



FAQ's

What is ebrary?

Ebrary is a single e-content platform that allows libraries to acquire authoritative content from leading publishers with their choice of access models.

All documents in the ebrary platform can be cross-referenced, are full-text searchable, and integrate with other digital resources in the library and on the web through the ebrary Reader™ and InfoTools™ software.

Key benefits of the ebrary platform:

- Affordable pricing
- Flexible access models
- Streamlined ordering process
- Ability to integrate with other digital resources in the library
- Ability to integrate with information on the web
- Option to use ebrary's integrated platform for a library's own PDF content
- All documents in the ebrary platform can be cross-referenced and are full-text searchable
- 24x7 access
- InfoTools enhances the research process
- Usage reports show how content is being used while protecting end-user privacy
- Hosted solution eliminates overhead and storage costs

What do I need to do to get started?

The first thing a library will need to do is fill out a Technical Profile Form and Perpetual Access Ordering Agreement (PAOA). Ebrary needs this to set up the library channel which gives access to the ebrary titles. Once these forms are filled out, e-mail, fax or mail to Ashley White. This form also needs to be filled out if a library would like a 30 day free trial.

Is there a hosting fee or charge for the channel site?

Yes, the annual hosting fee is 5% of ebrary title purchases, subject to a minimum of \$250 and maximum of \$1,500 per annual term, invoiced at end of term. For example, if your first purchase was on 1/1/11 and you bought \$6,000 of ebrary titles by the end of 12/31/11, you would be billed for a \$300 hosting fee at the end of 2011.

What is the difference between Single User Purchase Option (SUPO) and Multiple User Purchase Option (MUPO)?

SUPO only allows one person to view an ebrary title at a time. MUPO has unlimited user allowance.

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What is the price difference between the SUPO and MUPO?

SUPO pricing is the list price the publisher gives ebrary. MUPO pricing is the list price plus 50%.

If I have a problem with one of the titles I purchased, who should I call?

Ashley White will be the library's first point of contact. Ashley can be reached at ashleyw@mattmccoy.com or 1-800-633-2665 x374.

Who will bill me for my ebrary titles and will I receive my normal Matthews discount?

Matthews will bill the library for any ebrary titles purchased. No discount is given on ebrary titles. The library will receive the SUPO or MUPO pricing.

Do I always have to buy either SUPO or MUPO or can I buy some titles as SUPO and some as MUPO?

The library can buy some titles as SUPO and some as MUPO, although some are only available in one license option.

How will I know when I can access my ebrary titles once they are purchased and how long will it take?

Matthews will send an e-mail notification when your titles are available for access. This is normally within 24 hours of your purchase date.

Can I receive MARC records for the titles I purchase?

Yes, MARC records are available for ebrary titles. Ebrary places the records for the titles you acquire on your ebrary Partner site which is specific to your library. You can retrieve the records whenever you wish.

What is an ebrary collection and can I purchase one from Matthews?

An ebrary collection is available on a subscription basis. Pricing is based on FTE or hospital beds, depending on your institution. There are collections available in Medicine and Nursing & Allied Health with over 2,500 titles in each collection. Ebrary collections offer simultaneous access for all users and the collection grows at no additional cost throughout the subscription term. There is no hosting fee on an ebrary collection and you can supplement your collection with purchased titles. Yes, you can purchase an ebrary collection through Matthews. Ebrary collections are not available to order through our website. Please contact Ashley White at ashleyw@mattmccoy.com for more information.

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