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Mission/Goals of the FDLP-**Free Public Access**

- **GPO** history
- FDLP history
- Public access requirements
- Benefits of being a Federal depository library
- **Depository Library Council (DLC)**



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GPO History

Q: Why do GPO staff get excited every March 4th to celebrate an event that took place in 1861?



Oh yeah.

This guy also got inaugurated on that day.

Image source:

http://www.americaslibrary.gov/jb/civil/jb_ci vil_lincoln2_1_e.html



GPO History

Q: What important event happened on March 4, 1861?

A: GPO officially opens as an agency.

One other small event that day: Abraham Lincoln was inaugurated as our 16th President.

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"Publick Printing" & GPO's Origins

Early printing was performed on contract by newspapers and other private printers.

 Complaints of high costs, ineffective service, and repeated scandals of contract printing

Congress established the Government Printing Office.

 GPO almost immediately provided a reduction in costs, vastly improved service, and eliminated scandal.



Register of Debates (contracted to Gales & Seaton) March 4, 1826 edition

Source: "A Century of Lawmaking" Web site

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GPO History – Changes in Printing

- Early 20th century GPO acknowledged as the world's largest printing organization, aka the "big shop"
- GPO's past is the story of moving through successive changes in printing technology.
 - Well into the 1960s, GPO used machine typesetting supported by improving press technology.
 - 1967 saw the installation of the Linotron, a computerized typesetting system developed specifically for GPO's unique needs.



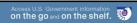






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GPO History – Digital Era (1960s to today)

- GPO workforce: 8,000 (1970s), about 1,700 (today)
- GPO now produces:
 - Online databases of congressional and agency documents
 - eBooks
 - Passports and smart identification cards with electronic chips carrying biometric data
 - Print products on recycled substrates using vegetable oilbased inks
 - Public presence not only on the web but on social media
- GPO name change to Government Publishing Office (2014)

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FDLP Mission

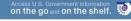
Established by Congress to ensure that the American public has access to its Government's information (Title 44, United States Code, Chapter 19)

The FDLP is based upon these three principles:

- Federal Government information products within scope of the FDLP shall be made available to Federal depository libraries.
- Federal depository libraries shall be located in each State and U.S. Congressional District to make Government information products more widely available.
- Federal Government information in all media shall be available for the free use by the general public.

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FDLP History

- Act of 1813: Authorized distribution of one copy of House and Senate Journals to select university and state libraries and historical institutions
 - American Antiquarian Society earliest known depository (1814)
- Depository distribution management moved around
 - Secretary of State (Act of 1813)
 - Department of Interior (Printing Act of 1852)
 - GPO (Printing Act of 1895)
- Depository libraries designated by
 - Secretary of the Interior (1857-1895)
 - Representatives authorized to designate a depository from own district (1858), and two (Depository Library Act of 1962)
 - Authorized each Senator to assign one depository in own state (1859), and two (1962)

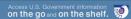
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FDLP History

- Different library types added to program
 - Libraries in executive departments (1895)
 - Military academies (1895)
 - Land grant colleges (1907)
 - Federal agencies (1962)
 - Highest appellate courts of the states (1972)
 - Law libraries (1978)
- Regional/Selective system created (Depository Library Act of 1962)
 - Regional libraries designated as regionals by a Senator

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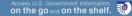




History of the FDLP

FDLP milestones:

- First Monthly Catalog appeared (1895)
- Executive branch publications distributed (1895)
- SuDocs Classification System developed by GPO librarian Adelaide Hasse (1895-1903)
- First Biennial Survey of Depository Libraries conducted (1947)
- Weeding permitted (outside of supersession) under regional/selective system (1962)
 - *144 libraries subsequently join the FDLP 1962-3
- GPO distributes microfiche to depository libraries (1972)



History of the FDLP

FDLP milestones:

- First CD-ROM distributed to depository libraries (1988)
- Catalog of U.S. Government Publications, an online public access catalog, launched (2006)
- Multi-year project to digitize and convert Historic Shelflist cards dating from the 1870s to 1992 for inclusion in the Catalog of U.S. Government Publications began (2012)
- LSCM cataloging in new bibliographic standard:
 Resource Description and Access (RDA) (2013)

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Our Rich History – History of GPO's Federal Depository Library Program



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vRFACkDd9d0

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GPO History - Online Milestones

"GPO Access Law"

 Government Printing Office Electronic Information Access Enhancement Act of 1993 enacted (Public Law 103-40)



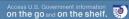
- GPO Access service launched; available by subscription, free to depositories (1994)
- GPO Access free to all users (1995)

GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys)



- FDsys launched (2009)
- GPO Access retired (2012)
- FDsys has over 50 collections from all three branches of the Federal government

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Public Access Requirements

- Congress established the FDLP to ensure that the public has access to Federal Government information of public interest or educational value.
- The Program provides Federal Government information products at no cost to designated depository libraries.
- Depository libraries, in turn, provide local, no-fee public access in an impartial environment with professional assistance to information produced by the Federal Government.



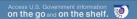
Public Access Requirements

Not just physical access to your facility and depository resources - it involves:

- Bibliographic identification of depository resources
- Physical access to depository resources not ONLY by primary users, but by the general public
- Sufficient computer capabilities to use online Federal depository library materials
- A commitment to staff training to ensure the provision of reference services in the use of U.S. Government information

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Public Access Requirements

- Federal depository resources must be available free to all regardless of library affiliation, disability, age, residency, or other patron status.
- Impediments include physical barriers to access or any activities, policies, signage, website language, etc. that discourage or dissuade library patrons from using the library's depository resources.

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Non Requirements

Libraries are **NOT** required to provide:

- Circulation privileges to non-primary users, although they may choose to do so
- Remote access to FDLP databases
- Free printing or photocopying
- Access to depository resources during all hours that the building is open
- Anonymous patron access to depository resources
- U.S. Government services or resources not in the FDLP, such as fee-based resources
- Access to anyone who poses a threat to library persons or collection

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Security and Building Access

To protect library staff, facilities, and collections, depository libraries may:

- Require patrons to sign a guest register for building access
- Require identification for building access
- Conduct a reference interview to screen visitors to ensure there is a need for depository material
- Escort users to the depository collection
- Restrict library users to use only the depository collection
- Limit access to collections to primary patrons during late night hours when the library is short-staffed

Facilities with Limited Access

Depository libraries with access restrictions, such as military facilities or Federal buildings, must still provide free, public access to the extent feasible.

For facilities with limited access, appropriate measures include requiring visitors to:

- Make arrangements in advance
- · Show identification
- Have an escort in order to access depository resources

If this poses too many challenges for the library user, assist the patron by phone, email, or other form of communication.

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Security and Computer Access

Depository libraries may:

- Require patrons to present identification
- Require the signing of a computer use register, signup sheet, or log
- Use an authenticated log-in to access computers or public networks
- Use special or generic passwords or visitor cards
- Set time limits for use
- Require patrons to use sign-up sheets
- Mediate access to electronic formats and online depository information resources (if filtering cannot be disabled or age restrictions cannot be circumvented)
- Reserve specific computers for depository patrons

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Computer Resources

Depository libraries may:

· Mediate services if state laws, network security measures, or other factors require filtering of websites

Libraries should:

- Communicate available workarounds to the filters (Library-wide signage and policies must also communicate these workarounds.)
- Have the ability to install on library computers DVD/CDs or circulate to patrons
- Allow printing from computers or mediate access

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Access to Microfiche

- Microfiche readers must be available if the library has depository microfiche in the collection.
- Additional capabilities for microfiche readers, such as printing, scanning, and saving or sending digital files generated from microfiche resources is also encouraged.

