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## Z305\_EXPIRY\_DATE and Z303-PLIF-MODIFICATION

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### Description:

We need to know how to set up "Patron loader protected fields," so that when we update an existing z305 we update ONLY the Z305\_EXPIRY\_DATE using the PLIF loader , p\_file\_20.

### Resolution:

For the EXPIRY-DATE: the program takes the date from the incoming PLIF record.

If that's blank, it leaves the existing Z305-EXPIRY-DATE as is.

Unless that too is blank, in which case it uses the TAB31-EXPIRY-DATE."

Also, the PLIF (p\_file\_20) allows you to specify an "Ignore character" which you place in each input record field for which you don't want to modify the existing record.

And, there is a Z303-PLIF-MODIFICATION value which is new in version 15.2.

It can have values of

A = Do not modify the borrower's address records (Z304).

B = Do not modify the borrower's status.

D = Do not modify the borrower's expiry date.

E = Do not modify the borrower's email address (Z304-EMAILADDRESS) in the address record (Z304).

1 = Do not modify all borrower's records (Z303, Z304, Z305 and Z308).

Currently, the p\_file\_20 does \*not\* include the PLIF-MODIFICATION as a field which can be specified in the interface format. It would need to be updated individually in the GUI -- or with SQL.

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