

Alexandria 5.5.9 Release Notes
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Minimum

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G4, Pentium 4 (or equivalent)
1 GB of RAM
20 GB of Free HD/100,000 Items
1024 x 768 Resolution

Recommended

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X86, Dual Processor/Core
1 GB of RAM or more
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System Requirements for Central Union Data Stations

Minimum

Mac OS 10.4, Windows 2000
G5 or X86, Dual Processor/Core
2 GB of RAM
20 GB of Free HD/100,000 Items
TCP/IP Network
1024 x 768 Resolution

Recommended

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X86, Multi-Processor/Core
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1024 x 768 Resolution

Recommended

Mac OS 10.5+, Windows XP+
G4+, Pentium 4+ (or equivalent)
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System Requirements for Research Workstations

Minimum

Mac OS 10.3.9, Windows 2000 or XP
G3, Pentium III (or equivalent)
256 MB of RAM
100 MB of Free HD Space
TCP/IP Network
1024 x 768 Resolution

Recommended

Mac OS 10.5+, Windows XP+
G4, Pentium 4 (or equivalent)
512 MB of RAM or more
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Minimum (recommended)

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Java 1.4+
1024 x 768 Resolution

Optional

Mozilla Firefox 2.0, Netscape 7,
Opera, and Others for
Both Mac and Windows

Overview of Major Features:

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Specific Enhancements and Changes:

Circulation:

* Removed 'Lost Mode' as it was unpopular and conflicts with the 'Locate Patron' command. Items can be checked to lost simply by bringing the Lost Patron current, and scanning the copies barcode.

Item Management:

* In some cases, with Authority Control enabled, a hang could occur when editing a 490 tag. This has been corrected.

- * Changing multiple copy records within a single save is now functional.

Preferences:

- * The preference to control the stripping of leading zeros from barcodes now applies also when “Has Mangled Barcodes” is enabled.

Reports:

- * Added a report option to Unused Barcode Reports; “Alpha characters included in used barcodes”. For collections that use alpha-numeric barcodes this option will improve the accuracy of the report by altering the algorithm used for barcode sorting and comparison.
- * Item List reports again report the number of copies accurately when sorted by Title criteria.
- * Super summary report: tightened up the call number definition for sorting so that non-standard call numbers do not break the report.

Researcher:

- * The slip printer no longer needs to be set as the default printer to function correctly.
- * NetTrekker Famous person search is once again working.
- * NetTrekker searches which submit a query, such as clicking on the NetTrekker icon following a search in Alexandria, are again working.
- * Corrected an issue with the stripping of punctuation that caused full subject browse searches to no longer work as expected.

SIF:

- * SchoolInfo local id is no longer rejected if it is too long.

Utilities:

- * Added a ‘Reorder Study Programs’ utility. This utility allows users to set the study program tags stored in MARC records to a particular order, with their preferred program “at the top” as currently, it is the first 526 tag that is displayed in Simple Item Management, and in Researcher Results lists -> Reading Level. The utility will search all items in the users selection and see if it has multiple study programs. If there are multiple and it finds a study program that matches the specified ‘Program Name’, it will move the found 526 to the first repeat position. This will make it accessible in the SP tab of Item Management and Researcher Results Lists.
- * Enhanced Lexile Utility so it will attempt matches on all ISBN’s in a MARC record until a match is found. If no match is found, the utility will proceed to perform a Title - Author match, depending on the users selection.

Web Researcher:

- * Library Search drop down menu will no longer distort the layout of the page when it contains long names.

Web Router:

- * Bulletin Board links now work correctly when accessed through Web Router.

Alexandria 5.5.8 Release Notes
1/27/2010

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Alexandria 5.5.8 is a maintenance release in the v5.5 series correcting a MARC import issue affecting records containing URL information. Due to multiple data enhancements, a database rebuild may be required on updating. COMPanion encourages all v5 users to update to this version at their earliest convenience.

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Overview of Major Features:

Alexandria 5.5.8 is being made available to address a specific issue users have encountered when importing item records that contain URL information.

