

# Welcome to the Ex Libris Cloud

Version 3.0

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## Introduction

Congratulations! You have joined more than a thousand other customers of Ex Libris as part of Clarivate enjoying the benefits of using the Ex Libris Cloud. This document presents the technical details needed to get started and join the Ex Libris Cloud.

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## Purpose

This document lists the benefits of using the [Ex Libris Cloud services](#) together with general instructions for new customers joining the Ex Libris Cloud.

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## The Cloud Deployment Model

Ex Libris a part of Clarivate operates a private cloud offering that is available for the sole use of the Ex Libris customer community. This deployment model differs from a public cloud, which is available to the general public or a hybrid cloud, which is a combination of two or more clouds.

Private cloud implementation allows Ex Libris to provide cloud computing-based services without compromising on the architectural control required to provide superior solutions.

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## Security

Clarivate is Committed to providing its customers with a secured and reliable environment. Ex Libris has developed a multitiered security model that covers all aspects of cloud-based systems. The security model and controls are based on renowned international protocols and standards, including ISO/IEC 27001:2022, ISO/IEC 27017:2015, ISO/IEC 27032:2012, ISO/IEC 27018:2014, ISO/IEC 22301:2019, ISO/IEC 27701:2019.

Ex Libris as part of Clarivate has received several security and privacy certifications, including ISO/IEC 27001:2022, ISO/IEC 27017:2015, ISO/IEC 27032:2012, ISO/IEC 27018:2014, ISO/IEC 22301:2019. The ISO/IEC 27032:2012 standard provides guidance for improving the state of Cybersecurity in information security, network and internet security, and critical information infrastructure protection (CIIP). The ISO/IEC 27018:2014 standard establishes commonly accepted control objectives, including controls and guidelines for protecting Personally Identifiable Information (PII) for the public cloud computing environment in accordance with the privacy principles in ISO/IEC 29100. ISO/IEC 27017:2015 provides a code of practice for information security controls, including guidelines that expand upon the ISO/IEC 27002 standard by adding security controls specifically related to cloud computing. The ISO/IEC 22301:2019 standard focuses exclusively on business continuity management (BCM). The ISO/IEC 27001:2022 standard provides a model for establishing, implementing, operating, monitoring, reviewing, maintaining, and improving an Information Security Management System (ISMS). The ISO/IEC 27701:2019 provides guidance for establishing, implementing, maintaining and continually improving

a privacy information management system (PIMS).

As part of the company's focus on security issues, Clarivate employs a dedicated security team that, together with the Cloud Services team, are responsible for the following tasks:

- Applying the security model to all system tiers.
- Monitoring and analyzing the infrastructure to detect suspicious activities and potential threats.
- Updating the security model and addressing new security threats.
- Systematically examining the organization's information security risks, taking into account threats and vulnerabilities.
- Designing and implementing a coherent and comprehensive suite of information security controls and/or other forms of risk treatment (such as risk avoidance or risk transfer) to address those risks that are deemed unacceptable.
- Issuing periodic security reports to Clarivate's management and customers.
- Adopting an overarching management process to ensure that the information security controls continue to meet the organization's evolving information security needs.

Ex Libris is committed to securing the information that the customer community stores in our systems. Each one of the controls that form part of our multi-tiered security model is upheld throughout the organization. The security model is constantly monitored and tested to maintain a high level of security, thus granting Ex Libris users—libraries and their patrons—peace of mind with respect to their privacy, confidentiality, integrity, and availability of their data.

For any security related questions or issues, open a support CRM case or contact the security team at [SecurityOfficer@exlibrisgroup.com](mailto:SecurityOfficer@exlibrisgroup.com).

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## Information Security Policy

Clarivate has an Information Security Policy that provides a security framework based on ISO 27002 to ensure the protection of Ex Libris information from unauthorized access, loss or damage. The policy provides details regarding:

- Risk management
- Information Classification
- Access Control
- Patch and Change Management
- Data Encryption
- Data retention and destruction
- Business Continuity
- Configuration and change Management
- Network Operations
- Continuous Monitoring
- Asset Management
- Human resources security

- IT Security
- Security and Privacy Awareness Training
- Security and Privacy Incident Response

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## Services You Will Receive

The application is hosted on hardware owned by Ex Libris at a centrally secured data center. Ex Libris periodically updates and upgrades the system. The following are some key points:

- Hardware maintenance
- 24x7 manned Hub Operation Center
- System Status page
- Monitoring services
- Redundant infrastructure systems – no single point of failure (power, climate control, fire control)
- Redundant infrastructure devices – no single point of failure (routers, switches, firewalls, load-balancers, storage arrays, etc.)
- Robust UPS facilities
- Diesel powered generators (independent power plants)
- No fewer than 3 ISPs providing OC3-level bandwidth to the facility with load balancing
- Backups are stored at the data center and are also saved in a separate offsite secured location
- Hardware and operating system upgrades and patches
- Application upgrades, patches and maintenance
- Security framework based on ISO 27001 certification
- Cloud Security based on ISO 27017 certification
- Cyber Security based on ISO 27032 certification
- Privacy based on ISO 27018 certification
- Business continuity management based on ISO 22301 certification
- Privacy information management system (PIMS) based on ISO 27701 certification
- Security control and continuous monitoring
- Application availability based on SLA

