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Why you need the Statutory Education Licence

Most material is covered by copyright. If you copy and share text, tables, graphs or images that were created by others, you'll usually need permission from the copyright owner to do so – even if you use less than 10%.

The Statutory Education Licence provides educators with the flexibility to easily copy and share course materials, while minimising the risk of infringing copyright. Better still, your licence fees are distributed to creators and copyright owners, helping to sustain a strong Australian creative sector.

Here are three reasons why you need the Statutory Education Licence

1. The Licence allows educators to immediately use text and images from any source in the world, giving you the freedom and flexibility to provide students with much broader and up-to-date content, supplementing any course materials you may currently be purchasing from a third-party supplier.
2. It can take a lot of time, energy and resources to source and produce course material from scratch. The Licence is a resource for Australian educational

institutions to assist in broadening the scope of content that you can provide to your students, including images such as photos, graphs and maps as well as text.

3. Knowing what materials teachers are using in any classroom on any given day can be tricky, in particular when casual teachers come and go. Are they aware of your company's policies?



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.

Key benefits to your institution



Efficient

Immediate use of an abundance of worldwide material



Simple

No need to find and seek permission from the creator for every piece of material



Cost-effective

Annual fees from less than \$180 a year



Collaborative

Share knowledge and information with your students and colleagues



Compliant

No need to monitor what your staff are copying or communicating

Copyright is a complex topic and common misconceptions can leave considerable compliance gaps. These could easily put your organisation at risk if any staff member inadvertently copies something that they shouldn't. The Statutory Education Licence can act as a copyright 'safety net' to limit the likelihood of accidental infringement.

The Licence is also a blanket solution which covers your entire institution. You will gain maximum value from the Licence by ensuring that all staff are aware of the rights they have to distribute new, interesting and current material to their students that they weren't permitted to do before.

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!

"The Statutory Education Licence is the most simple, straightforward and cost-efficient way to ensure we are compliant with Australian Copyright Law. It also assures us that fair compensation is made to the creators of content used in learning and teaching."

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