web exposure through OCLC's WorldCat.org search and Open WorldCat partner program. These initiatives put discovery and delivery tools where information seekers are at work: on search engines, learning management systems and more. It seamlessly integrates into direct consortial systems and allows for easy expansion of borrowing from the local group to the worldwide OCLC cooperative.



Benefits

End user access: A single Web interface simplifies searching across multiple resources and request monitoring.

Reduced turnaround times: A fully automated process identifies availability, which enables over 90 percent of items to be supplied from the first supplier approached.

System supports organizational business model: Workflow and policies are based on local needs and requirements. VDX can automatically locate the best potential lenders based on availability and service preferences.

Interoperability: A very high level of compliance with standards enables seamless peer-to-peer requesting and brokered ILL.

Document delivery and copyright: Documents are delivered physically or electronically directly to the desktop in accordance with copyright law.

Features

Physical and electronic discovery and delivery for any format

Fully automates the entire ILL management process

Integration with local systems

Highly flexible and configurable solution with options

Supports both mediated and unmediated requests

Library and supplier directories for maintaining details of the services provided by document suppliers and libraries

Checks holdings and availability information

Manages US, UK and Australian copyright

Requirements

VDX can be hosted locally within your institution or via our fully managed service.

Full requirements are available upon request.

Standards Implemented

Z39.50: search and retrieval of bibliographic information and document location

ISO ILL: for document requesting

SIP: Circulation system integration

GEDi: Electronic document delivery

OpenURL: Document requesting and full-text linking

LDAP/Kerberos/Shibboleth: user authentication

Related services

Group Services offer library groups customized solutions built on WorldCat.

OCLC's Connexion® cataloging service is OCLC's powerful tool for original and copy cataloging on WorldCat.

The WorldCat Resource Sharing service connects users with items in other libraries.

The OCLC FirstSearch® service offers more than 80 online reference databases.

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