

Case Studies

Aurora College

Our library system is **.eLM**, marketed by Contec Group International LTD in Christchurch.

It is specifically designed to allow for different parts of the school to catalogue their resources, in any way they wish, to allow for issuing of sports equipment, kits, uniforms or whatever.

We could have a separate collection, for example, set up for PE equipment, and another collection set up for teaching resources, all managed by the automated library system, but completely separate from the library in any physical sense.

It is an excellent system, and designed by librarians for libraries – not as an add-on to an administration system.

I can personally recommend Contec as an excellent company to work with – I have managed two system upgrades and data merges with them, with excellent support and good results in both cases.

Donna Watt,
Aurora College

Wairoa Centennial Library

- ◆ “Fantastic report writer”
- ◆ “Easy conversion process”
- ◆ “Ease of use, stability”
- ◆ “.eLM is a gem”

Sandra Hughes,
Wairoa Centennial Library

Good Shepherd College

We purchased **.eLM** in June this year and are pleased with the overall performance of the product. We wanted a reasonably priced software program that in particular allowed user-friendly cataloguing in MARC coding format, had facilities for creating and maintaining good authority files and had good functionality. **.eLM** does all of the above very successfully.

Installation was achieved with relatively little fuss and in good time. The support is top class. The guys are never too busy to talk us through a problem by phone or email us with step-by-step instructions, and they do not keep us waiting for days before responding to a query. An answer within the hour is quite normal. We look forward to a long and fruitful association with Contec and **.eLM**.

Carol Wills,
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Product information and benefits



What is .eLM ?

.eLM is a total library solution enabling you to manage your library assets simply, providing management for today's busy resource centres.

.eLM manages all the organisation, distribution and retrieval of library materials, textbooks, sports equipment, science kits, musical instruments, furniture, conference rooms, projectors and any other resources that apply to your organisation.

.eLM can be used in a corporate, academic or public library, and can be sized from a small school to a worldwide organization. It is built on a fully integrated Windows based development environment.

It is a totally global product that offers more options and easier user configuration than any alternative system. It will exceed expectations and expand horizons of efficiency.

For organisations with multiple sites **.eLM** offers an integrated thin client facility from one central server and with access from all other sites via a LAN, WAN or Internet connection. This is very efficient for network resources and requires **no third party software**.

Who are we?

Contec Group International (CGI) is a Christchurch based company that has been in the library business for over 30 years. As such we have adapted to the ever-changing technologies present in the library environment. We have moved ahead and designed our library package from the ground up to be extremely flexible and robust. We are innovators, and can proudly say that we developed the first automated library system in New Zealand.

The benefits of using .eLM ?

- You are not limited to cataloging library materials only.
- The system is multilingual, with languages other than English available. No software changes are necessary for other languages within UNICODE **.eLM**.
- Fully customisable Webopac allowing access to your library's catalogue over the Internet or local intranet / LAN.
- A bookings module allowing you to book any resources within your institution, from rooms, books, computer equipment, to anything. Available over the Webopac, as well as in the library itself via **.eLM**.
- 100% Web enabled
- Handles digital images and record attachments, allowing the ability to maintain a digital library.

- Easy intuitive interface that requires very little training to operate.
- Security conscious. Access to your data can be granted or restricted based on criteria that you choose.
- Full reporting system with over 50 standard reports and a report designer allowing you to create your own reports.
- Z39.50 Client is integrated with the Bibliographic cataloguing module - so you can search other Z39.50 sites, select records and download them directly into your catalogue, e.g. from your National Library or the Library of Congress.
- MARC and Non MARC cataloguing. This system has one of the smartest MARC handling facilities available on the library software market.
- Full handling of your patrons' records. Including storage of personal information, photographs, and loan histories.
- Circulation modules are all accessible from the one screen. This means you don't have to switch between many areas to work with common tasks.
- Cost effective – **.eLM** offers more value for money than any competing product. You can have separate databases within one system (searchable individually or simultaneously) to manage other resources e.g. sports equipment, assets. Each can have its own look and feel.
- **.eLM** has a "Hot backup" facility, meaning the system can remain live while an automatically scheduled backup is performed.
- Requisitions module allowing borrowers to suggest purchases of titles not currently held by the library, or to request more copies of an existing title.

Requirements to run .eLM

SOFTWARE

SERVER: *The minimum software that is required to run .eLM on machines hosting the database (the server) is:*

- Microsoft Windows XP
- Microsoft Windows Server 2003 or
- Microsoft Windows 2000 plus Server Pack 2 or
- Microsoft Windows NT 4.0 plus service pack 6a

WORKSTATION: *The recommended minimum requirements for running the .eLM software (the workstation) are:*

- Microsoft Windows XP
- Windows 2000 with service pack 2 or
- Windows NT 4.0 with service pack 6a.

HARDWARE

SERVER: *The minimum hardware that is required to run .eLM on machines hosting the database (the server) is:*

- 800MHz Pentium/AMD class processor (or better)
- 512MB RAM (possibly only require 256MB RAM)
- 10GB Hard Drive space
- CD Writer (when CGI requests a copy of your data)
- Network Interface Card (NIC)

WORKSTATION: *The recommended minimum hardware requirements for running the .eLM software (the workstation) are:*

- IBM compatible PC (Pentium or better)
- 64MB RAM for Windows NT, 128MB RAM for Windows 2000 / XP.
- Network Interface Card (NIC) or dial-up adaptor and modem
- Colour SVGA monitor with appropriate graphics adaptor.

The client software communicates to the database via TCP/IP, which will need to be running on your network.

.eLM modules

Base System Modules:

- Cataloguing
- Circulation
- OPAC (Online Public Access catalogue)
- Borrowers
- Borrower Accounts
- Suppliers
- Reports Library
- Report Writer
- Tools
- Configuration
- Security
- SDI (Selective dissemination of information)

Optional Modules:

- Acquisitions Module
- Serials Module
- WebOPAC and or KiddyOPAC
- Z39.50 Client
- Bookings