



Library eBooks for iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch

The library offers free EPUB eBooks and MP3 eAudiobooks for iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch through a service called OverDrive. There are no late fees. Titles are returned automatically when the checkout period expires or may be returned early. Ten items may be borrowed at a time.

What you will need to download library eBooks and eAudiobooks

- Valid Fairfax County library card
- OverDrive Media Console app (available for free from the Apple App Store)
- Adobe ID (Create a free account at <http://www.adobe.com>)
- Wireless Internet Connection

Getting started

1. Download and install OverDrive Media Console from the App Store. There are different versions for iPad and iPhone/iPod.
2. Launch OverDrive Media Console.
3. Authorize your device. Enter your existing Adobe ID and password or create a free account by following the link or visiting <http://www.adobe.com>.
4. Tap the **Get Books +** button.
5. Tap **Add a Library +**.
6. Enter your zip code to search for your library branch.
7. Select your branch. Beneath the name of the branch will be the listing for Fairfax County Public Library. Tap the star to add FCPL to your list of libraries.
8. Tap the Fairfax County Public Library name. This will open the library's OverDrive eBook catalog.

Searching for, borrowing and downloading eBooks and eAudiobooks

1. To find titles you may browse by format (EPUB eBooks or MP3 eAudiobooks) or you may search for specific titles, authors or subjects. Use the Advanced Search for more options. Selecting the option "Available Now" will limit results to items currently available for download.
2. If the title is available (the format icon in the upper-right corner of the cover image is dark gray), tap on the cover and then tap **Borrow**. If not already signed in, enter your library card number and password when prompted. (If preferred, allow the device to remember login information.)
3. Find the title and tap **Download (Select one format)** and choose either EPUB eBooks or MP3 eAudiobooks. Then select **Confirm & Download**.
4. Once the title has downloaded find the title in the app Bookshelf and tap the cover image to start reading.

Holds

1. If the title you would like is not available (the format icon in the upper-right corner of the cover image is light gray), tap on the cover image and then tap **Place a Hold**.
2. If not already signed in, enter your library card number and password when prompted.
3. Enter or confirm your email address and tap **Place a Hold**. You will see the message, "You will receive an email when the title becomes available. You will then have 4 days to borrow the title."
4. Check the status of your holds at any time. From your Account page, tap on the **Holds** menu to view a list of titles on hold and your place on the holds list for each item. You may remove holds you no longer want.

When a hold becomes available

You will receive an email from **LIBAccountServices@fairfaxcounty.gov**. If the title is not borrowed within 96 hours from the time of the email, the hold on this title will expire.

1. On your device please visit the **Fairfax County Public Library website** from either the email link or from your device's browser at <http://fairfax.lib.overdrive.com>.
2. If not signed in, enter your library card number and password.
3. From your Account's **Holds** menu, you can borrow and download the title.

To return an item early

1. In the Bookshelf view, a circle with a plus sign appears to the right of each item.
2. Tap the circle next to the item you want to return. Then tap the Return/Delete button.
3. Tap **Return then Delete**. Selecting **Delete Only** will keep the item on your OverDrive account until it is returned or expires.

Notes

eAudiobook availability for Apple devices

WMA titles can be searched through <http://fairfax.lib.overdrive.com>, rather than using the OverDrive app. WMA titles marked as compatible with transfer to an Apple device (such as an iPod or iPhone) must be downloaded to a PC using the OverDrive Media Console software for Windows. Titles may then be transferred to an Apple device. Mac OSX does not support DRM-protected WMA files. The Mac version of OverDrive Media Console is only compatible with MP3 audiobooks. WMA titles may not be returned early.