

WHAT ARE OVERDRIVE PERIODICALS?

OverDrive has partnered with NOOK by Barnes & Noble to make popular digital magazines and newspapers available for lending. Library patrons can browse and borrow digital magazines and newspapers all on the same OverDrive website as ebooks, audiobooks, and streaming video.

More information about [OverDrive Periodicals](#).

WHAT DOES A PATRON NEED TO BORROW OVERDRIVE PERIODICALS?

All a patron needs to borrow periodicals is a valid library card, a NOOK account (no credit card information is required), the [free NOOK app](#) (available for all major devices, including iPhone, iPad, Android and Windows 8) or a NOOK tablet.

More about [what devices work with NOOK Periodicals](#).

WHAT PERIODICALS ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE TO PATRONS?

All currently available periodicals are listed on the Wisconsin's Digital Library site. To perform an advanced search for all periodicals, select "NOOK Periodicals" in the format field.

HOW DOES A PATRON CHECK OUT A PERIODICAL?

In order to read OverDrive Periodicals, patrons must have a NOOK Tablet or have the [free NOOK app](#) installed on their iOS, Android, or Windows 8 device. Periodicals can be found by performing an [advanced search on Wisconsin's Digital Library](#), and searching for format "NOOK Periodicals." Periodicals will also be integrated into keyword and subject searches as well. Once a title has been selected, the patron can click the "Send to NOOK App" button to check it out.



FROM SEARCH RESULTS



FULL TITLE INFORMATION

The first time the patron checks out a periodical, a message will display with information about what happens when a periodical is sent to the NOOK app. (Users can click a checkbox to keep that message from displaying every time they checkout a periodical.) The first time users check out a periodical, they will be asked to sign into their NOOK account. If patrons do not have an account, they will be able to create one at this time. Patrons will then select “Grant Access” and they will not be asked to either sign in or grant access again on future check outs. After the periodical is sent, patrons will be taken to the Periodicals History page, which displays a complete list of periodicals successfully sent to NOOK. To read the periodical, switch to the NOOK tablet or app and it will be available.

More information about [getting started with OverDrive Periodicals](#).

HOW LONG IS THE LENDING PERIOD?

Periodicals sent will stay on that NOOK account forever (unless they are manually removed). They do not need to be returned to the library, and there is no charge.

HOW DOES TITLE AVAILABILITY WORK?

For all periodicals, only the current issue is available, and each issue is allotted a certain number of checkouts. The number of available checkouts is displayed on the item record under ‘Copies’ on the right side.

The screenshot shows the OverDrive interface for 'Air and Space Magazine'. The magazine cover is on the left, featuring the title 'AIR & SPACE' and the Smithsonian logo. The main title 'Air and Space Magazine' is displayed, along with the publisher 'by Smithsonian Enterprises' and the platform 'Read with NOOK® by Barnes & Noble'. A blue 'Send to NOOK App' button is visible. On the right, there are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, and Email. Below these are sections for 'Available formats' (NOOK® Periodicals, Supported Devices), 'Subjects' (Science & Nature), and 'Copies'. The 'Copies' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following information:

Copies	
Available:	198
Library copies:	200

When the number of checkouts has been reached, the issue will no longer be available to patrons, and the record on the OverDrive site will display “Not Available” instead of “Send to NOOK App.”

ARE PAST ISSUES AVAILABLE?

No. Only the current issue of each periodical is available for checkout.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THERE ARE NO CHECKOUTS LEFT FOR AN ISSUE?

When the maximum number of checkouts for a periodical issue has been reached, a “Not Available” button will appear where the “Send to NOOK App” button would be.

The screenshot shows the Nook interface for The Wall Street Journal. On the left is a thumbnail of the newspaper's front page with headlines like 'The Commuter Workout', 'Strains Mount After Chinese Devalue Yuan', and 'Hackers Tapped Bonanza Of Data for Traders, U.S. Says'. The main title 'The Wall Street Journal' is at the top, followed by 'by Dow Jones & Co.' and 'Read with NOOK® by Barnes & Noble'. A prominent yellow box with a red border contains the text 'Not Available'. Below this is an 'Add to Wish List' button and a star rating section with five stars and the text 'Sign in & rate this title.'. At the bottom, there is a promotional message: 'New and Improved Format for The Wall Street Journal! Check out our new and improved format on NOOK tablet devices and the NOOK for Android app.'. On the right side, there are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, and Email. Below these are three sections: 'Available formats' with a dropdown arrow and 'NOOK® Periodicals Supported Devices'; 'Subjects' with a dropdown arrow and 'Current Events'; and 'Copies' with a dropdown arrow, showing 'Available: 0' and 'Library copies: 10'.

DO PATRONS PLACE HOLDS ON PERIODICALS ISSUES?

No. All the available copies are available simultaneously. Once the checkouts for the current issue are gone, the issue is no longer available.

CAN PATRONS RECOMMEND PERIODICALS TITLES?

Yes, patrons will be able to recommend titles through the Recommend to Library feature of OverDrive, just as they would recommend ebook or audiobook titles.

More information about [Recommend to Library](#).

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF A PATRON IS GETTING AN ERROR MESSAGE SENDING THE PERIODICAL TO THE NOOK?

If the periodical wasn't successfully sent to your patron's NOOK account, they'll find it waiting on their Bookshelf (located in their Account on the Wisconsin's Digital Library site). From here, they can select "Re-send to NOOK app" to try again, or "Clear from Bookshelf" to remove it from their library account.

DO PERIODICALS COUNT AGAINST A PATRON'S CHECKOUT LIMIT?

A patron must have at least one check out remaining to check out a periodical, but as soon as that periodical is sent to the NOOK app, it is removed from their checkouts. Periodicals sent to the NOOK app never expire or disappear, unless the patron manually removes them.