Specific Enhancements and Changes:

Import:

* Corrected an issue where on import of item records containing URL information, underscores in the URL were being converted to hyphens. This applies to MARC

communications format records only.

Alexandria 5.5.7 Release Notes
8/14/2009

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Specific Enhancements and Changes:

Authority Control:

* Updating Medium in the bibliographic records with changes made in the Authority Control window is again working.

Circulation:

- * The button for patron reserves is now functional.
- * Renew options in the Circulation window are working again.
- * We are now showing the Data Station IP address in the clients title bar.
- * The offline window now has a Print Log button which will create a COMPedit document with the current transactions.
- * Forgiving all of the charges for a lost item no longer improperly removes the transaction.

COMPedit:

- * Edit->Filter should no longer cause the program to hang on Windows.

Controller:

- * The "Restore from Archive" code is now working for a Controlled Data Station.
- * The Controller window now displays the process ID (PID) for each running Data Station.

Database

- * Web statistics now store only 3 months instead of one year due to size issues reported by users.
- * Once a month we now run a utility that clears out any web statistics older than one year.

Email:

- * Clients can now send email with one or more attachments of various types.

Import:

- * Fixed field mapping window so that dragging now works more consistently.
- * Added support for tab delimited import and export of Patron Reading Level.

Item Management:

- * PDF item attachments should now open in the default reader on Mac and Windows.

Miscellaneous:

- * Alexandria should now report the correct free space for Hard drive volumes over 2 TB.

Patron Management:

- * The Graduation Date field is now always available, for both school and non-school libraries. Label terminology can be customized so the field can be used as desired.
- * Enhanced patron history report to be more legible.

Preferences:

- * Setting preferences -> Global -> Web -> Search -> Default Search to "Home Page" no longer causes the Explore search to load when customers aren't registered for

Explore or Z39.50.

- * Fixed an issue with saving the "Last Level" field in patron management preferences. This fix also corrects problems that could be seen with grade selections in reports as a result.

Reports:

- * Fixed printing errors when printing a range of pages in a report instead of the whole report.
- * Fixed Item Replacement Cost selection for both Reports and Utilities.

Researcher:

- * Researcher patron details no longer include Textbook Tracker details when this feature is enabled as its intended for details called for from a Librarians Station.
- * Display of tags such as the 111 and 711 and their subfield information has been enhanced to be in a more standard and readable order.
- * Titles with no Author information now appear correctly when a citation is printed.

Updates:

- * Opening release notes from a Librarian Workstation no longer causes the utility window to open, instead the Release Notes will be properly opened and displayed or they can be downloaded if unavailable locally.
- * When an application update is initiated from a client, the Data Station now archives the data first if it's requested.

Web:

- * The current saved list sort is used when printing a saved list in any of the available formats.
- * Items with no Author information now appear correctly when a citation is printed from the Web.
- * Display of tags such as the 111 and 711 and their subfield information has been enhanced to be in a more standard and readable order.
- * Saved button graphic for saving patron info has been repaired.
- * Maps should load correctly on the web again.
- * MicroLIF records now look correct when viewed in Firefox.

Web Librarian:

- * Grade selections now work for web reports.

Web Router:

- * Made some message handling modifications that should enhance the reliability of the web router and prevent the occasional unresponsiveness noted in reported cases.
- * Web Router no longer tries to advertise over Bonjour as it doesn't need to since it doesn't support client connections. This should prevent the erroneous error messages seen in some environments, claiming that another Data Station with the same serial number was detected.

Alexandria 5.5.6 Release Notes
5.5.6 - 12/18/2008

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TCP/IP Network

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Overview of Major Features:

- * Alexandria has improved book vendors support for Mackin books. We now feature support for Mackin's collection analysis tools, as well as a buy-on-the-fly option, which allows users to directly locate any item in Mackin's online store directly from the Alexandria Circulation window.
- * Alexandria now supports Capstone Interactive eBooks and access is provided to 24 free items for those users who do not yet have their own account with Capstone. Contact COMPAnion Technical Support at 1-800-347-4942 for more details!
- * Alexandria has implemented book vendors support for Capstone Publishers.
- * Alexandria has implemented book vendors support for Perma-Bound.
- * Improved Offline-Mode functionality, allowing for access to this mode whether or not a connection had previously been established with an Alexandria Data station.
- * Implemented several enhancements to the Missouri format Super Summary reports in accordance with Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education July 2008 Standards. These enhancements include improved readability for time-sensitive non-fiction areas, as well as an option to exclude all copies in excess of 5 for non-fiction areas counts. See the July 2008 Missouri Standards documentation or

contact COMPanion Technical Support for more information.

