

The Good, the Bad and the Damaged

Procedures for handling damaged CSU+ items

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Overview

- Why this Workflow?
- Item Conditions
 - ➤ What are unacceptable conditions for items?
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- Lender Responsibility (Shipping items)
- Borrower Responsibility (Receiving items)
 - Adding Fulfillment Note
- Items Damaged in Transit
- Damaged items returned by patrons
- Replacement Copy
 - Accepted v.s. not accepted
- Damaged items returned to lender without prior contact?

Why this workflow?

- ♦ Developed in collaboration with RSFC & FFC
- Improve communication
- Establish Best Practice Guidelines

New Books Used Books

Destroyed Books

Item Conditions - What are unacceptable conditions for items?

- Pages with crusted food or dirt
- Unpleasant smells coming from the book (e.g. mold or bacteria)
- Visible damage from insects (e.g. bedbugs)
- Binding is excessively loose







Item Conditions - What are unacceptable conditions for items?

- Pages are falling out or missing
- Significant liquid damage/mold
- Pages are stuck together
- Excessive post it notes
- Broken discs cases
- Deeply scratched or warped discs

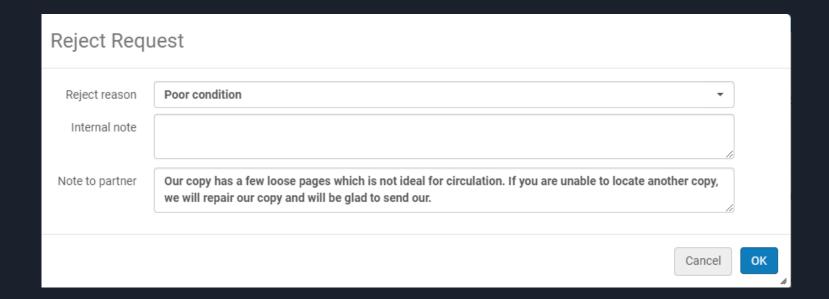








Reject Request- Poor Condition



Item Conditions - What are acceptable conditions for items?

- Minimal binding Issues (e.g. slightly loose or cracked but no missing/loose pages)
- Cover/Spine Issues- worn out but legible and generally intact







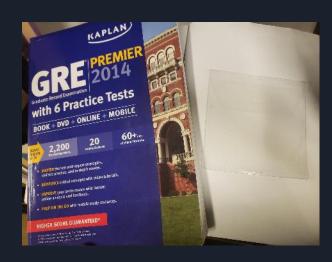


Item Conditions - What are acceptable conditions for items?

- Writing/ Highlighting
- Minimal liquid damage/stains
- Missing CD/Books







Lender Responsibility (Shipping Items)

Lender should note the condition of the item(s) in two ways:

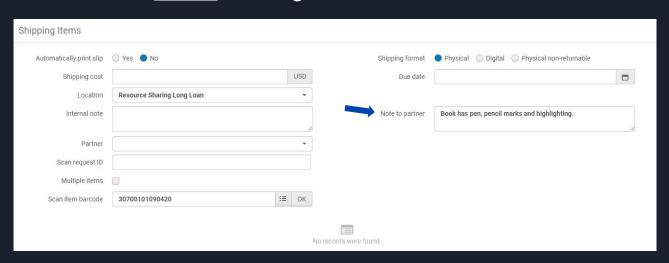
1. Note any existing damage on the CSU+ slip/sticker by checking off all that apply on the item condition report box prior to sending items.

Item Condition Report				
Binding Issues	Writing/Highlighting			
Cover/Spine Issues	Liquid Damage/Stained			
Other (describe below)	Missing CD/DVD			

* Use the "other field" to make note of any of the following: Wrinkled, scratched, stained, or dogeared pages.

Lender Responsibility

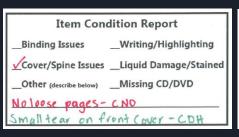
2. Note any existing damage in the "Note to partner" field when **Shipping items** in ALMA **before** scanning the items barcode.



