

*Macomb Library for the Blind
and Physically Handicapped*

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*CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION FOR
LIBRARY SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS*

Braille books and magazines, books and magazines recorded on cassette tape or disc, large type books, and kits (print book with audio tapes for students with reading disabilities) are loaned to individuals who are unable to read or use conventional materials as a result of blindness, visual disability, physical limitations, or reading disabilities.

NOTICE: All patron records pertaining to this service will remain confidential.

Name of applicant (please print)

First

Middle

Last

Street Address _____ Apt. No. _____

City/Twp. _____ County _____

Zip _____ Telephone _____ Date of Birth _____

Sex _____ Email Address _____

Alternate Contact Person _____ Telephone _____

VETERANS: By law, preference in lending books and equipment is given to veterans. Please check here if you have been honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States.

◆ **The applicant is unable to read or use conventional printed materials as a result of the following physical limitation:**

- BLIND:** 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.
- DEAF-BLIND:** Severe auditory impairment in combination with legal blindness.
- VISUAL DISABILITY:** Lacks visual acuity to read standard printed materials without special aids or devices other than regular glasses.
- PHYSICAL DISABILITY:** Unable to read or use standard materials as a result of physical limitations. Examples include: without arms or the use of arms; impaired or weakened muscle and nerve control; limitations resulting from strokes, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, polio, arthritis.
- READING DISABILITY:** Organic dysfunction of sufficient severity to prevent reading printed materials in a normal manner. **IF THIS DISABILITY IS CHECKED, A MEDICAL OR OSTEOPATHIC DOCTOR MUST SIGN.**

In addition to any of the conditions above, does applicant also have hearing impairment? If yes, indicate degree of hearing loss.

- Moderate.** Some difficulty hearing and understanding speech.
- Profound.** Cannot hear or understand speech.

◆ **CRITERIA FOR CERTIFYING AUTHORITY**

THIS **CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY** must be completed and signed by a competent authority **OTHER** than the applicant's family. In cases of blindness, visual disability or physical limitations, "competent authority" is defined to include doctors of medicine and osteopathy, ophthalmologists, optometrists, registered nurses, therapists, professional staffs of hospitals, institutions and public welfare agencies (e.g. social workers, case workers, counselors, home 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 Michigan and the National Library Service (NLS) for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. NLS administers the federal law under which the Library of Michigan Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped and its network of subregional libraries operate.

In the case of reading disability from organic dysfunction, competent authority is defined as doctors of medicine or osteopathy **ONLY**, who may consult with colleagues in associated disciplines.

◆ **TO BE COMPLETED BY CERTIFIED AUTHORITY**

I certify that the applicant named has requested library service and is unable to read or use standard printed material for the reason indicated above. (Please print)

Name _____	Date _____
Title and Occupation _____	
Street Address _____	Telephone _____
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Signature _____	

◆ Reading Materials

What type(s) of reading materials do you want?

___ Books ___ Magazines ___ Descriptive Videos ___ Kits (Print book matched with audio tapes for students with a reading disability)

In what formats would you like to receive these materials?

___ Recorded cassettes ___ Large Print ___ Digital Cartridge ___ Braille*

*Braille materials provided from the Library of Michigan Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

LANGUAGES—check if you read English only ___

List the languages in which you are fluent _____

◆ Reading Equipment

Playback equipment and accessories are supplied to eligible persons on extended loan. If this equipment is not being used in conjunction with recorded reading material provided by the Library of Congress and its cooperating libraries, it must be returned to the issuing agency. Depending upon the formats specified above, we will lend you a standard cassette and/or digital cartridge player.

___ Extension Lever - Assists physically disabled in manipulating function keys of cassette machine

___ *Amplifier/headphone system - **SOLELY** for the use of severely hearing impaired

___ *Remote control unit - **SOLELY** for the use of those confined to bed or with very limited mobility

___ *Breath switch - **SOLELY** for the use of severely physically disabled

***NOT AVAILABLE FROM THIS LIBRARY.** These attachments will be loaned to you from the Library of Congress.

◆ Book Selection (check one)

___ The library may select ___ (#) books for me based on the reading preferences and send them (circle one) **weekly biweekly monthly**.

___ The library may select books for me based on my reading preferences. As each book is returned to the library, it will be replaced with a new book.

___ Send only the specific titles I will request. Do not select books for me. (Note: You must borrow books regularly in order to remain active in the program and continue to use the equipment that has been loaned to you).

- ◆ **CHECK PREFERRED READING LEVEL** ___ K-3 ___ 3-6 ___ 6-9 ___ Young Adult ___ Adult
- ◆ **DO NOT SEND BOOKS WITH** ___ Strong Language ___ Explicit descriptions of sex ___ Violence
- ◆ **THE FOLLOWING PUBLICATIONS LIST NEW BOOKS** (Please indicate the one you want)

Talking Book Topics (Check one) ___ Large Print ___ Cassette ___ Computer Disc
 Braille Book Review (Check one) ___ Large Print ___ Braille

▼ **AUTHORS** - Let us know who your **Favorite Authors** are (Check all that apply)

