



APPLICATION FOR FREE LIBRARY SERVICE FOR ALASKANS

Library service will be provided through a partnership of the Alaska State Library (for patron applications) and the Utah State Library (for books, magazines and playback equipment.)

Alaska State Library
Talking Book Center
PO Box 110571
Juneau, AK 99811

Telephone: 907-465-5901
Toll Free in Alaska: 888-820-4525
Fax: 907-465-2151
Email: tbc@alaska.gov
<http://talkingbooks.alaska.gov>

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Sex: Male _____ Female _____

Veteran Status: By law, preference in lending materials is given to veterans. Please check box if you have been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States.

Individual to contact in the event you cannot be reached:

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone: _____

ELIGIBILITY AND CERTIFICATION – TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CERTIFYING AUTHORITY

Please check the primary disability preventing you from reading standard print:

- Blindness:** *Vision 20/200 or less in the better eye with corrective lens or visual field is no greater than 20 degrees.*
- Visually Impaired:** *Unable to read standard print without aids other than regular glasses.*
- Physically Impaired:** *Unable to read a standard printed material due to physical limitations, e.g. paralysis, extreme weakness, loss of arms or hands.*
- Reading Disability:** *Disability must be physically based (an organic dysfunction) and of sufficient severity to prevent reading standard print. **Application must be signed by doctor of medicine or osteopathy.***
- Deaf/Blind:** In addition to any of the previously indicated conditions, do you also have any hearing loss? If so, please indicate the degree:
- Moderate** (some difficulty hearing and understanding speech)
- Profound** (cannot hear or understand speech)

TO BE COMPLETED BY A CERTIFYING AUTHORITY

- For **blindness, visual impairment, or physical limitations:** A certifying authority includes doctors of medicine or osteopathy; ophthalmologists; optometrists; registered nurses; therapists; and professional staff of hospitals, institutions, and public or private welfare agencies (e.g. social workers, caseworkers, counselors, rehabilitation teachers, and superintendents). In the absence of any of these, certification may be made by professional librarians or by any person whose competence under specific circumstances is acceptable to the Library of Congress. The certifying authority **may not** be a member of the applicant's family.
- For **reading disability:** The signature of a doctor of medicine or osteopathy is required by federal regulation to certify not only that a reading disability exists and is serious enough to prevent reading regular print, but also that the identified condition has a **physical basis**. Certifying medical authorities are encouraged to consult with colleagues of associated disciplines to determine if reading disability is due to organic dysfunction (lies within the central nervous system).

I certify the applicant named has requested library service and is unable to read or use standard printed materials for the reason(s) indicated above.

Certifying Authority's Name: _____

Title/Occupation: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Applications received without certification will not be processed.

READING PREFERENCES

You can choose books in up to three formats: digital audio books, large print books, or Braille. You can change these choices at any time by calling the Utah State Library at 1-800-453-4293.

Digital Audio Books

____ Send ____ book(s) every ____ days

____ One book when one book is returned

____ Select titles for me from my designated subject categories

____ Send only titles I request

Large Print Books

____ Send ____ book(s) every ____ days

____ One book when one book is returned

____ Select titles for me from my designated subject categories

____ Send only titles I request

- Braille Books**
 ___ Send ___ book(s) every ___ days
 ___ One book when one book is returned
 ___ Select titles for me from my designated subject categories
 ___ Send only titles I request
- Strong Language:** Please do not send any books with strong language
 ___ Contains Strong Language ST
 ___ Contains Some Strong Language ST-S
- Violence:** Please do not send any books with violence
 ___ Contains Violence VI
 ___ Contains Some Violence VI-S
- Explicit Descriptions of Sex:** Please do not send any books with explicit sex
 ___ Contains Descriptions of Sex SE
 ___ Contains Some Descriptions of Sex SE-S
 ___ Contains Some Explicit Descriptions of Sex SE-X
 ___ Love Stories, Spicy Romance ROX
 ___ Contains Explicit Descriptions of Sex XXX

