



## How to Download and Stream Music from Freegal

### ***What You Need***

All you need is a resident Ocean County Library card, a computer with a web browser, a tablet, or a smartphone.

### ***Supported Devices***

Mac | Windows | iOS | Android | Kindle Fire

### ***How to download to a computer***

- In your internet browser (IE, Chrome, Firefox, Safari) go to [www.theoceancountylibrary.org](http://www.theoceancountylibrary.org), go to the Books and More tab and click on “Digital Resources” then click on Freegal.
  - OR go right to our Freegal site at <https://oceancounty.freegalmusic.com>
- Click Login in the upper right hand corner of the screen.
- Enter your Ocean County Library resident card number and then click on the Log In button.
- Search for artists, albums, composers, or songs that you like in the search bar. You can also search for music by browsing through the top albums, top singles, featured artists, the Browse A-Z button, or the Most Popular, New Releases, or Genres tabs.

### ***How to download songs to a smartphone or tablet***

- Download and install the Freegal Music App from the Apple App Store or Google Play.
- Open the Freegal Music App. The first time you open it you’ll need to log in.
- Enter your zip code or city in the search box to find Ocean County Library. Then enter your library card number.
- Search for music by using the search button in the upper right hand corner or tapping on the Browse button at the bottom.
- To download a song, tap on the arrow to the right of the song.
- To listen to songs that you’ve downloaded tap on “More” and then “My Music.”

### ***How to transfer songs from your smartphone to your computer’s music library in iTunes***

- Connect your iPad, iPhone, or Android device to your computer with a USB cable.
- Open up iTunes and click on your device in the left column or top right.
- At the top of the screen you will have options like “summary, info, apps, music, movies, etc.” Select Apps.
- From there, scroll down to the bottom under File Sharing and select the Freegal app.

- Once highlighted, you should view a file that contains the music downloaded from the app.
- Take that file and drag it to your desktop. Then take the music file and drag it back into the iTunes library. Your music file is now saved in your iTunes library for you to keep. You can transfer it to any of your other music devices.

### ***How to stream music and create playlists***

- Ocean County Library resident cardholders are able to stream twenty-four hours of music per day. Counters in the upper right hand corner will keep you informed of your usage.
- Placing your cursor over most albums will bring up a Stream Now button. Click on this to start listening to the entire album in order.
- You can open up albums and stream individual tracks by clicking on the play button.
- On the left side of the page you can click on Freegal Playlists. Pick a genre that you like and you'll be sure to enjoy the selections. How to create your own streaming playlist.
- Click on My Playlists under Streaming on the left side of the page.
- Click on Create and Store Playlists.
- Click on the + symbol to create a new playlist
- Name your playlist and add a description if you would like.
- Click on Create New Playlist and your playlist is then ready to add songs to it.
- To add an album, move your cursor over an album cover and this box will appear. Click on the box and then add the album to your desired playlist.
- To add an individual song, click on this button next to the song, go to "Add To Playlist" and choose the playlist of your choice.

### ***Freegal Digital Music: Free and Legal! Helpful Hints/Things You Should Know***

- This service is available to Ocean County Library resident cardholders only.
- You can download three songs a week.
- Music videos count as two downloads.
  - You cannot stream videos. You can only download them.
- The new week for Freegal starts on Mondays at 12:01am Eastern Standard Time.
- If you run out of downloads you can add songs to a wish list and download them later.
- Freegal syncs between the mobile app and the web version. If you create a playlist on your computer and open the mobile app on your phone your playlist will appear.
- Music files are MP3s and video files are MP4s.
- All files are completely legal and free to download.
- If you download a song to a smartphone using the Mobile App you must transfer the song to your music library within two weeks or you will lose it.
- You can't download the same song twice. Freegal will let you know if you've already downloaded a song before.

### ***The Two Week Rule***

- When you download a file in Freegal it is available for two weeks to re-download. You can find your recent downloads by clicking on Downloads under My Downloads on the left side of the page. So if you download a song using the Mobile App you have two weeks to go to a computer, transfer the file, and move it into your music library.

### ***Android phone users***

- You can transfer songs from the mobile Freegal app to your computer as well. Connect your phone to your computer with a USB cable.
- Choose to browse internal storage.
- Then open the folder called Freegal Music.
- Inside this folder you should see another folder with your library card number.
- This folder contains all of your Freegal downloads.
- Drag the folder to your computer desktop and the files should copy over. You can then move the files to your music or video library to save them.

### ***Kindle Fire users***

- There is an app available for the Kindle Fire.
  - Please refer to the detailed instructions in the [FAQ located on the Freegal Home page](#). Kindle Fire instructions are located in the FAQ in the Mobile Apps area.