

Marginwake Publishing Process Overview

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This overview explains the intended path from manuscript review to a separately negotiated publishing agreement. It is not an offer, a publishing contract, a commitment to spend or a document for signature.

Editorial consideration

Marginwake considers completed, human-written adult fiction in English from authors who are at least 18 years old and reside in the United States. Authors retain copyright when they submit. Submission allows only the limited processing and editorial review described in the Submission Terms.

A receipt means the materials reached the submission system. A positive response invites a discussion about next steps. Neither creates a publishing relationship or transfers publishing rights.

Publisher funded publication

Submitting is free. If your manuscript is accepted, Marginwake covers the upfront publishing costs. You do not pay an upfront publishing fee. Whether a particular work proceeds depends on selection and a separately agreed publishing arrangement.

Any advance, royalty rate, payment schedule and other financial terms are specified in the individual agreement. No financial amount or rate is offered by this overview.

What to expect if your manuscript is accepted

If we invite you to move forward, you'll receive a separate publishing agreement to review before deciding whether to sign. It will explain the rights requested, including formats, languages, territories, distribution channels, exclusivity and duration, the rights you keep, and when rights return to you. Any adaptation, sublicensing or merchandise rights must be specifically negotiated.

You'll also review how editing, production, design and publication will be handled, including your approval rights and any disclosed use of AI-generated artwork.

The agreement will explain your compensation, including any advance, royalties, licensing income and any agreed deductions or recoupment from earnings, plus reporting and payment arrangements.

You'll also review audit rights, when rights return to you, and what happens to sublicenses, inventory and final accounting if the agreement is renewed, breached, ended or transferred, or publication does not proceed.

Agreement and independent review

The author should read the complete proposed agreement, ask questions and obtain independent legal advice before signing. All required terms and schedules must be completed. The author and Marginwake must sign the final agreement before the publishing rights and obligations described in it begin.

This public overview does not amend or replace an existing signed agreement. Questions about the process can be sent to support@marginwake.com.