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## Processes and Procedures

Along with the other factors described in this document, Ex Libris adheres to the following practices and procedures to

safeguard your systems availability, integrity, and confidentiality:

- **Root Cause Analysis (RCA)** – Ex Libris performs internal root cause analysis for each service interruption for above 5 minutes and takes the necessary steps to avoid them in the future. For SaaS multitenant environments, Ex Libris publishes RCAs in the Customer Knowledge Center
- **Reactive and Proactive Management** – Ex Libris implements reactive and proactive problem management based on [ITIL](#) in order to minimize both the number and severity of incidents and potential problems.
- **Capacity Management** – The Ex Libris Cloud group oversees capacity planning. Ex Libris products are inherently designed to be highly scalable and following ITIL capacity management processes including multi-layered threshold and alert mechanisms. As part of our capacity planning, our cloud engineers continuously measure & monitor our existing and new implementations, as well as our future growth pipelines, to ensure we always meet capacity requirements. At the same time, our Cloud group monitors our existing customers' growth and the systems' performance trends. This approach ensures that Ex Libris can provision additional hardware and services to meet our growing customers' needs in real time.
- **Change Management** – Ex Libris utilizes change management systems and detailed processes including approval cycles for each change in the cloud. Each change must be approved, recorded, and documented. The system avoids change conflicts and manages activities in the system.
- **Availability** – ([Uptime Quarterly Reports](#)) – For SaaS multitenant environments, Ex Libris has a quarterly availability report that measures and records system uptime services. This report is published and available for customers in the Ex Libris Knowledge Center.
- **Operating Center** – Ex Libris Network & Security Operations Center (NOC/SOC) provides 24x7 logging and monitoring for all logical network access to customer data and information asset usage and is audited. Ex Libris monitoring consists of multi-layered, fully redundant systems that monitor the services inside and outside the Data Center to validate that services are running at the highest performance levels. For more information, see [the 24X7 Hub contact details](#).
- **On-Call Engineers** – Ex Libris has 24x7 on call expert infrastructure engineers such as, Security, Network, DBA, Storage, System, and dedicated On Call Application Developers that are notified by the operating center in the event of a service interruption.

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## Access Control

Clarivate has an Access Control process to ensure that personnel are positively authenticated and authorized prior to being granted access to information resources. Access to information resources will be controlled through a managed process that addresses authorizing, modifying, and revoking access, and periodic review of information system privileges, to ensure that only approved, documented, and tested activities are allowed in the cloud environments.

### General

- Identify and access management (IAM) should be managed through centralized and approved IAM systems (e.g., Active Directory, TACACS).
- Passwords must never be written down or stored unencrypted
- Users should never share or reuse passwords between personal and work-related applications and systems.
- If a password becomes common knowledge, it must be changed immediately.

- First-time passwords must be created with a random password generator and must be changed upon initial log-in.
- Default passwords must be changed immediately.
- Passwords must remain encrypted or hashed in storage and in transit.
- Certain applications or systems may not be capable of enforcing all of the aforementioned password settings. System Administrators should enforce all of the aforementioned settings where the system provides the functionality. If the functionality to enforce the aforementioned password settings is not in place, the System Administrators must identify, document, and obtain approval of compensating controls in place to reduce the risk of a potential compromise to an acceptable level.
- All internal Ex Libris system user accounts, such as e-mail, workstation, and server accounts, where passwords are composed of twelve (12) complex characters, will be changed at least every 180 days. Non-Ex Libris systems, such as third party products, that cannot comply with 12 complex character passwords, must be 8 complex characters long and will be changed at least every 90 days.
- Password history - at least 10 change cycles before a password can be reused
- Lockout – user accounts are blocked after 10 consecutive failed password entries, for 6-8 hours

When selecting and passwords, users must adhere to the following:

- Password Complexity will be 3 out of 4 of the following:
  - uppercase characters.
  - lowercase characters.
  - numeric digits.
  - punctuation, or Unicode characters (for example, !@#\$%^&\*()\_+|~=-`\}[]:":'<>?./)xßj), including spaces.
- Passwords should not be a non-trivial combination e.g., first and last name
- Passwords should not be a word in any language, slang, dialect, or jargon
- Do not use the product name or a name that someone can easily guess as the system-level privileged account name.
- Should not be based on personal information
- Should not be the same as the user ID or blanks
- Do not use the product name or a name that someone can easily guess as the system-level privileged account name.

