

Client 101: Our Checkout & Project Details FAQ Guide

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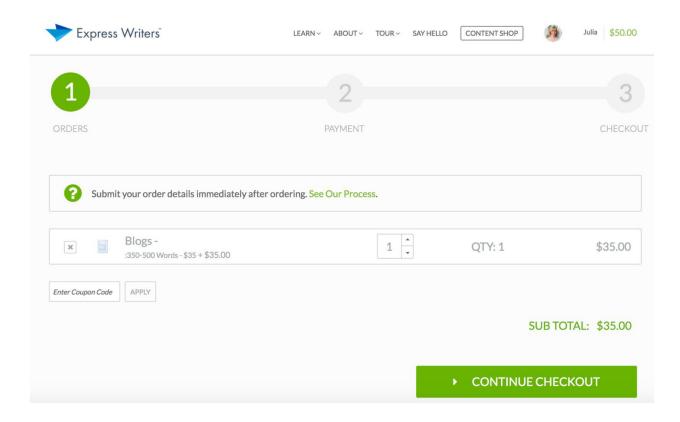
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Questions? Email us at hello@expresswriters.com or call in at 512-253-8030.

How does the checkout process work?

Step 1. Order.

After building a cart or receiving a cart link from a support specialist at Express Writers, you will be prompted to checkout. Your project details will be gathered immediately after the checkout process.



Step 2. Select Payment Option, Review.

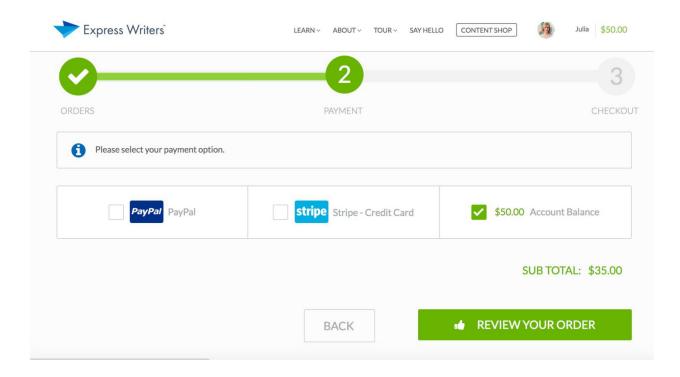
Pay with a credit card, PayPal, or a balance you previously applied under the Make a Deposit option (deposits are placed here: https://expresswriters.com/make-deposit/). In the example, we're paying with a deposit balance.





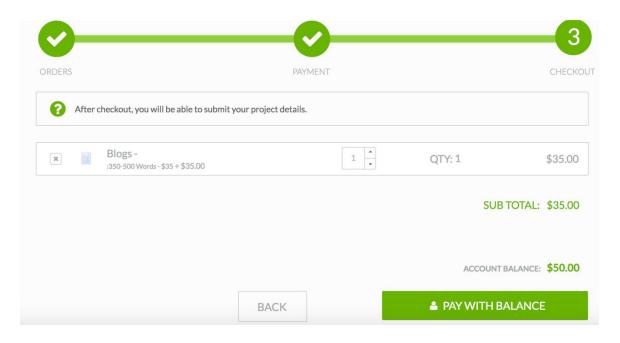




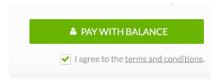


Step 3. Checkout.

Click Review Your Order to proceed to Step 3. You'll see a green button prompting you to pay.



You will need to check the Terms and Conditions (http://expresswriters.com/policy) before you click Pay.



