Learn about Stockitem Cat Definitions, Form codes, and Stats codes in Amlib.

**Stockitem Cat Definitions**

By setting the Cat Definitions for Forms and Stockitem codes, the correct Stats and Form codes are given to items as they are created. The Default codes **do not** need Cat Definitions as they will automatically be inserted unless an alternative rule applies.

**Form codes: Cat Definitions**

Form Cat Definitions are found in the Window Menu of the Stockitem Form code screen.

1. Launch the *Amlib* client
2. Go to **Main > StockItems > StockitemForms** – the Form Codes table will display:

![Form Codes Table](https://help.oclc.org/Library_Management/Amlib/Stockitem/Cat_definitions)

3. Highlight a Form code in the table – for example: **AC** – Audio Cassettes
4. From the menu, select **Window > Cat Defs** – the Form Codes for Catalogues window will display:
5. To set a Cat definition:

1. Select a Tag number – for example: 300
2. Enter the data that MUST be present for valid items to be given this Form Code in the Must Contain field – for example: Sound Cassette
3. Enter the data that MUST NOT be present for valid items to be given this Form Code in the Must Not field – for example: CD
4. Click the Paste button
5. Click the F3 Save button when complete.

Stats codes: Cat Definitions

1. Launch the Amlib client.
2. Go to Main > StockItems > StockitemStatsCodes – the Stats Codes table will display.
3. Highlight a Stats Code in the table – for example: **J – Junior Fiction**

4. Click the **F8 Cat Def** button – the Stats Codes for Catalogues window will display:

![Stats Codes for Catalogues](image)

5. To set a Cat definition:
   a. Select a Tag number – for example: **82**
   b. Numbers:
      i. Select either the **Must Contain** or **Must Not Contain** radio button (the **Ignore** button is only used when creating non-numerical definitions)
      ii. Enter Must Start With and/or Must Not Start With data (optional)
      iii. Click the **Paste** button
   c. Tag:
      i. Ensure Numbers is set to **Ignore**
      ii. Select either the **Starts With**, **Contains anywhere before first space** or **Contains anywhere in tag** radio button
      iii. Enter Must Start With and/or Must Not Start With data
      iv. Click the **Paste** button

6. Click the **F3 Save** button when complete

A setup for Schools might be:

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https://help.oclc.org/Library_Management/Amlib/StockItem/Cat_definitions

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A setup for Public Libraries might be:

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| AF   | Tag 99 must not contain numbers.  
Must contain F but not contain J before the first space. |
| JK   | Tag 99  
Must contain JK before the first space |
| JNF  | Tag 99 must contain numbers  
Must contain J but not contain JK before the first space. |
| JF   | Tag 99 must not contain numbers  
Must contain J but not contain JK before the first space. |