Physical access to the data center is restricted. All physical access activities will be logged and monitored. Physical access to the Ex Libris offices will be granted to individuals based on access IDs and business need. Only authorized users will be provided access to information resources. Personnel will be positively identified, following a rigorous login process, and adhere to defined standards before gaining access to information resources. The allocation of privileged access rights, which allow users elevated access privileges, are audited and documented. When contractual relationships change with external and third parties who have access to systems, services and facilities, or when the contract expires, access rights and privileges are updated appropriately in a timely manner. All sessions to a production server will only be made through the access control system, ensuring that the user, the activity, and the access channel are properly controlled. Remote access to Ex Libris Cloud will be via VPN. Wireless connections are prohibited in Ex Libris Data Centers.

Workstations with active applications accessing confidential information will be logged-off or locked when unattended. Accounts are disabled when no longer needed. Where possible, default vendor accounts and or passwords will be

disabled or changed immediately.

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## Access Control System

In order to increase monitoring and enforce our access control policies, Ex Libris utilizes an Access Control System, a privileged account security solution that performs the following:

- The access control system is the only focal point through which access to the Ex Libris cloud servers can be made.
- The access control system validates if the user is authorized to access the server.
- The access control system restricts access according to predefined user and policy restrictions.
- Throughout the user's activity on the server, the tool checks and enforces that only approved activity on the server is performed.
- Any session to a production server can only be made through the access control server (i.e., from the authorized Ex Libris employee to the access control system and from the access control system to the server). This way, the access channel itself is controlled.
- All the data related to access rights, credentials, etc. are stored encrypted.
- The predefined sensitive operation activity sessions are recorded and tracked for review.

Ex Libris Security personnel review a correlated audit and compliance report daily. Any suspicious activity, potential violations or unauthorized access is handled immediately according to the Ex Libris Security incident response policy. These audit and compliance reports contain information that enables Ex Libris to track safe activities in order to meet audit requirements, including privileged accounts compliance status, entitlement reports, and activities logs.

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## Asset Management

Clarivate has an Asset Management process that describes the activities related to managing devices and software assets, that potentially process customer or personal data. All assets will be appropriately managed to:

- Ensure asset ownership and responsibility.
- Track assets through their lifecycle.
- Ensure that asset information is accurate.

All new assets will be registered and recorded. During the asset registration process, the asset will be assigned to an owner.

When the asset lifecycle is completed, the asset will be disposed of in accordance with the Information Security Policy. Care will be taken to ensure that all Company Confidential information has been erased from the asset.

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## IT Security

Appropriate safeguarding mechanisms must be exercised to keep IT Resources and information secured and protected from being lost, from unauthorized access and/or misuse e.g. the User shall keep all passwords and access data, safe and secure.

- Clean Desk and Clear Screen.
- Password management enforcement – Complexity, Age.
- Malware Protection.
- Authorizations for Information System Use - other user rights are granted based on "least privilege" and "need to know" principles. Users may not bypass information system security controls.
- Strict of removable device.
- Trainings.
- Mobile Computing and Remote Access.

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## Data Retention

Clarivate has a Data Retention process to ensure that necessary records and documents are adequately protected and maintained and to ensure that records that are no longer needed by Clarivate or are of no value are discarded at the proper time.

Clarivate has a Data destruction process policy for handling obsolete data based on the NIST 800-88 standard. These procedures are also applied if a customer decides to stop using Ex Libris' services. Disks and tapes are destroyed once they are no longer needed. Tapes are overwritten with the next use. CDs that are no longer needed are destroyed by a CD/DVD data crusher or shredder. All storage devices that may need to be used again are cleaned by data wipe software.

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## Enforcement Standard

Clarivate has instituted an Enforcement Standard. Clarivate reserves the right to determine what situations require enforcement action and what course of action should be taken, as permitted by law. Enforcement actions are determined based on the severity of the violation. Multiple violations and the effective period determine the enforcement actions taken.

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## Responsible Disclosure

Clarivate has a Responsible Disclosure Policy that encourages employees and customers to identify and report to Clarivate, in a responsible manner, any vulnerability, security or privacy issue that a user may find during the use of Ex Libris' services. In all cases, any issues found should be promptly reported to Clarivate and may not be abused, exploited or shared.

To report a vulnerability found in an Ex Libris service, submit your vulnerability report as soon as possible after discovery. This can be done by privately sharing details of the suspected vulnerability by sending an email to [Hackerone@clarivate.com](mailto:Hackerone@clarivate.com)

Providing full details of the suspected vulnerability enables the Clarivate security team to validate and reproduce the issue.

Any report submitted in relation to this Responsible Disclosure Policy will be handled with great care with regard to the privacy of the reporter. We will not share your personal information with third parties without your permission unless we are legally required to do so.

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## Risk Management

Clarivate has a Risk Management standard for identifying and managing risks so that all risks are remediated, mitigated,

transferred or accepted. Clarivate conducts a risk assessment based on NIST on an annual basis to identify risks and meet regulatory and contractual requirements.

