

Delivery System Requirements

This page holds general requirements that affect delivery systems for all types of collections. Specific types of collections (like art images) may have more requirements.

Functional requirements

1. [Want] Objects are always referenced by PURLs.
2. [Must] All objects are "Googleable". That is, objects are always referenced by URLs that are simple enough to be indexed by Googlebot. [Want] These URLs are PURLs.
3. [Must] Collections are available through an OAI provider.
4. [Want] Collections are accessible to the RLG Cultural Materials Initiative, DLF Aquifer, and other large-scale federated systems.
5. [Must] All existing PURLs continue to work.
6. [Want] There is a shopping cart and/or bookmarking system that allows users to return to selected items at a later time.
7. [Want] Reproductions of selected items may be purchased.
8. [Must] Tools for delivery are shared across collections as much as possible, while allowing for arbitrary customization of the interface.