



MONTANA TALKING
BOOK LIBRARY
MONTANA STATE LIBRARY

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INDIVIDUAL APPLICATION

MONTANA TALKING BOOK LIBRARY
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The Montana Talking Book Library is a free service available to qualified individuals who are unable to read standard print materials due to vision loss, physical limitations, or reading disability.

Fill out completely and print clearly. If you are completing this form for someone other than yourself, please obtain their consent.

Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (M.I.) _____

Birth Date: ____/____/____
MM / DD / YYYY

Mailing Address: _____

in care of (if applicable): _____

City: _____ **ZIP Code:** _____

Phone: _____

E-mail (optional): _____

Check box if you have been honorably discharged from the U.S. Armed Forces

Required: List below the individual(s) we can contact if we are unable reach you.

Alternate contact (Family / Friend /

P.O.A) **Name:**

Relationship: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail (optional): _____

Facility Contact (if applicable)

Name: _____

(Activities Dept / Social Worker)

Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail (optional): _____

Eligibility of blind and other print-disabled persons for loan of library materials

The following people are eligible for service: residents of the United States, including territories, insular possessions, and the District of Columbia, and American citizens living abroad, provided they meet one of the following criteria:

- BLINDNESS:** Visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with correcting glasses, or the widest diameter of visual field subtending an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees.
- LOW VISION DISABILITY:** Inability to read standard print material without aids or devices *other than regular glasses*.
- PHYSICAL DISABILITY:** Inability to read or use standard print material due to physical limitations, e.g. paralysis, missing arms or hands, or extreme weakness.
- READING DISABILITY:** Is defined as an organic dysfunction of sufficient severity as to prevent reading print material in a normal manner.

Certifying Authority

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 public or welfare agencies (such as an educator, social worker, case worker, counselor, rehabilitation teacher, certified reading specialist, school psychologist, superintendent, or librarian).

To Be Completed by Certifying Authority (as defined 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.

TO BE SIGNED AND COMPLETED BY A CERTIFYING AUTHORITY

I certify that the named applicant requesting this library service is unable to read standard print materials for the reason indicated above.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
Certifying Authority

Please print:

Name: _____

Title/Occupation: _____ **Organization:** _____

Address: _____ **Telephone:** _____

A typed or handwritten signature is acceptable if certifying data is completed.

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT: All library records are confidential pursuant to Montana Code annotated 22-1-1103 and the National Library Service.

EQUIPMENT, ACCESSORIES, AND OTHER SERVICES

Equipment and accessories are supplied on extended loan. This equipment is intended for use with recorded reading materials provided by the Library of Congress and its cooperating libraries. Patrons are responsible for the care and return of the materials and equipment.

Players Available: The players are lightweight and portable, with a built-in rechargeable battery. The raised color-coded navigation buttons are large, easy-to-use, and have Braille markers. Additional features include tone controls, speed controls, and an automatic power-off function.

Digital Standard Machine

Digital Advanced Machine: Has additional navigation buttons useful for returning to specific chapters or sections.

Accessories:

Headphone: Useful in shared environments, where speakers are not permitted.

Pillowphone: Useful for individuals who are confined to a bed. The pillowphone can be placed under the reader's pillow and is normally heard only by the reader.

Do you also have a hearing impairment? If yes, indicate the degree of hearing loss.

Moderate

Profound: An amplified high-volume player is available from the National Library Service for use by listeners with profound hearing loss. A separate application requiring certification by an audiologist is required.

WOULD YOU LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE ADDITIONAL SERVICES?

Audio magazines

Requesting books online (email address required)

Downloading books using your computer or smart phone and the NLS – BARD Service (Braille and Audio ReadinG Download) (email address required)

Braille books and magazines

Children's Braille & Twin Vision books

Children's reading selections

National Library Service music instruction and scores (Braille & large print)

NFB NEWSLINE™ (National Federation of the Blind audio news service; includes *Billings Gazette*, *Montana Standard* (Butte), *Great Falls Tribune*, *Helena Independent Record*, *Missoulian* and access to additional national newspapers and magazines)

OTHER RESOURCES: Information on additional resource providers is available, including how to access textbooks. Contact us or visit our website at: tbl.msl.mt.gov/Home/other_resources.

READING PREFERENCES

Send only the specific titles I request.

Is there a specific book we can send you to start? _____

Help select books for me.

I like to read: Fiction Nonfiction Both Fiction and Nonfiction

I like books from the categories I have marked below:

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adventure Stories | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fiction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Animal Stories | <input type="checkbox"/> Montana History | <input type="checkbox"/> Science & Nature |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biographies | <input type="checkbox"/> Mysteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fantasy Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Occult & Horror Stories | <input type="checkbox"/> Spy Stories |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoors | <input type="checkbox"/> Suspense Stories |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government & Politics | <input type="checkbox"/> Pioneer & Frontier Stories | <input type="checkbox"/> Travel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> US History | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> True Crime |
| <input type="checkbox"/> World History | <input type="checkbox"/> Romance | <input type="checkbox"/> War Stories |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Fiction | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Romance | <input type="checkbox"/> Westerns |

Are there any of the above categories you do not want to receive? _____

My favorite authors are: _____

I am also interested in reading books about: _____

When selecting books, do you want us to take into account whether a book contains strong language, violence, or descriptions of sex? Yes No

If you do, indicate your preferences below:

Mark one:

- I don't mind if they contain some strong language.
 Do not send me books that contain strong language.

Mark one:

- I don't mind if they contain some violence.
 Do not send me books that contain violence

Mark one:

- I don't mind if they contain some descriptions of sex.
 Do not send me books that contain descriptions of sex.

Some books have not been reviewed for strong language, violence, or descriptions of sex. Do you want to receive books that have not been reviewed? Yes No