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# Useful LexisNexis Newsdesk® Search Commands

Translating LexisNexis® search syntax to LexisNexis Newsdesk.

Note: All LexisNexis Newsdesk commands are case sensitive and need to be entered as expressed below. LexisNexis commands are not case sensitive.

| LexisNexis  | Comparable LexisNexis Newsdesk Command  | Explanation   |
|---|---|---|
|   | <code>"search terms"</code>   | Quotation marks around words indicate the terms should be read as a phrase; without the quotation marks, a Boolean OR is assumed between words.   |
| <code>or</code>   | <code>OR</code>   |   |
| <code>or</code>   | <code>[space]</code>  |   |
| <code>and</code>  | <code>AND</code>  |   |
| <code>and not</code>                                      | <code>NOT</code>  |   |
| <code>w/#</code>  | <code>word1 NEAR/# word2</code>   | Proximity of terms. Use parentheses as needed for multiple terms.<br><i>Examples:</i><br><code>data NEAR/2 breach</code><br><code>(data info email server) NEAR/10 (hack* breach)</code>      |
| <code>!</code>  | <code>*</code>  | Wildcard/truncation   |
| <code>atleast#(word)</code>                               | <code>MULTIPLE/#:(word)</code>  | Requires that the word to appear 'at least' so many times in the same article.  |
| <code>plural(words)</code><br><code>singular(word)</code> | <code>words</code><br><code>word</code>   | The Newsdesk engine will only look for search terms exactly as they are entered, unless a wildcard is added. Tip: Use truncation to include variations.<br><i>Example:</i> <code>word*</code> |
| <code>headline(word)</code>                               | <code>title:"words in title"</code><br><code>title:(word OR "phrase in title")</code> | Terms that appear in the headline.  |
| <code>hlead(word)</code>                                  | <code>START/#:(word)</code>   | Terms that appear in the headline or within the first specified number of words within the body of the article.   |
| <code>publication(name of publication)</code>             | <code>source:"exact source name"</code>   | Exact Source Name. Tip: Also see the "Source" tab or facet for easy source selection.<br><i>Example:</i> <code>source:"the american lawyer"</code>  |
| <code>publication(name of publication)</code>             | <code>sourceContains:"source"</code>  | Searches for all sources with the specified term or phrase. Does not require the exact source name.<br><i>Example:</i> <code>sourceContains:"American Lawyer"</code>                          |
| <code>byline(word)</code>                                 | <code>author:"full name"</code>   | Full author name as it appears in the byline.   |
| <code>length&gt;###</code><br><code>length&lt;###</code>  | <code>wordCount:[900 TO *]</code><br><code>wordCount:[* TO 900]</code>                | Limits results to documents of a specified word count range.  |