

# **Aleph Product Update**

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# Agenda



- Aleph Roadmap
- Aleph 23.4 highlights
- Aleph 24.0 highlights
- Plans for 24.1 and beyond



## Aleph Roadmap – Updated

- V23.3 Minor Release
  - Available June 3, 2019
- V23.4 Minor Release
  - Available January 2021
- V24.0 Major Release
  - Available July 2022
- V24.1 Minor Release
  - Planned December 2023
- V24.2 Minor Release
  - Planned July 2025







# Aleph V23.4 Highlights (Released January 2021)





#### **Enhancements V23.4**

- Circ barcode scanning for reading room loans add missing functionality
- Delete Item Records (p-item-11) add option to use STA field for BIB record management
- Expanding ORCID from authority records to source record
- Check routine needed to identify records that exceed size limits



#### **Infrastructure Changes in V23.4**

• End support for Solaris





# **Aleph 24.0 Highlights**





#### **Aleph V24.0 Highlights**

- Validation checks across fields create dependencies for subfields across two or more fields – V24.0
- Prompt for confirmation before deleting memos V24.0



- Current Aleph GUI 'Trigger List' interface doesn't provide an alert when user activate the 'Delete' trigger action
- Once 'Delete' is pressed, the trigger is immediately deleted without any recovery option
- Having a confirmation message before deletion will attract the user's attention and avoid redundant deletion.

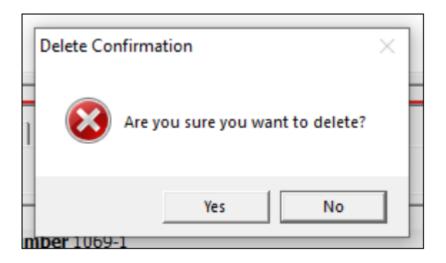


#### Solution Description

- The user's flows for trigger deletion will be enhanced with an additional confirmation message before the delete is executed
- This change will be implemented for all GUI users without any special customization nor setup
- It will cover the three on-line triggers that offer the 'Delete'



 A new pop-up message will appear when the 'Delete' action will be activated by the user via GUI-Triggers List:





- The default selected option will be 'No'
- The user will have to explicitly press the 'Yes' option in order to submit the deletion
- The delete action will be executed AFTER the user's confirmation



- Triggers to be covered
  - GUI Cataloging/Acquisitions-Serials/Circulation Trigger List (for a specific record)
  - GUI Cataloging Trigger List (for all records)
  - GUI Cataloging Edit Actions menu Record's Triggers Trigger List (for a specific record)



- Current Aleph check\_doc validation mechanism, provides the functionality of checking dependencies for subfields within the same field.
- There is no way to define dependencies across fields check\_doc\_line and check\_doc\_doc)
- Improving the check\_doc functionality to include validation checks across fields, will assist the catalogers when editing a record and improve the quality of the records.



- A new check\_doc program will be added to create dependencies across fields: check\_doc\_across \_fields
- This will allow checking a BIB/AUTH record based on data cataloged in subfields of different fields (within the same record)
- Library will configure the relevant dependencies
- New messaged (errors) will be added to reflect the detected inconsistencies
- Will impact cataloging and related services that use 'check doc'



- Setting-up the new check program in check\_doc (Example)
  - Table location: ./usm01/tab/check\_doc (already exists)
  - Col.1: CATALOG-INSERT -check will be activated when a cataloging record is saved, updated or when the 'Check Record' option is selected from the Cataloging module (already exists)
  - Col.2: The check program: check\_doc\_across\_fields (new functionality)

- Setting-up the new table: check\_doc\_across\_fields
  - A new \$data\_tab/check\_doc\_across\_fields table will define the rules of checking content of subfields across fields.
  - The table will enable to define the rules for checking content dependencies among subfields of different fields
  - Following is a sample table in the demo BIB library: ./usm01/tab/check\_doc\_across



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check doc across fields
Check of dependencies between subfields content of diffrent fields
 Last header change: 26/10/2021
                              The new table: check doc across fields
 HELP
 This table enables you to determine the rules for checking contents dependencies
 among subfields of different fields.
 col. 1
             Record format as in the FMT field. Use XX for all formats.
 col. 2 tag+indicator
 col. 3 first subfield code
          content of first subfield (30 char.)
 col. 4
 col. 5 type of dependency: Y- present; N - cannot be present
 col. 6
             second tag+indicator
 col. 7 second subfield code
 col. 8
             content of the second subfield (30 char.)
XX 949## a abc
                                    Y 960## d xy
XX 949## a abc
                                    Y 967## d xy
XX 949## a hij
                                    Y 968## c klm
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- The rules may be defined per record format (col.1). For example books (BK)
  might have different logic then serials (SE). The code XX can be set for all
  formats
- Col. 2 thru 4 set the 1st tag+indicator+subfield+content that should be checked against the 2nd set
- Col. 6 thru 8 set the 2nd tag+indicator+subfield+content that should be checked against the 1st set
- Col. 5 will set the type of dependency:
  - Y = the defined content should be presented in the other set
  - N = the defined content cannot be presented in the other set



