ANATOMY OF A PATRON RECORD

ALL-CAPS ALL THE TIME!!! These are the ONLY fields that should be used.

- 1) Basic Info Tab
 - a. First Name, Middle Name, Last Name
 - b. User ID
 - c. Profile
 - d. Library
 - e. Charge History
- 2) Privilege Tab
 - a. Renew patron card
 - b. Set PIN
 - c. Bar patron
 - d. Edit # of Claims Returned items
- 3) Demographics Tab
 - a. User Categories
 - b. Birthdate
 - c. Language (which doesn't seem to affect anything now but might at some point)
- 4) Address Tab
 - a. Phone
 - b. Street
 - c. PO_BOX (when applicable)
 - d. City/State
 - e. Zip
 - f. Email
 - g. Care/Of (when applicable)
- 5) Extended Info
 - a. Notes, Comments
 - b. Lost Item (auto-populated. Should remove titles if item comes back)

Basic Info Tab:

Name:

- Should be entered as written on ID
- Do NOT use Preferred Name
- No punctuation after Middle Initial

User Profile: See separate handout.

The User Profile, combined with the User Home Library and the Circulation Map, controls how the patron interacts with the circulation system.

Profile determines:

- Whether patron *could* get billed
- How long before card expires (IF it expires)
- Whether patron can renew card online
- Checkout limit
- Hold limit

- Overdue limit
- Block limit
- Whether checkout increases the checkout count on an item

User Library:

- Determines whose Local Hold items a patron can place holds on.
- Determines which library gets \$\$ for UI bill or fines paid online in the catalog.
- Determines your statistics for # of patrons

Charge History:

- Is off (set to NOHISTORY) by default when registering a patron
- Can be controlled by the patron in Enterprise or by staff in WorkFlows
- Only records an item once it has been returned.
- Only options are ALLCHARGES or NOHISTORY.
- Can only be erased by Melissa or I

Privilege Tab:

- Renew patron card Be sure to check address, phone & UserCats 1&2 before renewing
- Change PIN We are sticking with 4-digit PINs for now.
- Bar patron for special cases
- Edit # of Claims Returned items If items actually were returned or got paid for, you can reset this #.
- Most of these fields require an override

Demographics Tab:

User Categories:

- User Category 1
 - Critical for funding and statistics.
 - Municipality in which the patron lives.
 - Worth double-checking periodically. Like when cards get renewed.
 - Let Karla know if you come across patrons who live in area w/o a code
- User Category 2
 - County in which the patron resides
 - o Used for statistics and funding
 - Used for spot-checking: is address and Ucat1 in this County?
- User Category 3
 - o Gender
 - Not critical for anything anymore
- Birth Date
 - o Important for identification/duplicate checking
 - o Important for UMS to identify minors and send collection notice to parents
 - o Important for libraries that allow parents to restrict children's card

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Address Tab:

Add Below, Add Above, Remove lines using the gadgets. Must use Red X gadget to remove all data in a field—esp email.



- Phone
 - Used for looking up patron/Duplicate Checking
 - Used for phone notices
- Street
 - Mailing Address
 - Used for notices (esp bill, collection agency)
 - Used for Duplicate Checking
 - Used for verifying User Cat1 (Usually)
- PO_BOX
 - o When applicable
- City/State
 - o No punctuation
 - Use official 2-letter state abbreviation
- Zip
 - Must include 5 digit zip code
 - May include +4 zip. XXXXX-XXXX format. No spaces.
- Care/of
 - o Optional

Remember that, if used, any-and-all these fields will appear

- On Notices
- In the public catalog
- To staff at time of checkout

Extended Info Tab:

- Notes
 - Do not appear in the catalog
 - Should be as discreet and brief as possible while providing enough info to inform other staff
 - Should be cleaned out if/when issue resolved
 - Are NOT searchable
- Comments
 - Are the same as Notes except searchable
- LostItem
 - Are the same as Comments, except populated automatically by the system