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## Security patches and vulnerability assessment process

Clarivate has a security assessment process for security patches, vulnerabilities and third party software components used with Ex Libris products. Clarivate continuously monitors and evaluates the security of Ex Libris products, as well as third-party releases and patches. This ongoing monitoring ensures a fast response when security issues arise.

Vulnerabilities found in Ex Libris products and all new security patches are assessed and categorized according to their severity using the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS), an industry standard for assessing the severity of computer system security vulnerabilities (<https://www.first.org/cvss/v4-0/>).

Ex Libris will update customers on security issues. Security advisories will be published in the security zone, in the Ex Libris Knowledge Center. Ex Libris encourages all customers to review the registered security advisories to ensure that the right person receives the security information.

Ex Libris will issue technical notes concerning security patches and certified products. The technical notes will be posted on the Ex Libris Knowledge Center.

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## Data Classification Standard

Clarivate has a Data classification standard to ensure that information is protected at an appropriate level. This policy applies to all Ex Libris information, in all forms, including but not limited to paper, electronic, and voice. Equipment, information and software, regardless of its form or storage medium, must always be kept physically secure and controlled, in accordance with Clarivate Data Classification standard.

The level of classification is determined based on the following criteria:

- Value of information as identified during risk assessment.
- Severity and criticality of information - based on the probability and/or the likelihood against the information that is defined the criticality.
- Legal and contractual obligations - based on the Ex Libris legal counsel requirements.

There are three classification levels:

- Public
- Internal
- Confidential

Information assets will be labeled to reflect their classification level. The policy also specifies that data must be deleted in accordance with the NIST 800-88 standard for clearing and sanitizing data on writable media.

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## Clarivate Employee Acceptable Use Standard

Clarivate has an Acceptable Use Standard to define clear rules for the use of the information systems and other information assets. The use of removable media is prohibited. Antivirus software is installed and activated on each computer with automatic updates enabled. Access to information systems and assets is restricted only to individuals granted access.

Permissions are based on the user's job responsibilities. Users may not share their credentials or access privileges with others. All employees receive IT security awareness training at least annually.

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## Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)

Clarivate has a Software Development Life Cycle to provide a methodology to help ensure the successful implementation of systems that satisfy Clarivate strategic and business objectives.

Policy Goals:

- Deliver quality systems which meet or exceed customer expectations when promised and within cost estimates.
- Provide a framework for developing quality systems using an identifiable, measurable, and repeatable process.
- Identify and assign the roles and responsibilities of all involved parties, including functional and technical managers, throughout the system development life cycle.
- Ensure that system development requirements are well defined and subsequently satisfied.

Development is performed in a dedicated network zone, separate from quality assurance and production.

The Information Security Team manages the security vulnerabilities, identifying, managing and minimizing security vulnerabilities by code fix or configuration change. Clarivate has a security patch standard including evaluation and definition of the severity.

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## Change Management

In order to prevent an unauthorized change in the cloud environment and maintain the high level of service to our customers, Ex Libris has implemented change management procedures so that all activities are recorded, documented, scheduled, and approved for both planned and unplanned changes. Every change in cloud production servers must follow the following procedure:

- Planning stage – document and test procedure.
- Approved cycle of procedures - at least 4 eyes approval principle.
- Coordination and notification
- Execution in maintenance time
- Documentation

In case of an urgent change the same process for approval, testing and documentation will take place, however it will be done immediately following the notification of such a change.

The Hub 24x7 NOC/SOC and Cloud teams are continuously monitoring and auditing the process.

The Information security team validates enforces and audits the procedure, as part of the ISO audit and certification process that all security measures are in place.

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## Incident Management

In case a security breach has occurred, a customer's data has been compromised or accessed by an unauthorized person,

Ex Libris notifies the customer as soon as reasonably practicable (and in any event, within 24 hours), according to the Incident Response Policy.

As part of the Ex Libris security incident response policy, Ex Libris is committed to take prompt action to investigate the incident, mitigate any harm stemming from the incident, and take action intended to prevent any similar incidents from occurring, including, without limitation, the installation of appropriate patches or software fixes as soon as reasonably practical.

After Ex Libris has determined that a security breach has occurred or that customer data has been compromised or accessed by an unauthorized person, Ex Libris shall:

- Notify the customer within 24 hours or sooner if reasonably practical.
- Take prompt action to investigate the incident and mitigate any harm flowing from the incident.
- Assist the customer to make any required notifications to third parties.
- Take prompt action to prevent any similar incident from occurring, including, without limitation, the installation of appropriate patches or software fixes as soon as reasonably possible.

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## Continuous Monitoring of Security Controls

Ex Libris performs multi-tiered security audits that include:

- Security checks
- Security reviews
- Application security vulnerability scans
- Third-party patching
- Scan of network vulnerabilities

ISO 27001 certification includes annual external audits to validate that all security measures and mitigations are in place.

