## LinkPlus Sorting Manual

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## Incoming Morning Link+ Delivery

A mixture of gray bins \& clear plastic bags full of colored canvas bags. These bins \& bags are full of items owned by other libraries that are holds for our patrons and our items being returned. The morning delivery will be brought down to CSD around 11 from our delivery service Tricor.


## Outgoing Afternoon Delivery

This is a mixture of our patron returns and outgoing holds for other libraries. It will be packed in gray/red bins and large plastic bags of bags.


## Incoming Afternoon Blue Bins

These are bins that delivery drivers bring from our 28 branches. They are full of our patron returns and outgoing holds for other libraries. They are sorted onto the numbered wall.


## CSD 27 Branch Bin Sort Area

At the front of CSD are 28 blue bins marked with green branch 3 letter codes. This is where SPL patron holds will be sorted from the gray bins \& colored bags. The blue bins are arranged in alphabetical order.


| ARC | GAL | POC |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ARD | ISL | RAN |
| CAR | KIN | RIO |
| CHS | MCC | SOU |
| COO | MCK | SYL |
| COU | NAT | VAL |
| DEL | NHI | WAL |
| ELK | NNT | WAN |
| FAI | NSA | CAR |
| FRA | ORA | SYL |

## Sorting Wall

The sorting wall is where the afternoon blue bins will be sorted. They are organized by library number. The wall starts with Alameda \#10 and goes through \#966. The piles will then be sorted into gray bins and colored canvas bags in the afternoon. Numbers 95, 54, 49, and 19 are on the bottom row as we will always have a bin for them on the electric cart.


## Central Holds

Central Link+ holds are placed on the middle Central cart next to the CSD check in station. They are placed on the bottom shelf of the middle cart. They will have Central written on the Branch line of the Link+ label.


## SPL Patron Holds

SPL patron holds are sorted by branch into the blue bins. The branch can be found on the book label. If the label only says Sacramento but does not list a branch check the paging slip inside of the item for the branch location. If an item has no paging slip and does not list the branch ask Katelyn or Michael to look up the branch.