- * Enhanced performance and stability.

Specific Enhancements and Changes:

Authority Control:

- * Authority Control searches are removing the progress bar when completed. This was misleading and inaccurate.

- * When authority controlling a record in the Item Management MARC editor, we are now bypassing fields that are not valid for Bibliographic records.

- * We have shut off Authority Control in Orders for line items created in the Line Item Details window.

- * Added a new Authority Control utility to remove all authority control records.

Bulletin board:

- * The bulletin board is now read-only unless you have the required security rights to change it.

Circulation:

- * Added a "hidden" preference which, when set, will allow both "Look for Follett Interleaved 2 of 5" barcodes and "Ignore Barcode Leaders" preference options to be used at the same time. If you believe you need to utilize this preference in your library, contact COMPanion Technical Support for assistance.

- * Receipt entries (for the holding patron) are no longer added to the current patron receipts when an item is book dropped and an in-stock hold is placed as a result.

- * The Item pane now includes the copy replacement cost.

- * Renewals panes: The barcodes for items to be renewed, declared lost, etc., are now taken from the current list, as sorted and presented on-screen, rather than from the original list from when transactions are created. This permits the correct barcodes to be used after the list has been re-sorted.

Controller:

- * The Controller now sets the last archive and rebuild times.

- * When the Controller tells its Data Stations to rebuild, it now sets the last rebuild time, which allows the next rebuild time to be computed correctly.

- * The list of permitted libraries for users now fills correctly when a Data Station's preferences are edited through a Controller.

Exports:

- * When exporting an item record that contains repeating 856 tags, all of these tags can now be exported.

Item Management:

- * After removing a MARC tag in MARC view, you can no longer be directed into a non-editable field.

- * When adding an Item through the Item Management MARC Search we are now processing 856 tags for our attachments properly.
- * Editors (Author, Title, Subject, etc.) are no longer incorrectly reordering repeating tags when a change is made.
- * Removed a restriction on the LCCN field which may have prevented users from entering a complete and valid LCCN based on characters or length of the LCCN. All valid characters that can make up both pre and post 2001 standard LCCN's should now be accepted and saved in this field.

Lexile:

- * Enhanced the Lexile import utility's title match so that if a title contains a leading article, it also searches for the title without the leading article.
- * The Lexile basic and Lexile Student features have been combined under a single product code and will be distributed as a package in the future. All users currently with the K5 or K6 product code in their registration will receive all enhanced Lexile features.

Offline Mode:

- * Unknown barcodes in Offline mode are being logged and added to the exception report properly.
- * Added support for offline mode without requiring a previous connection to the Data Station. This means that anyone can record transactions in the offline window after stating a Librarian Workstation when no connection to the Data Station can be established, or after an existing connection is lost. Once connection to the server is regained, you can then process the transactions, however, when using security you must have BOTH circulation and inventory security access to do so.
- * Send command to server option is now available in offline mode if you restart the Librarian Workstation.
- * All check-ins and check-outs now include the patron barcode in the log, not just the item information. This will help make all logs more readable.

Preferences:

- * If you enable "Use Authentication" in Alexandria's email SMTP server preferences but do not provide a username you will not be able to save your changes. This prevents erroneous error messages from being presented in the future due to invalid settings - using authentication requires that you provide the credentials to be used when authenticating.
- * A new Copy Files button has been enabled for the "Use File" option in Web Prefs / Home Page. This should make it much easier to configure Alexandria to use your custom web page without having to manually place files in the web subdirectory of the Alexandria Support directory.
- * Fixed a bug that caused the scheduled import and export locations to be cleared when other settings on the pane were modified and the changes were saved.
- * Implemented support for Perma-Bound, Capstone Interactive, and Capstone Publishers in the Book Vendors preference.
- * Implemented support for Capstone Interactive eBooks access in Library Information

Preferences.