Benefits of being a Federal Depository Library

Perhaps most important and valuable - the wealth of experience among the staff of the FDLP libraries and GPO's experienced staff, which form an incredible level of Federal Government information expertise

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Top Ten Benefits Afforded To All FDLP Libraries

- Free Federal information products in a variety of formats to supplement existing library material and to provide access to unique material
- 2. Free cataloging records from the national authority on U.S. Federal publications
- 3. Free, permanent public access to online content from GPO partners often fee-based or restricted
- 4. Educational opportunities training the next generation of Government information specialists
- 5. Collection development opportunities important in an era of declining budgets

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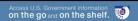


Top Ten Benefits Afforded To All FDLP Libraries

- 6. Consulting and networking opportunities from GPO and with fellow Government information experts
- 7. Free FDLP promotional material
- 8. Opportunity to participate in pilot projects with GPO to test new processes and technologies
- Ensuring that dedicated Government information professionals remain on staff - critical in this time of hybrid collections where it is necessary to build and maintain collections of local interest and navigate the broad range of information resources
- Enhancement of the status/prestige of an institution designated as an FDLP member

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Depository Library Council (DLC)

- Established in 1972 to advise the Public Printer and the Superintendent of Documents on matters relating to the FDLP
- Its antecedents go back to 1963 when seven librarians were asked by the Public Printer to serve on an advisory committee on depository libraries
- Original advisory committee formed at the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration during its consideration of revised legislation on depository libraries

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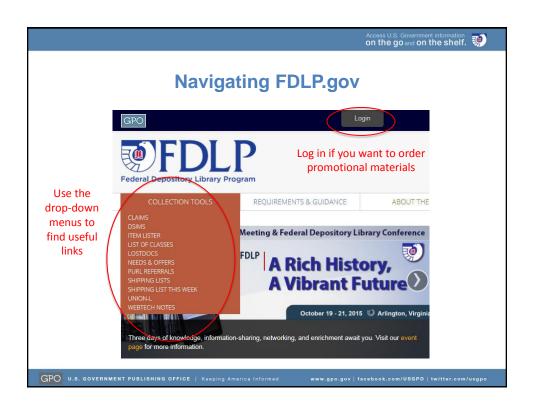


- DLC consists of **15 members** appointed by the GPO Director.
- Members serve 3 year terms, with 5 members retiring each year and 5 new members entering. Members may be reappointed for a second term.
- All appointments to DLC are made by the GPO Director after consideration of recommendations from DLC, library associations, and others as deemed appropriate by the GPO Director.
- Members represent a cross section of the various types of libraries in the FDLP.
- At least half of the DLC's members work in depository libraries and have experience providing services for Government information.

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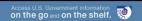


Using askGPO - tips

- askGPO is agency-wide, not just for LSCM
 - The categories of greatest interest to you are:
 - Federal Depository Libraries
 - FDsys
- The first time you use askGPO, an account is automatically created with the e-mail you used to submit the question.
 - Your askGPO login is separate from your internal login (for www.fdlp.gov)
 - Password confusion? See: http://www.fdlp.gov/requirements-guidance/instructions/377-passwords-used-in-depository-libraries
 - You can review all your past askGPO questions.

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Using askGPO – more tips

- Why so many categories? The idea is to help get your question to the right person at the beginning.
 - Please read the categories closely!
- If no category is appropriate, choose "Other Depository Library Issue" or "Ask a Librarian"

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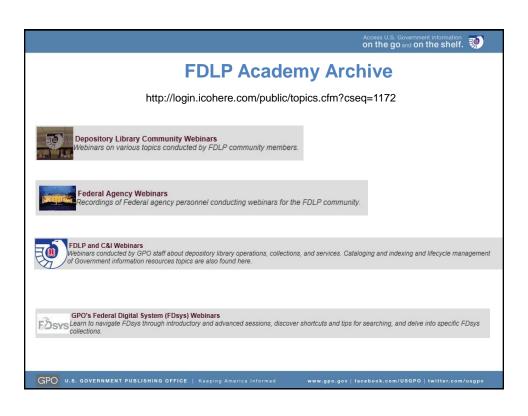
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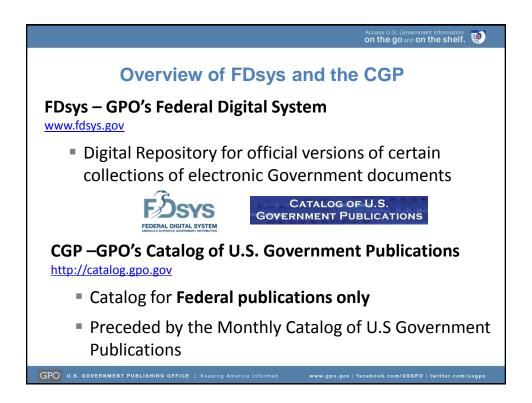




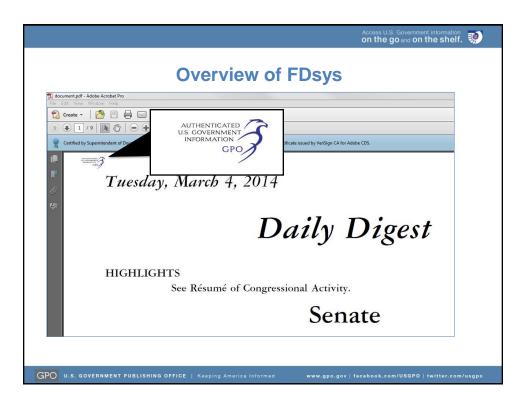


















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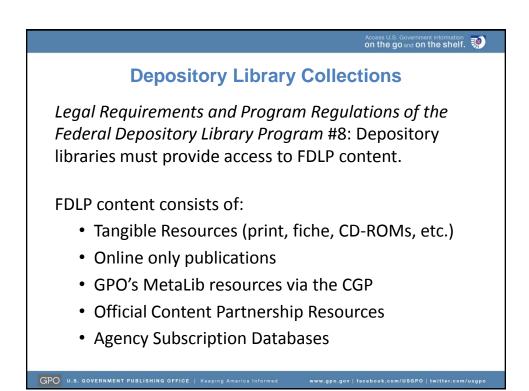
Identifying the Federal Government information needs of current and potential patrons and selecting or providing access to materials that meet their needs

Regular collection development helps ensure users needs are continually being met.

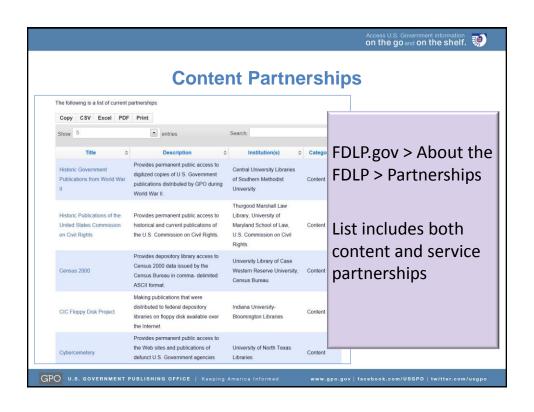
Collection development policies are strongly recommended.

