



## ASTM Digital Library Platform Migration Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) for Phase I

### OVERVIEW of PROJECT

ASTM International and ASME (The American Society of Mechanical Engineers) have announced a strategic partnership through which ASME will make ASTM's Digital Library (books and journals) available via the ASME Digital Collection, powered by the Silverchair platform.

The ASTM Digital Library migration to the ASME Digital Collection platform, powered by the Silverchair platform, will happen in two phases.

- **Phase I** is live, and the content is currently dual-hosted on both the ASTM and ASME platforms.
- **Phase II** will be finalized later in 2024, when the ASTM Digital Library content will be fully hosted on the ASME Digital Collection. Our goal is to provide end users with a seamless transition, resulting in minimal to no interruptions to access.

### DEFINITIONS:

- **ASTM Digital Library:** The Digital Library is a collection of books and journals published by ASTM International but **does not** include ASTM standards. Items included in the ASTM Digital Library are:
  - Symposia and Selected Technical Papers
  - Manuals, Monographs, and Data Series
  - ASTM International Journals, active and inactive
  - Technical Reports
- **Account Manager:** Your ASTM sales representative
- **Account Administrator:** The customer managing the information procurement at your operation.
- **Silverchair:** A leading independent online platform partner for scholarly and professional publishers

### GENERAL QUESTIONS

#### *Q: What is changing?*

Beginning in January 2024, the ASTM DIGITAL LIBRARY will also be available via ASME's DIGITAL COLLECTION, powered by the Silverchair platform. **Please note the ASTM DIGITAL LIBRARY does not include standards, only books, journals, and other technical content.**

***Q: What content will be included?***

The entire ASTM Digital Library, which includes more than 50,000 pieces of books and journal content, will be available in the ASME Digital Collection. The one exception is ASTM's Data Series, which will be added in Q1 of 2024.

***Q: When will the content migration begin and end?***

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- **Phase II** will be finalized later in 2024 when the ASTM Digital Library content will be fully hosted on the ASME Digital Collection. End users should experience a seamless transition, with minimal to no interruptions to access.

***Q: What new functionality and improvements will the migration bring to the ASTM Digital Library platform once the content migration is complete?***

- Powerful search tools that retrieve content simultaneously from journals and eBooks
- Advanced filtering tools to refine search results by keywords, topics, journal citation, date range, and more
- Topic Collections for specific subject areas
- Enhanced user experience (UX), providing simplified navigation and inline figures & tables
- Responsive web pages for better desktop and mobile experience
- Links to CrossRef, Google Scholar, and Web of Science to discover citing articles
- Citation export tools
- Ability to share links by social media and email
- Email alerts for saved searches and newly published content
- COUNTER/SUSHI compliant
- Shibboleth institutional login
- Indexed in leading abstracting and indexing (A&I) services

***Q: Do I need to buy a subscription to the ASME Digital Collection to access my ASTM Digital Library content?***

No. Your access will continue with no interruption if your ASTM Compass® subscription includes ASTM Digital Library Content. Also, because the content is dual-hosted during Phase I, you can continue to access ASTM Digital Library content via ASTM's platforms, just as you do today, with the appropriate credentials.

Every effort has been made to make sure you will be recognized with your credentials on either site. If you cannot view your content at any point when accessing the ASTM Digital Library, you can always come back to [compass.astm.org](https://compass.astm.org) and access it accordingly.

***Q: Will my ASTM Digital Library subscription now give me access to all content in the ASME Digital Collection?***

Only if you already have a separate subscription to the ASME Digital Collection. Otherwise, a separate subscription must be purchased if you wish to access the entirety of ASME's Digital Collection. To do so, please get in touch with ASME at [asmedigitalcollection@asme.org](mailto:asmedigitalcollection@asme.org).

***Q: Do I need to update IP Addresses and IP Authentication to access my ASTM Digital Library content via Compass?***

No. ASTM migrated all relevant IP addresses to ensure continuous access to published content. Should you have any issues, please get in touch with your ASTM account manager.

***Q: If I am an SSO ASTM Compass customer with an ASTM Digital Library content subscription, what action must I take to ensure seamless access?***

No action is needed if you are accessing ASTM Digital Library content via the ASTM platform. However, because passwords are not transferable, an account must be set up with the ASME Digital Collection to access content via the new platform.

Your account administrator shall receive an email notification from a customer service representative from ASME to assist in setting up your SSO on the new platform.

For any issues with SSO, please get in touch with your ASME customer service representative or email [asmedigitalcollection@asme.org](mailto:asmedigitalcollection@asme.org).

***Q: Does ASME support Applet style access?***

Customers using Applet with the ASME Digital Collection must set up this capability directly with them. Please email [asmedigitalcollection@asme.org](mailto:asmedigitalcollection@asme.org).

***Q: Who should I contact if this document doesn't answer my question?***

Your account manager at ASTM or your ASME customer service representative.