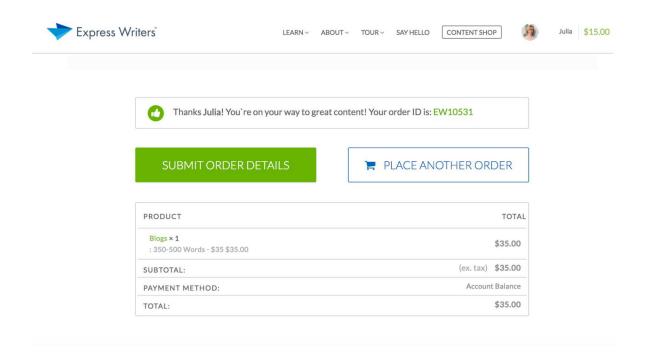








Your order is confirmed! The next screen will show you an order confirmation, which prompts you with a green button to submit order details (which we'll talk about in the next question).



How do I submit my details? 2 simple steps: title your project, fill out your form.

You can submit your details by clicking Submit Order Details after you order, or logging into our site and going to the My Account area. Remember, if you don't fill these out, our system will send you automated reminders to fill out your form via email.

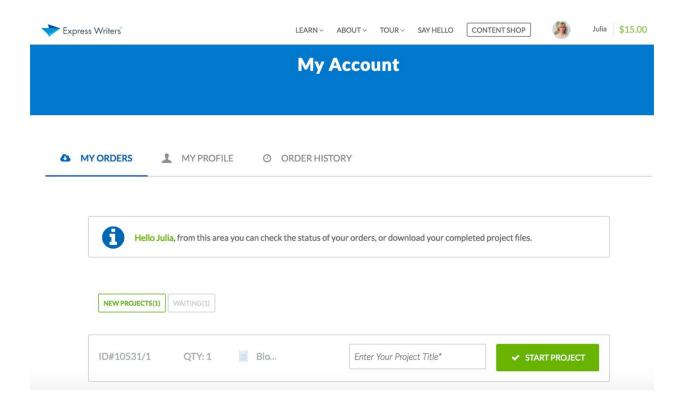
1. Title your project.





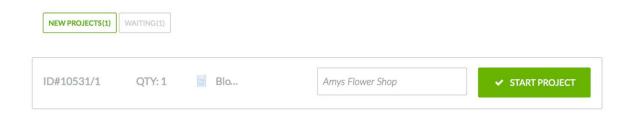






To start giving us your order details, first title your project and then click Start Project.

Let's say we're setting up a blog for a client's flower shop. We're going to type in the title, then hit Start Project:



2. Fill out your input form.

The input form pops up. This is where you'll give us the details of your project: title, keywords, things to mention, the tone of voice for the writer to use, any style examples you have, etc.

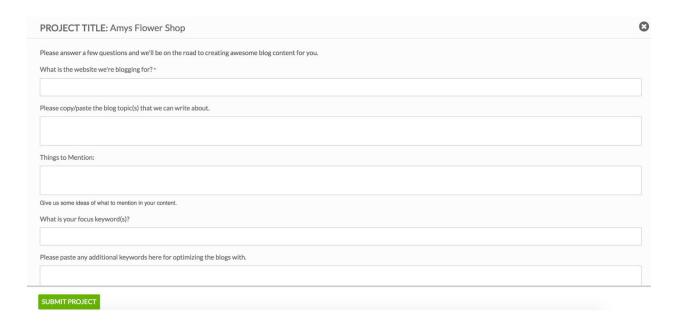






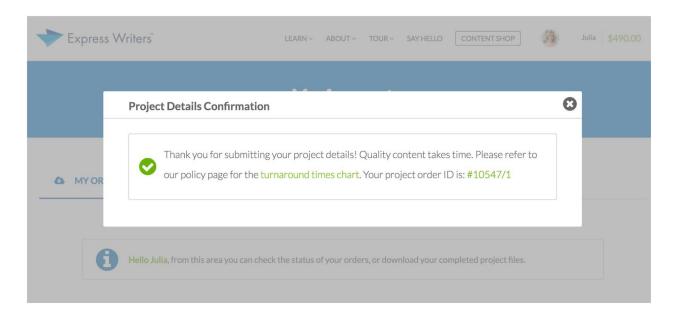






Be sure to scroll down and fill out all the details before you hit Submit Project. (Hitting the Enter key will also trigger the Submit button.)

