Discover how to validate a local holdings record in WorldShare Record Manager.

**Validation types**

There are two validation types available for local holdings records in Record Manager:

- Automatic validation occurs after you take certain actions on local holdings records.
- Manual validation occurs when you click the Validate button in the local holdings record. Manual validation checks the quality of local holdings records and prevents records with errors from being added to or replaced in WorldCat records.
  
  Note: After you manually validate a record, you cannot undo your changes to the local holdings record.

**Validate a local holdings record**

1. From the MARC 21 record editor, scroll down to the LHRs accordion.

2. Click the **Edit button** ( ) for the local holdings record you want to validate.

3. From the Record drop-down list, select **Validate**.
   
   ◦ If the record contains invalid elements (e.g., tags, indicators, or subfield codes) or invalid data (e.g., fixed-field codes), the system lists any error messages that identify the problems. Messages appear directly above the fields/elements to which they refer.
   
   ◦ If the record contains an invalid character, the character will be highlighted to more easily identify it. If the record contains multiple invalid characters, only the first invalid character will be highlighted. After you remove the first invalid character and revalidate, the next invalid character will be highlighted.
   
   ◦ A confirmation message appears that the record has been validated if no errors are present.

4. If there are multiple invalid character errors in a field, correct the first in the field and repeat step three.