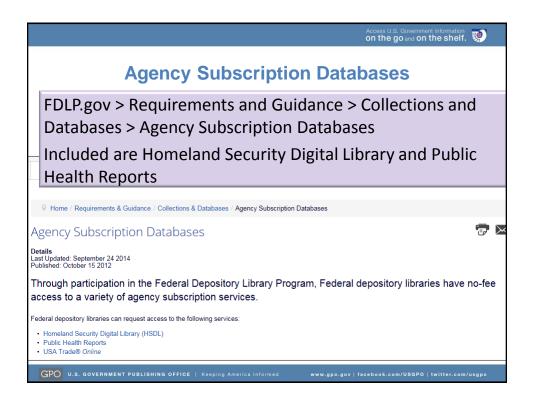
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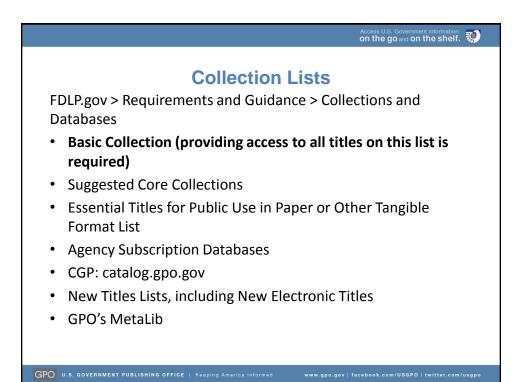
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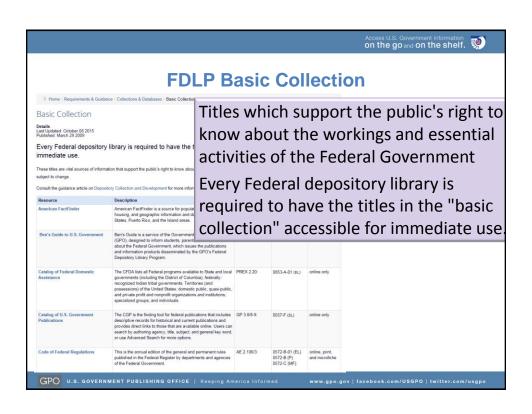








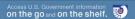




Item Number System

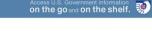
- The system is how GPO groups materials together that are published by a Government agency or subagency (by title, by category such as "General Publications", etc.)
- In most cases, there are different item numbers for each format so you can select by format.
 - (P), (MF), (CD), (DVD), (EL), (E), multiple formats or unknown
- Your depository's item number selection profile is the list of item numbers your library has selected.

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Item Number Selection Requirements

- Until recently, all libraries were required to select 0556-C and 1004-E. This regulation has been rescinded. Selectives can select any number of item numbers (including zero) if they choose.
- Selectives may select only one tangible format of a title. Regional depositories are required to select at least one tangible format for all items but may select titles in both formats.
- Some item numbers are available only to regionals and/or law libraries.



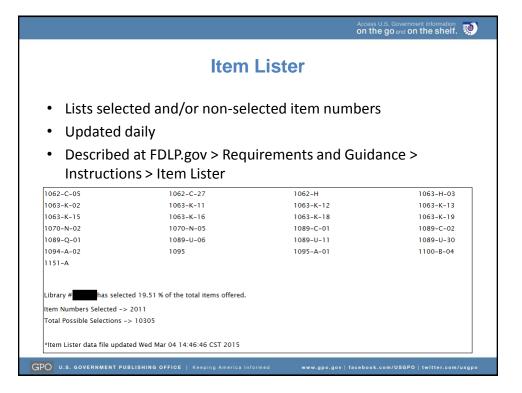
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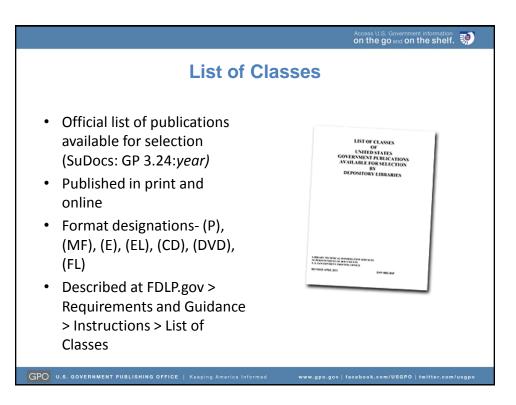
There is no requirement to select any item number, unless you're at a regional depository.

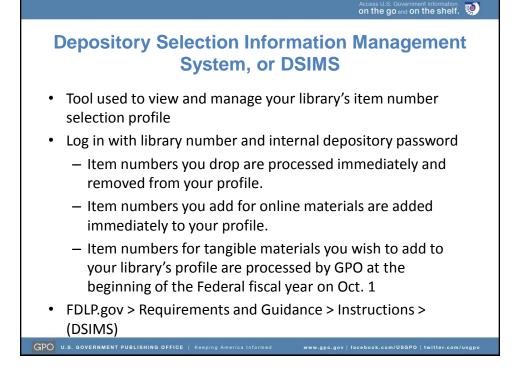
Some reasons to "select" online only (EL) item numbers:

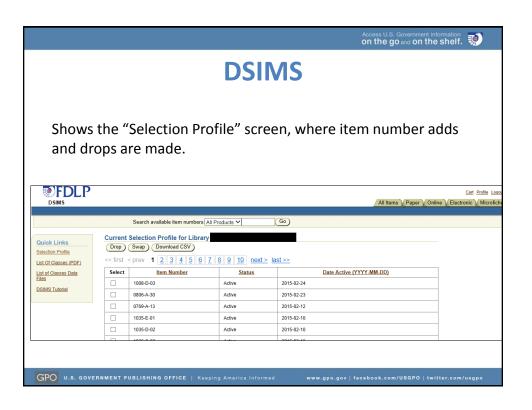
- "Locate in a Library" feature in the CGP
- Use of various collection tools is easier.
- Sometimes agencies decide to switch formats.
- Your library acquires catalog records from a vendor and has profiled to acquire records for all formats based on the FDLP item number profile (a requirement for FDLP Cataloging Record Distribution Program participants).

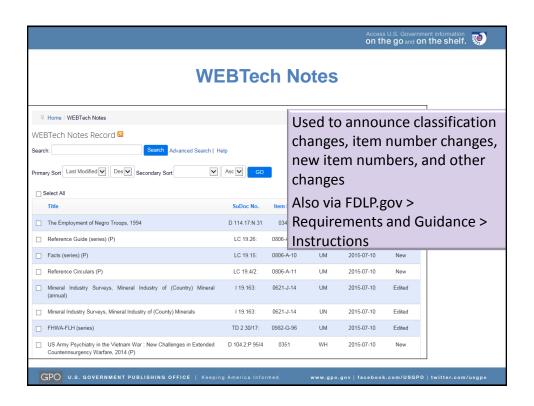
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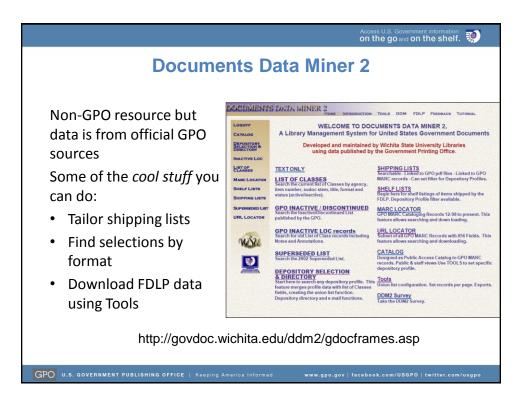


