**Audio Book Production Information for Authors**

The following information is intended to provide detail as to how the service works.

**Type of work**

A range of material can be audio produced eg. Manuscripts, textbooks, newsletters, family histories, letters, information flyers and websites. Audio book-ing is higher quality formulation of audio than podcasting and allows for a listener to track and manage their reading material. We also provide the facility for compatibility with assistive device technology (that is, DAISI devices that can easily access the material).

Authors (and publishers) must have full audio rights of their manuscript. Manuscripts must be fully edited, with a sign off by a professional editor.

**Standard word rate**

The costs associated with producing an audio book can vary. However, in general, costs are estimated at between $0.20 and $0.05 cents/word + GST. All projects incur a flat management fee which is included in the price guide below:

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| **Number of Words** | **Estimated price** |
| 5,000 | $1,035.00 |
| 10,000 | $1,230.00 |
| 15,000 | $1,417.50 |
| 20,000 | $1,620.00 |
| 30,000 | $2,055.00 |
| 40,000 | $2,475.00 |
| 50,000 | $2,880.00 |
| 60,000 | $3,330.00 |
| 70,000 | $3,750.00 |
| 80,000 | $4,170.00 |
| 90,000 | $4,605.00 |
| 100,000 | $5,017.50 |

**Variable costs**

Project incur additional changes due to the client’s requirements. Additional charges will be incurred if you would like more than one narrator; multiple artwork images; multiple face to face meetings with the narrator and multiple file types. Some manuscripts such as a Graphic Novel which may require multiple narrators to read and record in conversation, and audio description of images.

**Copyright**

The client must hold copyright. 2RPH has no copyright over the book. The audio file will however include a reference to the recording being made in the studios of 2RPH.

**Narrators**

After discussion with the author regarding the sort of voice that would best suit the work – gender, age accent, type of book, you will be provided with a maximum of three narrators, from which to select.

If you require two narrators, you will be provided with four narrators. If you require female and male voices, this can be arranged.

More than one narrator incurs additional charges.

**File type**

All audio files are Audible quality and are DAISI accessible.

You can be provided with the following file types:

1. An ACX standard MP3.
2. Series of files for individual distribution with credits. E.g. series of stories by individual authors.
3. A series of audio files that are compatible to uploading to Audible and other book-listening platforms.

**Artwork**

You will be required to provide an image, if you would like to include an image at the beginning of the audio file.

**What we don’t provide**

* The 2RPH Audio Book Production Service does not provide any publishing services. You will be provided with an accessible audio file of your manuscript, narrated by you chosen narrator to Audible standard
* All activities or advice associated with marketing and distribution are the responsibility of the author/publisher.
* Narrators who are under 18 years of age.

**Frequently asked questions**

What payment methods do you accept?

Credit Card (Visa, Mastercard), Direct Debit, Cheque, Postal Order and Cash.

What currency do you use?

All amounts are shown in AUS dollars.

For more information about the service contact [missaris@2rph.org.au](mailto:missaris@2rph.org.au) and mark the subject as: Audio Book Production.

For further information:  Sign up to this Zoom information Session being held 3 March at 7pm, via the MeetUp facility! A link will be sent to you and you will be able to ask questions.... <https://meetu.ps/c/4KX56/CvbD6/a>

Specific information for authors can be found here: [cms:asset 2674 title="AB Information Sheet 2"]

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