



Access Principles

The Rosemont Shared Print Alliance shares a common mission to collaboratively develop, manage and coordinate the identification, retention, registration, discovery of and access to a shared, distributed collection of print journals in the United States. In fulfillment of this mission, participant libraries agree to the following access principles:

1. Participants agree to make archived materials available to other Rosemont members. Material archived for the Rosemont Alliance is eligible for lending to institutions outside of the Alliance per the holding library's lending relationships and policies.
2. Rosemont archived holdings will be distinctly identified in OCLC from other holdings and copies to facilitate resource sharing and statistics gathering.
3. Lending and borrowing activity will be subject to established local practices, systems, workflows, and policies.
4. Delivery methods are recommended in the following order of preference:
 - a. Provide electronic document delivery
 - b. Provide photocopies
 - c. Loan the physical issue or volume to the borrowing institution for building use only
5. Upon request, participants are encouraged to provide physical delivery of full backfiles on a case-by-case basis.
6. The safety of the borrowed material is the responsibility of the requesting institution from the time the material is shipped until it is received back by the lender.
7. Participants are encouraged to re-validate materials upon return in keeping with local practices.
8. Participants will collect and share agreed upon statistics on access, delivery, loss and damage annually.

Approved by Rosemont Executive Committee, November 3, 2017.

This statement is currently awaiting sign-off by the consortia participating in RSPA. Replies are due February 3, 2018.