Reports:

- * Used barcode reports now include barcodes in use by temporary items.
- * Replaced Interest Level with the more commonly needed Reading level value in AR spine labels.
- * Added option to exclude phone number and birthday from patron reports.
- * Removed blank P barcode when skipping labels in patron reports.
- * Added space between names in overdue letter to parents.
- * Restored the "Include Patron Pictures" option to the Patron List Detailed Report.
- * Super Summary: Added several enhancements to the Missouri Super Summary reports in accordance with the July 2008 Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Standards. These enhancements include improved readability for time-sensitive non-fiction areas, as well as an option to exclude all copies in excess of 5 for non-fiction areas counts. See the July 2008 Missouri Standards documentation or contact COMPANION Technical Support for more information.
- * Super Summary Reports, All Formats: Items in the 92's are now counted with the 921's instead of being classified as "Other". 92's, 920's, and 921's are all counted in the same area now for the purpose of super summary classification.

Researcher:

- * Dragged lists can now have more than one selection.
- * Search details for central unions now show the correct copy call number, checkout status, and reservation information when copies are sorted by library ID.

Routes:

*When a patron lookup is performed from the Routes window, the current Responsible Patron is the current entry in the browse window. Also fixed an issue where the name of the Responsible Patron was not updating between record browses.

Subscriptions:

* The correct number of copies should be added to titles when receiving subscriptions and orders.

Web:

- * Help Link is back in Web Researcher under "Information" on left navigation panel.
- * The "Home Page" feature has been enhanced. An optional keyword search can be added to the page through a simple preference selection.
- * Added a message explaining that each search term (on the boolean tab) that has less than 2 characters in it will be ignored.
- * Bulletin board on RWS now displays the correct picture along with the bulletin text.

Web Router:

* Patron look up results now work when using the web router.

* The correct graphic will show when doing group searches.

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Overview of Major Features:

- * Alexandria version 5.5.5 supports communication with an Alexandria Patron Server. This system is an optional product designed to minimize the labor and redundant work required for distributed library networks to populate often many Alexandria patron databases with student or staff records by centralizing this information on one server that can then handle distribution to the individual Alexandria data-stations.
- * Alexandria now offers an off-line circulation mode, allowing operators the ability to continue performing basic circulation functions in the event their workstation becomes disconnected from the data-station for any period of time.
- * Implemented several SIF enhancements, most of which are specific to SIF version 1.5. These enhancements include improved support for Staff and Student objects, as well as synchronization functions. Due to the addition of new functionality, preferences, and other controls, SIF users are advised to review the help documentation and tool tips provided in the various SIF module windows as well as their specific settings for needed adjustments.
- * Alexandria now supports a customizable web researcher "HomePage".
- * Alexandria now offers a "Book Vendors" feature which allows users who are also customers of specific book vendors or distributors convenient access to their sites, or even accounts.

- * Added several Slip Printer enhancements including the ability to print a Logo on receipts.
- * Enhanced performance and stability

Specific enhancements and changes:

Authority Control:

- * When searching in Authority Control or using Authority Control to catalog, we are now searching properly for entries using characters with diacritics.
- * Fixed several LOC links for Authority Control help.

Circulation:

- * Alexandria now offers an off-line circulation mode, allowing operators the ability to perform basic circulation functions in the event their systems becomes disconnected from the data-station for any period of time.
- * The HW command now always uses patron barcodes, even in cases where there are duplicate barcodes for items in the same system.
- * QP command: Attachment names no longer print on a separate page.
- * Self-service mode: Items that can't be checked out due to their policy will now display an error message and play an exception sound if encountered during circulation.
- * When an item is current in the item pane of the circulation window, we are now displaying the Study Program Reading Level and Program Name when available.

Controller:

- * Re-registering a controlled Data Station with a new serial number no longer causes a permission error on Windows.

