

What are steps to batch load patron records?

- **Product:** Voyager
 - **Product Version:** 7.2.1
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Question

How to bring external patron data into the Voyager database?

Answer

A legacy system utilizing the SIF format is available, as well as a newer XML patron services batch loader. In both cases, sites must generate the file. Steps below are for handling generated files. Note that in all cases when importing patron data, the input file must already reside on the server.

SIF

1. Obtain patron SIF or generate file with Patron Extract (SIF)
2. Review & verify patron SIF fields are present as required and correct (text editor such as Notepad++ can be helpful)
3. Load patron SIF to Voyager database using Pptrnupdt script
4. Review logs and verify results in Circulation.

XML

1. Generate XML file with XML Patron Export (PpatronExpX) or other means, ensuring format complies with [patron schema XSD](#).
2. Load the patron XML file via the PpatronImpX script or via [WebAdmin](#)
3. Review logs and verify results in Circulation

Additional Information

See also Voyager Technical Users Guide, Chapters 5, 6 and 18, and [Patron Export](#) and [Patron Import](#) service information on the Developer Network.

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