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Statutory Education Licence

How it works

The Statutory Education Licence allows all staff to copy and share a reasonable portion of copyright protected works for educational purposes from any source in the world without having to seek permission.

Under the Licence you can:

- use content from a range of sources such as books, newspapers, journals, printouts, photocopies, websites
- use text and images in hardcopy or digital format
- make as many copies as you need
- make copies offsite
- scan printed content
- make content available on a learning management system
- share content with students via email or other messaging services
- adapt and compile with other resources or text written by teachers.

Please note:

For information regarding the licensing of TV and radio broadcast content, please contact **Screenrights**.

For information regarding the licensing of musical works and sound recordings, please contact **OneMusic Australia**.

What works can you copy?

- printed and digital content
- local and foreign content
- published and unpublished content
- content from any source including: books, journals, magazines, newspapers, posters, print music, photographs, maps, eBooks and any online content from the internet.



Who is Copyright Agency?

We're an Australian not-for-profit organisation that represents over 40,000 members across the publishing, media, visual arts, education and surveying sectors. We are appointed by the Australian Government to administer the Statutory Education Licence, which enables educational institutions to legally reuse content created by others, and be confident that creators are being compensated fairly for their work. This allows high quality content that educators value the most to continue to be created.

How much can you copy once your institution has the Licence in place?

Here are a few examples*.

Content	Work not commercially available	Work available for purchase
Text books	100% of work	1 chapter, or 10% of the pages – whichever is greater
Articles from newspapers and journals	100% of work	1 article (or more than 1 if they are on the same subject)
Documents downloadable from a website	100% of work	10% of the number of words
Quotes	100% of work	n/a
Digital images	Any digital image from any source	Any digital image from any source
Hardcopy images	Any hardcopy image from any source	If surrounded by text

*This is a guide that applies to individually licensed educational institutions only.

How much does it cost?

This depends on the size of your organisation, whether it is for-profit or not-for-profit, and the level of study offered.

For small institutions, the annual fee may be less than \$180 per year.

How easy is it to apply for the Licence?

The application process is simple and can be done in minutes via Copyright Agency's RightsPortal at rightsportal.copyright.com.au. It's that simple!

What does the Copyright Agency do with the fees that it collects?

Licensing revenue is redistributed to our members, ensuring the Australian creative economy remains strong.

What happens after I get a licence?

Shortly after your agreement starts, you'll gain access to the Copyright Agency's Knowledge Hub, an information centre to help you better understand how to reuse content under the licence terms and provides short, easy-to-follow training videos and resources. You can also onboard others in your organisation by sharing information provided here.

Every quarter you will receive the Copyright Agency's Education Plus e-newsletter, packed with:

- Copyright law and industry news
- Licensing agreement updates
- Best practice case studies
- Exclusive offers

“As an education provider, the Statutory Education Licence is essential to allow us to legally communicate and distribute materials to our staff and students, whilst also fairly compensating the producers of that material.”

Kerrie Stevens

*Director of Library Services,
Alphacrucis College*