Once you hit submit, a popup will show notifying you that the project forms have been filled out successfully.



Be sure to save your order ID. You'll need to reference it when you call in, chat with our representatives, or email us about your order progress.











Can I give my input vocally (instead of or along with filling out a form)?

Some clients are better at talking out their thoughts rather than writing them in a form. You can now provide information in a securely recorded message to go along with your input form straight to your writer. Call in to our automated input system at 512-256-8661 to leave a voice message that will go straight to the Content Manager.

(Need a real person? If you'd like to talk to someone instead, our main line is 512-253-8030.)

How do I request the same writer?

You can request your same writer inside your input form. Scroll to the bottom of the form and you'll see an Optional: Request the same writer field. You will need the order ID where you had a writer assigned that you really liked and want to request on your projects, or the writer's name/initials.

PROJECT TITLE: Amys Flower Shop	
If you ordered a monthly blogging plan or the posting add-on, p	please send us your blog login credentials here.
(WP blog admin link, username, and password). We work best with Wor	rdPress. If you have another platform, check with us to ensure we are able to post.
Yes (input order ID or writer initials below) No, pick the best writer for me	Scroll to the bottom of your input form to access the request-a-writer field. erienced success with and want the same writer from, or the writer's initials/name.
Add any 1:1 notes for your writer here.	
Thanks for filling out your order details! For turnaround times,	please see the time chart on our policy page: www.expresswriters.com/policy
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You can also send in a note in to request this (include the successful order ID or writer's initials) straight to katria@expresswriters.com.









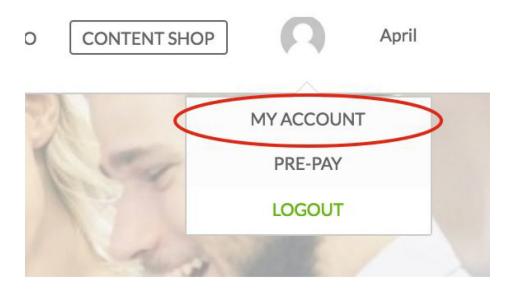


Can I edit my details after I submit them?

Unfortunately, no. This is something we're building out in the upcoming Content Shop, V2. But, you can send in order notes at any time instead. Refer to the next question for assistance on that.

How do I communicate with my writer/project manager after my project details are submitted?

Once you're logged in to your account at Express Writers (via https://expresswriters.com/sign-in/), look for the gray headshot (or your picture), then hover and click on the My Account page to see your orders:



From the My Account area (https://expresswriters.com/account/), you'll be able to access your orders and communicate with us on open projects:

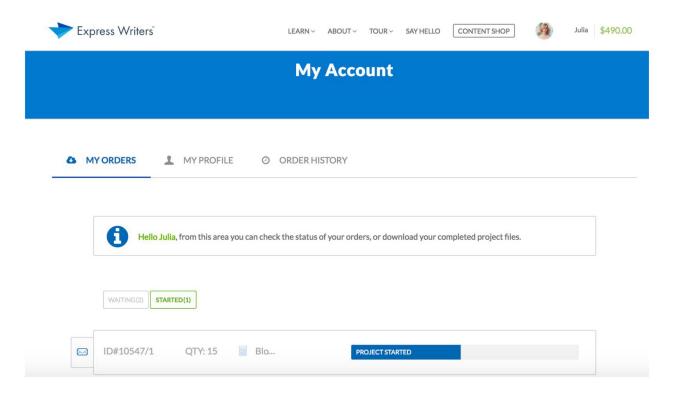




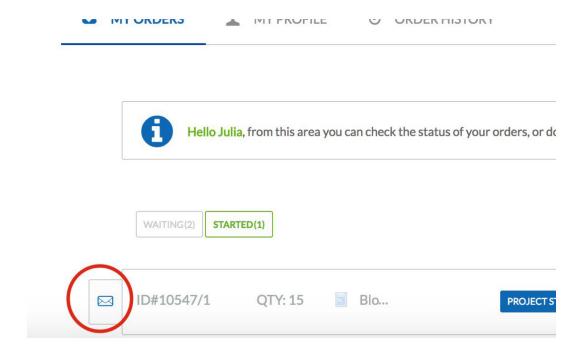








To communicate with the content manager and leave a note for your writer, **click the envelope symbol** next to your project ID, on the left.