***Q: How will the migration impact users with personal accounts?***

For Phase I, access to ASTM content will be uninterrupted. Users will be sent an email from a customer service representative at ASME to set a new password for Phase II.

***Q: How will the migration impact users with journal subscriptions?***

A customer service representative from ASME will email users to set a new password for Phase II.

***Q: Can I still purchase digital and print copies of ASTM Digital Library (Books & Journals) content via ASTM.org?***

Yes, during Phase I. After Phase II, the digital and print copies will be available for purchase on the new platform.

***Q: Did ASTM merge with ASME?***

No, but this exciting move will more easily allow researchers to search both sets of content simultaneously for a more holistic experience.

***Q: I got a message that I cannot access a file, but it is part of my license. What do I do?***

Contact your ASTM account manager or your ASME customer service representative. In addition, you can email [asmedigitalcollection@asme.org](mailto:asmedigitalcollection@asme.org) for assistance with the ASME Digital Collection platform.

## QUESTIONS FOR AUTHORS

### ***Q: Has my DOI changed?***

No, the DOI for your article has not changed, and you can continue to cite it as you have been using the reference block provided in your article (however, the URL behind the DOI has been updated).

### ***Q: How do I cite my article?***

Please continue to cite your article using the reference block provided in your article.

### ***Q: How do I access my article?***

If you have a subscription to ASTM, you will follow the access information in the GENERAL section of this FAQ to access your article. For the complimentary author PDF, please contact Alyssa Conaway at [aconaway@astm.org](mailto:aconaway@astm.org).

### ***Q: Have the journal submission websites changed?***

The journal submission sites have not changed. Please visit one of these sites to submit your paper to an ASTM journal:

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| Advances in Civil Engineering Materials     | <a href="#">Visit site</a> |
| Geotechnical Testing Journal                | <a href="#">Visit site</a> |
| Journal of Testing and Evaluation           | <a href="#">Visit site</a> |
| Materials Performance and Characterization  | <a href="#">Visit site</a> |
| Smart and Sustainable Manufacturing Systems | <a href="#">Visit site</a> |

### ***Q: Where do I find the author's instructions?***

The author's instructions and style sheets are here: <https://www.astm.org/get-involved/publish-with-astm.html>.

## QUESTIONS FOR INSTITUTIONAL CUSTOMERS

### ***Q: How do I log on to ASME Digital Collection to access ASTM Digital Library content?***

ASTM migrated all relevant IP addresses to ensure continuous access to published content. Should you have any issues, please contact your ASTM account manager or email [asmedigitalcollection@asme.org](mailto:asmedigitalcollection@asme.org) for assistance with the ASME Digital Collection platform.

Account Administrators with SSO access will be contacted separately via email with new login information for ASTM Digital Library content on the ASME Digital Collection. This is because

passwords are not transferable. If you use SSO and have not heard from anyone about setting up the new login, please get in touch with your ASTM account manager or email [asmedigitalcollection@asme.org](mailto:asmedigitalcollection@asme.org) for assistance.

***Q: Did the DOI registry update to reflect new URLs? Do DOIs still link to relevant content?***

Yes. Crossref deposits were updated with new destination URLs to enable all doi.org links to resolve to the correct content.

***Q: How did the content migration affect ASTM Digital Library MARC records and KBART files?***

Downloading new/replaced MARC records is unnecessary because these are automatically resolved via DOIs.

***Q: Do I need to take any action if I use IP Proxy Server Authentication?***

No action is needed if you access ASTM Digital Library content via an ASTM platform. You should have seamless access to ASTM Digital Library content on the ASME Digital Collection.

***Q: Do I need to take any action if I use EZ Proxy Server Authentication?***

Because EZ Proxy must be accessed directly from your account to the content platform, you can go directly to ASTM Compass or directly to the ASTM Digital Library content on the ASME Digital Collection.

However, you cannot go back and forth between the two platforms in the same browser instance (for example, clicking a reference link). If your teams need to access content on both platforms during Phase I, please encourage the users to open a separate tab to get to the other platform.

***Q: Do I need to take any action if I use SSOs, including OpenAthens or Shibboleth?***

No action is needed if you access ASTM Digital Library content via an ASTM platform.

Note that Account Administrators with SSO access will be contacted separately via email with new login information for ASTM Digital Library content on the ASME Digital Collection. This is because passwords are not transferable.

If you use SSO and have not heard from anyone at ASME about setting up the new login, please contact your ASME customer service representative or email [asmedigitalcollection@asme.org](mailto:asmedigitalcollection@asme.org).

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***Q: How will the migration impact my usage reports (Counter 5)?***

For Phase I, ASTM COUNTER Reports will be separate for each platform. For Phase II, usage reports will only come from ASME Digital Collection.

We are excited to provide more updates to this content migration project as it develops. Please get in touch with your ASTM account manager if you have any outstanding questions or

concerns.

THANK YOU