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0.1 Indie publisher

Also called "small press" and "Independent press", are publishers rather than printers, if that is still a distinction?, this subject will get a chapter in time.

0.2 Print-on-demand: fees and royalties.

As an example Kindle Direct Publishing charges nothing to place your book in the storefront, but they share profits. When I last checked the author gets 60% in royalties (whats made on the sale) for normal distribution and 40% for expanded.

Ingramspark has lower royalties and a US\$49 setup fee to upload a title.

Companies will offer pricing calculators.

Amazon competes at retail so Ingramspark may be more attractive if you are targeting stores.

My point is the options vary so be clear about your objectives and research thoroughly.

If you can make this decision early you may avoid rework be designing you product to the market place you are entering.

Some companies also offer print on demand in conjunction with packages that you have to buy first. These tend to be the pricier options. Bookbaby, for example, charges \$399 for their package which allows distribution on sites like Amazon.

Where there is an online calculator I have priced a 84 page 8.5" x 5.5", or as near as I can find, Perfect bound B&W on basic paper, which I present in a table like below. Please do you own test this is mid 2022, this will date.

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