→ This is important because there is no way to add a note to partner after a request has been updated to "shipped physically".

Why should we make a note on the item slip/sticker and inside of ALMA?

- Note to partner: will make a note on both the lender and borrower side of the Resource Sharing Request which allows for less confusion should the CSU+ sticker/slip be removed
- Note on Slip/Sticker: Visual cue to help circulation staff inform patron of the item condition, and helps ensure that the user is not blamed for any pre-existing damage



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Item Condition Report

_Binding Issues __Writing/Highlighting

_Cover/Spine Issues __Liquid Damage/Stained

_Other (describe below) __Missing CD/DVD

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_Writing/Highlighting
Liquid Damage/Stained
Missing CD/DVD
ack Cover - CSF

Borrower Responsibility (Receiving Items)

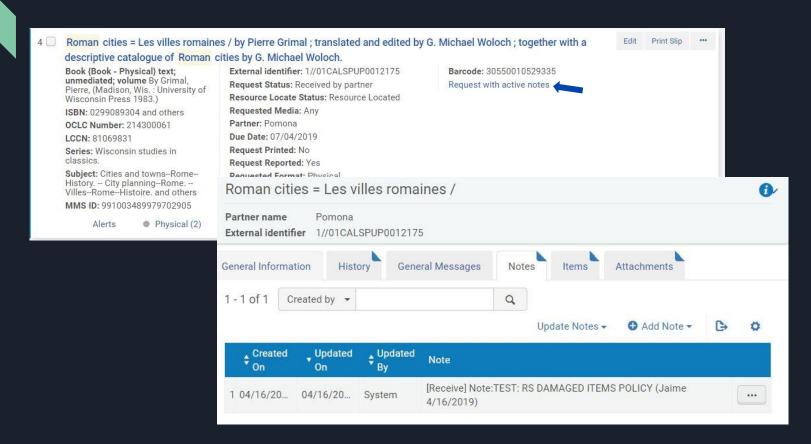
Item(s) should be checked for damage upon receipt prior to being loaned to the patron.

- 1. Verify any previous damage that was noted
- 2. Check for any damage not noted by the Lender
- 3. Indicate any new damage on the CSU+ slip/sticker
- 4. Indicate any new damage on the "Note to Partner" field while **Receiving**Items (makes a note on both lender and borrower side)

Note to Partner - Borrower (Receiving Items)

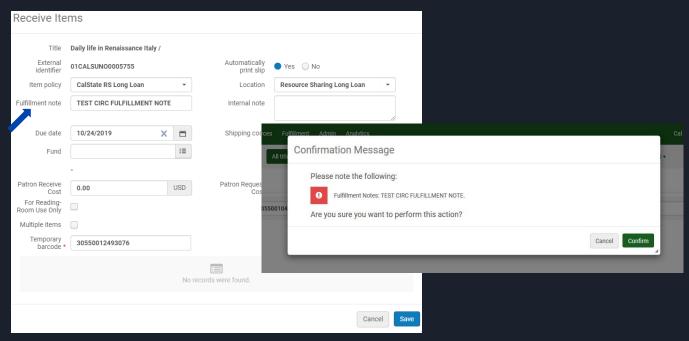
Automatically notify patron Note to partner TEST: RS DAMAGED ITEMS POLICY (Jaime 4/16/2019) Barcode 305500 10529335 OK	Identifier type	Barcode	Received format	Physical Digital Physical non-returnable	
Barcode 305500 10529335 OK	Automatically notify patron	✓	Internal note		
	Note to partner	TEST: RS DAMAGED ITEMS POLICY (Jaime 4/16/2019)			
	Barcode	305500 10529335 OK			
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Note to Partner - Lender side



Optional: Fulfillment Note

Describe all damage that has been noted from both the borrower and lender into the Fulfilment Note field during Receiving Items.



