

# ACCESSING CONSUMER REPORTS

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## TO SEARCH FOR A TOPIC IN CONSUMER REPORTS:

- Begin at the Lafayette Public Library's homepage: [www.lafayettepubliclibrary.org](http://www.lafayettepubliclibrary.org)
- Click on **Free Stuff For Our Patrons** icon at the top of the homepage.
- Scroll down to find and then click on **EBSCOhost**.
- If prompted to login, type your 14-digit library card number in the Patron ID box.
  - *For assistance with your library card number, please contact LPL at 261-5787.*
- Click on the second database listed: **MasterFILE Premier**.
- Enter a search term for a topic of interest, e.g., "refrigerator." On the same page, scroll down to locate the **Publications** text box. Type in "**consumer reports**." Click **Search**.
- The results list includes articles from both the annual *Buying Guide* and *Consumer Reports* monthly magazine. To view an article, click on **PDF Full Text** located below the article's title.  
*Note: The HTML Full Text option does not display images or graphs.*
- To print the article, click the **Print** icon on the upper right corner of the article viewing screen.
- To email the article to yourself or someone else, click the **Email** icon on right side of the article viewing screen.

## TO SEARCH CONSUMER REPORTS BY ISSUE OR DATE:

- Return to the results page by clicking on **Result List** at the upper left corner of the screen.
- Click on **Publications** located in the blue bar at the top of the page.
- In the 2<sup>nd</sup> search box under the heading "**Browsing: MasterFILE Premier**," type "**consumer reports**." Click **Browse**.
- A list of publications appears. The *Consumer Reports* full-text archive covers 1991-present. The *Buying Guide* full-text archive covers 1999-present. Click on the desired publication title.
- A listing of publication years is displayed on the right side of the page. Click on a year to see a listing of individual issues. Click on a date to view the issue.



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