

Cataloguers Fact Sheet



New standards for the National Union Catalogue available

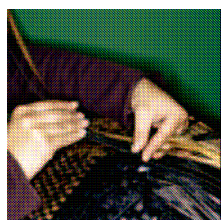
The cataloguing standards for the New Zealand National Union Catalogue are now completely updated and reflect the latest developments in cataloguing standards and best practice. Whether you use National Union Catalogue or OCLC cataloguing services or your own library catalogue, they will help your library create good catalogue records.



New Zealand cataloguers' wiki

The updated standards are available on the National Library website and a new wiki for New Zealand cataloguers at <http://nznuc-cataloguing.pbworks.com/>. The wiki provides:

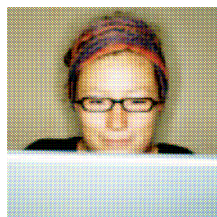
- information about the National Union Catalogue and partners
- the new National Union Catalogue cataloguing standards
- more on cataloguing standards and quality in cataloguing
- latest news and events
- an interactive space to receive updates, comment and ask a question.



Developing the new standards

In 2008 TPSAC commissioned an Expert Working Group for Cataloguing to revise the minimum standards for cataloguing on the National Union Catalogue, originally published in 2000 by the

National Library of New Zealand. The Working Group consisted of representatives from the National Library of New Zealand, University of Auckland, University of Canterbury and Wellington Public Libraries.

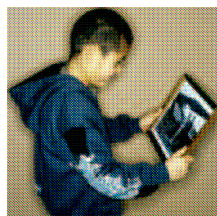


Using the new cataloguing standards

Cataloguing standards are included for bibliographic and holdings records. Standards are also defined for batch-processed records for the National Union Catalogue. The standards for bibliographic records meet WorldCat requirements for the Minimal-level and Abbreviated level of cataloguing when using the Connexion Cataloguing service.

The three Quick Guides contain a general recommendations section and include:

- Quick Guide for minimum level bibliographic records
- Quick Guide for abbreviated records
- Quick Guide for holdings records



Benefits of using the revised cataloguing standards

Using the revised and updated cataloguing standards will benefit all New Zealand libraries. Resources will be easier to find and catalogue records easier to use and reuse.

Benefits of using the revised standards include:

- quality catalogue records from other libraries that can be readily re-used
- making your catalogue records internationally compatible
- easier participation in the national and international library community
- making your interloan easier

Finding the cataloguing standards

The revised cataloguing standards are available at the Quicklinks for Librarians page on the National Library website and the wiki for New Zealand cataloguers at:
<http://nznuc-cataloguing.pbworks.com/>

You are welcome to use and participate in the wiki community by either: Creating a pbworks account on the <http://nznuc-cataloguing.pbworks.com/> page or sending an email to tepuna@natlib.govt.nz

If you need some help to get going or have a question that requires discussion please feel free to contact our National Library's Customer Support Consultants: Ruth Miller, ruth.miller@natlib.govt.nz, or Ann Barrie, ann.barrie@natlib.govt.nz or phone toll free:0508 837 862.