- The New Block/Warning Message
  - A new error text will be added to ./error\_<lng>/check\_doc file (file already exists)
  - Error number: 0232 (hard-code;' cannot be changed by the library)
  - Error text: Error found upon dependency check between the content of the subfields "\$1" and "\$2"
  - \$1 the place holder for the tag: (field+indicator+subfield) of the 1st field (col. 2 and 3 of check\_doc\_across\_fields table)
  - \$2 the place holder for the tag: (field+indicator+subfield) of the 2nd field (col. 6 and 7 of check\_doc\_across\_fields table)



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1009 L 901 - Missing system counter for library $1.

1010 L 901 - The counter $2 for library $1 is already attributed to doc number $3. Check system 1011 L 901 - You are not allowed to add more than 10 inventory numbers at a time.

!
! check_doc_across_fields
0232 L Error found upon dependency check between the content of the subfields "$1" and "$2"

! check_doc_call_no_090

| The new error #0232 in ./error_< lng>/check_doc

1100 L ($1$$a): Call number prefix $2 is a new entry.

1101 L ($1$$a): Call number prefix $2 is a new entry, with manual input of the sequence=$3 !

1102 L ($1$$a): Call number prefix $2 is a old entry, with manual input of the sequence=$3 !

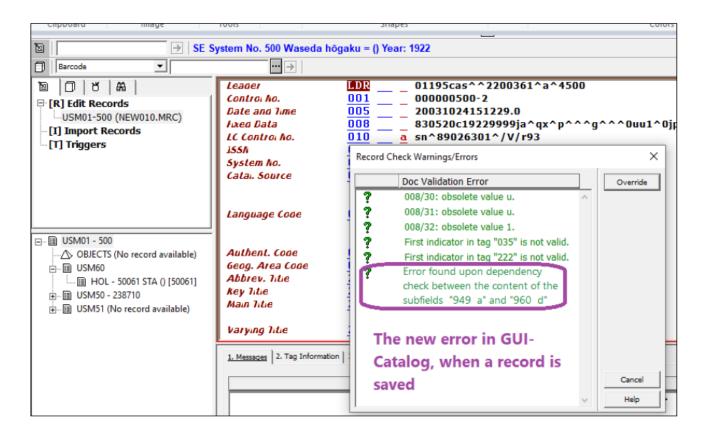
1105 L ($1$$a): Error, Call number prefix $2 is an old entry, but maximum for sequence reached;

ling !
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- Setting the New Check as a Block or Warning
  - As in any other record checks, the library should define the new check as a Warning (T) or Mandatory (M).
  - T = error which writes a cataloging trigger record, but allows database update.
  - M = error which does not allow database update.
  - This can be done by adding the new entry to \$data\_tab/check\_doc\_mandatory (table already exists)







## Infrastructure Changes in V24.0

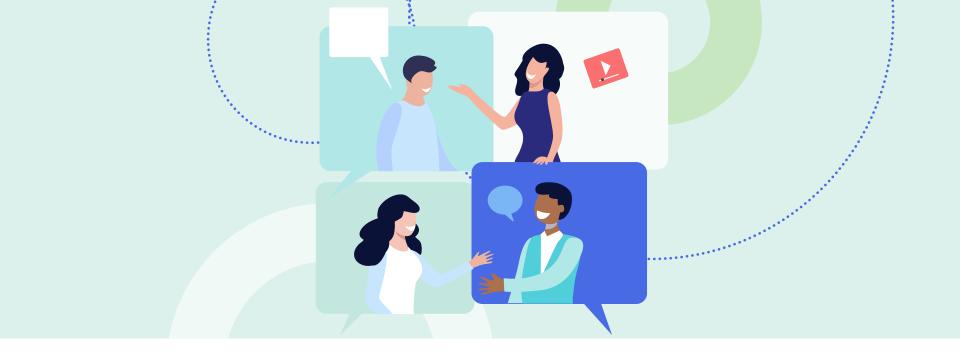
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#### **Aleph V24.1 Highlights**

 Fiscal Year Purge - remove all vendors without any remaining orders or invoices





# **Plans for V25 and Beyond**



#### Plans for V25 and Future Versions

- Items for consideration:
  - User group enhancements (NERS)
  - Extending support for protocols and standards such as NCIP, SIP2, RFID, EDI
  - Infrastructure SW/HW certifications







# Thank you!

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