

How to Add a New Field

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Note:

This document deals with adding *variable* fields to *DOC* (Z00) records. Adding new fields to non-doc records requires program changes and is beyond the scope of this document.

To add a new field:

• Add it to tab01.lng:

For a BIB record field:

Look at xxx01/tab/**tab01**.lng and decide on a 3-character code for the new field. (Make sure the code isn't already in use.)

Note:

Though the code can be up to 5 characters, if you make bytes 4 or 5 part of the code, you will not be able to use them for first and second indicator values.

For an AUThority record field:

Add it to xxx1x/tab/tab01.lng;

For a HOLdings record field:

Add it to xxx6x/tab/tab01.lng;

For an ADMinistrative record field:

Add it to xxx5x/tab/tab01.lng;

For a Course Reading doc field:

Add it to xxx3x/tab/tab01.lng

Consult the *Database Management Guide* (UTIL G.1.01) for details on the other values in the tab01 table.

Sample entry in tab01:

Add it to tab11:

If you want the (bib) field to be indexed, you need to include it in xxx01/tab/tab11.

(If the index in which you want the field to be included is a **new** index, then see the related document: "How To Add a New Index".)

For inclusion in a **Direct** index, put the entry in the "**I**" section of tab11.

For inclusion in a **Headings** index, put it in the "A" ("Access headings)" section.

For inclusion in a **Words** index, put it in the "W" section.

For linking to an **AUThority** library, include it in the "**R**" ("Remote file") section.

Consult the *Database Management Guide* (UTIL G.1.11) for other parameters.

Note:

The "W" entries have a format different from the "A", "I", and "R" entries.

Sample entries:

W format:

A/I/R format:

The index codes can be up to 5 characters. In the **W** format, column 9, each of the codes has 5 spaces allocated for it. If, as is commonly the case, the codes are just 3 characters, they must have 2 spaces between them. If not, **none** of them will index.

For a new **AUThority** or **Course Reading** record field to be indexed, the procedure is the same as that described above for the bib.

For a new **ADM** or **HOL** record field to be indexed, in some cases, this may be done by building an index via the **ADM** or **HOL** tab11, but this would more commonly be done by including data from the tag as an expanded field, generated by an expand routine –see tab_expand { Database Management Guide (UTIL G.1.a)}-- in a BIB index.

• Add it to check_doc_line (required):

For the field to be recognized in the Cataloging client you need to add it to the Library's tab/check_doc_line (UTIL M.8.a).

- To ALlow the field to be entered in a record, include an "AL"- type entry in check_doc_line (required)
 - Specify allowed subfield values
 - Specify allowed indicator values
- o To make the field dependent on another tag, include a "D"- type entry (optional).

Consult the *Database Management Guide* (UTIL M.8.a) for other parameters.

• Add it to codes.eng (required):

You need to add the field to the Library's pc_tab/catalog/codes.eng (UTIL M 1).

Consult the *Database Management Guide* (UTIL M.1) for parameters.

Add it to check_doc_doc (optional):

To control the repeatability of the tag or to make the tag mandatory, you need to add it to the Library's tab/check_doc_doc (UTIL M.8.c).

Consult the *Database Management Guide* (UTIL M.8.c) for parameters.

• Add cataloging form, help, etc. (optional):

In UTIL M {besides 1. (codes.eng)}, we also have the following:

- 2. Open subfields (marc_exp.dat)
- 3. Links to headings (scancode.dat)
- 4. Cataloging forms (nnn_xx.lng)
- 5. HELP on tag (taginfo.eng)
- 9. Default fields for "Create New Record" (tagonnew.dat)
- 10. Allowed/Denied tags for users (permission.dat)
- 13. Fixed text for specific tags (tag text.dat)
- 14. Cataloging on the fly (pc_tab_circ.lng)

Consult the *Database Management Guide* (UTIL M.x) for parameters.

• Add other validation (optional):

In UTIL M 8, besides a - (check_doc_line) and c - (check_doc_doc), we also have the following:

- b Validation of contents of a field (check_doc_line_contents)
- d Check routines for document deletion (check_doc_delete)
- e Mandatory check on records (check_doc_mandatory)
- f Validation for new acc (check doc new acc)
- g Validation for new authorities (check doc new acc aut)
- h Validation for unique index (check_doc_unique_index)
- i Check routines (check_doc)
- j Check text values for specific tags (check_doc_tag_text)

Consult the *Database Management Guide* (UTIL M.8.x) for parameters.

• Update the Tables Package (required):

You need to do UTIL M 7. This takes the changes which you have made for UTIL M and includes them in the $pc_{tab}/catalog/pc_{tab}$.

(When the Cataloging client detects a changed date/time for pc_cat.pck for a particular Library, it downloads to the cataloging tables package to the PC.)