Key Takeaways and Reminders
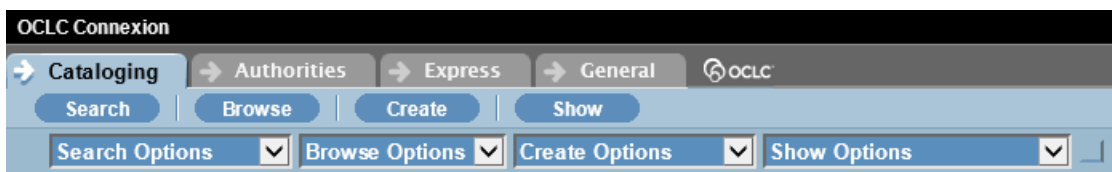
Connexion Browser Module 2: Basic Bibliographic Searching

Menu commands in Connexion browser

On the menu bar:

Search dialog

Cataloging tab >> Search button

Cataloging tab >> Search Options menu >> WorldCat

Guidelines for number searches

ISBN (10 or 13 digit) (International Standard Book Number)
Enter the number without an index label
- Remove dashes (e.g. enter 1-5654-556-2 as **156545562**)
- Include X in final digit (e.g. enter 0-590-42057-X as **059042057X**)
- Usually found in 020 subfield ‡a
- Subfield $z (used for canceled/invalid ISBN) is also searched

ISSN (International Standard Serial Number)
Use index **in:**
- Include hyphen (e.g. enter 0363-0277 as **0363-0277**)
- Include X in final digit (e.g. enter 2265-564X as **2265-564X**)
- ISSN is usually in 022 subfield $a
- Subfield $y (used for incorrect ISSN) is also searched
- Subfield $z (used for canceled ISSN) is also searched

LCCN (Library of Congress Control Number)

Use index **ln:**

- Type LCCN as it appears on item (with or without hyphen)
- LCCN is usually in 010 subfield ‡a
- Subfield $z (used for canceled/invalid LC control number) is also searched

Publisher Number

Use index **mn:**

- Type all letters and numbers (e.g. enter ag26654f as **ag26654f**)
- Omit all punctuation (e.g. enter rd-9426.5 as **rd94265**)
- Omit all spaces (e.g. enter m 54 356 as **m54356**)
- Usually found in 028 or 262 fields

OCLC Number

Use * or **#** on command line

- OCLC numbers do not have punctuation
- Displays after OCLC in Connexion
- Exported in 001 and 035 fields

Keyword/Numeric Search Options

Retain search ☑ Retain Search

- With this option selected, the browser keeps search terms, indexes, and Boolean operators
- With the option cleared, the browser keeps only your last index selections

Language of Cataloging Limiter ☑ Apply Language of Cataloging Limiter English ▼

- With this option selected, the browser returns only records that have the bibliographic description in the selected language

Most common keyword indexes

- Name (author) (au:)
- Notes (nt:)
- Series (se:)
- Corporate/conference name (cn:)
- Personal name (pn:)
- Title (ti:)

Keyword indexes often used in combination with others

- Holding library (li:)
- Publisher (pb:)
- Publisher location (pl:)

Basic MARC fields for matching

245   Title Statement
$a Title Proper
$b Remainder of Title
$c Statement of Responsibility

250   Edition Statement
$a Edition Statement

260 or 264   Publication, Distribution, etc.
$a Place of Publication
$b Publisher
$c Date of Publication

300   Physical Description
$a Extent
$b Other Physical Details
$c Dimensions

A significant difference between the data in the 245, 250, 260 (or 264), or 300 fields and the actual bibliographic item indicates that the record is NOT a match.

Documentation

Connexion

http://www.oclc.org/support/services/connexion/documentation/client/cataloging.en.html

- Connexion: Searching WorldCat Quick Reference
- Search WorldCat
- Searching WorldCat Indexes

Bibliographic Formats and Standards, chapter 4

http://www.oclc.org/bibformats/en/input.html