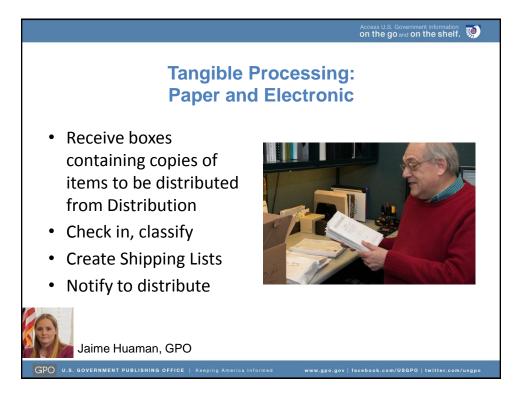


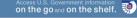










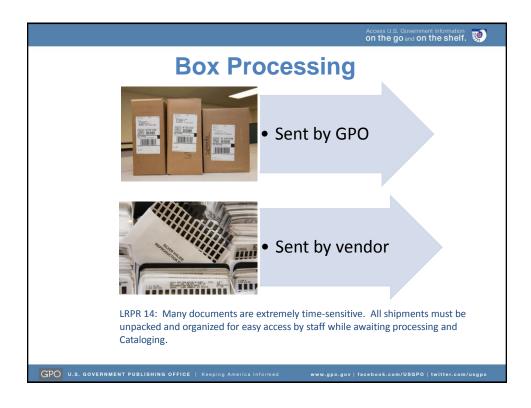


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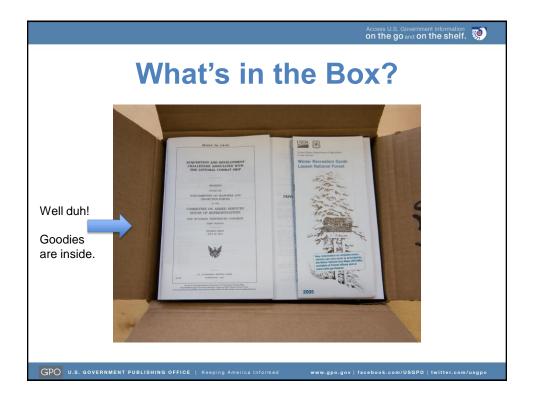
- GPO prepares specific documents for conversion to microfiche format
- A vendor is used to produce and distribute microfiche to libraries and fulfill claims
- Sent directly to depository libraries by vendor

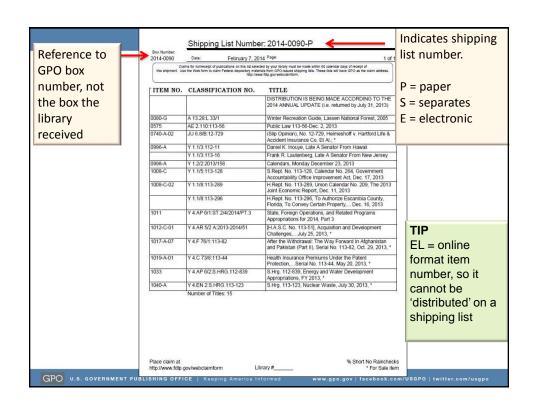


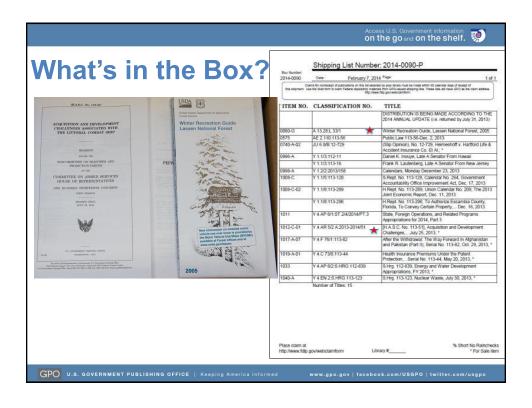
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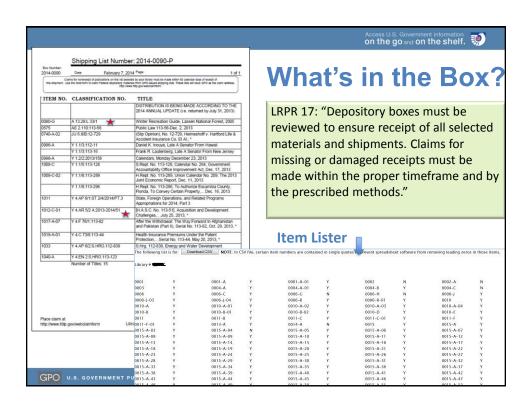


