KB+ Use Cases

Examining new licences to prepare for new deals

Providing e-resources represents a significant investment of time and effort, from acquisition to licensing and management. But libraries are rightly concerned about duplicated and wasted effort across the institution in managing these processes. **KB+ saves librarians time and effort by streamlining e-resource management.**

Problem

Libraries have many licences to electronic resources, and as each one is renewed, it is important to examine the licences to be aware of any changes. It can be a challenge to go through all the details of the licences to highlight any changes.

How can KB+ help?

**KB+ can help you keep all key information on licences in one place, enabling staff to see at a glance all the information they might need.**

Our users tell us that KB+ is helping them to keep licence information in one place and enable them to see in a visual way the conditions of each licence. Being able to compare licences within KB+ is an efficient way to examine the detail of the licences and identify changes.

KB+ offers:

» Up-to-date licence information covering key values such as inter-library loans, walk-in users, concurrent access, post-cancellation access and more.

» Option to create your own licence information, making use of our templates or your own licences.

» Ability to compare licences within KB+ at a glance

» Ability to export licence comparison to view in other software (e.g. Excel)

What do KB+ institutions say?

"We have internal forms and when things come up for renewal we systematically check what has changed in them in terms of licences so walk-ins are allowed, alumni access is allowed now but it perhaps wasn’t previously. It can be quite laborious reading through licences and checking what has changed. KB+ speeds this up so that we can get this information to the budget holder to sign off to enable us to negotiate a deal."
Workflow

- Licence becomes available for new deal/collection
- Staff log in to KB+
- Staff compare current and new licences within KB+
- Staff highlight any differences to be aware of to pass to budgetholder
- Budgetholder makes a decision to renew/renegotiate
### Licence Comparison Tool

**Figure 1: Screenshot of licence comparison tool**

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