



LexisNexis Newsdesk®

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