

CONDITION CHECK: Discussion

No image/No workflow

Discussion Summary

Kind of special case of examination when you are doing particularly focused checks on objects.

It's a high volume version of a standard examination.

Need to be able to do things in a batch (as opposed to single items)

Holographic image comparison which travels with object and one taken at the end and the two compared for damage

How do you leverage the software to minimize the time of the experienced person and give routine tasks to those who are newer, not as experienced, or not as highly paid?

- Auto-filling of forms
- Auto-comparison of forms between institutions
- Try to delegate portions of the check to people who are not as skilled but can perform the routine parts of the task list

The system could actually be used to train less-skilled conservators

Annotated images that go along with object (this is a time and angst saver)

Travel passports—can you take these ideas and bring them into a more seamless system for leveraging events on both ends

Problem with one object and other objects with similar parameters

- depends on how good your metadata are
- the system should support quick identification and automation of the process of doing that checking

If you have a large and desirable collection this is a HUGE productivity win. If we could come up with anything that automates any part of condition checking that would be huge.

Unlike a standard examination this may well transition into damage and insurance reporting as well.

You might want to condition check remotely, having some way of interacting remotely.

- The human interactions with this need to be portable

Also be quite good to be able to compare years of this information and do some sort of statistical analysis

Would it be feasible to take some of the expertise and delegate it by providing sufficient instruction in narrow areas? Non experts can achieve some level of success through heuristics.

This might be a standardization issue as well—condition reports for loans and other types of forms can be radically different. It would be good if you could have a standard for forms.