Subject Categories: *If you wish to have books selected for you or to have books substituted when your requests are not available, please check at least six of the categories below. You can change these categories at any time by calling the Utah State Library at 1-800-453-4293.*

- ___ ADV Adventure & Spy Stories Fiction
 ___ ANM Animal Stories Fiction
 ___ B-MEM Autobiographies and Memoirs Nonfiction
 ___ BEF Best Sellers Fiction
 ___ BEN Best Sellers Nonfiction
 ___ BIO Biographies General Nonfiction
 ___ 658 Business Nonfiction
 ___ CLA Classic Fiction
 ___ FAN Fantasy Fiction
 ___ GOT Gothic Fiction
 ___ POL Government and Politics Nonfiction

___	610D	Health, Nutrition and Diet Nonfiction
___	HIF	Historical Novels Fiction
___	978	History, Frontier and Western Nonfiction
___	973	History, United States and Biographies of Presidents Nonfiction
___	900W	History, World and Foreign Nonfiction
___	640	Home and Family Management Nonfiction
___	HUM	Humor Nonfiction
___	MDF	Modern and Contemporary Novels Fiction
___	MYS	Mystery and Detective Novels Fiction
___	OCC	Occult and Supernatural Fiction
___	130	Paranormal/Occultism Nonfiction
___	PIO	Pioneer Stories Fiction
___	POE	Poetry Nonfiction
___	CHF	Religious Fiction
___		Religious Fiction about This Denomination _____
___	LDSF	Religious Fiction about the Latter-day Saints
___	LDS	Religious Nonfiction about the Latter-day Saints
___	ROM	Romance Novels Fiction
___	SCF	Science Fiction
___		Science Nonfiction about These Subjects _____
___	SST	Short Stories Fiction
___	SPT	Sports Biographies and Nonfiction
___	SUS	Suspense Novels Fiction
___	917	Travel in the United States Nonfiction
___		Travel Nonfiction to These Areas _____
___	364C	True Crime Nonfiction
___	WARN	War History Nonfiction
___	WAR	War Stories Fiction
___	WES	Western Stories Fiction
___	YF	Young Adult Novels Fiction

FAVORITE AUTHORS OR OTHER READING PREFERENCES

Please share any other information that will help us to select books for you.

The reading levels I enjoy reading are:

- Kindergarten — Grade 2
- Grades 3 — 6
- Grades 6 — 9
- Young Adult
- Adult

BARD (Braille and Audio Reading Download): You can download Braille and audio books from BARD. Please review the Utah State Library's patron handbook for information. For help, call Utah State Library at 1-800-453-4293.

Digital Audio Books in Spanish: Other languages not currently available.

Free Magazines: The Utah State Library will contact you about the magazines available in the format you indicate.

- ___ Magazines on Digital Cartridge, BARD (download), in Large Print and on Newline (Newline for Utah patrons only)
- ___ Magazines in Braille

To receive the Utah State Library's newsletter, *See Note*, check the format you prefer:

- ___ Email
- ___ Large Print (XSN2)
- ___ Braille (XSN1)

Notice of Confidentiality: Patron records of reading materials are confidential.

EQUIPMENT AND MACHINE ACCESSORIES

Please check the items that you wish to receive:

Digital Book Player: Easy to use digital player that plays Library of Congress digital books cartridges. Also works with online BARD downloading system. Please check which type of machine you would like.

____ Standard digital machine (DS1) – Recommended for most readers

____ Advanced digital machine (DA1) – Recommended for students and readers of heavily indexed nonfiction books. Contains five more controls: Info, Previous, Menu, Next, and Mark, which allow the reader to more easily navigate within a book and to set and find bookmarks.

Special accessories for players are available. Please check those that are needed:

Headphones

Pillow Speaker: For readers confined to bed.

Playback equipment and machine accessories are supplied to eligible persons on extended loan. If this equipment is not being used with audio materials provided by the Utah State Library, the equipment and accessories must be returned to the Alaska State Library.

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

**Please return this application to the Alaska State Library.
Our contact information appears on the first page.**