

RPLS Guidelines for Electronic Resource Trials

1. Companies wishing to offer a trial of an electronic resource must give us the pricing that our members would have to pay for the product.
2. Companies must make clear what the technology requirements are for authentication of users. How is authentication done?
3. There must be listed a contact person that librarians can call or email.
4. Trials will last for a maximum of 2 months. If Rolling Prairie finds that the product is inappropriate for its members, the information will be removed from the web page.
5. Rolling Prairie will create a web page that will list the above information and also the time frame of the trial.
6. Rolling Prairie will announce the trials, including login information for accessing the product during the trial, in an email on our general list and put an announcement into our bi-weekly online newsletter.
7. The following disclaimer will appear on the Electronic Resources web page.

Disclaimer: Rolling Prairie Library System is not endorsing any of the products listed on this page. No evaluation of the products has been made. Each library must evaluate the appropriateness of a product for their individual library. If you have questions about a product, please contact the vendor directly using the contact information given.

8. Only vendors that can meet or accept these conditions will provide trials of their electronic resources through Rolling Prairie Library System.

This information should be submitted to:

Beverly Obert
Executive Director
Rolling Prairie Library System www.rpls.ws
345 W. Eldorado, Decatur, IL 62522
Phone 217/429-2586 Fax 217/428-1852
email bevo@rpls.ws

