



Using Internet Stock Check with Visual Anthology

Overview

"Can I get this title and how long will it take?" With the Internet Stock Check feature built into the menu taskbar, you can instantly answer that question, getting information about stocking levels at Baker & Taylor, Partners West, and Ingram as well as the vendors that Bowker serves.

Internet Stock Check (ISC) is a function that allows you to check the stock on an item with Ingram, Bowker, and Pubnet vendors. This feature requires that you have internet access from the workstation and that you are on a current Anthology Maintenance contract. For Ingram and Pubnet, it's required that you have already setup your Electronic Ordering.

The Internet Stock Check icon is on the VAL toolbar (just beneath the main menu on the right side of the screen.) To get stocking information, simply highlight any title anywhere in VAL and click on the ISC icon.



A window opens showing you the ISBN and the possible vendors. Place a check next to the vendors you would like to stock check with and then click "F6 Check Availability". A consolidated result will be returned to you in a matter of seconds. (Note that you can optionally send the item to a PO using the F12 key.)

Vendors are all either providing information about their own stock levels or serving as clearinghouses for information from other wholesalers--or in some cases both. So, you may see some vendors listed multiple times on the screen as they have made arrangements with other vendors to show their warehouse counts as well.

Ingram's service returns information about all Ingram warehouses. The service is available to anyone with an Ingram account.

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** You must contact Anthology Tech Support for a ISC password ** **
You must be on a valid anthology support contract **

The ISC password is your Organizational Id, not the password to an upgrade. If you enter in the wrong password ISC will not work and an Anthology technician will need to login to fix it. Once you have the ISC password you'll need to fill in the account information.

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For Ingram

If you for some reason are not set up in Anthology for Ingram electronic ordering, please call Ingram Customer Services to get the following information.

- Ingram Acct ID: This is your "Bill to Acct/ User SAN" number found in Master Files | Vendors | EO tab for your Ingram record.
- Ingram Password: This is your "Bill Password" number found in Master Files | Vendors | EO tab for your Ingram record.
- Ingram Ship ID: This is your "Ship to Acct/Vendor SAN" number found in Master Files | Vendors | EO tab for your Ingram record.

For Bowker

Contact Anthology support

For Pubnet

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