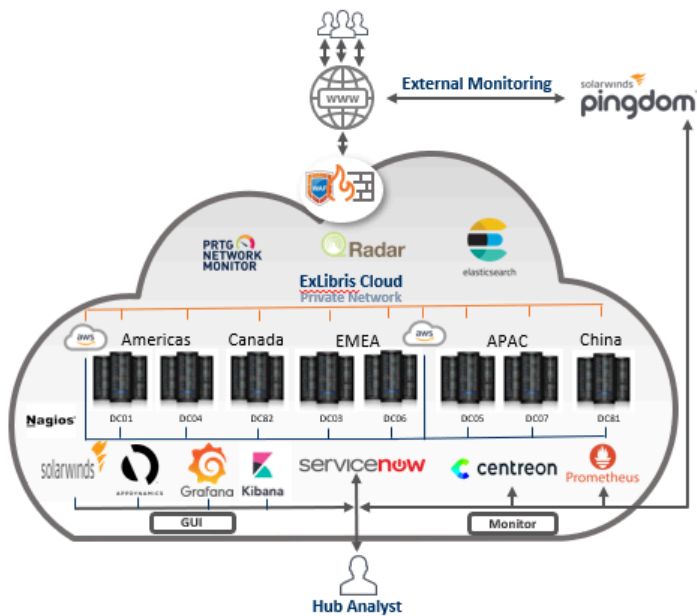
Additionally, Ex Libris performs a security penetration test based on the OWASP Top 10 and SANS 25 best practices.

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## Ex Libris Monitoring System

Monitoring cloud operation is at the heart of providing a high level of service. Ex Libris monitoring is built on a multi layered concept.

Monitoring multi-layered conceptual architecture systems include multi-systems that monitor the services inside and outside the Data Center, to validate that services are running with the best performance indicators.



## Ex Libris Backup System

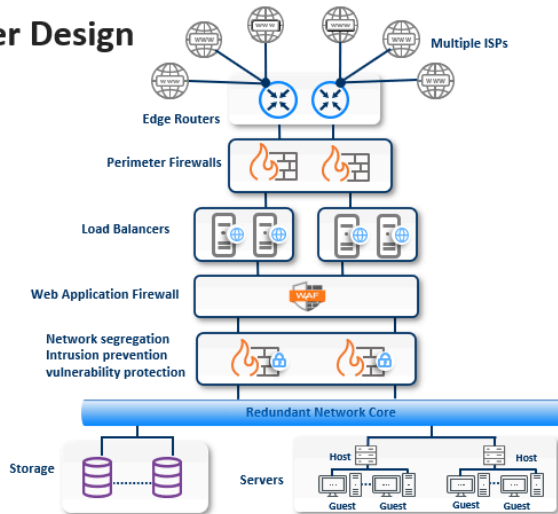
Ex Libris maintains a well-developed backup plan consisting of multiple snapshots per day, including a full daily backup. The backups are made to a disk, a reliable backup media, and are stored in a remote secured location. This ensures that, at any point in time, in case of a local disaster, Ex Libris has a secure copy of the data readily available. On a regular basis, Ex Libris performs system backups of application, database and storage files. All backup files are retained for 10 weeks. The privacy controls in practice at Ex Libris are enforced for all backup files.

- **On-site backup** – Full backups of the OS platform, application, and customer data are performed at least daily (multiple snapshots are taken during the day for critical services/systems) using storage snapshot technology. The backups are kept for one week on-site (not on separate disks) on highly available storage arrays. The snapshots are automatically mounted with specified access restrictions managed by the operating system in a specified set of directories that allows for an easy and immediate restore of the data at any time by Ex Libris authorized personnel.
- **Off-site backup** – Full backups of the OS platform, application and customer data are performed daily using replication technologies over a dedicated and private secured network connection, from the primary data center to an off-site backup location using the same storage technology as at the primary location. Subject to the privacy controls in effect, Ex Libris maintains the off-site backup locations in the same territory (NA, EMEA, and APAC) as the primary locations with a sufficient best practice physical distance. The backups can be restored to the main data center 24x7 by Ex Libris authorized personnel. The backups are kept at the offsite backup managed locations.

The restore procedures are tested monthly to ensure rapid and successful restoration in case of data loss or corruption. Additionally, a full copy of the data is maintained at a remote secured location.

## Ex Libris Data Center Network Diagram

## Data Center Design



**Ex Libris Data Center Network** – Security controls at Ex Libris data centers are based on standard technologies and follow international standards. The physical, network, and operational security controls are constructed to eliminate the effect of single points of failure and to retain the resilience of the computing center. For more information about the location, please visit the [Trust Center](#).

Wireless is not allowed in any Ex Libris data center.

