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## Difference between "Lost" and "Missing"

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### Description:

What is the difference between a Lost item and a Missing item?

### Resolution:

Items which the patron has reported as lost or long-overdue items should be given a z36 (item loan) status of "Lost". Lost is used for items which have a patron associated with them.

A z30 item processing status of MI or MS is used for items which are gone but you don't know who has them.

When an item with a z36 (item loan) status of "Lost" is returned, the loan record will be deleted (and a Z36H record will be created).

When an item with a z30 item processing status of MI or MS is returned, a message appears indicating the status, but it is \*not\* automatically blanked out.

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## Additional Information

lost, missing, item

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