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An INN-Reach request has been placed on the following item:

```
Shelving Escalon
Call Number: FIC HOW
Volume:
Author: Howard, Linda,
Title: Almost forever
Barcode: 50000006132186
Record#: i20835711
Owning Library:605 North El Dorado Street
Stockton, CA 95202
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Please pull this item and send it to the patron at the library location listed below:

Name: GULLA, KELLY J

Patron Type: LINK+ Media Borrower (fines)
Institution: 15 -Sacramento PL
Delivery Stop: 15 - Carmichael

Pickup At: Carmichael


## Sacramento Public Library vs. Other Library items

All items owned by Sacramento Public Library have a barcode that starts out 33029. The spine will always have a 3 letter designation on it. The spine will either say SPL, CEN, or one of our branches. The Sacramento Link+ number is \#15. All items owned by us that are going out or returning will have a book label with this $\mathrm{SO}^{\oplus}$ next to our number 15.

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All items not owned by Sacrameno will have a different barcode and a different Link+ label. In the "To" field it will either say 15, Sacramento, Sacto, SPL, or some variation of these. In the branch field it will list one of our 28 branches.


## Return vs. Hold

There are several key factors that will let you know if an item is a hold or a return.

| Return | Hold |
| :---: | :---: |
| X or other mark through the label | No X or mark through the label |
| Possible staff initials or date in the bottom <br> corner of the label | No staff initials or date in the corner |
| Possibly no paging slip inside item or a paging <br> slip with a date from 1 month ago | Paging slip inside with a date that is within 5 <br> days of the current date. |
| Return receipt sticking out or taped to the <br> book | No return receipt |

Items that are returned should have book labels that are crossed out in some way. There should not be a paging slip inside of the book. They may also have a return receipt sticking out of or taped to them.


If it is hard to tell if an item is a return or not there are some things to consider. If the item is not owned by us and was in a gray bin of outgoing non Sacramento holds mixed with our patrons returns then it is probably a return. If the item is in a gray bin and owned by Sacramento but not crossed off check the paging slip. There is a chance it could have been misrouted and the item never filled the hold.

## How to Pack a Bin



These photos are examples of properly packed bins.



This is an example of an improperly packed bin. Items should be packed flat not on their spine or side.

Where to place a shipping label



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## Misrouted Items

Sometimes items will get misrouted to us. The most common is Yolo County items getting sent to us and vice versa. They are number 51 and we are 15 . In the example below an item owned by San Francisco \#19 was sent to \#111. When \#111 returned the item it got sent to Sacramento by mistake. This would go in a \#19 bin.


## Supplies



Canvas bags - These are used to pack up books/media when there are not enough items to fill a gray bin. All canvas bags must be zip tied with a shipping label on the outside then placed in a large clear plastic Tricor bag. Use up other libraries bags before using \#15 Sacramento bags. All items must correspond to the bag if not owned by Sacramento. All \#51 items go in a \#51 bag. If we are out of other library bags then items can go in \#15 Sacramento green bags.



Gray Bins - When there are enough holds and returns to send out they will go in a gray bin. Use any bin owned by a different library first before you use a \#15 bin. The items you put in a bin must correspond to the bin \# if it is not owned by Sacramento. 82 items go in an 82 bin.
Sacramento \#15 bins can be used when we have run out of other library bins. Each bin will only have one numbers items in it. All of \#36 will go in one bin.


Red Bins- Red bins are to be used for piles that are too large for a bag but not large enough for a gray bin. They are perfect to use for a stack of items that is mostly media.


Shipping Labels - These are organized by library number starting with Alameda \#10 all the way through \#966. There are four labels to a sheet and one is to be used per bag/bin. When they get down to one sheet of four left please mark the checkoff sheet so that more can be printed.


Manila Envelopes - All media (CDs, DVDs, Tapes, VHS, Playaway) must be placed inside manila envelopes then a rubber band placed around the outside. This is mandatory if items are going into a canvas bag, but not if they are going in a gray or red bin.


Packing Materials - These are used to fill the top of gray or red bins to protect the items if a bin is not full.


Tricor Shipping Bags - These are used to ship all of the colored canvas bags. One shipping bag can be reused multiple times until it has too many holes in it.


Zip Ties - These are used to secure bags and bins. Two zip ties per bin and one for every bag. The large clear Tricor bags requiore one zip tie to secure them.


Rubber bands - Each item that is sent back must have a rubber band around it. Media that is placed in a manilla envelope needs a second rubber band.


Clippers - These are used to cut zip ties. Never use scissors to cut zip ties.


Return Cart - This cart has a blue strip down the side and it is used for placing items owned by Sacramento Public Library. If it is a return and says SPL/CEN on the spine then it goes on this cart. Once it is full any other cart may be used to place returns.


Garbage Can/Wheeled Table - The garbage can is for all of the cut zip ties, empty shipping label sheets, old shipping labels taken off the bags and any other trash that accumulates during the day. The wheeled table can be moved and used to help with Link+ sorting functions as needed.


Electric Cart - The electric cart requires a half hour training to use. Please see Shari if you have not been trained on how to operate it. The cart has the function to go backwards and forwards as well as up and down. For our purposes it will be in the farthest down position when fully loaded then slowly raised as it becomes less full.

Oddities


Sometimes libraries will print a return receipt and tape it to the outside of the book. Treat it as a regular return.


Some libraries will wrap the item in the paging slip. This slip will still tell you where the item is going, or you can move it slightly to look at the label underneath.

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The paging slip should be folded up inside of all media but some libraries or staff will stick it out of the case. Treat this as a normal hold.


Most libraries use white labels on the outside of books. Some libraries use green book straps. Treat these as you would a white item label.