Email:

- * Made numerous changes to the email service and the manager display, to support proper handling of SMTP error 550, resend throttling, and the removal of emails that can't be sent for 100+ hours (RFC 1123).

Export:

- * Tab-delimited item exports no longer exclude a tab when the summary field is blank or contains only Sneak Peek summaries.

Framework:

- * Now properly updating cell values with edited values before scrolling up or down one line. This prevents information that has been input, but not yet saved from being cleared when scrolling in various editors, such as the Item subject editor.
- * The Researcher window will no longer disappear if the desktop is hidden on Windows and the user clicks outside the Researcher window. The Researcher window also cannot be minimized in this case.
- * Made modifications to prevent some observed problems creating or opening a file on

Windows when the file has accented characters in the filename.

Import:

- * 650 tag import from tab-delimited is now properly parsed into separate fields.
- * Alexandria no longer creates a Reassigned Barcode when adding new copies with originally unique barcodes.

Inventory:

- * Sounds can now be played when in suppressed inventory modes.

Item management:

- * MARC Search updates of item records are now properly respecting the the local item management preferences to "Preserve Existing Call Numbers" and "Prefer LC Call Numbers".
- * Any changes made to an items policy are now correctly saved when updating or creating a new title from a MARC search.

Patron Management

- * Created a field, with import and export support, to record a patrons Reading Level. There is also a new local circulation preference that will provide users the option to display this information in the patron pane on the circulation window.

Reports:

- * Fixed used barcode reports range selections.
- * Fixed duplicate barcode detection in Patron Used Barcode report.
- * Fixed Time Frame Usage selection so it will function as expected when running the report from client.
- * The top circulated items report should no longer display discrepant results when running as a service on Windows.
- * Fixed monetary totals in inventory reports.
- * Super summary now has an option to list call number prefixes that are in the 'Other' category of grouped call numbers.
- * Cross Data Station reports now produce the same output when ran manually or from quick reports.
- * Added Item Report selections for all new copy statuses, such as In Processing.
- * Added option to restrict Top Circulation results to a particular Library ID. Library's in a central union can now more accurately report on top circulated items specific to their library, as opposed to the entire union.
- * The Inventory Statistics Summary report now uses the Inventory Start Date field when it determines the number of inventoried and not inventoried copies.
- * Added Textbook Tracker option to patron details print report template.

Researcher:

- * Repeating 526_z public notes tags are now included in the web and researcher displays.

SIF:

- * Implemented several SIF enhancements, most of which are specific to SIF version 1.5. These enhancements include improved support for Staff and Student objects, as well as synchronization functions. Due to the addition of new functionality, preferences, and other controls, SIF users are advised to review the help documentation and tool tips provided in the various SIF module windows as well as their specific settings for needed adjustments.

SIP2:

- * Patron status response: Privilege denied fields are now set to 'Y' if patron status is not active.

Slip Printer:

- * Added the ability to print a logo on slip printer receipts.
- * Added support for newer Star TSP model slip printers. Models other than the TSP600/613/643 will now be recognized and used on Windows.

Subscriptions:

- * Selecting to add a received issue to an existing title now works reliably. Checking the 'Add to existing item' check box will always cause the title pick window to be displayed, and a copy to be added to the selected title.
- * The daily check for subscriptions with missing issues now only takes place on the Data-Station, not also on Librarian Workstations.

Utilities:

- * The check out utility now logs activity on the client.
- * The Modify Tag Catalog utility now ensures tag order is preserved when changes are made.
- * Fixed patron grade selection.

Web:

- * Reservations made from the web Researcher will now display a confirmation message that shows the reservation information.
- * Fixed a subtle ASCII/ANSI-handling error that caused characters with diacritics to be misinterpreted by the web service on Windows.
- * NetLink records in saved lists will now be displayed in the saved list display.
- * Reduced the home page height from 650 to 450 pixels.
- * Created a "Home Page" option in researcher preferences allowing operators to select this tab as a choice to default to when the web Researcher opens.

Web Router:

- * Added a preference to allow a URL to be specified that will be used instead of the normal site list.
- * The library down message should not be displayed for the web router itself.