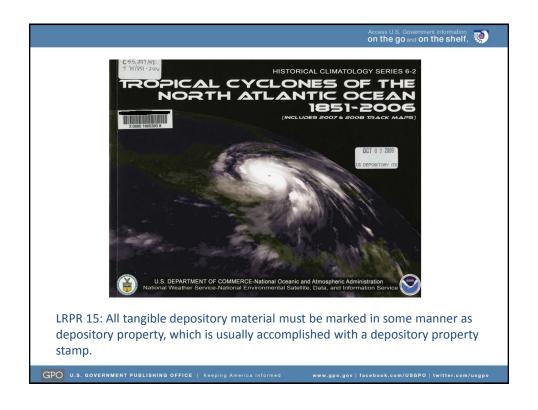


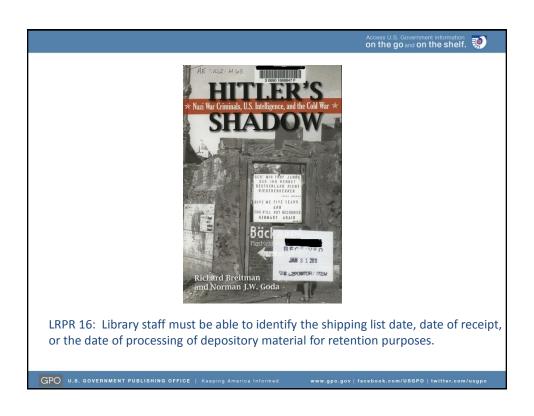


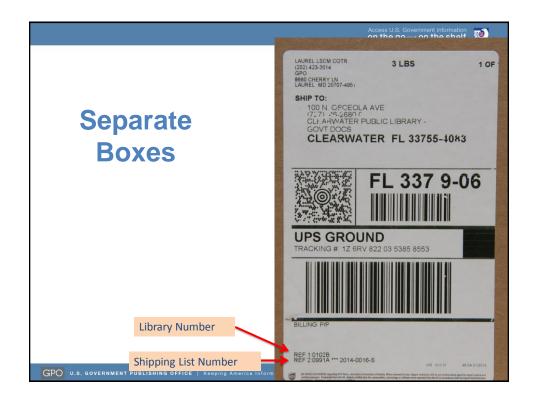




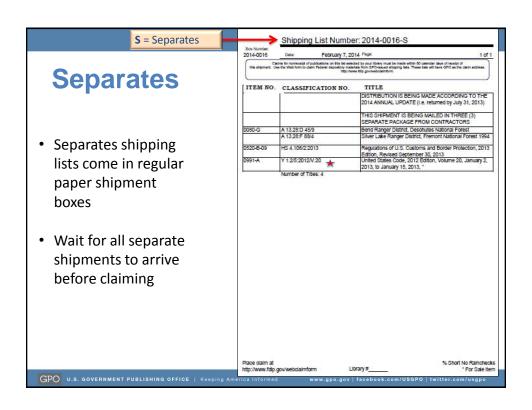


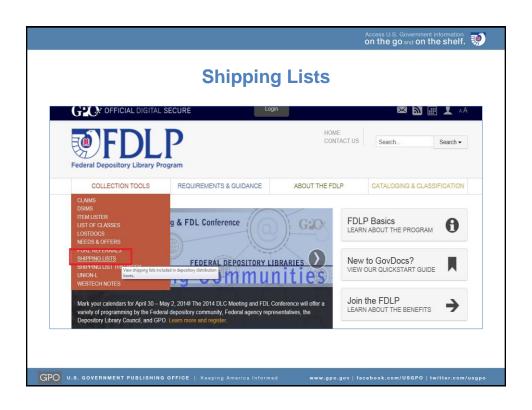




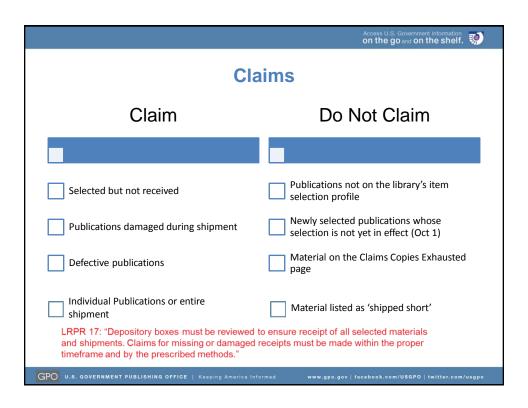


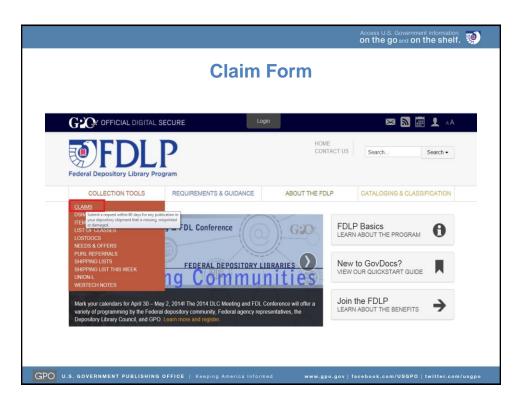


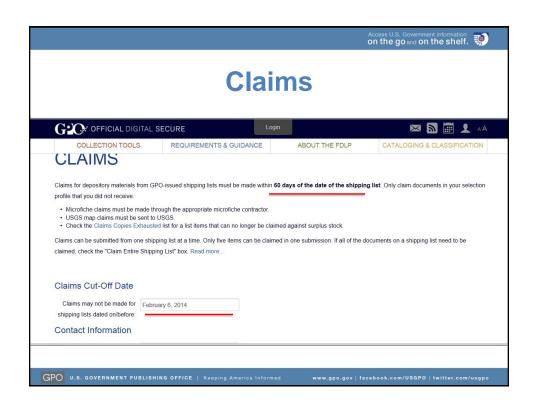












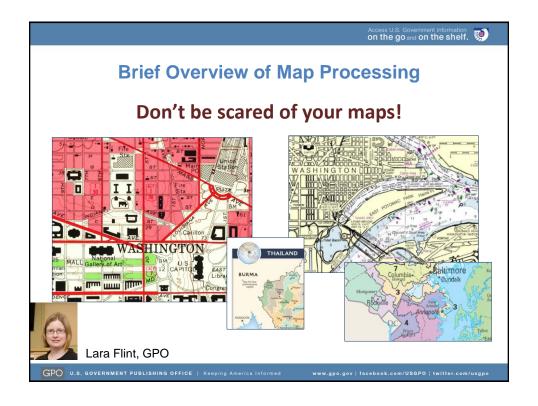


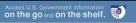


Miscellaneous...

- Duplicate or misdirected shipments and boxes received in error- return to GPO or forward to appropriate library
- **Defective copies-** Claim then discard the defective copy once you receive the new copy (do not offer to regional)
- Problems with a claim? Contact us via askGPO, select Federal Depository Libraries > Claims.

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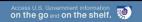


General Map Processing Tips

- Flat or rolled maps: Flat, in folders, in map cases
- Folded or small maps: In pamphlet boxes, in vertical storage such as file cabinet
 - Folding maps causes creases and weakens them
- Stamp and put call numbers:
 - Consistently in the same place
 - In a place you can see without taking map out of drawer
 - So you are not obstructing information

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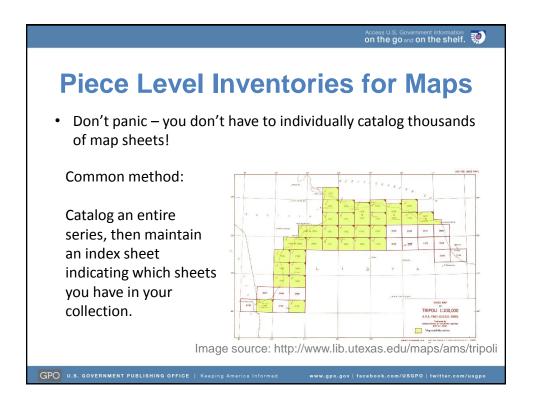
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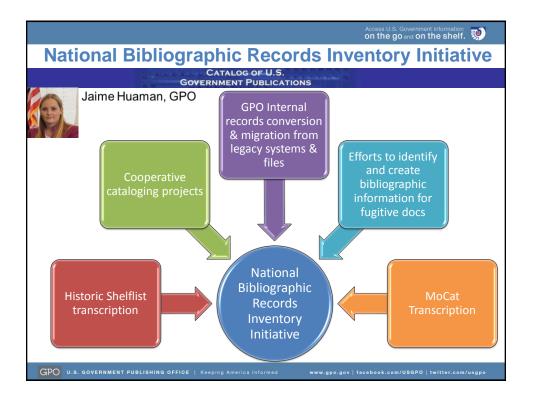


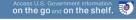
Specific Map Processing Tips

- Stamp nautical charts "Not for navigational use" (if you print them out)
- Stamp maps "Withdrawn" when you withdraw them
- To flatten rolled maps: roll them the other way around a map tube, leave for a couple of days, then undo
- Questions? Issues? Join maps-I (https://listserv.uga.edu/cgi-bin/wa?SUBED1=maps-I&A=1)

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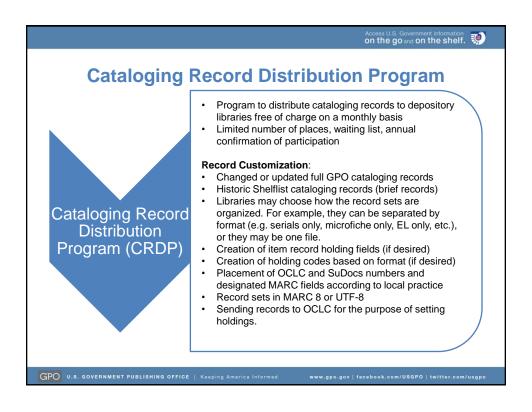


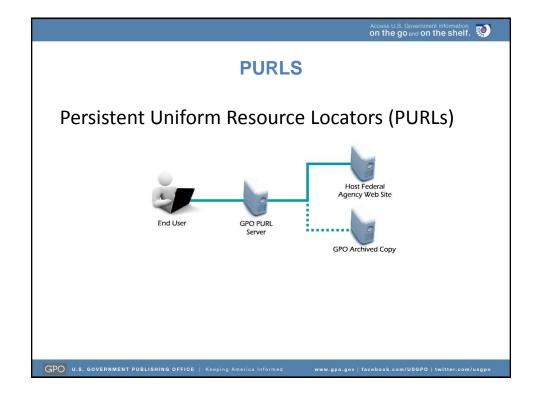
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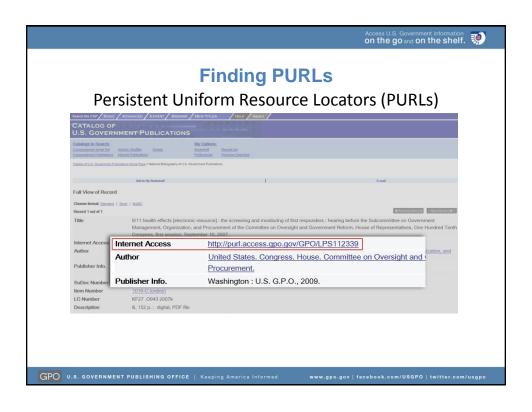
- GPO began cataloging in RDA on April 1, 2013.
- Most abbreviations are to be eliminated, particularly Latin abbreviations.
- The general material designation (GMD) will be replaced by three new MARC fields: content type (336), media type (337), and carrier type (338).
- · The impact of RDA on authorities
- GPO catalogs U.S. Government publications in high quality original cataloging of streaming, videos, posters, in all languages and all formats to national standards.