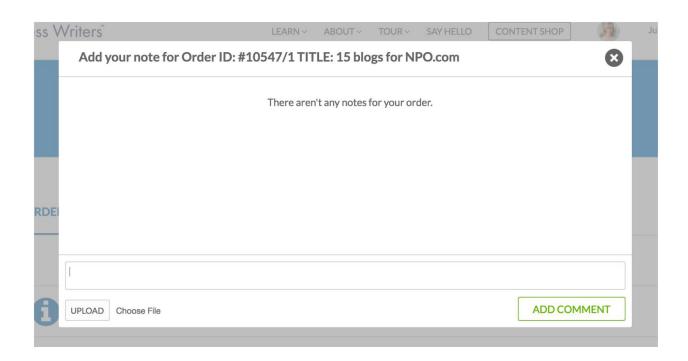
When you click the envelope, a note box will pop up where you can leave a note for your writer:



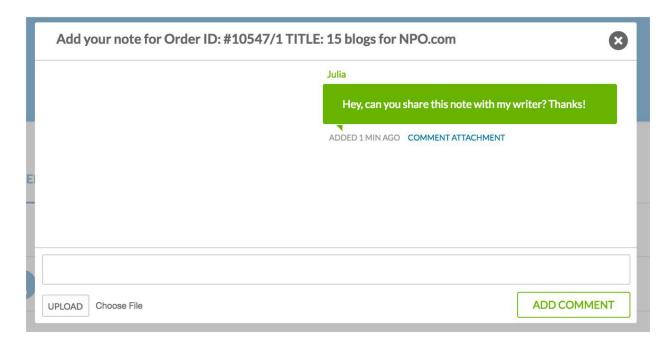








Type in your comment and upload any document (.doc, .docx) attachments for the writer. Click Add Comment to submit, and your order notes will post and instantly land in our Content Manager's inbox where we'll share it with your writer.



How do I answer comments left by the Express Writers' team in my account?



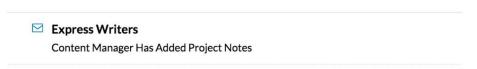






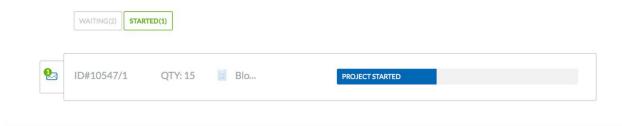


When you receive a comment back from our team on your project, you'll receive an email like this:

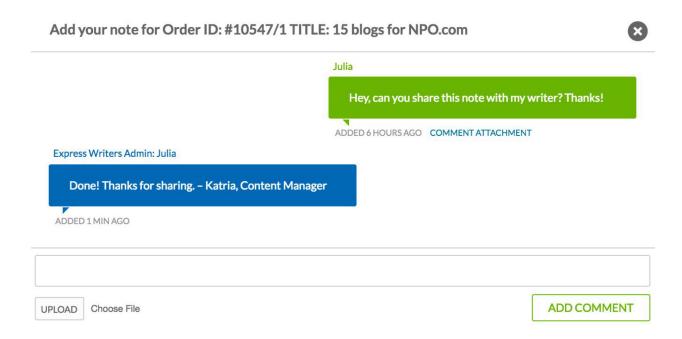


To answer the note and access the conversation thread, login to your account.

Then, from My Orders under My Account, click on the **Started** tab to access the projects that you sent in details regarding and are waiting to receive.



