



SIERRA WEBPAC

How is availability determined for the Sierra Desktop Application browse display and for the WebPAC "Limit to Available" feature?

Sierra displays a title as available if one of the following conditions is met:

1. A bib record has at least one attached item record with the status of "-" (hyphen) and that item is not checked out.
2. A serial title has a holdings (checkin) record and no item records. The holdings record indicates that the library has issues available for use.
3. A serial title has a holdings record and at least one attached item record with a status of "-" (hyphen).
4. A bib record for an e-book or electronic resource has a MARC 856 field. Titles with MARC 856 fields display as available even though there are no attached records.
5. A bib record has an attached item record with a status that is included in the item_availability_list SQL table. For example, if your library's item_availability_list includes status "o" ("in-house use only"), and a bib has an attached item record with a status of "o", the bib record displays as available.

If a bib meets none of these conditions, the title displays as "Unavailable" in the SDA availability column and will not be present in results for a WebPAC search that has been limited to "Available."

Note: Your library defines the list of item statuses for the item_availability_list, but the list is currently editable only by Innovative staff. To request the list of status codes considered "Available" on your library's system, or to make changes, please open a ticket.

Information for libraries migrating from Millennium:

When your library migrates to Sierra, the status codes from your AVAILLIM_STATS web option are copied into item_availability_list. If your library does not have AVAILLIM_STATS set, the default status codes for the list are "-" (hyphen) and "o". If you wish to modify the list, please open a ticket.

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