

## Talking Books Status Application

If you identify as a person with a disability or a person who is Deaf, and require this document in an accessible format, please contact Membership Services: [membershipservices@tpl.ca](mailto:membershipservices@tpl.ca) or 416-393-7569. This form is also available online: [tpl.ca/accessibility](http://tpl.ca/accessibility).

### Eligibility

Talking Books are available to customers with print disabilities. A print disability is a disability that prevents someone from reading conventional print, as defined in section 32 of the Canadian Copyright Act. See reverse for more information and eligibility criteria.

A valid full-service Toronto Public Library card is required. To get a library card, ask branch staff or visit [tpl.ca/yourlibrarycard](http://tpl.ca/yourlibrarycard) for more information.

Please fill out the information below and submit this form to any Toronto Public Library branch. Library staff will process your application and confirm your status.

### Customer Information

First Name:

Last Name:

Library Card Number:

Telephone Number:

Email:

I confirm that I am eligible for Talking Books Status

Signature:

**Collection Notice:** The Personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Public Libraries Act, sections 20(a) and (d) and the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. This information will only be used for the proper administration of the library and the provision of library services and programs by Toronto Public Library. Questions related to the collection of this personal information should be directed to Manager, Membership and Circulation Services, [membershipservices@tpl.ca](mailto:membershipservices@tpl.ca) or 416-393-7569.

## About Talking Books

Talking Books are full-length audiobooks in multi-disc CD or single-disc DAISY formats. DAISY Talking Books can be listened to on a DAISY player that can change playback speed, bookmark pages, go directly to a specific page, and search within a book.

Talking Books customers can place holds and pick up the items at your local branch when available.

A limited number of DAISY players are available for loan to eligible customers. For more information, contact Home Library Service Department: [hls@tpl.ca](mailto:hls@tpl.ca) or 416-395-5557.

## About Talking Books Status

Talking Books Status gives you access to the [Talking Books Collection](#) and exemption from:

- fines for holds not picked up
- being referred to a collection agency for long overdue items or charges.

Standard loan periods, borrowing limits, and suspension thresholds apply.

Please note you are responsible for:

- returning library materials
- receiving overdue notifications
- receiving billing notices for lost items
- renewing your card every year
- paying the replacement cost for lost or damaged materials
- informing the Library of any change to your print disability status.

## Eligibility Criteria

A print disability is a learning, physical or visual disability that prevents someone from reading conventional print, as defined in section 32 of the Canadian Copyright Act:

- learning disability: an impairment relating to comprehension
- physical disability: the inability to hold or manipulate a book
- visual disability: severe or total impairment of sight or the inability to focus or move one's eyes.

Find out more about accessibility at the Library: [tpl.ca/accessibility](http://tpl.ca/accessibility).