
Text "Effective due date" preceding date

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Question

The text "Effective due date" sometimes appears in the GUI Circ "Due Date" column, preceding the date -- and sometimes doesn't. Where does this text come from and why does it sometimes appear and sometimes not?

Answer

The text "Effective due date" -- which may also appear in the cir-13 ("Recall Items on Loan") notices and in the OPAC -- is coming from the `./error_eng/format_due_date` file. This could be the `./u21_n/alephe/error_eng/format_due_date` file; or, if none, the `./a21_n/alephe/error_eng/format_due_date` file.

Two factors determine which `format_due_date` message appears:

1. whether the item is recalled, and
2. the value of `$alephe_root/aleph_start due_date_format`

If the `due_date_format` is "1",
the `format_due_date` message which appears for a non-recalled item is 0001 and
the message for a recalled item is 0101.

If the `due_date_format` is "2",
the `format_due_date` message which appears for a non-recalled item is 0002 and
the message for a recalled item is 0102.

Likewise for "3" and "4".

If the site doesn't do recalls {that is, the z37 (hold request) recall-type is always "3" (hold)}, then `format_due_date` message 0101 can and should be changed to:

```
0101 0000 L $1
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Additional Information

This is the entire, as-delivered, version 22, `./error_eng/format_due_date` file

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! No recall  
0001 0000 L $1  
0002 0000 L $1  
0003 0000 L $1  
0004 0000 L $1
```

! Recalled

0101 0000 L Effective due date: \$1

0102 0000 L Recalled due date: \$1

0103 0000 L Due date: \$1 - Recalled

0104 0000 L Recalled \$1 Originally due: \$2

! No recall, display estimated recall-date

0110 0000 L \$1 - After Recall: \$2

The following Articles may be of interest:

000018894 Display of Due Date in Aleph ("After Recall ...")

000019292 Effective due date" text showing on 'no recall' holds

000002853 Recalled Items show original due-date instead of recall-due-date

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