Functionality across services

Shared print programs are increasingly important among libraries and groups looking to protect the scholarly record, share the costs of maintaining low-use titles, and reclaim prime library space through responsible deselection. OCLC offers services and support to help libraries build, manage, and curate a collective collection of resources through WorldCat®.

Because shared print programs touch many different areas of the library, our services include the functionality you need where you need it. With your OCLC subscriptions, you can incorporate shared print data into your existing workflows.

The following pages contain information about how to access shared print commitment information available to your library through OCLC services. A quick reference table at the end of the document provides a high-level overview of shared print features within OCLC services. For more information on our shared print services and support, visit oc.lc/sharedprint.
FirstSearch simplifies access to shared print commitment information in WorldCat local holdings records (LHRs). FirstSearch users can limit search results to only records with shared print commitments and see which libraries maintain these commitments.

**ACCESS**

FirstSearch is available as part of a FirstSearch/WorldCat Discovery subscription.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO**

- View shared print commitments based on LHRs from libraries worldwide through a WorldCat search.

**TYPE OF SHARED PRINT DATA DISCOVERABLE**

- Shared print commitments by institution
- Shared print commitments by group
- Total number of commitments per record
- List of libraries committed to hold a specific title

**HOW TO ACCESS SHARED PRINT DATA WITHIN FIRSTSEARCH**

- From the advanced search screen, click the box to limit availability to shared print commitments only.
- In the search results or on a detailed record page, look for the number of commitments with the availability information.
- On the “Libraries that Own Item” page, look for the shared print commitment column to see who has committed to retain a copy.

The search results in FirstSearch show how many libraries have committed to retain the item as part of a shared print program.
The Connexion browser provides a simple view of shared print commitments at your own and other libraries within the interface you use for regular cataloging workflows. You can edit LHRs in the Connexion browser to change shared print commitments on individual records.

**ACCESS**

The Connexion browser is included with an OCLC Cataloging and Metadata Subscription.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO**

- Search for and view shared print commitments for individual libraries and groups.
- Update individual records for shared print commitments.

**TYPE OF SHARED PRINT DATA DISCOVERABLE**

- Shared print commitments by institution
- Shared print commitments by group

**HOW TO ACCESS SHARED PRINT DATA WITHIN THE CONNEXION BROWSER**

- To see individual institution commitments, choose Shared Print Institution (sh:) in the Keyword/Numeric Search section, and search for the institution’s symbol.
- To see group commitments, choose Shared Print Group (sg:) in the Keyword/Numeric Search section, and search for the group’s symbol.

Narrow your search in the Connexion browser to view institution or group shared print commitments.
WorldShare Record Manager allows you to view, edit, and delete shared print commitments on your LHRs. Record Manager also supports exporting full bibliographic records, which include LHRs with shared print commitments in the 583 field.

**ACCESS**

WorldShare Record Manager is included with an OCLC Cataloging and Metadata Subscription as well as with WorldShare Management Services.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO**

- Search for and view shared print commitments for individual libraries and groups.
- Delete shared print commitments for your library.
- Update individual records for shared print commitments.
- Export bibliographic records that include shared print commitments.

**TYPE OF SHARED PRINT DATA DISCOVERABLE**

- Shared print commitments by institution
- Shared print commitments by group

**HOW TO ACCESS SHARED PRINT DATA WITHIN RECORD MANAGER**

- To view shared print commitments, first set your User Preferences to display shared print information in records. In the Advanced Search, select Shared Print Institution (sh:) from the index drop-down list and enter an institution symbol to view institution-specific commitments. Select Shared Print Group (sg:) from the index drop-down list and enter a group symbol to view group commitments.

- To delete shared print commitments, select Remove Shared Print Commitment from the Record drop-down list in your LHR.

Learn more about how to search, edit, and delete shared print commitments using this reference guide.
WorldShare Collection Manager allows you to add shared print commitments and monitor any changes. Collection Manager’s WorldCat query collections offer views of shared print commitment information. You can schedule regular queries and have the data automatically delivered in a downloadable format to see any updates, deletions, or new commitments since your last query. You can also export full bibliographic records or only LHRs to show shared print commitments in a MARC or MARC XML file. Further, Collection Manager’s WorldCat data sync collections allow you to add new shared print commitments that staff in other libraries can discover.

**ACCESS**

WorldShare Collection Manager is included with an OCLC Cataloging and Metadata Subscription, with WorldShare Management Services, or with a CatExpress subscription.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO**

- Download a file with your library’s or group’s shared print commitments.
- Schedule automated queries to monitor any changes in shared print commitments.
- Add your library’s shared print commitments to WorldCat.
- Make bulk updates or deletions to your shared print commitment records.

**TYPE OF SHARED PRINT DATA DISCOVERABLE**

- Shared print commitments by institution
- Shared print commitments by group

**HOW TO ACCESS SHARED PRINT DATA WITHIN COLLECTION MANAGER**

- To view shared print commitments, configure your institution settings to enable delivery of MARC records with LHRs. Set up your query collection with your desired delivery schedule and filters.
- To add shared print commitments, create a data sync collection of local holdings records. Select your type of record delivery, including whether you want only LHRs, separate files of LHRs and bibliographic records, or bibliographic records interleaved with LHRs.

Visit OCLC Support to learn more about setting up and automating WorldCat query collections and WorldCat data sync collections to help you manage your shared print program.
APIs

OCLC APIs allow for dynamic discovery of shared print retention data from your own and other libraries through searches of bibliographic and holdings data.

- The WorldCat Metadata API supports searching WorldCat by all available indexes and retrieval of shared print information, such as retention commitments.
- The WorldCat Search API provides enhanced access to view LHR data for all WorldCat holdings, including shared print retention information.

**ACCESS**

Access to the WorldCat Metadata API is included with an OCLC Cataloging and Metadata Subscription. Access to the WorldCat Search API is included with an OCLC Cataloging and Metadata Subscription combined with a FirstSearch/WorldCat Discovery subscription.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO**

- With the WorldCat Metadata API, view shared print commitments by searching shared data or bibliographic data.
- With the WorldCat Search API, find out which libraries have committed to retain an item based on OCLC number, ISBN, ISSN, and other identifiers.

**TYPE OF SHARED PRINT DATA DISCOVERABLE**

- Bibliographic data on commitments
- Holdings data on commitments
- Local holdings data on commitments

**HOW TO ACCESS SHARED PRINT DATA USING APIS**

- Learn about using specific APIs to gather shared print commitment data by visiting the [Developer Network](#).
Conclusion

OCLC remains committed to helping your library reach its shared print goals. Through our ongoing research, our established infrastructure, and our unparalleled network of libraries, we support the growing collective collection. And by incorporating shared print data into multiple OCLC services, we enable your library or group to develop, manage, and expand your shared print program.

For more information on our shared print services and support, visit [oc.lc/sharedprint](http://oc.lc/sharedprint).
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