Parameters to Evaluate Collection for Rare Books

A. Items 1700 and older

Check OCLC
   If fewer than 20 libraries hold the item (regardless of physical condition) - put in RBR
   If fewer than 35 libraries hold the item and item in original binding - put in RBR
   If fewer than 35 libraries hold the item and item rebound (value reduced) – keep in stacks
   If more than 35 libraries hold the item – keep in stacks

B. Items 1701-1800

Check OCLC
   If fewer than 15 libraries hold the item (regardless of physical condition) - put in RBR
   If fewer than 30 libraries hold the item and item in original binding - put in RBR
   If fewer than 30 libraries hold the item and item rebound (value reduced) – keep in stacks
   If more than 30 libraries hold the item – keep in stacks

C. Items 1801-1850 (Except Confederate Items)

Check OCLC
   If fewer than 10 libraries hold the item (regardless of physical condition) - put in RBR
   If fewer than 25 libraries hold the item and item in original binding - put in RBR
   If fewer than 25 libraries hold the item and item rebound (value reduced) – keep in stacks
   If more than 25 libraries hold the item – keep in stacks

D. Confederate Items 1860-1865

Check WorldCat
   If fewer than 15 libraries hold the item (regardless of physical condition) - put in RBR
   If fewer than 30 libraries hold the item and item in original binding - put in RBR
   If fewer than 30 libraries hold the item and item rebound (value reduced) – keep in stacks
   If more than 30 libraries hold the item – keep in stacks