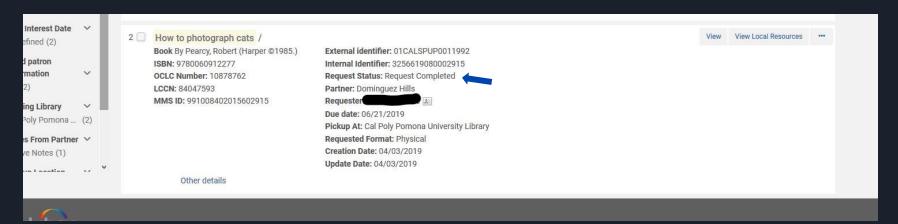
Received an Item in a poor condition?

If the Borrower receives an item in an unacceptable condition **don't** receive the item in ALMA.

- **1. Create New Request:** Borrower will duplicate the CSU+ request for the patron to receive a different copy.
 - If no other copies are available through CSU+, borrower will contact the patron in regard to acquiring the book through ILL.
- **2. Contact Partner:** After duplicating the request, Borrower will notify the Lender of the unacceptable item by General Message and/or direct email.

Received an Item in a poor condition?

- 3. **Mail Item back:** Mail the item back to the owning institution with the request status "Shipped Physically".
 - CSU+ request will be completed when the item is checked in at the owning library.



Was an item damaged while in transit?

If significant damage occurred while in transit, and the item no longer meets the "acceptable loan conditions", the borrower will contact the lender to proceed with filing a <u>Damage Claim with Unity.</u>



Damaged item returned by patron

- Borrowing library staff handling CSU+ Items should do the following:
 - Do not check in items that are damaged.
 - Email the lending institution with pictures of the damage.
 - After emailing the lender route the request from "Loaned item to patron" to "Reported damaged item to partner".
 - Do <u>not</u> send the item to the lending campus.

Damaged item returned by patron

- Lending library will assess the extent of the damage and decide whether they will accept the damaged item or if a replacement copy is needed.
 - Lending library should send a reply within 5 business days of receiving notice of the damaged item.
 - ➤ Lack of response from the lending library signifies that they will accept the item in its current state.

Campus accepts Replacement Copy?

- Campus accepts replacement copy?
 - Lending library will proceed with local policy to determine what's an acceptable replacement.
 - ➤ Lender will let the borrowing institution know what is an acceptable replacement.
 - Borrowing library sends replacement copy to lender.

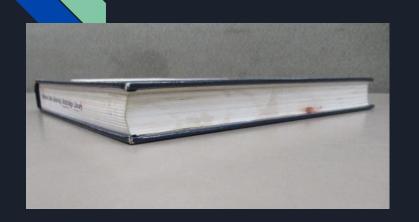
Campus does not accept Replacement Copy?

- Borrowing Library should do the following:
 - Delete the loan from patron's account.
 - Collect/Dismiss fine per local policy.
 - > Send general message to lender indicating the item was damaged, won't be returned and fine has been resolved.
 - Discard the damaged item or allow patron to keep.

Campus does not accept Replacement Copy?

- Lending library will route the CSU+ request to "Lost".
 - Staff at the lending institution will inform their tech services department of the "lost" (damaged) item.
 - > Follow local procedures to consider re-purchasing the item.

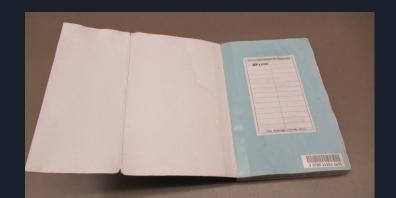
Damaged items returned to lender











Damaged item returned to lender without prior contact?

CSU staff at the lending library should contact the borrowing library to identify when the damage occured.

- Borrowing library is responsible?
 - Proceed with local policy to determine if replacement copy is acceptable
 - ➤ List of CSU's that do not accept a replacement copy.
- Damage occured in Transit?
 - > Follow procedures for submitting a <u>Unity Claim</u>.

Damaged Item Workflow Chart

