

The list of [Essential Titles for Public Use in Paper or Other Tangible Format](#) , or as it is more commonly known as, the Essential Titles List, is a list of publications developed by the FDLP community that were deemed essential for the public and to Federal Depository Libraries for the continuation of the print format.

When building a collection, it can be referred to, to determine what other libraries considered key resources. You may wish to select these publications in print format.

Discussions concerning what titles were essential to the public and to FDLP libraries in paper format were held in conjunction with the development of the "Dissemination/Distribution Policy for the FDLP" in October 2000. An initial list published in the 1996, [Study to Identify Measures Necessary for a Successful Transition to a More Electronic Federal Depository Library Program](#) , served as a foundation for this document.

Some things to note:

- Titles may be added or removed from this list. Titles recommended by the library community will be considered for inclusion in this list. Titles will be removed when it has been determined that the agency has ceased publication in paper. Major changes in the operations or funding of the FDLP may cause this list to be modified at any time.
- Publications not available in electronic format, as well those determined to be appropriate for distribution in tangible format under the Superintendent of Documents' Dissemination/Distribution Policy for the Federal Depository Library Program (SOD 301, dated September 28, 2006), will be distributed in tangible format.
- Selection of the U.S. Congressional Serial Set and the bound Congressional Record, included in the Essential Titles for Public Use in Paper or Other Tangible Format list, is limited to regional depository libraries and one designated library in each state without a regional.

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