

CATALOGER'S DESKTOP
 Access to the most widely used cataloging documentation resources in an integrated, online system.
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What is Cataloger's Desktop

- Cataloger's Desktop is an integrated online system that provides access to the most widely-used cataloging documentation
- "Desktop" is distributed quarterly
- Available on CD-ROM and via the web

Desktop History

- 1989 – Proposal to publish AACR2 & LCRI as an expert system
- 1994 – 1st issue with FolioViews
 - 10 tools
 - Hypertext links
- 1998 – Addition of AACR2
 - 40 tools
 - Links to many web resources



History (cont.)

- 2000 – Beta web test
 - Web version of FolioViews not completely successful
- 2004 – Migration to the web using NXT⁴
 - Provides a single, integrated process for storing, assembling, securing, and delivering high-value information



History (cont.)

- 2006 – Simplified interface
 - Personalizations made portable
- 2007 – Clipboard provided
 - Also Spanish & French interfaces added



Advantages

- Open system, XML-based to facilitate re-purposing information
- Continue to support the current CD-ROM product
- Preserve and enhance current focused searching



Advantages (cont.)

- Add non-infobase resources, e.g. web pages, PDFs
- Incorporate web resources that physically reside & are maintained by others
- Facilitate searching all tools, as well as pre-coordinated sub-sets of tools
 - You don't need to know where to search



Features

- Customizations:
 - Bookmarks – Now
 - Annotations & Enhanced Bookmarks – 1st quarter 2005



Searching

- Basic
 - Like FolioViews but more like Google
- Advanced
 - Building on Query template approach



Sub-setting

- By activity: descriptive, authorities, subjects, call numbers
- By material type: text, cartographic materials, music, graphic materials
- By distribution mode: monographic, continuing resources, rare, archival



Sub-setting (cont.)

- By specific topic: MARC, metadata, Canadiana
- Learning support: library students, practitioners, technicians, non-catalogers



Base Resources

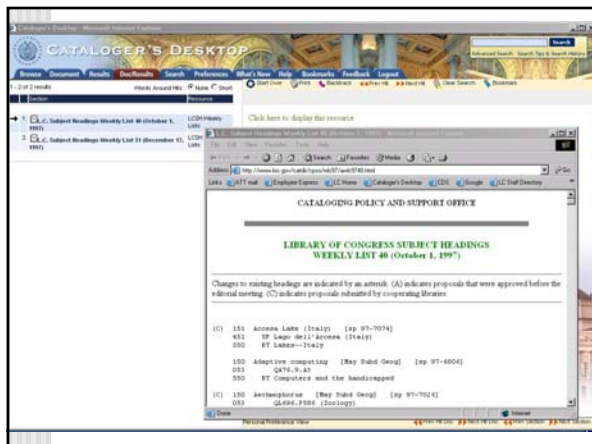
- Core files:
 - AACR2, LCRIs
 - MARC formats
 - Subject Cataloging Manuals
 - Many specialized application guides
- Links to external web resources



Additional Web Resources

- Index and incorporate additional web resources that are developed and maintained elsewhere
 - LC cataloging resources
 - Web resources developed by others, such as NLC, NLM, and others





Thank you

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