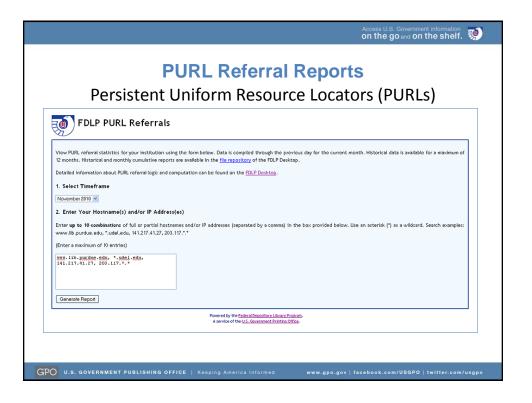
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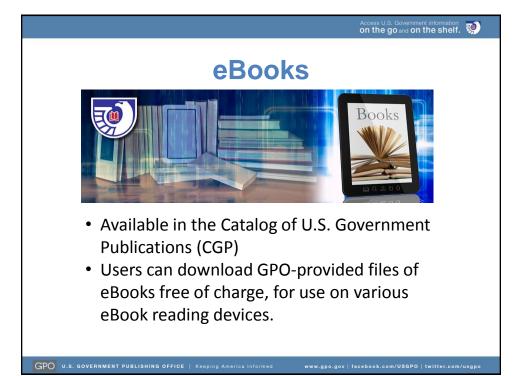


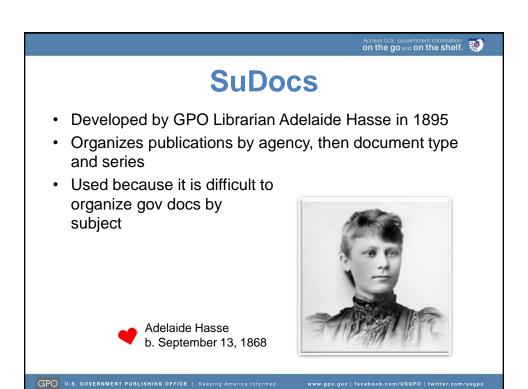


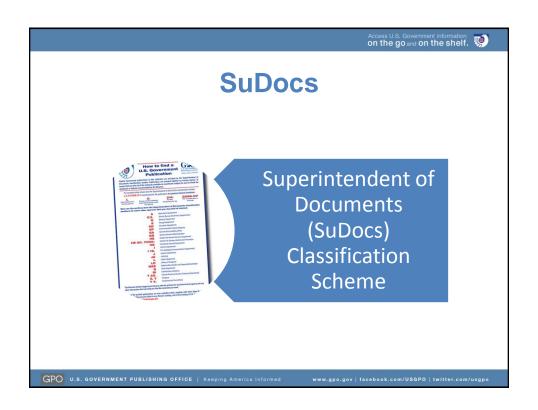
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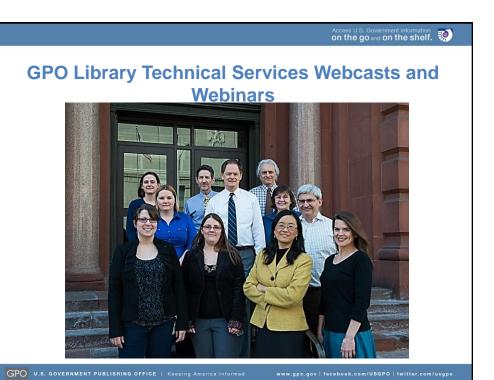
- Began harvesting and archiving web publications in 1996
- GPO uses Internet Archive's Heritrix-based
 Archive-It, which is a subscription-based web harvesting and archiving service.

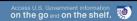
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Piece Level Accounting

What is piece level accounting?

Identifying every tangible depository publication in your collection down to the 'item' or 'piece' level

Can be achieved the following ways:

- 1) Full cataloging (down to the item/piece level)
- 2) Shelflist

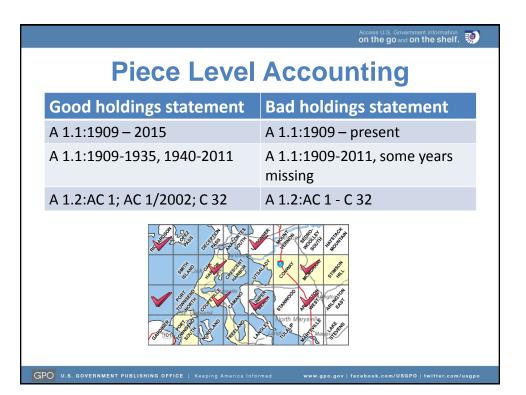
What is a shelflist?

- Itemized list of depository publications
- Preferably in electronic format (e.g. a spreadsheet).
- Preferably publicly accessible



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Cataloging (full or partial level) is required for material received after January 2012.

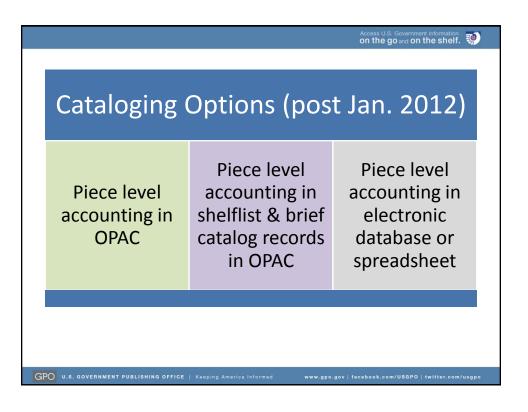
Level of cataloging is a local decision

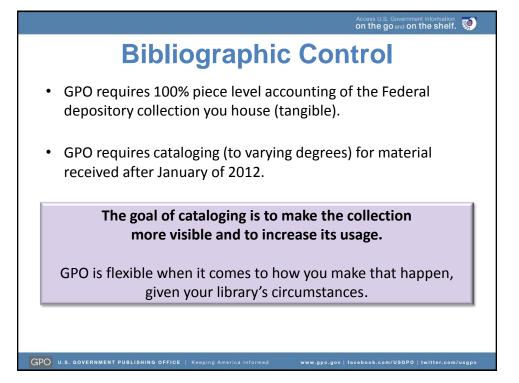
- Full cataloging to the item or piece level
- Partial or brief cataloging (with additional piece level shelflist)

Where you catalog is up to you

- · Preferably online or electronic
- Preferably accessible to the public

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Different ways to catalog based on how your library's workflow is set up:

- Copy catalog
- Purchase vendor records for bulk upload
- Original cataloging
- Mix

Sources of records:

- Catalog of U.S. Government Publications (CGP) free
 - · Email up to 20 per email
 - Z39.50 for up to 10,000 records
- Documents Data Miner 2 (DDM2) non GPO tool free
- CRDP free
- 3rd Party Bibliographic Record Vendor (e.g. OCLC, MARCIVE, Inc.)

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Online Resources

- Cataloging is not required, but recommended
- Alternate access points include including online resources in subject guides, LibGuides, etc...

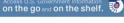


http://guides.lib.udel.edu/usgov



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Your Retrospective Cataloging Projects

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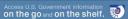
- Housing
- Classification system
- Integrated or separate
- Condition
- Age
- Simultaneously weed
- Source of catalog records
- Shared catalog system
- · Item selection history
- Time: staff, deadline, timeline

Contact your regional and any other libraries that may be impacted by the changes your library is undergoing.

