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<http://www.companioncorp.com/mediawiki/index.php/Mackinvia>

<http://www.goalexandria.com/v7Docs/index.php/Preferences: Management: Extras: MackinVIA>

Set up Extras: MackinVIA

Alexandria integrates with Mackin's eBook system MackinVIA.

When you choose the MackinVIA solution, you will receive MARC records for your ebooks; import those records into Alexandria, and those ebooks become available through the Alexandria Researcher just like your other resources.

After logging in to the Researcher, patrons will be able to add the ebooks to lists, write reviews, and access the ebook on MackinVIA.

MackinVIA will authenticate this patron with Alexandria to ensure they are in good standing with your library, and are allowed checkouts of this type according to Alexandria preferences and policies.

So, what do you need to do to set up **MackinVIA Preferences**?

In Preferences, go to the Extras area. From the list on the left, select MackinVIA.

Check the box to Enable MackinVIA.

Enter the Homepage URL — mackinvia.com.

Next you have the Account ID and the MackinVIA Code: both of these are required for Alexandria to work with MackinVIA.

The Account ID is your MackinVIA account ID; if you don't know your Account ID, please contact MackinVIA (800)-245-9540; if you don't have one yet, you can register for one at the Mackin website.

<http://www.mackin.com/OpenPages/Register.aspx>

The MackinVIA Code, which MackinVIA refers to as the Terminal Password, is essentially a password which you create and provide to

Mackin. It allows MackinVIA to communicate with Alexandria in order to authenticate Alexandria patrons.

Be sure the code is no less than seven alphanumeric (letters or numbers), without spaces, punctuation, or special characters.

The last option, Enable checksum error handling, is an SIP2 standard; this should be enabled, and only disabled under the direction of Technical Support.

In the Contact tab, you can fill out the information for your contact at MackinVIA, for easy access.

Note: To enable the Vendor access through Circulation, and modify Mackin ebook import settings, fill out information under the Mackin area.

Save the preference.

Now you are ready to use MackinVIA with Alexandria!

Additional Information

Be aware that MackinVIA eBooks will import as title records, and they do *not* need copies.

MackinVIA books can not be directly viewed from Alexandria. Patrons will need to sign in to MackinVIA with their personal logins in order to view and check out MackinVIA books.

Patrons can use the MackinVIA app to manage and read their MackinVIA ebooks.

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