Look for message box on the left with the outstanding (1) notification. You can click on that and open it to read the messages left for you on your project, by our team. Example:



Can I speak with my writer directly?











We monitor, manage, and have an editorial team in place to ensure the content of our writers' stays superb, and typically do not allow 1:1 contact for the client and the writer. Instead, our content manager manages all orders and picks the best writer for each project. This process typically enables our clients to experience less hassle, and us to stay successful and monitor everything we create for the highest possible quality.

However, all your input forms and order notes (see last question) are sent from the content manager straight to your writer. We also facilitate writer contact on specific content products where it makes sense: conducting interviews, creating case studies, etc.

How long will my content take?

Our policy page (https://expresswriters.com/policy/) has a chart that states our turnaround times:

PIECES OF CONTENT (PAGES)	BUSINESS DAYS
1-10	3-5
10-25	5-7
25-50	7-15
50-100	12-17
100-200	15-25
200-500 pieces of content	*1 month; contact us.
500+ pieces of content	*1 month; contact us.
Note: Authority Content takes 8 days to complete. Check in to validate turnaround times.	Contact us.

Many times, we are able to confirm a custom turnaround time with you that's slightly faster than our chart (a 20% rush fee may apply).

How do I get my content back when it's done? / What happens after I fill out my form?

We have several tabs that appear under the My Orders area to keep your content organized and queued as it moves through completion stages:

- <u>Waiting</u>: This tab shows orders that you haven't filled out forms for yet. (Ignore this
 if you have a project manager or specialist on your account placing and managing
 orders for you.) <u>Time to move in queue</u>: depends on when you fill out your form.
- <u>Started</u>: This tab appears when you have orders that you've filled out forms for, and they are in the progress queue for assigning, creation, editing and delivery inside our team. <u>Time to move in queue</u>: depends on our content manager and the writers/creators involved in your project (reference the turnaround times question).





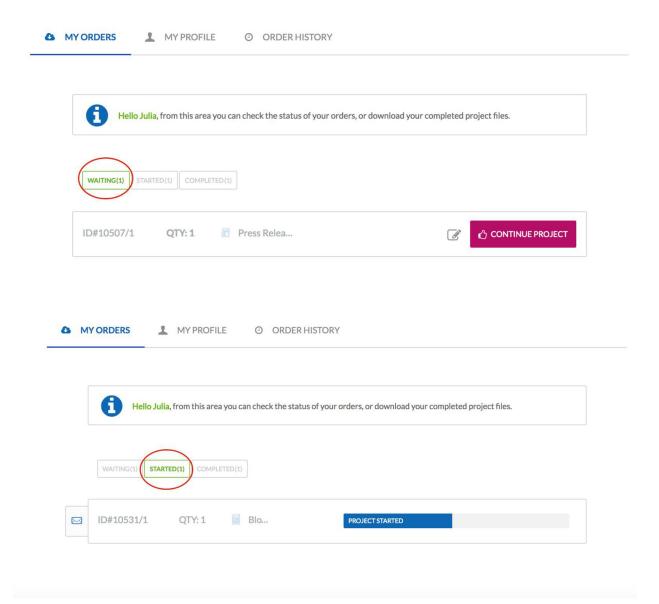






- <u>Completed</u>: This tab appears when the content manager uploads your content ready for your review and approval.
- Revision: This tab appears when you request a revision on your content.

Here's an example of an account with orders open at the waiting, started, and completed stages to give you an idea of each of the main queues and corresponding tabs that appear. (The revision queue is detailed in the next FAQ question.)