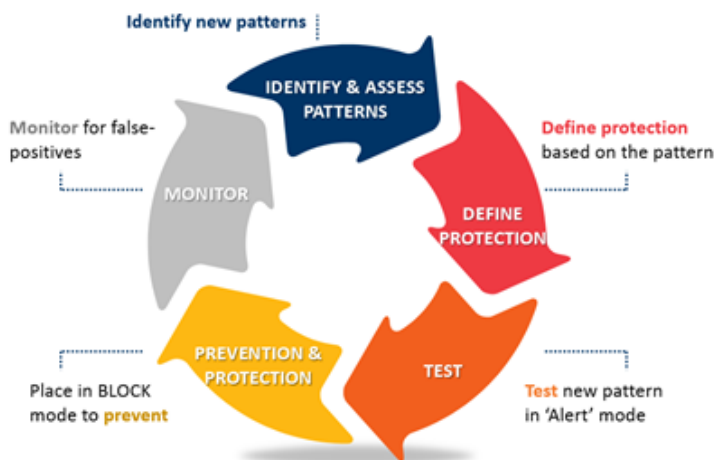
RefWorks and funding solutions (Pivot and Research Professional) are hosted in a public cloud

Ex Libris maintains data centers around the world and has established second data centers in each of the following regions:

The United States, Europe, and Asia Pacific, in addition to the existing regional data centers. For more information, see [Ex Libris Establishes New Second Data Centers in Three Regions](#).

## Security Layered Protection Approach

Ex Libris implements a layered protection process for ongoing and pro-active protection.



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## Report a Security Concern

We employ a Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) who is the contact person for security issues and a Chief Privacy and Compliance Officer for privacy and compliance issues. A dedicated security team works alongside the Cloud Services team and investigates all reports of security vulnerabilities affecting Ex Libris products and services. If you have a security concern, please contact us.

For any security-related questions or issues, open a [support CRM case](#) or contact the Ex Libris Security Officer at [SecurityOfficer@exlibrisgroup.com](mailto:SecurityOfficer@exlibrisgroup.com).

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## Ex Libris System Status Page

### Hosted Customers on SaaS Environments

[The Ex Libris System Status page](#) displays the latest information on the availability of all multitenant Ex Libris instances. You can check this page at any time to see current status information or subscribe to be notified via email of interruptions to any individual service. If you are experiencing a real-time operational issue that is not indicated on this page, please inform Ex Libris by submitting a Case in the Support Portal.

The system status page holds instances for hosted customers on SaaS environments. This site displays live data along with historical data for the previous seven days. Customers with single tenant hosted environments can also receive updates on a data center level or on the product within the data center level.

For more details, see: [The Ex Libris System Status page](#) Contact Ex Libris by submitting a Case in the [Support Portal](#).

### Single-tenant Hosted Environments


Note: Customers with single-tenant hosted environments can continue to view the status of their services in [the Single tenant tab](#).





We encourage you to register for these notifications directly from the Support Portal.

When logging into the Support Portal, under your "Email Preferences" tab, you will find the full list of your Ex Libris products. Register here directly to receive updates from Support and the Cloud and automatically subscribe to the System Status notifications as well.

### Performance Indicators

The status of every instance is displayed via a Performance Indicator. More detailed information and timely updates can be found by hovering over these indicators.

Status	Description
	Service for the instance is operating normally

Service is Operating Normally	
 Information/Service Alert Information	Service for the instance is operating normally, with some specific information provided by Ex Libris
 Performance Issues	Service for the instance is available, but users may experience performance issues.
 Service Interruption	Service for the instance is unavailable or disrupted
 Scheduled Maintenance	Planned maintenance is taking place

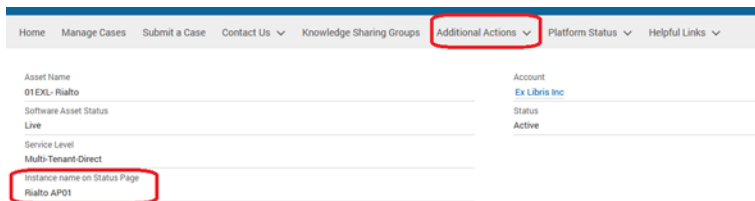
## Scheduled Maintenance

Notifications of future scheduled maintenance are published in the Scheduled Maintenance column. Detailed information such as start and end times can be found by hovering over the maintenance dates.

## Locating an Instance Name

To locate your hosted instance name on the Support Portal (Salesforce), simply log onto the Support Portal and select the desired account asset. If your environment is on the system status, your instance name will be displayed under the Instance Name on Status Page.

While you can register to the System Status Page notifications directly, we highly encourage you to subscribe to the Email Preferences mailing lists, where you will receive updates from Support and the Cloud and will also automatically be registered to the System Status notifications for your environment.



