JASI Glossary of Terms

General Terms:

JASI

JASI stands for Joint Automation Server Initiative, a program developed by Ontario Library Service that provides equity of access to library services, technologies and resources for Ontario's residents through a shared integrated library system.

SirsiDynix

SirsiDynix is a worldwide industry leader in library automation and is the contracted vendor that provides library technology solutions for the JASI consortium.

Symphony

Symphony is the Integrated Library System software used by the JASI group that coordinates services for staff and public use.

WorkFlows

The staff client installed on staff PCs that connects to the SirsiDynix Symphony server that is used for searching, cataloging, circulation, and other staff processes.

Workflows Terms:

Authority Control

Organizes library catalog and bibliographic information by using a single, distinct name for each topic. The word authority in authority control derives from the idea that the names of people, places, things, and concepts are authorized, i.e., they are established in one form.

Gadget

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A gadget is a button next to a text box that provides options you can use in a particular box. When you click the gadget, a window appears giving you a list of predefined values, calendars, etc. Always click the gadget (if one is available) to make sure you enter the correct information in the correct format.

For example, in any report that requires you to enter a date range, there will be a Date Range Gadget, which assists you in selecting the appropriate date or date range.
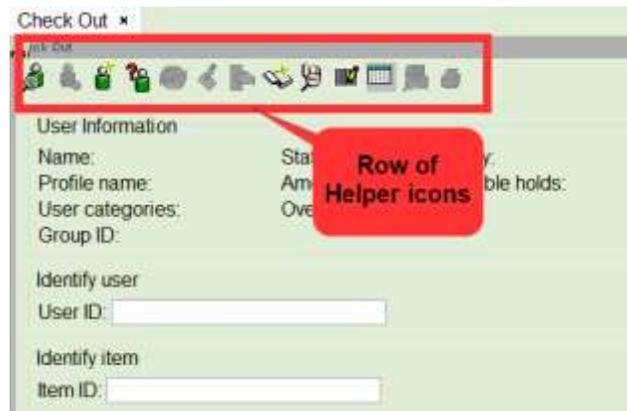

Wizard

Each function that can be performed by the software (Check Out, Place Hold, User Registration, etc.) is called a Wizard. Wizards are placed in Groups by similarity, and Groups are further organized into Modules.

Helper

Helper icons are displayed in a row across the top of a given Wizard. They are different for each Wizard. They allow you to perform tasks within a Wizard without the need to open a separate new Wizard. Example: While performing a check out, a user says they are not yet registered. Using the right helper, you can register them within the Check Out wizard already in progress, and when done, the new User ID is automatically provided to the Check Out wizard field.

Inventory

As a library uses the system over the years, they may have books that have physically gone missing but are still marked in the system as being on shelf. The inventory tool will help a library ensure the collection is accurately represented in the catalogue.

Serial Control

Manages the receipt and status of the library's serial collection.

Toolbox

A toolbox will appear in the upper left corner of some wizard tabs. The toolbox will contain tools that will assist you in creating, modifying, duplicating, or removing tab information.

Z39.50

The standard for connecting to other library's online databases for cataloguing materials.

Enterprise (OPAC)

The Online Public Access Catalogue used by the JASI Group, Enterprise integrates with several e resources to return search results from both your physical and digital collection in a single interface.

e-Resource Gateway Services

Brings together a library's physical and digital collection, offering a unified search and eliminates the need to redirect patrons outside the library OPAC to unfamiliar interfaces.

MobileStaff (formerly MobileCirc)

Simplify patron interaction with staff through MobileStaff, a robust app for iOS or Android devices. Though it does not have the full functionality of WorkFlows, this app allows staff to perform duties away from the circulation desk, or outside the library.

WebReporter

Web Reporter is an easy-to-use, web-based reporting solution that takes advantage of MicroStrategy™ enterprise-level reporting tools.