

August 2017 update**OCLC Search and Discovery Task Force Report**

Prioritized recommendations

Note regarding \$k in name headings

Prioritized Recommendations:

The July 2017 MOUG Board meeting provided MOUG’s Board the opportunity to discuss WorldCat Discovery in person with three representatives from OCLC’s End User Services Team:

- Jay Holloway (Product Manager, End User Services, as well as MOUG’s own OCLC Reference, Discovery, and Collection Liaison)
- Bridget Dauer (Senior Product Analyst for discovery services)
- Tom Haney (Senior Project Manager, End User Services.)

At that meeting, we agreed to prioritize six recommendations from the [2016 OCLC Search and Discovery Task Force Report](#). These recommendations were all among the S&D TF Report recommendations that MOUG’s Reference, Discovery, and Collection Committee had [posted to the OCLC Community Center](#) and were all either Major/Critical Recommendations or top priority General Recommendations. We prioritized the three recommendations that received the most votes in the Community Center (numbers 1-3 below), plus three others of MOUG’s own choosing (numbers 4-6 below).

1. Display subfields \$b, \$c, \$d, and \$q in name headings, to allow for identification and differentiation of names. For linked searches generated from displayed controlled names, search on all name subfields within the field as a single phrase to link to the correct entity. See special note regarding \$k below.
2. Display all instances of the 028 field (publisher number) when present.
3. Treat search strings entered in separate lines of the Advanced Search as if there are parentheses around the set of all terms entered within a single search box - i.e. support nested searching in advanced search
4. When fields 700, 710, or 711 contain subfield \$t, display all title-related subfields (currently \$t, \$k, \$l, \$m, \$n, \$o, \$p, \$r, \$s), together with the name (all name-related subfields).¹
5. Change the facet option for “music” to “music recording.”
6. Display 245 subfields together; alternatively, identify 245 subfield \$c as responsibility instead of names from 1xx/7xx.

¹ As of 9/22/2017, the name-related subfields are:

x00: \$a \$b \$c \$d \$j \$q \$u;

x10: \$a \$b \$c \$u;

x11: \$a \$c \$d \$e \$q \$u.

\$4 and \$e are not recommended for inclusion because they describes relationships, not entities.

See <https://www.loc.gov/marc/bibliographic/bdx00.html>, <https://www.loc.gov/marc/bibliographic/bdx10.html>, and <https://www.loc.gov/marc/bibliographic/bdx11.html> for complete and current details.

Note regarding \$k in name headings: indexing, display, and linking:

The S&DTF Report (2016) recommended that \$k be utilized along with \$b, \$c, \$d, and \$q in name headings. However, upon consultation with OCLC and several S&DTF members, MOUG recommended to not include \$k. We also recommended that \$k continue to be excluded from name indexes.

OCLC's "Bibliographic Formats and Standards" notes \$k is ["unlikely to be used" in 100](#) or [111](#) and ["infrequently used" in 110](#) but in general adding it would actually create problems.

For example, in a 700

Adams, John, \$d 1947- \$k Selections

It would not be helpful for a name search to include \$k Selections, as this would falsely remove many items with John Adams 1947- listed (but lacking \$k Selections). Moreover, \$k Selections is fairly common, so this problem would happen often.

So, in summary, we recommend \$k not be indexed in name headings indexes nor included in the linked searches on controlled names described in #1 above.

Nara Newcomer, MOUG Reference, Discovery and Collection Coordinator
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