

MARC Mechanic Express™ Options:

Use this list of options to decide what tasks you want to complete with MARC Mechanic Express.

- 1. Standardize Collections: Identify all collections in your records and allow for changes in collections and call number prefixes. *Note: You may want to develop a standard collections list before beginning Mechanic Express.*
- 2. Standardize Dewey Numbers: Truncate your Dewey numbers up to 8 digits after the decimal point, if your Dewey numbers are too specific. Truncate Dewey to digits.
- **3. Standardize Cutters:** Choose the character length and capitalization of a cutter (for example, capitalize only the first letter or all letters within the cutter). For biographies, choose whether to include the entire name or use a standard number of characters.

1st letter capitalized All upper case Standardize # of characters to Whole last name for biographies Same # of characters as all others

4. Set General Materials Designation (GMD) & Control fields for each collection.

Set GMD Leave as is

5. Standardize prices: Set a minimum price Set general price in fields missing price information

6. Subject Headings:

a. Update outdated subject headings with the latest in authorized terminology from...

Sears Library of Congress Library of Congress Children's All three standards

b. Update politically sensitive subject headings. Update Leave as is

c. Add Kid Friendly_™ terminology to subject headings. Update Leave as is

d. Remove or change "Juvenile fiction" and "Juvenile literature".

Juvenile Fiction: Remove Leave as is Change to "Fiction"

Juvenile Literature: Remove Leave as is

e. Remove redundant subject headings, keeping only specified variations.

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f. Put the subject headings in numerical order. Update Leave as is

7. Clean up records:

a. Add missing physical descriptions to non-book titles. Update Leave as is

b. Add national and state award notes to the 586 field. Update Leave as is

c. Remove all 900-999 fields with unneeded Library of Congress information. Update Leave as is

d. Clean up title articles by moving them to the beginning of the title. Update Leave as is

e. Ensure that commas follow a space. Update Leave as is

8. Add or clean up Lexile® and reading program information:

a. Lexile: Add Remove Leave as is Add Lexile® & Mitinet Measures™ in the 521 field

b. Scholastic Reading Counts®: Leave as is Delete Move to correct field (526) Delete if not in 526

c. Accelerated Reader®: Leave as is Delete Add: Enterprise Test List to 526

If you have questions or need more information about these options, please contact your representative. We are happy to help.