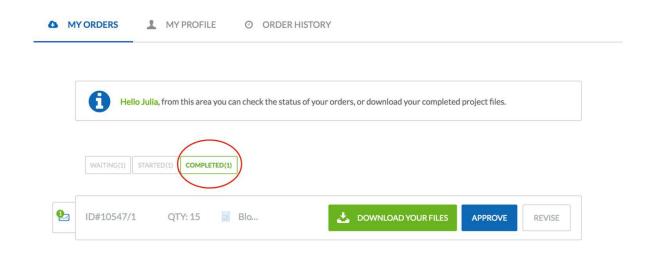












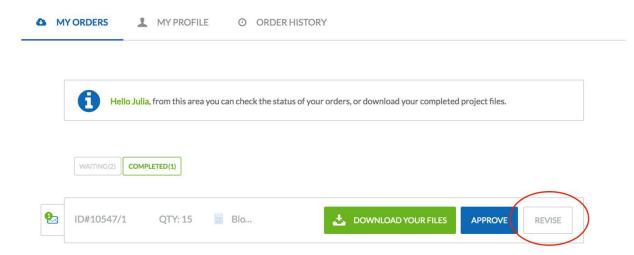
The **COMPLETED** tab in my orders is where you can access your content. Download your files, and approve or revise from this area.

How do I request a revision?

When your work is delivered by our content team, and it's not exactly what you were looking for, you'll be able to request a revision. Per our policy, we allow two free revisions and are typically able to fulfill 100% of what the client needs within those revisions.

Login to your Account and click My Orders, then the Completed tab to access the Revision request feature:

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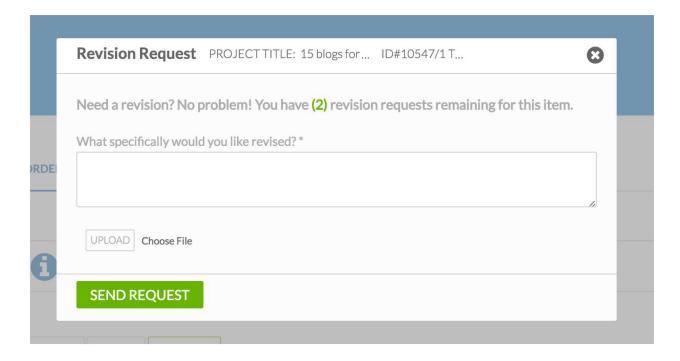




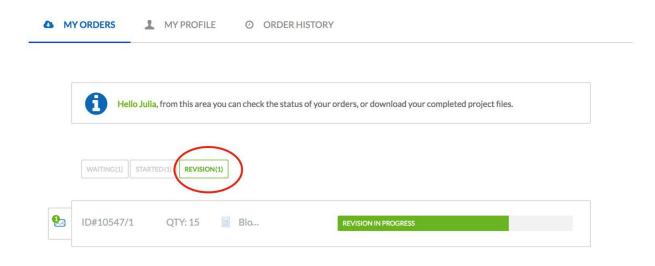




Click Revise, and you'll see this message box pop up. You can attach a document with your return message:



After you finish writing a note about the revision you need and click "Send Request", a new queue will appear for **REVISION** in your orders section:



This queue will move to completed again when we deliver the revision.



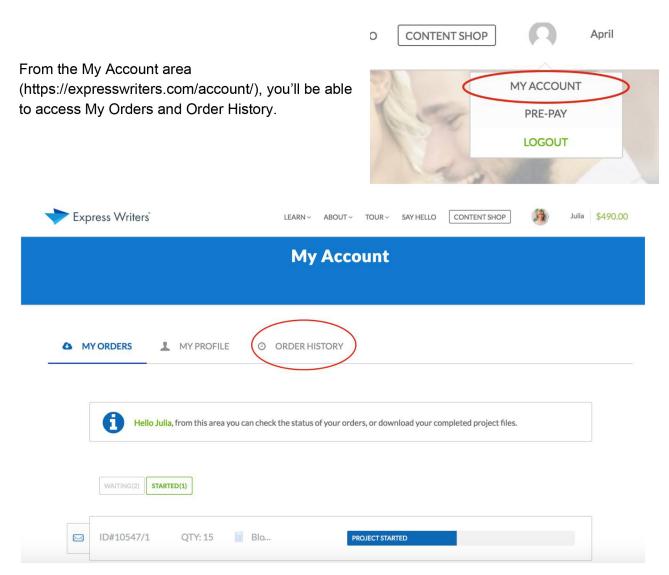








Where can I access my order history?



