



What is Self-e?

Self-e is a platform that lets you self-publish your works. You do not earn compensation by publishing to Self-e. Instead, your books could be made available to public libraries across the country.

You retain all rights to your work. If you choose to sell it to another provider or publisher, you may do so at any time.

Self-published authors use the Self-e Platform to promote their works and earn a dedicated reader audience.

How do I get started?

Once you access the Self-e platform, you will need to read and agree to the terms of use.

The screenshot shows the 'Terms of Agreement' page. On the left, there is a navigation menu with 'TERMS OF AGREEMENT' selected, followed by 'GENERAL INFORMATION' and 'BOOK SUBMISSION'. The 'BOOK SUBMISSION' section has 'File' and 'Book Metadata' options. The main content area is titled 'Terms of Agreement' and contains several numbered points regarding rights, redistribution, and royalties. At the bottom, there is a checkbox for 'I accept the Terms of Agreement', a dropdown menu for 'Date', and a 'Next' button.

Click the **NEXT** button and fill in the form.

The screenshot shows the 'General Information' form. On the left, there is a navigation menu with 'TERMS OF AGREEMENT', 'GENERAL INFORMATION' selected, and 'BOOK SUBMISSION'. The 'BOOK SUBMISSION' section has 'File' and 'Book Metadata' options. The main content area is titled 'General Information' and contains a message: 'Please complete your submission in one session to ensure there is no loss of data.' Below this, there is a note: '* denotes a required field'. The form fields are: 'First Name:*' (Jane), 'Last Name:*' (Doe), 'Email:*' (janedoe@anemail.com), 'Country:*' (United States), 'Local Library:*' (Twinsburg Public Library), 'Current Publisher Services Company (if applicable):', and 'Current POD Vendor (if applicable):'. At the bottom, there is a 'Next' button.

Upload your finished book. Self-e accepts PDF and ePub (2 & 3) files. Click **NEXT**, after you have uploaded your file.



File Submission

Submit your file.

File types accepted: validated ePub 2 & 3 and PDF. We prefer that uploaded files include a cover file where possible. If you do not have a cover in the file, your upload can still participate in SELF-e.

Please only upload the final version of your ebook one time. You will receive a confirmation e-mail that your ebook has been received.

* denotes a required field

File Upload*:

Click browse to locate your file for upload.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT
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 File
 Book Metadata

Finally, fill out the Book Metadata form. Metadata helps librarians and readers find your work. It lets you tell Self-e which genre the book falls under and other helpful descriptors.



Book Metadata

* denotes a required field

Your file was successfully submitted.

Title*:

Subtitle:

ISBN:

Language: English

Publication Date*:

Publisher:

Volume:

Edition:

BISAC 1*:

Audience*:

Contributor 1*:

Prefix:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Suffix:

Book Description*:

Available in Print

You do not have to fill out the entire form. If a section does not apply to you, skip that section.

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Click **Next**. That is the final step. Now, you will need to wait for a response.

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Thank you!

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