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Policy and guidelines for the reprinting of the NA Fellowship’s copyrighted literature by individual NA members, groups, service boards, and committees. Also describes how reprint requests from individuals who are not NA members and from non-NA organizations will be handled. Developed by the trustee of NA’s Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust.

This bulletin was developed to further explain some statements made in the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust and in NA Intellectual Property Bulletin #1, Internal Use of NA Intellectual Property.

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