

# **Australian Government**

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

# **Publisher's Registration**

Public Lending Right (PLR) Educational Lending Right (ELR)

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		* I consent to the disclosure of information provided by this claim, and any other information provided for the purposes of this claim, to the PLR Committee for the purpose of making recommendations to the Minister for the Arts or their delegate concerning payments that may be made under PLR and/or ELR.																											
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# Public and Educational Lending Rights (PLR and ELR) Eligibility information for Publishers

Public and Educational Lending Rights make payments to eligible Australian creators and publishers in recognition that income is lost from the availability of their books in public and educational lending libraries. PLR makes payments for eligible books held in public lending libraries and ELR makes payments for eligible books held in educational lending libraries (schools, TAFE and university libraries).

PLR is administered in accordance with the *Public Lending Right Act 1985* and the *Public Lending Right Scheme 2016*. ELR is administered in accordance with the *Educational Lending Rights Policies and Procedures 2023* available from this website www.arts.gov.au/funding-and-support/lending-rights.

### How do I register with Lending Rights?

- through Lending Rights Online (LRO) available at www.lendingrights.arts.gov.au/ or
- by completing forms available from www.arts.gov.au/funding-and-support/lending-rights.

#### **Self-publishers**

If you are publishing your own book, you will also need to register as a creator and submit a 'Title Claim for Creator' form.

#### Which publishers are eligible?

Eligible publishers are:

- companies whose business consists wholly or substantially of the publication of books and who regularly publish in Australia—'regularly publish' is defined as at least once in the preceding three year period; or
- non-profit organisations that publish to further their aims or objectives; or
- self-publishing creators.

Note: Authorities (other than educational institutions) established by law of the Commonwealth or a State or territory are not eligible publishers.

Payments are only made to eligible publishers if an eligible creator is receiving a payment.

#### Which books are eligible?

Eligible books are:

- books with an International Standard Book Number (ISBN); and
- books which been published and offered for sale, and have a claim submitted within five years from the year of publication; and
- books which have a catalogue record in an Australian bibliographic database; and
- books whose creators are individuals (companies or organisations are not eligible creators); and
- books with no more than five eligible creators.

## The following items are not eligible for PLR/ELR

- · music and audio visual material
- magazines and other serial publications
- · games or cards
- books designed for a single use, such as activity books, sticker books or workbooks
- any other item without an International Standard Book Number (ISBN).

#### Which creators are eligible?

Eligible creators are:

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

#### **Further information**

Goods and services Tax (GST): Payments made under the PLR and ELR programs are not subject to GST.

NOTE: Claimants need to declare PLR and ELR payments for income tax purposes.

**Freedom of Information**: *Under the Freedom of Information Act* claimants may seek exemption from disclosure of information about their payments. However the PLR Committee reserves the right to include names of claimants and books in its annual report provided that the inclusion of such information does not identify the actual payments received by the claimant or the relative ranking of the claimant.

Further information is available on the website.

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