

Cataloging Distribution Services Announcement

Cataloger's Desktop

Effective July 31, 2023, Cataloger's Desktop will no longer be available in its current configuration. This change is informed by the valuable and insightful feedback provided by Cataloger's Desktop subscribers and catalogers in a survey the Library conducted in April 2022. The ability to search Library of Congress cataloging policy documentation will be integrated into our Classification Web Plus service. The new service *Classification Web Plus*, will launch on August 1, 2023.

WHAT CHANGES:

- Cataloger's Desktop resources that will be included in Classification Web Plus are exclusively Library of Congress resources. These have been the most used resources.
- The publications and resources will be in publicly available and shareable .PDF or HTML formats
- The publications and resources will be automatically current and up-to-date

The new service, Classification Web Plus, will include these popular publications:

- MARC 21 Format for Bibliographic Data
- MARC 21 Format for Authority Data
- MARC 21 Format for Holdings Data
- MARC 21 Format for Classification Data
- MARC 21 Format for Community Information
- Classification & Shelving Manual
- CONSER Cataloging Manual
- CONSER Editing Guide
- Descriptive Cataloging Manual
- Moving Image Genre-Form Guide
- Subject Headings Manual
- Library of Congress Controlled Vocabularies
 - Children's Subject Headings (CYAC)
 - Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH)
 - Free-Floating Subdivisions
 - Library of Congress Demographic Group Terms (LCDGT)
 - Library of Congress Genre Form Terms (LCGFT)
 - Library of Congress Medium of Performance Thesaurus for Music (LCMPT)
- Resource Description & Access (RDA) Metadata Guidance Documents
- Summaries of Decisions from Subject Editorial Meetings
- Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC) Documentation
- ALA-LC Romanization Tables
- Cataloging Service Bulletin
- CONSERline

TRAINING:

- The Library's Policy, Training and Cooperative Programs team will provide an overview of the new service in May. A recording of the presentation will be made available on the Cataloging Distribution website, as well as from the Classification Web home page.

HOW WILL THIS IMPACT MY SUBSCRIPTION?

- *Classification Web and Catalogers Desktop* will now be available under a single subscription- *Classification Web Plus*
- If your *Cataloger's Desktop* subscription expires between May and July 2023, and you have a current *Classification Web* subscription, you will continue to have access to *Cataloger's Desktop* service through July 31. On Aug. 1 you will switch to using your *Classification Web Plus* subscription.
- Current *Catalogers Desktop* subscriptions will be converted to *Classification Web Plus* subscriptions on August 1, pro-rated accordingly. Current *Catalogers Desktop* subscriptions will continue to have access to *Cataloger's Desktop* service through July 31.
- Our Customer Service staff is available to discuss these options in fuller detail, if you have questions. They can provide specific quotes based on your organization's subscription start date and user level. The team is available at 1-855-266-1884 or cdsinfo@loc.gov.