> DO NOT throw away your shelflist or piecelevel accounting prior to the completion of your cataloging project!

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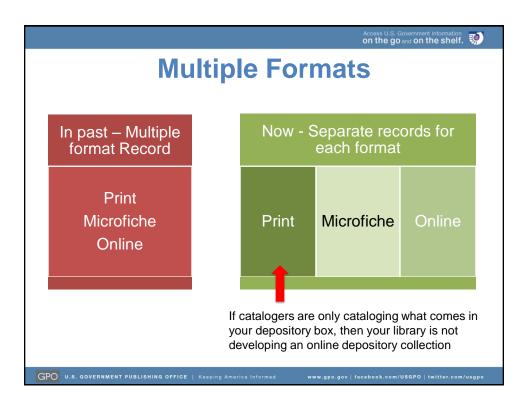
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 - Authorities changed (names, corporate bodies, etc.).
- Learn about how GPO catalogs on fdlp.gov > Cataloging & Classification, or in webinar archive

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Regional Depository Libraries

- Receive at least one tangible format of all publications made available to depositories and they are required to retain those items in perpetuity (with some exceptions) – AKA "comprehensive collection"
- Serve as liaisons between the selective libraries in the state (or region) and LSCM
- Provide ILL, provide reference services, manage the publication withdrawal and substitution process
- Provide consultation, coordinate planning, and offer other services to selective depositories in their regions
- Designated by U.S. Senators in their state as regional depositories
 - Limit of two regionals per state Most states have only one and a few states are served by regional depositories in neighboring states



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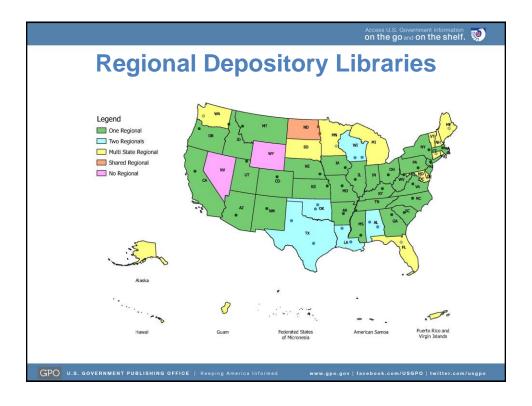
Regional Structure

Selectives are served by regional depositories in a variety of models:

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- One regional in state
- Two regionals in state shared/independent
- Multi-state regional
- No regional

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Selective Depository Libraries

Customize their depository collection

This is achieved by:

- Selecting suitable materials for their users
- · Retaining materials for at least 5 years
- · Substituting tangible material with online equivalents (if desired)
- Retaining materials beyond the required 5 years as appropriate
- Designated in one of three ways
 - By U.S. House Representatives in their Congressional District
 - Limit of 2 per Congressional District, although at any given time there may be more than two in some districts because of redistricting
 - By U.S. Senator in their state
 - · Limit of two per Senator's class
 - By-law libraries
 - Designated 'by-law' Unlimited number of by-law libraries are allowed per special provisions in Title 44. They include: state libraries, land-grant institutions, Federal agencies, law libraries accredited by the American Bar Association, service academies, etc.

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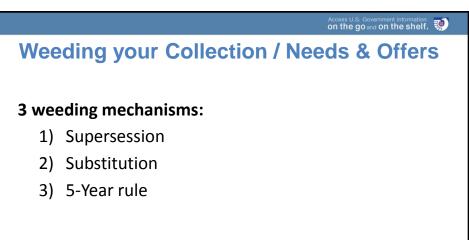
State Plans

Optional plan of how a state or region engages in collaborative efforts, e.g.:

- Collection development
- **Training**
- Housing
- Public and technical services
- Marketing
- Shared reference services
- Visits
- Transfer of material
- Disposal

Especially good in outlining the development of a comprehensive Government documents collection

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Supersession

- · Superseded material may be withdrawn at any time.
- Does <u>not</u> need to be offered to the regional library (unless they request it)
- Must meet the following criteria:
 - Dated material discard when expired
 - Revised by a later edition/issue
 - A reprint and the depository received the original edition
 - Replaced by a cumulative edition
 - Replaced by a corrected copy
- 2002 Superseded List

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Substitution Mechanisms

- Material in one format may be substituted with the <u>same</u> <u>content</u> in another format.
- The regional must approve of the swap.
- The regional library should issue detailed instructions to its selectives on the prescribed substitution procedures.
- Two types of substitution:
 - Tangible
 - Online

Tip – If you find that you do a lot of substitution, investigate whether or not you should deselect any item numbers to prevent the future receipt of those titles and formats.

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Substitution

Tangible with a Tangible Substitution (Tangible depository holdings replaced by tangible products):

- Regional depositories should keep the interests of the state or region they serve in mind.
- · Regionals must approve of any substitution.
- Substituted material must have proper reading equipment available, be properly referenced, and easily accessible to all users.
- Any material retained in lieu of the depository copy will then be treated as
 depository materials for the period of time that the library would have
 retained the original publications, and they will be subject to the same
 requirements that govern the care, treatment, and public access
 requirements during that time period.

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Tangible with a Online Substitution (Tangible depository holdings replaced by an online equivalent):

- Regional depositories are not eligible for this option.
- The publication must have been held for at least one year.
- The regional depository <u>must</u> approve of the swap.
- The online version must be:
 - Official
 - Complete
 - Free of charge to the user

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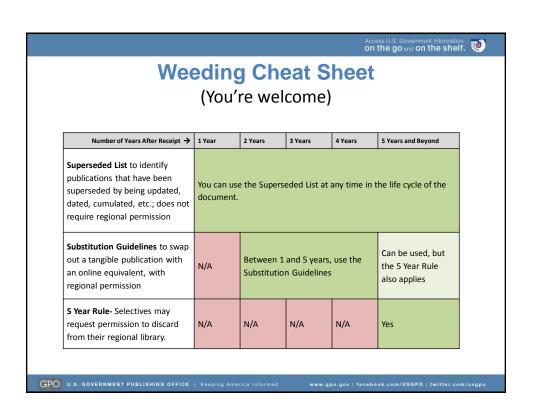




 Selectives libraries have the option of weeding material after having held the material for 5 years.

The regional <u>must</u> approve of the withdrawal.

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Withdrawal Processes

Regionals have 4 mechanisms for authorizing withdrawals:

- 1) Require selective libraries to compile lists of publications they wish to withdraw from their collection (specific categories or formats may be exempted from the listing requirement).
- 2) Conduct an in-person review of the publications to be discarded.
- 3) Require selective libraries to check discards against the regional's or a union "needs" list.
- 4) Use a Do NOT need list.

Note – regionals can reject a withdrawal request if they need the material to stay at a selective

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Needs & Offers Lists

- List typically contains Title, SuDocs, Date, Range (if applicable), and possibly item number.
- Check with your regional to see if any formats have been exempted in your region.
- Regional has first dibs. Selectives in your state or region have second dibs.
- National Needs & Offers list may be used after that (optional).
- Complicating factors:
 - Timeliness of reviewing lists
 - How the list is created (OPAC report versus Excel spreadsheet...)
 - Multiple regionals in your state?
 - ASERL tool in use?
 - Had a disaster in your region?
 - Lack of SuDocs numbers?

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Other Approval Options

In-Person Review (AKA 'eyeballing')

 The regional library may conduct an in-person review of the publications to be discarded. Works well if the regional library is confident that the material being withdrawn is located elsewhere in the state or region.

