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Restricting page printing in eText

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by **Ann Sullivan** (Posts: 87) (IP: IP not logged)

Printing can be turned on or off for the entire eText in the Authoring environment, but controlling it on a page-by-page basis requires processing the contents of this file before uploading and ingesting it. This applies to titles that will be published to the live server or exported for CD.

BU must be clear with their vendor as to what they want done. All page printing turned on or off. If selective page printing is required, then the BU would need to supply vendor a list of those pages that they -- don't -- want users to be able to print, one page number per line, saved as a Word document, a plain text or RTF file, or as an Excel spreadsheet. There's some minimal XML that needs to be wrapped around those page numbers before the list can be ingested.

Attached is a spreadsheet that can be used to list pages to have printing restricted. List each page number (one page per row) that you DON'T want users to be able to print. Make sure to provide the valid page number used in the etext (not the name of the PDF file).

-Ann Sullivan

Attachments:

[bu_\(title\)_print.xls](#) (22 KB) (12 Downloads)

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by **Erik Unhjem** (Posts: 673)

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There is currently no eText utility or workflow to automate the process of wrapping the individual page numbers with the required opening and closing XML tags, but that process can be easily done by copying the list of prohibited pages (one per line) into an Excel spreadsheet, leaving a blank column to either side.

In the top cell of the blank column to the left, enter the opening XML tag <bookpagenumber> and enter the corresponding closing tag, </bookpagenumber> in the top cell of the blank column on the right. For both columns, use Excel's Fill Down feature to fill those columns with the XML tags and then select all three columns and copy/paste into a text processor that supports global search and replace, such as TextWrangler or MS Word. Using global search and replace, delete the tab characters throughout the list, then add the XML document header, opening and closing tags.

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