

# Kindle Fire & HD

- *If you need help, call the library Help Desk at 405-372-3633 x8106*
- There are THREE ways to use our eBook system with a Kindle Fire or HD. These instructions will show you ONE method—the one that lets you use eBooks AND audios and is simple to use once you perform the initial set-up.
- Keep in mind, your library card will expire once every year, so in Sept. 2015, and so on, you will need to call the library to renew your card to keep using Overdrive.

## **ONE TIME SET-UP INSTRUCTIONS FOR KINDLE FIRE AND KINDLE FIRE HD**

To begin, you need to install and authorize an app called OverDrive or Overdrive Media Console which provides access to Stillwater Public Library's online content. **You only have to do this section ONCE.**

1. Touch "Apps" on your Fire menu.
2. Choose "Store" at the top right.
3. In the search box, enter "Overdrive"
4. Touch the icon for Overdrive (it may also say Overdrive Media Console)
5. Choose the "Free" button, then the "Get App" button.
6. Choose "Open" once the download is complete (or click the white O icon on your carousel)
7. You will see a screen with a "Sign Up" button—Ignore it and choose "Do this later."
8. You will see an Adobe ID page that says you must authorize this app. Choose "Create a free Adobe ID."
9. You will see a new Adobe ID page. Choose "Get an Adobe ID."
10. Fill in you first name, last name, email address, make up a password, and fill in your date of birth.
11. Uncheck the box that says "Stay informed..."
12. Click "Sign up."
13. This puts you at a "My Adobe" page. Click the back button to return to the Adobe ID page that says you must authorize this app and enter your adobe ID (which is your email address) and the password you made up.
14. Click the "Authorize" button.
15. You will now be in the Overdrive app and see a blue screen that says "Swipe" and "No Books." Click the very small three line menu. On Kindle Fires, it is in the upper left corner next to the O image.
17. Choose "Add a Library."
18. On the next page type 74074 in the search box (it does not look like a regular search box), then click the search button directly below.
19. Choose Stillwater Public Library.
20. On the next screen, tap the gray star next to OK Virtual Library (the name of our local Overdrive eBook service) to save it as your default library.

## **BROWSING FOR BOOKS**

1. From your carousel, choose the blue icon with the white O.
2. Click the very small three line menu. On Kindle Fires, it is in the upper left corner next to the O image.

**NOTE: If you are ever "lost" in the Overdrive app, or do not know how to get off of a page, always just look for the little three line menu.**

3. Click the "OK Virtual Library" link that should be there if you tapped the star in the direction above.
4. You will now be at our eBook service page, so you should click "Sign in"

5. Choose Stillwater Public Library from the dropdown menu.
6. Enter your library card number which is the FULL number on the back of your card (It starts with 4063)
7. Make sure that "Remember my login" is CHECKED and choose "Sign in"

**NOTE: Always sign-in when you first browse for book so that you get access to the items we purchase ONLY for our library users.**

8. Now look for a book by:

- Clicking the magnifying glass and entering a title author or subject, or
- Clicking the magnifying glass, then "Advanced search" to do a search with limiters, or
- Scrolling through the front page to browse and clicking "View more..." to see more items of the same type, or
- Choosing the 3 line menu icon in the BIEGE part of the page to browse through different categories

9. To read a syno/psis of the book, tap the book cover (ignore everything it says on the book cover and click the part that says "More." The description is at the bottom of the resulting page.

**NOTE: eBooks have a book symbol, audiobooks have a headphone symbol, and streaming video has a film symbol.**

TIP: When you are looking at a list of books, look to the lefthand menu and click "Available Now" to see only those titles that you can immediately checkout.

### **CHECKING OUT**

**NOTE: When the small icon on the book cover is BLACK, you can borrow it. When it is grayed out, then you must place a hold.**

1. When you have chosen an item to checkout, click the "Borrow" button.

NOTE: If the item is already checked out, you will see a "Place a Hold" button. To be put on hold, tap the button and type in your email address on the resulting page. You will be notified by email when it is available.

2. You will now be on your OK Virtual Library Bookshelf (NOT your Overdrive app bookshelf) and you will see the item you chose. Next to the book cover, you will see a "Download" button. Tap it.

**3. VERY IMPORTANT!!! Even if you are using a Kindle device, you are actually on an ePub app!!!! So make sure to check the "Adobe ePub eBook box. (There is another way to read an eBook as a KINDLE book, let me know if you would like more information by emailing [sdelano@stillwater.org](mailto:sdelano@stillwater.org).)**

For AUDIOBOOKS, just tap where it says MP3

4. Tap "Confirm & Download" (There will not be a confirm and download button for audios)

5. Your book title has now been added to your OVERDRIVE bookshelf. So, tap on the 3 line menu icon in the corner.

6. From the menu, choose "Bookshelf."

7. Click "OK, Got It" if the message comes up (it will just happen the first time you use it)

8. You will now see your book and you can tap it once to open it and begin reading. If it is an audio, it may take a few minutes to download enough of it for you to start listening.

9. On eBooks, you may want to adjust the word SIZE. If so, click anywhere on the page so that the top menu will pop up.

10. Click the icon with three lines and three small tick marks. It is the icon beside the bookmark symbol.

11. From that menu, choose "Font Size" and adjust as needed.

### **RETURNING BOOKS**

You will be able to check out 6 items at a time, each for up to 14 days. After that, the items will return themselves so you never incur late fees. If no one is on hold for the book, you may be offered a renewal.

If you are finished early with the item, please go ahead and return it so others can borrow it.

1. Open the Overdrive app.
2. Click the three line menu icon and choose Bookshelf.
3. Hold down on the book cover and you will get a new menu.
4. Choose the RETURN button, then tap yes on the verification pop-up.