

3.25 Weeding of Collection/Unwanted Materials

Obsolescence, damage and normal wear make the discarding of materials a continuing and deliberate process. Before materials are weeded from the collection, many factors are considered. These include the number of copies remaining in the library, provision of adequate coverage in the field, other similar materials that are more recent and authoritative, and the need for the particular title or subject. Discarded materials can be recycled, given to other institutions or sold at a Board-approved public sale.