



Australian Government

**Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts**



Australian Lending Rights (ELR/PLR)

Claimant registration/submission of eligible title claim(s)

Am I eligible?

Eligible creators are:

- living authors, editors, illustrators, translators and compilers
- Australian citizens, wherever they reside, or non-citizens who permanently reside in Australia (eligibility ceases if residency in Australia ceases)
- those who receive on-going royalties, or financial interest, from the sale of their book

Eligible publishers are:

- companies whose business consists wholly or substantially of the publication of books and who regularly publish (at least once in the preceding three years) in Australia
- non-profit organisations that publish to further their aims or objectives
- self-publishing creators

Is my book eligible?

Eligible books have:

- an International Standard Book Number (ISBN)
- been published and offered for sale and claimed within five years from the year of publication
- a catalogue record in the Australian National Bibliographic Database or SCIS

- creators are individuals (companies or organisations are not eligible creators)
- no more than five eligible creators

**Closing date
for title claims
is 31 March 2026**

Title claims processing

New claimant:

- go to <https://lendingrights.arts.gov.au>
- register as a new claimant
- lodge your title claims

Existing claimant:

- go to <https://lendingrights.arts.gov.au/SignIn>
- sign in using your claimant number and password
- lodge your title claims

Assessment of eligibility:

- title claims are assessed, new books are assigned a Book Reference Number (BRN)

- new and previously existing eligible books are sent on survey

Annual book survey

Public Lending Right (PLR):

- book estimated scores are calculated based on public library data

Educational Lending Rights (ELR):

- book estimated scores are calculated based on public library data school, university and TAFE library data

Annual payment calculation

PLR Payment calculations:

- pay amounts are calculated based on estimated book scores from the public library survey

ELR Payment calculations:

- pay amounts are calculated based on estimated book scores from the educational library survey

Annual Notification and payment

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- Claimants are notified by post or email in May each year to advise of book scores and if a payment is due
- PLR and ELR payments are deposited into the nominated bank account by 30 June each year

Contact us

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