Standards for Cataloging Open Access Electronic Monographs

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For bibliographic records for open access e-books and other electronic monographs, OhioLINK prefers full level cataloging, including:

- OCLC records
- Provider-neutral cataloging practice

For MARC field-by-field standards, please refer to Provider-Neutral E-Monograph MARC Record Guide. This Guide is available on http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/bibco/index.html

Vendors: Please refer to Provider-Neutral E-Resource MARC Record Guide: P-N/RDA Combined Version http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/scs/documents/PN-RDA-Combined.docx

The following requirements are specific for the OhioLINK environment:

MARC Field	Required Content or "Exact Phrase"	Requirement for records supplied by OCLC	Requirement for records supplied by vendors	Requirement for records supplied by NLM
Encoding	I – full level from OCLC members	M	R	R
Level	or			
	blank – full level (LC/NLM)			
001	OCLC control number or vendor unique identifier	M	R*	R*
050/060/ 082/086	Classification numbers strongly encouraged	R	R	R
506	"Open Access Electronic Book"	М	М	М
6XX #0	Library of Congress Subject Headings	A	A	0
6XX #2	Medical Subject Headings	R	0	M
710 2#	"Ohio Library and Information Network"	M	M	M
856u	Unique URL to connect to e-book. For e-books loaded on an OhioLINK server, this is an ohiolink.edu URL.	М	М	М
8563	"[Vendor/Collection name] (Open Access)"	М	M	М
856z	"Connect to resource"	М	М	M

^{*}Vendors not using OCLC as the primary cataloging source should create control numbers that are unique. The vendor-created unique control numbers must have an alphabetic prefix and/or suffix in order to not conflict with OCLC record numbers in the OhioLINK state-wide system.