

Graphic Novels Roundtable
January 9, 2018 at the SAILS Office Meeting Room

Libraries in attendance: Attleboro; BCC; Dighton; Norfolk; Plympton; Swansea; SAILS

SAILS Processing of Graphic Novels Records

ACQ Records

- All ACQ records for graphic novels are loaded into Workflows as single volume records even if they should be attached to multiple volume records (or will become multiple volume records)
- Fill out an error reporting form if you see any ACQ records that need to be merged by SAILS Cataloging
- Check for multiple volume (open-ended) records before updating an ACQ record; there could be a matching record already in Workflows
- ACQ libraries should add |Z to the call numbers of ACQ records, when necessary. This should be done immediately after loading the records.

Single Volume Record Updated to a Multiple Volume Record

- When SAILS processes a request record for volume 1 of a new graphic novel title, we may not know at the time if more volumes are to come or if it should be a multiple volume record
- In such cases, SAILS will take a volume 1 record from SkyRiver, but SAILS can update that record to a multiple volume record later, when necessary
- Fill out an error report form if you see a single volume record that SAILS needs to update to a multiple volume record

Incorrect |Zs in Call Numbers

- Continue to fill out error report forms to report incorrect |Zs so that SAILS can fix these call numbers
- Incorrect or missing |Zs cause problems with holds being filled
- |Z will automatically be added to call numbers with V. (followed by a number) and PT. (followed by a number) even for a single volume record
- If you want the volume number in the call number for a single volume record, you can enter it like this example: V1 or PT1

General Reminder About Searching

- As with any title, you should do multiple searches for graphic novels
- Don't rely on ISBNs to find a match because most multiple volume records do not include any ISBNs
- Hardcover and paperback ISBNs can be attached to the same record

Reminder About SAILS Monthly Email of Graphic Novels Updates

- SAILS Cataloging sends out a monthly email to the Cataloging List of graphic novels records that were updated to multiple volume records in the previous month
- This list also includes any multiple volumes records that SAILS edited (updating |Zs, for example) in the previous month
- SAILS Cataloging provides this monthly list so that libraries can check if they have copies that need the call numbers updated
- Please email support@sailsinc.org if you would like your email address added to the Cataloging List

Discussion of Graphic Novels Examples

- The rest of the roundtable was spent discussing several single volume and multiple volume graphic novels titles and how libraries choose to shelve graphic novels in their collection
- Diamond Book Distributors is a great resource for graphic novels and there is a section of the website devoted to librarians:
<http://www.diamondbookdistributors.com/default.asp?t=2&m=1&c=53&s=658>
- In the librarians section, there is a link to subscribe to their e-newsletter:
<http://www.diamondbookdistributors.com/default.asp?t=2&m=1&c=53&s=722>
The link for subscribing to this e-newsletter works best when using Google Chrome as your web browser.

The annual technical services meeting will be held on Thursday, May 3rd, from 10am to noon at the Lakeville Public Library.

You can register for this meeting on the SAILS website:

<http://www.eventkeeper.com/code/ekform.cfm?curOrg=SAILS&curID=278870>