

APPLICATION FOR FREE LIBRARY SERVICE

Talking Book & Braille Service • Illinois State Library 401 E. Washington St., Springfield, IL 62701 • 800-665-5576, opt. 5 • www.cyberdriveillinois.com

Please complete this application and send it to the library at the above address.

Please Print or Type:			
Name (Last)	(Fir	rst)	(Middle)
Street address			
City	County	State	ZIP
Telephone (Daytime) ()	Date of birth	
Telephone (Evening) ()	Gender	
E-mail address			
Please give the name of a	person to contact if	you cannot be reache	d for an extended period:
Name		_ Telephone ()	
Please check here if your States.	ou have been honora	ably discharged from t	he Armed Forces of the United
Indicate the primary disabi See definitions under eligi	, ,		rinted material.
Blindness	Physi	ical handicap	Deaf-blindness
Visual handicap	☐ Read	ing disability	
In addition to any of the qu indicate the degree of hea	, •	above, do you also hav	e a hearing impairment? If yes
Moderate — some d	lifficulty hearing and	understanding speech	٦.
Profound — cannot l	hear or understand s	peech.	
confidential except find out the extent t	for those portions d to which the informa dividuals, institutions	efined by local law a tion provided on this a	s reading materials are s public information. To application form may be the agency to which you

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

The following persons are eligible for service: Residents of the United States, including territories, insular possessions, the District of Columbia, and American citizens living abroad.

- 1. Blind persons whose visual acuity, as determined by competent authority, is 20/200 or less in the better eye with correcting lenses, or whose widest diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees.
- 2. Other physically handicapped persons are eligible as follows:
 - (a) Persons whose visual disability, with correction and regardless of optical measurement, is certified by competent authority as preventing the reading of regular printed material.
 - (b) Persons certified by competent authority as unable to read or unable to use regular printed material because of physical limitations.
 - (c) Persons certified by competent authority as having a reading disability resulting from organic dysfunction and of sufficient severity to prevent reading regular printed material in a conventional manner.

Certifying authority:

- In cases of blindness, visual impairment, or physical limitations, "competent authority" includes
 doctors of medicine; doctors of osteopathy; ophthalmologists; optometrists; registered nurses;
 therapists; and professional staff of hospitals, institutions, and public or private welfare
 agencies (e.g., social workers, case workers, 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.
- In the case of a reading disability from organic dysfunction, competent authority is defined as
 doctors of medicine and doctors of osteopathy who may consult with colleagues in associated
 disciplines.

To Be Completed by Certifying Authority (Definitions of certifying authority are listed above.) I certify that the named applicant requesting library service is unable to read or use regular printed material for the reason indicated on this form.

Signature	Date		
Please print or type:			
Name			
Title and occupation			
Street address	Telephone (_)	
City	State	ZIP	

Lending of Materials and Classes of Borrowers

Veterans. According to Public Law 89-522, blind and other physically handicapped persons who have been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States must receive preference in the lending of books, recordings, playback equipment, musical scores, instructional texts, and other specialized materials.

Institutions. Institutions such as schools, residential care facilities, hospitals, and other establishments regularly attended by blind and/or physically handicapped individuals may borrow special format reading materials and playback equipment solely for the use of persons certified as eligible, who must be the direct and only recipients of the materials and equipment provided by NLS.

•	' '	' ' ' '
Reading Preferences (Check	A or B)	
A. Do not select books for n	ne. Send only the specific titles th	at I request.
B. I wish to have books sele	cted for me.	
•	selected for you, the library needs s of books or subjects you prefer. pelow:	
Adventure stories	Fantasy	Poetry
Animals and wildlife	Folklore	Psychology and self-help
Bestsellers	Gardening	Religion, creed
Bible	Gothic novels	Romance
Biographies	Government, law, and politics	Science
Business and economics	Health	Science fiction
Career and job training	Historical fiction	Sea stories
Children's fiction:	History—U.S.	Short stories
Grade level	History—world	Sports
Children's nonfiction:	Humor	Spy stories
Grade level	■ Music appreciation	Stage and screen
Classic novels	Mysteries	Suspense stories
Cooking and homemaking	Nature	Travel
☐ Drama	Occult and supernatural	☐ War and war stories
Family stories	Philosophy	Westerns
Other preferences:		
Check this box if you wish to	receive books in English language	e only.
If you wish to receive books in o	ther languages, list the languages	S:

I do not wish to receive books that contain (c	check all that apply):
Strong language Viole	ence Explicit descriptions of sex
Patron's name	
receive. (Consult the enclosed Facts: Playbac	the following items and/or services that you wish to ck Machines and Accessories Provided on Free Loan to www.loc.gov/nls/referencefactssheets/playback.
Books recorded on digital cartridge wdigital playerBraille and Audio Reading Downlo	confined to bed or who have difficulty with
(BARD)	Accessories for digital talking book player
Books recorded on audiocassettes w standard cassette playerBraille books	/ith Amplifier (issued solely for use by readers with profound hearing loss; ask for a separate application)
☐ Braille magazines☐ Magazines recorded on audiocassettes	Headphones (issued solely for use where speakers are not permitted)
Accessories for cassette book machines Amplifier (issued solely for use by	Pillow speaker (issued solely to readers confined to bed)
readers with profound hearing loss; ask for a separate application) Breath switch Extension levers Headphones (issued solely for use whe	Music materials Music instruction on audiocassette Music instruction on digital cartridge Music magazines in braille Music scores in braille
speakers are not permitted) Pillow speaker (issued solely to reade confined to bed)	Music scores in large print ers (Note: Recorded music for recreational listening is not available through this program.)

Return of Equipment

Playback equipment and accessories are supplied to eligible persons on extended loan. If this equipment is not being used for reading recorded material provided by the Library of Congress and its cooperating libraries, please return it to the issuing agency.