Learn how to add, receive, delete, and edit serial items.
A serial is a publication issued in successive parts and continued indefinitely. A subscription is composed of parts called items. Example: periodicals.

Use Discover Items to search for the serial title and click the title link to view details.

Add copies, Holdings View, and Copies View

These links are in the upper right corner of the screen, below the Copies, Details, and Holds links.

Add copy

1. On the Copies screen, in the upper right corner, click Add Copy.
2. On the Add New Copy screen, fill in the following fields:
   a. **Copy Number** - The number assigned by the library that distinguishes one copy of the title from another identical copy.
   b. **Branch** - Library branch that owns the item described by the item record.
   c. **Note(s)** - Note about the item. (*Optional*). To make a note display upon check in or check out, type an exclamation point (!) as its first character.
   d. **Receipt Status** - Whether newly published parts of a multipart or serial item are being received.
   e. **Shelving Locations** - Location of the item within the branch. To remove a shelving location, either click the X next to the down arrow (if available), or click the shelving location in the list to uncheck it.
3. Click Add Copy. The screen displays with the information you entered.

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Holdings view and Copies view

On the Copies screen, in the upper right corner, click Holdings View or Copies View.

- **Holdings View** - Lists item-level holdings (items are the parts that make up the subscription). Each item has a barcode.
- **Copies View** - The Copies area lists basic information about the subscription (branch, call number). The Holdings for Selected Copy area lists brief information about the items in the subscription (enumeration and chronology, if relevant, and barcode).
Receive serial item

1. On the Copies screen, in the Copies section, find the subscription and click **Receive Item**.

2. On the Add New Serial Item screen, fill in the fields. One of these fields is required: Barcode, Enumeration and Chronology, or Description.

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**Delete serial item**

1. To find the items in a serial set, on the Copies screen, click the row for the serial set containing the item you want to edit. Result: Closed
2. Under Holdings for Selected Copy, for the item you want to edit, click **View/Edit**.
3. On the Serial Item Details screen, in the upper right corner, click **Delete**.
4. On the Delete Serial Item window, click **Delete**.

After an item is deleted, its status in WMS is **Withdrawn**. Items deleted from WMS will not display to the public, but will stay in the system based on the time configured in OCLC Service Configuration (WMS Circulation > Admin/General > Deleted Items). For more information, see [Deleted Items](https://help.oclc.org/Library_Management/WorldShare_Circulation/Item_management/View_and_use_serial_item_…).

For more information on statuses, see [Item statuses](https://help.oclc.org/Library_Management/WorldShare_Circulation/Item_management/View_and_use_serial_item_…).

**Edit serial item**

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The items in the serial set appear under Holdings for Selected Copy.

2. Under Holdings for Selected Copy, for the item you want to edit, click View/Edit.

3. On the Serial Item Details screen, click Edit Serial Item.

4. On the Edit Serial Item Details screen, edit the fields.

If editing an already received item’s enumeration and chronology, a defect incorrectly updates the local holdings record. Instead, use OCLC Connexion to make the edit.

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5. Click Save Serial Item: the screen displays with the information you entered.

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Edit copy

1. On the Copies screen, in the Copies section, in row for the serial set you want to edit, click View/Edit.
2. On the Copy Details screen, click Edit Copy.
3. On the Edit Copy Details screen, edit the fields (use OCLC Connexion to look up call numbers).

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**Report missing item**

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2. Under Holdings for Selected Copy, in the row for the item you want to report as missing, click **View/Edit**.
3. On Copy Details screen, in the upper right corner, click **Report Missing**.