**Purpose of Document Delivery**

The Document Delivery features allow your library to fulfill requests from your patrons with items from your own collection. Your collection includes:

- Physical items your library holds
- Copies from print journals your library holds
- Links to resources your library has registered in the WorldCat knowledge base
- Open Access links
- Links to other electronic resources your library has available

When Document Delivery is enabled, the Document Delivery queue appears in the left navigation as well as Quick Links. You can also configure automations to route requests for items your library holds to the Document Delivery queues.

**Reasons to use Document Delivery**

You may want to use Document Delivery if:

- You allow patrons to request copies from journals held in your print collection.
- You ship physical items held by your library to patrons who do not live near a library location, such as distance education students.
- You deliver physical items held by your library to faculty, graduate students, or other patrons.

You may think of other reasons to use Document Delivery.

**Set up Document Delivery**

Use Service Configuration to set up Document Delivery. In order to automatically route patron requests from the User Portal to the Document Delivery queue, you must have an appropriate automation.

1. Navigate to OCLC Service Configuration > WorldShare ILL.
2. Navigate to Advanced Workflows.
   a. (Optional) Under Advanced Lending, select the **On** box.
   b. Under Document Delivery, select the **On** box. Click **Save**.
3. Navigate to Automated Request Manager. Edit an existing automation or create a new one.
   a. If creating a new automation, enter a Name.
   b. Enter a Priority. Among matched automations, the one with the highest priority (lowest number) will be the “best” match.
   c. (Optional) Add a Match.
   d. (Optional) Add an Action.
e. Under Exceptions, select If Held by My Institution, Route to Document Delivery.

f. Click Save.

For more information see Using automations with Tipasa.

4. (Optional) Navigate to Patron Request Workforms. Customize the workforms as needed, following the instructions in Tipasa help. Document Delivery and ILL use the same workforms; Tipasa routes requests to the Document Delivery queue based on information in the request, your library’s holdings, and your automations. If your library delivers physical items to patrons, consider adding address fields to appropriate request workforms.

5. (Optional) Navigate to Notifications. Under Document Delivery Library to Patron, configure notifications as needed, following the instructions in Tipasa help. You may also configure up to 50 Custom notifications.

Process Document Delivery requests

1. Open a request from the Document Delivery queue in the left navigation, or from Quick Links.

2. Process the request as usual.
   a. Optional: Use Advanced Lending workflows. See Advanced Lending and Document Delivery for more information.
   b. Optional: To populate the Local ID field so that it will be included if you print the request (for example, to use as a pull slip):
      - If your library does not use WMS, Alma, or Sierra:
        - Click Search my library’s online catalog
        - In your catalog, verify availability (and copy the call number)
        - On the request, paste the call number into the Local ID field
        - Click Save
      - If your library uses WMS, Alma, or Sierra:
        - If you have one holding, the Local ID field should be pre-populated with location and call number. Verify Availability (under Local Holdings).
        - If you have more than one holding, click View Local Holdings. Select which holding to use and click the Apply button. This will populate the Local ID field with location and call number.

3. For copy requests:
   a. In the Request Details accordion, make sure Copy is selected as the Type.
   b. In the URL type field, select Article Exchange.
   c. In the URL field, enter the appropriate URL.
   d. Click Drop File.
   e. Optional: Click Preview to preview the file.

4. For requests you will fulfill with a knowledge base link:
   a. In the Request Details accordion, make sure Copy is selected as the Type.
   b. In the URL type field, select KB Link.
   c. In the URL field, enter the appropriate URL.

5. For requests you will fulfill with an Open Access link:
   a. In the Request Details accordion, make sure Copy is selected as the Type.
   b. In the URL type field, select Open Access.
   c. In the URL field, enter the appropriate URL.
6. For loan requests:
   a. Locate the requested item in your collection.
7. Click **Mark as Complete**.
8. The request is closed and moves to Closed (Supplied).
   a. Article Exchange files, Open Access links, and knowledge base links will be available to
      the patron in the User Portal.
   b. If your library has configured automated Document Delivery Library to Patron
      notifications, the appropriate notifications will be sent.

**Change Fulfillment Type**

- Even if your library holds an item, a request may appear in the New for Review queue rather
  than the Document Delivery queue. This could happen if the patron request does not include an
  ISBN, ISSN, or OCLC number. To change it to a Document Delivery request, at the top of the
  request, click **Change Fulfillment Type > Document Delivery**. Then proceed as above to
  process the request.

- In some cases, you may not be able to fulfill a Document Delivery request from your collection.
  This could happen, for example, if your library holds a journal, but does not have the specific
  volume needed. To change the request to an ILL request, at the top of the request click
  **Change Fulfillment Type > ILL Request**. Then process the request as usual.

**Difference between URL Type Open Access Link and
Fulfillment Type Open Access**

- **URL Type Open Access Link (recommended)**. To use this method, the Fulfillment Type must
  be Document Delivery, and the URL Type must be Open Access Link. To use this method,
  enter the appropriate URL in the URL field, then click **Mark As Complete**. The link will be
  available to the patron in the User Portal, and if your library has configured automated
  Document Delivery Library to Patron notifications, and the patron has selected to receive email
  or text message notifications, the appropriate notifications will be sent. The request status is
  updated to Closed (Supplied).
• **Fulfillment Type Open Access (not recommended).** To use this method, first click the Email button and send the appropriate link to the patron. Then click Change Fulfillment Type > Open Access. The request status is updated to Closed/Open Access. The link will not be available to the patron in the User Portal.

![Image showing the email and change fulfillment type options]

**Document Delivery reports**

Three reports are available to help you understand and manage your library’s Document Delivery activity. To access the reports, go to Analytics > Reports > Reports > Interlibrary Loan Reports. The three reports are:

- **Document Delivery Activity Overview:** for each month, provides a count of Document Delivery requests filled (and average turnaround time), cancelled, and expired.
- **Document Delivery Request Detail:** for each Document Delivery request, provides bibliographic information, borrower request tags, date and time request created and closed/cancelled/expired, and turnaround time for filled requests. Optionally filter by material format, patron department, patron status, and source (staff or patron created).
- **Document Delivery Request Statistics:** provides request filled count, average filled turnaround time, cancelled request count, and expired request count; by patron status, patron department, or material format.

For more information see the Tipasa online help for WorldShare reports.

**Exercise**

[Document delivery quiz](#)