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EDITORIAL **FREELANCERS** ASSOCIATION

Some Common Rates for Editorial Services

Common rates reported to us by our members fall within the ranges indicated below. They should be used only as a rough guideline; rates vary considerably depending on the nature of the work, the time frame of the assignment, the degree of special expertise required, and other factors.

<i>Type of Work</i>	<i>Estimated Pace of Work</i>	<i>Range of Fees</i>
Copyediting, basic	3–8 manuscript pages per hour	\$20–35 per hour
Copyediting, substantive	2–5 manuscript pages per hour	\$25–50 per hour
Desktop publishing	1–4 pages per hour (newsletters)	\$30–40 per printed page
	6–10 pages per hour (books)	\$35–65 per hour
Developmental/substantive editing	1–5 pages per hour	\$32–60 per hour
Indexing		\$25–60 per hour
	5–10 book pages per hour	\$3.50–12 per indexable book page
Project management	not applicable	\$8.50–17.50 per printed page
		\$40–65 per hour
Proofreading	3–10 manuscript pages per hour	\$20–35 per hour
Researching	not applicable	\$25–50 per hour
Translating	500–1,000 words per hour	\$80–155 per thousand words
Writing	1–3 manuscript pages per hour	\$40–125 per hour
		\$50–110 per book page
Transcribing		\$3 to \$5 per page