

Shining a Light on Circulation Policies

Viewing Your Circulation Policies:

- Run a report
 - Libraries that share resources with other libraries through Evergreen should run "Circulation Policies by Checkout Library"
 - Other libraries should run "Circulation Policies filtering by copy circ lib"

Both report templates can be found in the Reports interface under Shared Folders -> Templates -> Sitka_templates -> Library Configuration.

(http://docs.libraries.coop/sitka/ circulation policies.html# viewing your circulation policies)

Understanding Your Circulation Policies:

Circulation Policies Filters

- Patron Profile/Patron Type
- Library (Check out, Copy Circ, Home)
- Circulation Modifier
- Shelving Location
- Reference
- Item Age

Circulation Policy Conditions

- Loan Duration (Short, Normal, Long)
- # of Renewals
- Recurring Fine (Low, Normal, High)
- Maximum Fine
- Item specific limit (if applicable)
- Hard Due Dates

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Troubleshooting Your Circulation Policies:

Three common reasons why items do not circulate as expected:

- 1. Policy has changed and the circulation policy in Evergreen needs to be updated to match your actual library policy.
- 2. The expected policy does not currently exist in Evergreen.
- 3. The item level information for the item is incorrect. Most commonly the circulation modifier is incorrect. (http://docs.libraries.coop/sitka/ circulation policies.html# troubleshooting your circulation policies)

Useful Reports

(Don't forget to clone the template into your own folders before running the reports.)

Shared Folders -> Templates -> Sitka templates -> Collection -> Copy and Title Count

• Title & Item Count by Shelving Location and Circulation Modifier

Shared Folders -> Templates -> Sitka_templates -> Collection -> Copy List by Item Attributes

- Shelving Location and Circ Modifier: Copies with Selected Shelving Location and Circ Modifier
- Circ Modifier: Copies without Circ Modifier

Shared Folders -> Templates -> Sitka templates -> Patrons -> Patron Count

Total Patron Count