Note: order history only shows when input forms are completed by the client, the work is delivered by our team, and you have approved your content.

What are these reminders I'm receiving called "Project Details Needed / Project Details Followup"?

If you haven't filled out an input form on-site, our system will automatically email you daily reminders to fill out your forms that look like this:















Filling out your input form starts your order. If you've already talked to a content specialist or had a project manager start your order for you, you can ignore those notifications.

Can I order a bunch of projects in one order and submit details for all in one form?

Yes! Just order the quantity you need and put the details for each in one input form. Let's say we're setting up 15 blogs for a client, NPO.com. We just title the project 15 Blogs - NPO, click Start Project, and send the details for all 15 pieces in the input form.



Can I get a bulk topic uploader?











Do you have multiple topics for a large quantity of content?

You can request what we call "a simple uploader" to upload a spreadsheet for high volume topic input at once. Using this method, we have clients that upload up to 400+ blog topics at one time.

This has to be manually enabled and requested, but decreases all input fields to two questions: *Add project details*, and an upload button.

When this option is manually enabled, it will apply to your entire account. After you place your order and click Submit Order Details, you'll type in a project title and click Start Project. Then, your form (no matter what product you ordered) will popup and look like this:

Add Project Details: •	
Please give us as many project details as possible.	
Upload Single File	
Choose File No file chosen	
Multiple files must be zipped.	
SUBMIT PROJECT	

This allows you to upload your input easily for a batch of content at once.

How do I make the input process completely hands-off and get a dedicated project manager?

Don't have time to set up your order details? We have a product for that: project management! You will receive a dedicated project manager and get hands-off order management once you place your orders. Project management fees apply. Contact us at hello@expresswriters.com to set this up for your account.

Where do I deposit funds at?

Deposit money here: https://expresswriters.com/make-deposit/ Deposits start in increments of \$500.

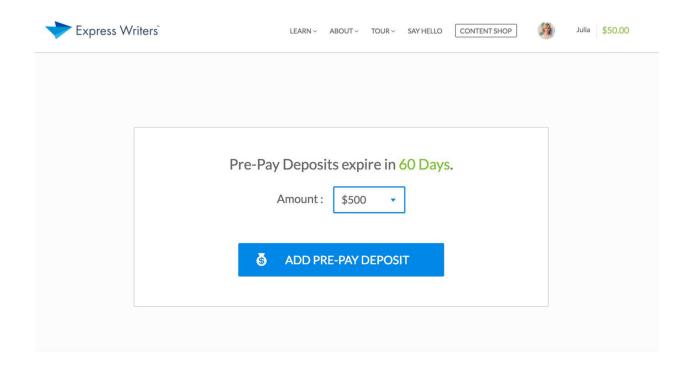




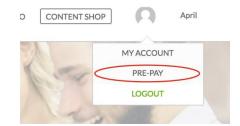








You can also access the Make a Deposit page right from your profile. Click on your image (or blank headshot fill image), and you'll see Pre-Pay as an option.



Where is my receipt?

Receipts are automatically emailed to you by our system, immediately after you place an order. Feel free to print this for your records. Here's what the receipt email looks like:









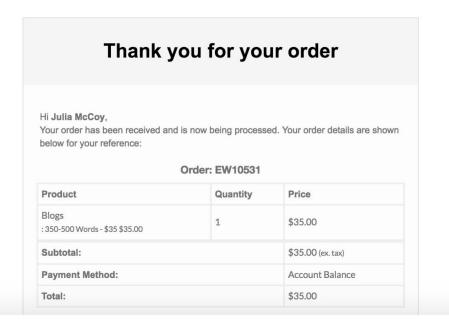


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