Home Manage Cases Submit a Case Contact Us Knowledge Sharing Groups **Additional Actions** Platform Status Helpful Links

Asset Name  
01 EXL - Rialto

Software Asset Status  
Live

Service Level  
Multi-Tenant-Direct

Instance name on Status Page  
**Rialto AP01**

Account  
Ex Libris Inc

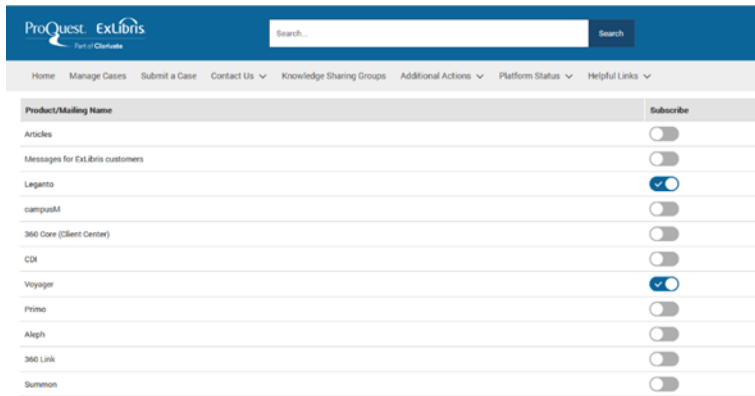
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## Cloud Status Notification Subscription

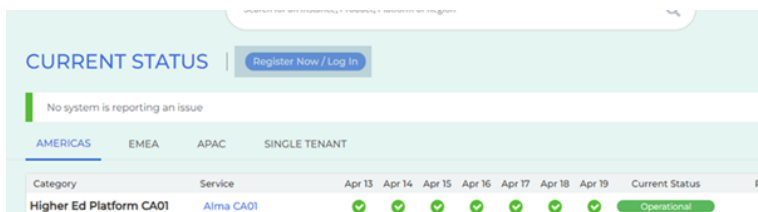
Email notifications regarding performance updates and upcoming maintenance of a hosted instance are sent to the

instance's subscribers.

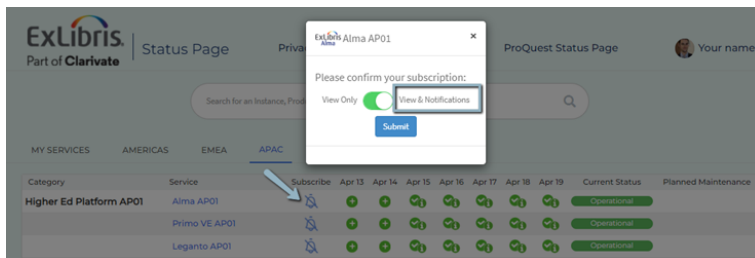
In the Support Portal, you can set your "Email Preferences". Setting your email preference for the product will automatically subscribe you to the correct environment in the System Status Page.



If you want to receive email notifications from the Status page only, Log in or register first.



Click the bell icon next to the desired instance and choose 'View and Notifications'. An email is sent to activate the subscription. (If you do not receive the email, please check in your spam folder.)



## Software Updates and Releases for SaaS

Ex Libris Cloud Teams manage and maintain software updates in the cloud applications.

- **Alma, Leganto, Esploro, Primo VE and Rapido** – Release updates are installed monthly during a maintenance window and release notes are published to customers.
- **Primo** – Service packs are released on a quarterly basis and installed during a maintenance window, first on a sandbox environment and then on a production environment.
- **RefWorks** – Release updates are installed monthly during a maintenance window and release notes are published to customers.
- **Funding solution (Pivot and research professional)** – Release updates are installed monthly and release notes are published to customers.

- **Summon** – Revision updates are installed monthly and release notes are published to customers.
- **CampusM** – Release updates are installed monthly during a maintenance window and release notes are published to customers.

Note: All SaaS environment scheduled activity is communicated via [The Ex Libris System Status page](#).

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## Documentation and References

- **Product Features** – Additional information regarding product features can be found in the [Customer Knowledge Center](#) and in the [Trust Center](#).
- **Security and Privacy** – For additional information regarding security and privacy, refer to the [Cloud Security and Privacy Statement](#) in the [Knowledge Center](#) and to the [Trust Center](#).
- **Service Disruption Communication** – Ex Libris maintains a Service Disruption Communication process to ensure that we react appropriately to any actual or suspected events relating to Ex Libris cloud systems and data. This policy defines the steps that Ex Libris personnel must use to provide a process for documentation, appropriate reporting internally and externally, and communication.
- **Questions** – If you have any further questions regarding cloud services, security or any other topics, please log into the [Support Portal \(Salesforce\)](#), and submit a case to our Support staff who will assist you.

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## Customer Responsibilities

In order to make sure you benefit from Ex Libris cloud services, your local environment needs to be set up correctly to allow for a smooth start with our cloud-based solutions:

- Maintain the connectivity (with acceptable bandwidth) of the workstations and end users to the internet, including network connectivity to the programs and connectivity between the programs and your local applications.
- Work according to the Customer Appropriate Usage Statement (Appendix A: Rules of Behavior).
- Create and maintain firewall settings and open required ports that permit access to the programs.
- In some cases (such as after a MetaLib KB update), technical involvement from the customer may be required.
- In the event of a service interruption, open a system down support CRM case, or contact the [Ex Libris 24x7 Hub](#). For any other issues, open a [support CRM case](#). For more information, see the [Salesforce CRM Customer Portal Documentation](#).

