

URLs in Holdings for Serials

The GIL Serial Holdings Working Group is recommending the placement serial URLs into the holdings record. The Working Group is basing this recommendation on the [PROs](#) listed in a related document found in this guide.

856 in the Bibliographic Record

Instructions for formatting the 856 in the bibliographic record was provided by USG's *Virtual Library Support* and should be constructed like the following: [9]

| Tag | I1 | I2 | Subfield data |
|-----|----|----|-------------------------------------|
| 856 | | | \$u :\$z Click E-Resource below |

The text above, *Click E-Resource below*, is only a recommendation by Virtual Library Support and is not prescriptive.

856 with an 866 in the Holdings Record

The 856 in the Holdings record is recorded as described in the *MARC 21 format for holdings data*. [2] Some libraries may decide as policy to omit the content coverage of the resource. However, if a library desires to indicate volumes available in the URL holdings, the Working Group is recommending recording them *open* and at *Level 3*. The following examples are not meant to be exhaustive.

| Tag | I1 | I2 | Subfield data |
|-----|----|----|---|
| 866 | 4 | 1 | \$a 1967- |
| 856 | 4 | 0 | \$u http://search.epnet.com/login.asp?profile=web&defaultdb=rh |

| Tag | I1 | I2 | Subfield data |
|-----|----|----|---|
| 866 | 4 | 1 | \$a v.1- 1976- |
| 856 | 4 | 1 | \$u http://www.jstor.org/journals/07380526.html |