



DPLA/ESDN Data Exchange Agreement Summary

The Digital Public Library of America ([DPLA](#)) platform functions as a portal to digital content held by many organizations across the United States. DPLA content is generated from data exchanges with DPLA Hubs such as the Empire State Digital Network ([ESDN](#)).

When making collections available through DPLA, ESDN agrees to provide descriptive metadata relating to the objects in collections throughout the state of New York including links that point to digital objects at a content provider's website. ESDN is also agrees to provide previews to illustrate search results. DPLA terminology and the terms under which DPLA and its users can make use of previews and descriptive metadata are established in the full [DPLA Data Exchange Agreement](#).

DPLA supports open re-use of the metadata provided by ESDN. Metadata provided to DPLA must be made available under a [Creative Commons CC0](#) license which permits the use and reuse of the *metadata*.

To summarize the main points of ESDN's Data Exchange Agreement with DPLA:

- The metadata submitted by ESDN to the DPLA will be published with a CC0 license. This means the content provider dedicates them to the public domain.
- The digital object that DPLA points to via a URL, remains on the content provider's server.
- Information related to the Intellectual Property Rights status of a *work* is part of the mandatory information ESDN delivers to DPLA. Content providers should make their best effort to provide accurate rights statements regarding works.
- Liability and takedown notices submitted to DPLA and through the DPLA website will be referred back to ESDN and content providers for resolution.