

Two New 3M Bookcheck Units Will Be Unveiled at 2006 Public Library Association National Conference in Boston; Efficient, Reliable and Easy-to-Use Systems Boost Library Security and Productivity

The 3M Bookcheck Unit Model 940-Series premieres on March 22 in booth 3117 at the 2006 Public Library Association (PLA) National Conference in Boston, Mass. These new circulation accessories help library circulation staff realize productivity gains by reducing processing time and errors at checkout and return.

The 3M Bookcheck Unit Model 942 desensitizes and resensitizes 3M Tattle-Tape Security Strips on print materials, DVDs and CDs quickly and reliably. Library staff and customers benefit from efficient, virtually false alarm-free processing. 3M Bookcheck Unit Model 943 adds a bar code scanner to the list of equipment features. Each system interfaces with existing integrated library systems, can be installed into or onto a countertop and has a sleek design to complement any library decor.

"3M has been pioneer in providing reliable and innovative solutions to libraries around the world for more than 35 years," said Rory Yanchek, business manager, 3M Library Systems. "Whether it is security, productivity or information management, 3M has a proven solution that will help increase productivity, reduce costs and free staff to offer more service to customers."

Capabilities of the Bookcheck Unit Model 942 include:

- Efficient, reliable processing that virtually eliminates false alarms
- Enhanced ergonomics
- Flexible, easy to use, customizable system with intuitive feedback indicators
- Desensitization and resensitization of security strips in one unit
- System indicates presence of active security strip when verification option is enabled
- USB-enabled to allow future product upgrades
- UL-listed equipment that complies with state and local regulations

The Bookcheck Unit Model 943 includes all capabilities of the Bookcheck Unit Model 942 plus:

State-of-the-art bar code scanner that allows bar code scanning, desensitization and resensitization in one unit

A global leader in library innovation for more than 35 years, 3M provides security, productivity and information management solutions that harness technology to free librarians to spend more time doing what they love -- helping people. 3M also partners with libraries to support their technological advancement and ensure their success through numerous industry sponsorships and programs. For more information about the 3M Library Systems solutions, visit <http://www.3M.com/us/library> or call 1-800-253-6845.

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