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## Appendix A: Rules of Behavior

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### Introduction

Ex Libris provides cloud services for customers using Ex Libris products. Ensuring the security of cloud services is a high priority for Ex Libris. In order to provide secured solutions that help ensure a high level of global security protection of the cloud infrastructure, Ex Libris requires customer cooperation.

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## Scope

This policy is intended for Ex Libris customers with access rights to Ex Libris Cloud infrastructures.

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## Appropriate Usage

The Customer may access the Ex Libris solution and Ex Libris Cloud systems (the "System") on which Customer data is stored within the solution and/or the System for the purpose of utilizing solution functionalities and for configuring solution access rights and privileges in accordance with the solution documentation.

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## Recommended Security Practices

Ex Libris recommends following the security practices:

- Apply the latest security patches to ensure that vulnerabilities will not compromise the connection to products.
  - Wherever possible, use Transport Layer Security (TLS) 1.2 to ensure that your data is encrypted during transmission.
  - Adopt industry-standard solutions to secure and protect your authentication credentials, networks, servers and computers.
  - Install anti-virus with automatic updates enabled to ensure that the software is always up-to-date.
  - Practice "least privilege" and "need to know" principles, as defined in Ex Libris Access Control Policy.
  - Implement security and privacy awareness and training programs,
  - If you have identified a vulnerability, security, or privacy issue, Ex Libris encourages you to identify and report it to Ex Libris in a timely manner, as documented in the [Ex Libris Responsible Disclosure program](#).
  - Be aware of phishing and malware attempts. In case of suspicious activity, contact the Ex Libris security team.
  - Auditing is conducted regularly to detect and provide critical diagnosis of potential or real security issues.
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## Inappropriate Usage

The Customer is responsible for employing appropriate efforts to prevent unauthorized access to, and use of, Ex Libris solutions and licensor data and must notify Ex Libris as soon as possible of any unauthorized access or use.

Customer and its end users are not permitted to, (i) make available in any way for the use or benefit of any unauthorized party, Ex Libris' solutions, licensor data, related materials, or other proprietary information received from Ex Libris, in whole or in part, unless Ex Libris so consents in writing; (ii) reverse engineer, decompile, or disassemble the solutions or any components thereof except as expressly authorized by law; (iii) violate or abuse the password protections governing access to and use of solutions; (iv) copy, modify, create derivative works from, download, distribute, or store all or any substantial portion of the solutions or licensor data; (v) remove, deface, obscure, or alter Ex Libris' or any third-party's copyright notices, trademarks, or other proprietary rights notices affixed to or provided as part of the solutions, documentation and/or licensor data; (vi) use any robot, spider, scraper, or other automated means to access the solutions or licensor data for any purpose without Ex Libris' written consent; (vii) use or display program logos differing from Ex Libris' own without Ex Libris' prior approval; (viii) store information or materials in the Ex Libris cloud that violates a third party's rights or breaches applicable law; and/or (ix) use the solutions or the licensor data in a way which would violate any applicable laws, rules and regulations.

Customers are not permitted to: (i) perform penetration, vulnerability or security scans or tests or to run any other security software or action or to run any other automated monitoring on Ex Libris solutions or services; or (ii) attempt to access any program, resource, service or system not included in the customer access rights under the Agreement. In case of shared environments, the customer will access its own data and configurations for management purposes only.

Customers must maintain the confidentiality of any non-public information received from Ex Libris in connection with Ex Libris solutions and/or services, including, but not limited to, product configurations and network diagrams and will not disclose such information or use it for any purpose other than for the customer's own use of the service, as permitted in the Customer's Agreement.

Except with respect to Ex Libris services provided expressly for such purpose (e.g., an identity management service), Customers are not permitted to store user accounts within Ex Libris solutions.

Customers are not permitted to store sensitive personal data, such as government-issued identification numbers, bank, and payment card account information, race, health and medical information, financial records or information concerning sex life or sexual orientation and other similar information, within the Ex Libris solution.

The Customer and its users are not permitted to use an Ex Libris solution to access, store, distribute or transmit any material that:

- is harmful, threatening, defamatory, obscene, harassing or racially or ethnically offensive; • facilitates illegal activity;
- depicts sexually explicit images or language;
- promotes violence;
- is discriminatory based on race, gender, color, religious belief, sexual orientation, disability, or any other illegal activity; • causes damage or injury to any person or property;
- consists of malicious code, such as viruses, worms, time bombs, Trojan horses and other harmful or malicious files, scripts, agents or programs; and/or
- violates a third party's rights or breaches applicable law.

Ex Libris reserves the right to disable access to any material or user that breaches the provisions of this policy.

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