Union 'Needs' List

- Selectives search a compiled 'needs list' of material that is known to be needed for the state or region.
- Saves libraries from having to list material that is already known to be needed.

Do NOT Need List

- Regional libraries can convert electronic disposal lists that they have already reviewed and compile them into a list of "do NOT need."
- Prevents the regional from searching their collection for the same publication twice.
- Works well in a region where the libraries have identified what their comprehensive collection requires (One copy? Multiple backup copies? Copies in various locations in the state?)

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Exceptions

- No regional: Selectives not served by a regional may not withdraw material, except that which is superseded.
- Federal agencies do not have to retain material for 5
 years and must offer withdrawals to the Library of
 Congress.
- Highest State Appellate Court libraries are not bound by these rules.
- Regional libraries can supersede and substitute (tangible for tangible).

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So you have permission to weed...Now what?

You can withdraw the material and:

- Update catalog/shelflist
- Stamp or mark as Withdrawn
- Put it on the National Needs & Offers List
- Give it away to other institutions who can make use of the material
- Recycle it



Toss it

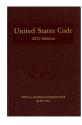
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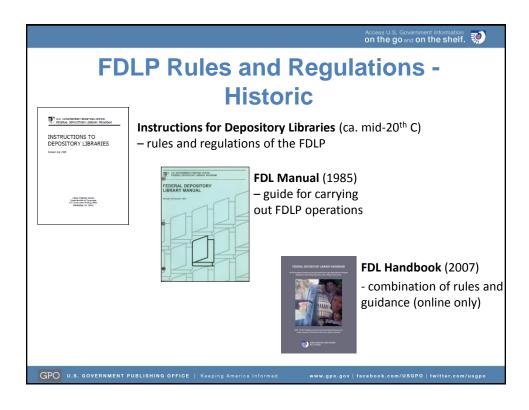
FDLP Rules - Title 44 USC



The laws applicable to the U.S. Depository Library Program are found in Chapter 19 of Title 44 of the United States Code. Sections 1901-1916 set forth the parameters of the program.

Under Title 44 U.S.C. § 1909, the Superintendent of Documents is charged to uphold U.S. Depository Library Program laws. These duties include, but are not limited to, the requirements to investigate depository library conditions, ascertain whether a library is compliant, make recommendations and, if necessary, to remove noncompliant libraries from the Depository Library Program.

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GPO Office Files (Print and Electronic)

What's in them?

- Designation and/or drop paperwork
- Biennial surveys
- Significant correspondence
- Selective housing agreements
- Memorandums of Understanding
- Assessments
 - Inspection reports
 - **Self-studies**
 - **Public Access Assessments**





What's the use?

- Institutional knowledge, past issues and patterns, dates
- GPO can send you copies of the contents

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Public Access Assessments (PAAs)

- Investigations of the conditions in depository libraries required by Title 44 U.S.C. §1909
- Former ways of doing this:
 - Inspections (on site at the library)
 - Self-studies leading to inspections as needed
- Current way of doing this:
 - Public Access Assessments (phone call & remote review)

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Public Access Assessments

- They don't have to be intimidating or scary they are an opportunity for communication.
- Benefit A PAA can help you make your case internally for improvements or addressing issues.
- PAA report reflects Legal Requirements and Program Regulations
 - Also includes notable achievements and recommendations

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PAAs – What is GPO Looking For?

(how you select, tailor, process, organize, catalog, provide access to, and promote your collection)

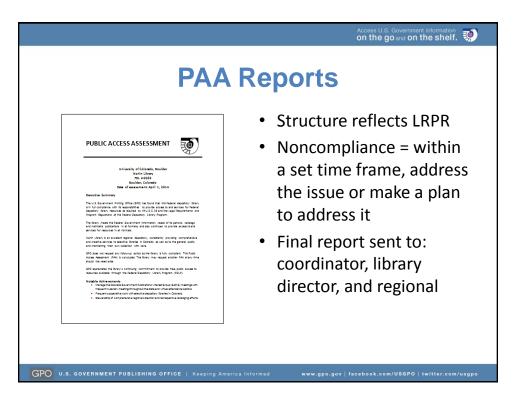
The two best readings in preparation for a PAA

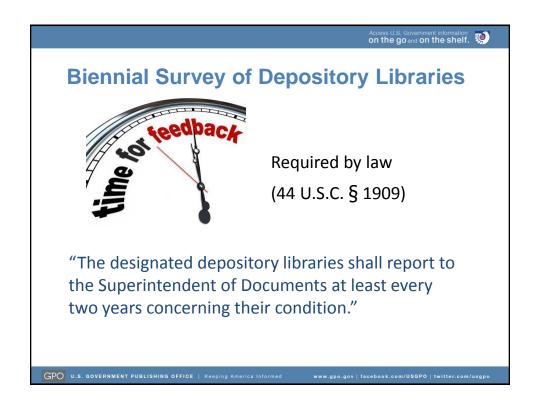
- Legal Requirements and Program Regulations: http://www.fdlp.gov/requirements-guidance/legalrequirements (PAA report format follows this)
- Guidance article on PAAs: http://www.fdlp.gov/requirements-guidance-2/guidance/24public-access-assesments-paa

Areas looked at:

- 2. Collection Development
- 3. Bibliographic Control
- 4. Physical Facilities and Maintenance of the Collection
- 5. Staffing
- 6. Public Service 7. Cooperative Efforts
- 8. (Regional Depository Libraries)

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Biennial Survey of Depository Libraries

- Electronic submission
- GPO uses its communication channels to announce the survey.
 - FDLP.gov, FDLP News and Events Announcements
 - Will contact non-responders via email, phone, and letters to directors
- See FDLP.gov to view questions from prior Biennial Surveys: http://fdlp.gov/file-repository/biennialsurvey

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Depository publications are Federal property, and access must be available at all times. Including the depository in library-wide planning is important.

Report a disruption in access to the depository collection and services to GPO and your regional depository.

- After a disaster, notify when it is safe to do so.
- When the disruption is planned before a remodel or collection move, notify beforehand with a Contingency Plan.



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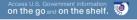
Contingency Plans

Contingency plans typically include:

- · Institution name and depository number
- Expected beginning and ending dates of closure
- Contact name at your institution for depository questions
- Extent of the curtailment of service

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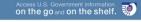


Contingency Plans

Alternative strategies to be employed to fulfill Government information requests, including where the next closest depository is located. This may include:

- Searching online to see if an electronic equivalent is available to use in lieu of a tangible copy housed in a temporary housing location
- Gaining assistance from your regional depository library and other depositories to acquire copies of publications, if this process is more timely than retrieval from a temporary storage location
- Arranging to set up public access computers and microfiche readers and printers in a new location
- Notifying library users where they may find alternate access to Federal depository publications in all formats and related reference and other services

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Contingency Plans

- Techniques for notifying primary clientele, other libraries (both depository and non-depository), and the general public of changes in service
- How your library will continue to check in new depository receipts or if shipments need to be temporarily halted

Notify GPO and your regional depository when normal operations resume.

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Last but not least, have more fun sharing about the value and usefulness of your U.S. Government collection and services! Promotion should be ongoing and will raise the visibility of your depository to current and potential patrons.

Lots and lots of ideas and resources are available.

- FDLP.gov > Requirements and Guidance > Promotion
- Webinars, conference proceedings, listsery discussions, etc.

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- Marketing to Your Community presented by Suzanne Sears, Univ of North Texas at the 2011 Federal Depository Library Conference
- Government Documents Display Clearinghouse
 Minnesota State University Mankato Library
- <u>The Constitution and a Cuppa Joe</u> by Marianne Mason, University of Iowa Libraries

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