



Questions?

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APPLICATION FOR TALKING BOOKS SERVICES

Applicant's Name:		Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Street:			
City	State: KS	Zip:	County:
Telephone:		Date of Birth:	
Email Address:			
Others that are authorized to contact us/order books on your behalf:			
Contact person:		Telephone:	
Relationship to applicant:			
<p>By law, preference in lending of books and equipment is given to veterans.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Please check if you have been honorably discharged from the U.S. Armed Forces.</p>			
Please have a doctor, nurse, optometrist, social worker, counselor, teacher, librarian or other qualified professional complete this entire section (See Certifying Authority)			
Eligibility criteria include: (Check only one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Deaf and Blind <input type="checkbox"/> Blindness <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Impairment <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Impairment (which prevents holding a book)	<input type="checkbox"/> Reading Disability Only doctors of medicine or osteopathy can certify reading disability. All certifications will be verified.	
Does the applicant also have a hearing impairment		<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate (some hearing loss) <input type="checkbox"/> Profound (cannot hear/understand speech)	
Certification of Eligibility (Cannot be self or relative)			
I certify that the applicant named (above) has requested library services and is unable to read or use standard printed material for the reason indicated above. (Please print or type)			
Certifying Authority's Name:			
Title and Occupation:			
Address:			
Telephone:			
Signature:		Date:	

Language:	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Services Requested:	<input type="checkbox"/> Audio <input type="checkbox"/> Please send information about BARD (Braille & Audio Reading Download) <input type="checkbox"/> Reading materials in Braille	
Playback Equipment and Accessories		
Player Selection (Choose one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Basic—allows for listening to books & magazines	<input type="checkbox"/> I have my own NLS authorized device
	<input type="checkbox"/> Enhanced—allows for navigation by chapters/bookmarks	
Accessories	<input type="checkbox"/> Headphones (only for use where speakers are not permitted)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Pillow “speaker” (issued solely to readers confined to bed)	
Book Selection		
I do not wish to receive books that contain:	<input type="checkbox"/> Violence <input type="checkbox"/> Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Strong Language	
Select one of the following:	<input type="checkbox"/> Please select books for me in the categories checked below.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> I will select titles from Talking Books catalogs and/or online services.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> I will download my own materials	
Reading Preferences of Applicant: (check all that apply) To best serve you, some suggested subjects are listed below.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Animals <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Fiction <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Fiction <input type="checkbox"/> Mystery <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fiction <input type="checkbox"/> Biographies <input type="checkbox"/> Clean reads <input type="checkbox"/> History <input type="checkbox"/> Romance <input type="checkbox"/> Westerns		
Favorite Author(s) and/or Subject(s)		

How did you learn about the NLS free library service? (check all that apply)

- Veterans Affairs/Defense Health Agency School Internet/Social Media (specify below)
 Vocational Rehabilitation Center Consumer/Support Group TV Ad
 Other Health Care Professional Event/Expo Other Ad (specify below)
 Public Library Friend/Family Other (specify below)

Comments:

Statement of Confidentiality/Waiver

In accordance with authorizations in Kansas law, the personal information provided in this completed form will be held in confidence by the Kansas Talking Book Service and will not be available for examination by individuals, institutions or government agencies outside the network. You may periodically receive calls to rate your service satisfaction with Talking Books. The information on this application may only be shared with the applicant or the person identified as “contact person.”

Eligibility of Blind and Other Physically Handicapped Persons for Loan of Library Materials

The following persons are eligible for loan services:

1. Legally blind persons.
2. Other physically handicapped persons as follows:
 - a. Persons whose visual disability, with correction, prevents the reading of standard printed material.
 - b. Persons unable to read or unable to use standard printed materials as a result of physical limitations.
 - c. Persons having a reading disability resulting from organic dysfunction and of sufficient severity to prevent their reading printed material in a normal manner.

Certification by Competent Authority

Program regulations require certification by a competent authority.

1. In cases of blindness, visual impairment, physical disability, or deaf-blindness, competent authorities may be professionals in a number of related fields **(other than a member of the applicant’s family)** who are familiar with the applicants’ visual or physical conditions and are able to certify that the applicants are unable to read or use regular printed material because of the condition. Examples of competent authorities are given in 36 CFR 701.10(b)(2)(i) and on the NLS application.
2. In the case of reading disability resulting from organic dysfunction, competent authority is defined as doctors of medicine or doctors of osteopathy who may consult with colleagues in associated disciplines (36 CFR 701.10(b)(2)(ii)).

Network libraries may accept faxed or scanned signatures of certifying authorities in lieu of hard-copy originals. The requirement to retain a signed/certified copy of the application remains. The copy may be retained in paper files or properly organized, secure, and retrievable electronic files.

Qualified readers must be residents of the United States, including territories, and the District of Columbia, or American citizens domiciled abroad.

Return of Equipment

Playback equipment and special attachments are supplied to eligible persons on extended loan. If the loaned equipment is not being used in conjunction with recorded reading material provided by the Library of Congress, it must be returned to the loaning library. Funding provided by the State Library of Kansas through a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services.



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