



**A BRIEF ON LIBRARY
MANAGEMENT & INFORMATION CENTERS
SYSTEM
LibSys.NET**

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*A Fully Atomized Library Management & Information Centers System
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Introducing Noursoft

Noursoft is a leading company supplier of software solutions for libraries and information centers. The company main product, **LibSys.net**, is a market leader in the Arab World in the field of library automation with over 15 years experience in this field.

It's staff consists of 8 employees with a core development team that includes highly qualified librarians and expert software engineers.

Noursoft is recognized as one of the leading companies in the development of software solutions for libraries and information centers around the Arab world.

Libsys.NET is currently in use by 105 library.

Highlights of LibSys.net

- LibSys is a complete, comprehensive, integrated system that manages all aspects of all kind of libraries(Public, national, higher education and research libraries. LibSys.net modules include Cataloging, Circulation, Serials Control, Acquisitions, Web OPAC, Inventory & Sales Management, System Management. All modules designed to integrate with each other to maximize re-use of data and eliminate re-keying, saving time and potential errors.
- A Multilingual system (Arabic/English/3rd language) with multidirectional text.
- A Comprehensive Arabic terms indexing capabilities integrated with Arabic thesaurus (Al-Maknaz Al-Arabi) that support multi-lingual terms meaning-like retrieval.
- A Multi-tier Client/Server architecture relying on Microsoft Server 2000 as an operating system, where the database is Microsoft SQL Server 2000.
- LibSys.net comes complete with integrated image storage and retrieval capabilities, and the ability to make link to other file types, such as Word, Excel or PDF files, from within a catalogue record.
- Support international standards such as MARC and Z39.50.
- Include archive management and cataloging functions.



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Cataloging

- ❑ LibSys.net makes cataloging easy using authority files that can be browsed and update during accessioning. This increases the efficiency of cataloging, and maintains the integrity and consistency of the catalog during data entry.
- ❑ Automatic authority record validation that prevent duplicate terms and also supports near-match terms.
- ❑ Support “stopped words” Arabic/English list, defining which words to ignore when automatically generate keywords.
- ❑ Allows images, such as photographs, diagrams, maps and text to be attached to catalog record for display in inquiry. Sound, video or films are also able to be attached.
- ❑ Using the barcode number to add copy information of the same title, and automatically assign barcodes to the copy records.
- ❑ **Z39.50** Protocol allows users of OCLC’s Z39.50 cataloging services to set OCLC holdings and file records directly into their libsys.net system, all from one convenient application window. Also record validation based on MARC rules.
- ❑ Binding management

Image & content Management

Image & content management is a complete solution for storage and integrated access to images. LibSys.net offers two different content management:

- 1- image linking : allow libraries to digitizes and provide access to a digital content collection, complete with thumbnails and fully-integrated with the Web OPAC. The feature include
 - a. Links to existing database
 - b. Ability to save images and thumbnails locally on the libsys.net server.
 - c. Prominent thumbnail display of available images.
 - d. One-step image acquisition directly into the database
 - e. Scanning
 - f. Importing
 - g. Cataloging
 - h. Powerful image viewing in the Web OPAC including panning, zooming, printing
 - i. Support multiple images format (e.g. PDF, TIFF)



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- 2- Electronic Content: support cataloging of the document content like chapters, articles in electronic format(e.g. Image, Word, Excel, PDF) that can be accessed via a Web browser.
 - a. Fully integration with the library 's online catalog
 - b. Powerful scanning utility which allows scanning, importing and attaching to records.

Circulation

LibSys.net circulation provides a total solution for the libraries of all sizes and types. Circulation policies vary widely among libraries and with it's flexible circulation parameters, LibSys.net enables libraries to con figure the system to their existing local policies.

Depending upon material and patron categories, LibSys.net circulation determines the due date, renewal rules, overdue fee structure and billing. An integrated cash system allows fines and other library-defined cash transactions to be displayed and consummated rapidly. Payments may be waived by authorized staff.

A detailed audit trail permits complete tracking of all cash transactions. extensive circulation statistics and reports is part of the system

Use of barcodes:

Barcode are used normally for books, patrons and circulation system. Almost all circulation functions can be carried out without touching the computer keyboard.

Patron profile:

- o Enhance security by displaying patron picture on the check-out screen
- o Print patron barcodes, names on the standard card stock

Full support of all circulation functions, including:

- o Check out
- o Check-in
- o Renewals
- o Patron reservations
- o Holds
- o Recall
- o Lost and claimed-return processing



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- Fines
- Overdue notices
- Flexible loan parameters

Full integration with the OPAC including :

- Display of current circulation status updates in real-time.
- Patron self-service features:
 1. Ability to view own patron record.
 2. Ability to view own check-in, check-out, fines, reservations, holdings
 3. Ability to renew own checked-out items
 4. Ability to place and cancel holds and reservations

E-mail, Mobile SMS notification System

The electronic notification system allows libraries to significantly reduce their notice production cost by delivering overdue and hold pick-up by e-mail or mobile SMS. This notification system support multi-lingual notification

Reserve room

The module allows the library to place items on reserve for course reading. The items circulate for a library-specified number of hours rather than the normal loan period.

Material Reservation

Reservation enable library staff and patrons to reserve any library material . Patron can search for items of interest, check availability, and the schedule then to future use.

- Full integration with OPAC
- Self-service reservation via the Web OPAC
- Allow multiple items to be easily reserved at once.



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Acquisitions

LibSys.net acquisitions streamlines workflow with point-and-click functionality, effortless navigation and seamless and perform all the functions associated with acquiring all type of materials (book, serial, ..etc) via purchase, gift, and exchange.

- Ordering & workflow
- Receiving
- Payment
- Vendor information
- Currencies
- Fund accounting
- Claim Procedures

Full financial accounting, including:

- Fund management
- Integrated invoicing
- Detailed audit trail
- Financial statistics
- Currency conversion
- Multi-copy fund ordering

Serials Control

LibSys.net enabled the library to format and process unlimited serials, check-in and holding records with single-click navigation among functions. Serials control features include:

- Create a full bibliographic record for each serial title
- Automated check-in option that allow the system to automatically insert and update holding tag data when the issues are received.
- One-click graphical serials issue check-in using predictive check-in records.
- Automatic feeding of late and missing issues into claim processing, and automatic generation of a standard claiming letter to the vendor.
- Ability to generate routing lists for each copy to be routed and to be edit lists online.
- Ability to keep track of binding information.



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Associations Recommended LibSys.NET System

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Partial Reference List of Customers

*: Multi-branch Library (Virtual Library)

** : Professional Library Associations evaluated the system and it's adherence to the international

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