

# Physical Resource Management

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### Overview

Alma provides you with the ability to manage all aspects of physical resources. Robust workflows ensure that all types of physical items are handled efficiently, easily, and quickly. Physical resource workflows are fully integrated with acquisitions and fulfillment as well as all aspects of resource availability.

### Roadmap

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### 2024 H2

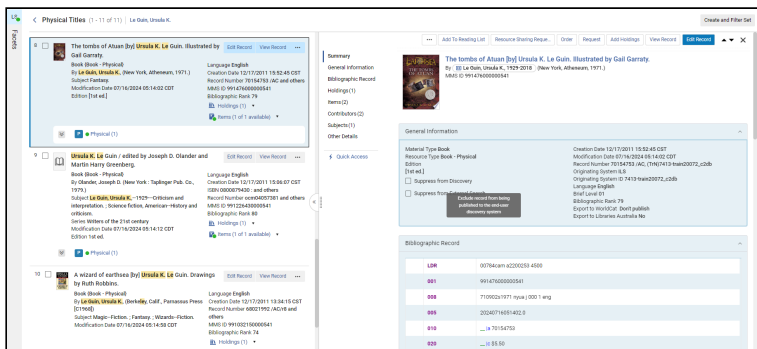
#### Physical Title Staff Search – Enhanced UX General Availability



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## Enhanced UX

What's New	Highlights	Impact
<p>The Physical Title Search will be updated and redesigned for better usability, performance, productivity, and overall user experience.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to use multi-value selection facets.</li> <li>• Ability to perform cross-page bulk operations.</li> <li>• Display more information.</li> <li>• Quickly perform actions on titles.</li> </ul>	<p>The user will be able to quickly find titles and perform actions as needed.</p>



The new Physical Titles search, including details on the bibliographic record, creator and inventory, and the ability to perform actions directly from search

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## Enhanced Handling of Bib Records When Holdings are Deleted

What's New	Highlights	Impact
<p>Enhance holdings deletion workflows to allow operators to handle bibliographic records in case there's no other inventory.</p>	<p>When deleting a holdings record from the holdings list or search, the operator will be able to decide if the bibliographic record should be suppressed or deleted if it has no other inventory.</p>	<p>The user will be able to quickly and efficiently manage the catalog when handling physical inventory.</p>

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## Efficiently Create Multiple Items

What's New	Highlights	Impact
Create multiple similar items for the same holdings in one go.	When adding similar items to a holding, it will be possible to add them together and not individually.	The user will be able to quickly and efficiently add similar items, minimizing manual processing.

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## 2025 H1

### Physical Holdings Staff Search – Enhanced UX



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What's New	Highlights	Impact
The Physical Holdings Staff Search will be updated with various improvements for better usability, performance, productivity, and overall user experience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to configure actions order according to user's preferences.</li> <li>• Ability to configure sections order according to user's preferences.</li> <li>• Ability to configure the information visible in search results.</li> <li>• More information and actions available in items section.</li> </ul>	The user will be able to quickly find holdings and perform actions as needed.

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## User Preference for Physical Item Sort Routine

What's New	Highlights	Impact
Alma will remember the user's selected sort routine in the physical items list.	When viewing the items list, the sorting will not default to Library/Location, but to the last sort routine selected by the user.	The user will be able to easily scan the items list in the sort relevant for their needs, without having to reselect it each time.

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## 2025 H2

### Physical Holdings Retention: Prevent Deleting Holdings Records by Metadata

What's New	Highlights	Impact
Alma will support retention of the holdings record, in addition to the existing retention of physical items and bibliographic records.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It will be possible to prevent the deletion of a holdings record containing a retention note, so the information in the holdings record is not lost.</li> <li>Operators attempting to delete a holdings record that is committed to retain will be notified of its status.</li> </ul>	<p>Enhanced collaborative collections capabilities, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prevent holdings records from being deleted in libraries that maintain their retention information in the holdings record</li> <li>Prevent deletion of holdings records that have no physical items.</li> </ul>

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### Physical Items Staff Search – Early Access to Enhanced UX



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