

Please complete this application and submit it by email to talkingbooks@libraries.idaho.gov or mail it to 325 West State Street, Boise, ID, 83702. To mail the application, please place the address sheet behind the application. Fold with the address visible and seal shut before mailing. Postage is free. For help or to apply by phone, call 800-453-4293.

Please type or print clearly. Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required.

Applicant Information

First Name*

Middle Initial

Last Name*

Mailing Address (Street or PO Box)*

City*

State*

Zip Code*

Date of Birth*

Phone Number*

Email Address

Veteran Status

Persons who are blind or have a print disability who have been honorably discharged from the United States military receive preference in the lending of books, recordings, playback equipment, instructional texts, and specialized materials.

☐ Check here if you were honorably discharged from the United States military.

Contact Person Information

Please indicate the name, address, and phone number of someone we can contact in case we are unable to contact you.

Full Name*

Phone Number*

Address*

Relationship to Applicant*

Parental Acknowledgment for NLS Service and Devices

Required for new applicants and existing patrons who are minors (under 18 years old).

- ☐ As the parent/guardian of the applicant or patron, I acknowledge that my child will receive services and equipment and that my child will have access to the entire NLS catalog of reading material. All materials and equipment (including digital talking book cartridges, hard copy braille, players, and accessories) must be returned when no longer needed.

Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment

First Name

Middle Initial

Last Name

Email Address

Relationship to Patron

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Equipment

BARD (Braille and Audio Reading Download)

BARD is a secure online service with thousands of audio and braille books, magazines, and music scores from NLS. You can use BARD on a Windows or Mac computer or through the BARD Mobile app on iOS or Android, which lets you listen to books anytime, anywhere.

Delivery Services

Service delivery for library materials (check all that apply):

- ☐ **BARD:** I have a personal mobile device (iPhone, Android, iPad, or Kindle Fire) and internet or cellular access. I want to download digital talking books and/or eBraille materials to read instantly with the free BARD Mobile application.
- ☐ **Physical Audiobooks:** I want digital talking books and magazines on cartridge/flash drive sent to my home by the USPS.
- ☐ **Braille Materials:** I want hardcopy braille books and magazines sent to my home by the USPS.
- ☐ **Large Print:** I want hardcopy large print books and magazines sent to my home by the USPS.

Playback equipment and special attachments are supplied to eligible person on extended loan. If this equipment is not being used in conjunction with recorded reading material provided by the National Library Service and its cooperating libraries, it must be returned to the issuing agency.

Accessories such as amplifiers, remote controls, breath switches, extension levers, and pillowphones are available to patrons under special conditions. Contact the library for the application forms or for more information on these items.

Service Preferences

An individual must borrow at least one book or magazine a year from the library to retain the use of borrowed equipment. Materials received from sources other than the library do not qualify for continuance of service.

Choose one option for receiving physical books and cartridges:

☐ **I wish to have the library select books for me.**

The library will send books from the subjects you indicate below or from requests you send us. Each book you send back will automatically be replaced.

☐ **I wish to receive only books I request.**

You will need to call us with lists of requests or make requests through the online catalog in order for us to send you books. **No books will be sent if there are no requests on your library account.**

Subject Categories

If you wish to have books selected for you or if you wish to have books substituted when your requests are not available, please check at least six of the categories below. These categories can be changed at any time by calling the library.

Age Range: ☐ Adult Titles ☐ Young Adult Titles ☐ Children's Titles

Categories

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adventure | <input type="checkbox"/> Fiction Bestsellers | <input type="checkbox"/> Nonfiction Bestsellers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biography | <input type="checkbox"/> Classics | <input type="checkbox"/> Contemporary Novels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fantasy | <input type="checkbox"/> History | <input type="checkbox"/> Humor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mystery | <input type="checkbox"/> Pioneer Stories | <input type="checkbox"/> Romance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religion - Specify a
denomination (optional) | <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> War/Military |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Westerns | | |

Other Preferences:

Languages

If you wish to receive books in languages other than English, please list the language(s) here:

Content Preferences

I do NOT wish to receive books that contain:

- ☐ Strong Language ☐ Violence ☐ Descriptions of Sex

Newsletter

If you would like to receive the Utah State Library's Newsletter, please check any of the following formats:

- ☐ Email ☐ Large Print ☐ Braille

Referral

How did you hear about our services?

Eligibility and Certification Requirements

Eligibility must be certified by one of the following: doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathy, ophthalmologist, optometrist, psychologist, registered nurse, therapist, or professional staff of hospitals, institutions, and/or public or welfare agencies (such as an educator, social worker, case worker, counselor, rehabilitation teacher, certified reading specialist, school psychologist, superintendent, or librarian). The certifying authority may not be a relative of the applicant, even if otherwise qualified.

To Be Completed By Certifying Authority

I certify that the applicant is unable to read or use standard printed materials for the reason(s) indicated below (check all that apply):

- ☐ Applicant is blind or has a visual impairment that makes them unable to comfortably read print books.
- ☐ Applicant has a perceptual or reading disability.
- ☐ Applicant has a physical disability that makes it difficult to hold or manipulate a book or to focus or move the eyes as needed to read a print book.

Certifying Authority Name*

Title and Occupation:

Organization*

Street Address*

City*

State* Zip Code*

Phone Number*

Email Address*

Certifying Authority Signature* (A typed or handwritten signature is acceptable.)

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