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| ___ V.C. Andrews | ___ Sue Grafton | ___ Eugenia Price |
| ___ Maeve Binchy | ___ Zane Grey | ___ Nora Roberts |
| ___ Barbara Taylor Bradford | ___ John Grisham | ___ John Sandford |
| ___ Max Brand | ___ James Herriot | ___ John Saul |
| ___ Lillian Jackson Braun | ___ Grace Livingston Hill | ___ Sidney Sheldon |
| ___ Sandra Brown | ___ Tony Hillerman | ___ Luke Short |
| ___ Agatha Christie | ___ Jan Karon | ___ Lavyrle Spencer |
| ___ Tom Clancy | ___ Stephen King | ___ Danielle Steel |
| ___ Mary Higgins Clark | ___ Dean Koontz | ___ Rex Stout |
| ___ Robin Cook | ___ Louis L'Amour | ___ Phyllis Whitney |
| ___ Catherine Cookson | ___ Ed McBain | ___ Lori Wick |
| ___ Patricia Cornwell | ___ Fern Michaels | ___ OTHER (Please List) |
| ___ Michael Crichton | ___ James Michener | _____ |
| ___ Clive Cussler | ___ Patrick O'Brien | _____ |
| ___ Janet Dailey | ___ Janette Oke | _____ |
| ___ Jude Deveraux | ___ Robert Parker | _____ |
| ___ Ken Follett | ___ James Patterson | _____ |
| ___ Dick Francis | ___ Rosamund Pilcher | _____ |
| ___ Erle Stanley Gardner | ___ Belva Plain | _____ |

▼ **READING INTERESTS IN FICTION** - please check all subjects wanted. (categories are bolded)

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|--|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adventure | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Fiction/Foreign | <input type="checkbox"/> Mystery | <input type="checkbox"/> Short Stories |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Action/Suspense | <input type="checkbox"/> Specify: | <input type="checkbox"/> Best Sellers | <input type="checkbox"/> Contemporary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Futuristic | | <input type="checkbox"/> Courtroom, Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Traditional |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Politics | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Fiction/U.S. | <input type="checkbox"/> Detective | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports/Rec |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sea | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical | <input type="checkbox"/> Specify: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spy | <input type="checkbox"/> Colonial/Revolutionary | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychological Thriller | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> War | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil War | <input type="checkbox"/> Suspense | <input type="checkbox"/> War Stories |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wilderness | <input type="checkbox"/> Frontier | <input type="checkbox"/> Occult Horror | <input type="checkbox"/> Revolutionary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Animals/Nature | <input type="checkbox"/> Westward Expansion | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birds | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> Romance | <input type="checkbox"/> Native American |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cats | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> Best Sellers | <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Holidays | <input type="checkbox"/> Harlequin | <input type="checkbox"/> WW I |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horses | <input type="checkbox"/> Specify: | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical | <input type="checkbox"/> WW II |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nature | | <input type="checkbox"/> Modern | <input type="checkbox"/> Korean |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Best Sellers | <input type="checkbox"/> Humor | <input type="checkbox"/> Old Fashioned | <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Within 2 years | <input type="checkbox"/> Michigan Interest | <input type="checkbox"/> Regency | <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Older than 2 years | <input type="checkbox"/> Modern Writing | <input type="checkbox"/> Spicy | <input type="checkbox"/> Westerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | | <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fiction/
Fantasy | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic | | <input type="checkbox"/> Best Sellers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family | | <input type="checkbox"/> Fantasy | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Modern | | <input type="checkbox"/> Stark Trek | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sagas | | <input type="checkbox"/> Star Wars | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traditional | | | |

▼ **READING INTERESTS IN NON-FICTION** - please check all subjects wanted.

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ___ Adventure | ___ Business/Economics | ___ History/U.S. | ___ Plays |
| ___ Aging | ___ Careers | ___ Pre-Columbian | ___ Poetry |
| ___ Animals/Nature | ___ Computers | ___ Colonial/Revolutionary | ___ Psychology |
| ___ Care and Training | ___ Specify: | ___ Civil War | ___ Religion |
| ___ Birds | | ___ Westward Expansion | ___ Specify: |
| ___ Cats | ___ Cooking | ___ 19th Century | |
| ___ Dogs | ___ Conventional | ___ 20th Century | ___ Science/Technology |
| ___ Horses | ___ Diet | ___ 21st Century | ___ Specify: |
| ___ Nature | ___ Ethnic/Regional | ___ Hobbies | |
| ___ Art/Architecture | ___ Gourmet | ___ Specify: | ___ Social Issues |
| ___ Best Sellers | ___ Disabilities | | ___ Sports/Recreation |
| ___ Within 2 Years | ___ Specify: | ___ Holidays | ___ Specify: |
| ___ Older than 2 Years | | ___ Specify: | |
| ___ Biography | ___ Ethnic | | ___ Travel |
| ___ Artists | ___ Asian | ___ Inspirational | ___ How-to Books |
| ___ Autobiography | ___ Black Interest | ___ Overcoming Obstacles | ___ Foreign |
| ___ Business | ___ Hispanic | ___ Religious | ___ United States |
| ___ Celebrities | ___ Jewish | ___ Literature | ___ War |
| ___ Disabled Persons | ___ Native American | ___ Classics | ___ Revolutionary |
| ___ Entertainers | ___ Men's Interest | ___ Essays | ___ Civil |
| ___ Family | ___ Women's Interest | ___ Modern | ___ Native American |
| ___ Historical | ___ Folklore/Mythology | ___ Nobel Prize | ___ Spanish |
| ___ Literary | ___ Health | ___ Pulitzer Prize | ___ WW I |
| ___ Military | ___ Specify: | ___ Michigan Interest | ___ WW II |
| ___ Music | | ___ Mystery | ___ Korean |
| ___ Politics | ___ History/Foreign | ___ True Crime | ___ Vietnam |
| ___ Religion | ___ Specify: | ___ Music (about) | ___ Foreign |
| ___ Royalty | | ___ Specify: | ___ Westerns |
| ___ Sports | | ___ Philosophy | |

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