

Library Patron Policy

To allow all patrons of the North Las Vegas Library District of North Las Vegas, Nevada, to use its facilities to the fullest extent during regularly scheduled hours of operation, the Library Board of Trustees has adopted the following rules and regulations:

PATRONS SHALL WHILE IN THE LIBRARY BUILDING:

- 1. Engage in activities associated with the use of a public library. Patrons not reading, studying, or using materials may be required to leave the building.
- 2. Respect the rights of other patrons. Patrons shall not harass or annoy other patrons or library personnel through noisy or boisterous activities or by staring at another person with the intent to annoy that person, by following another person about the building with the intent to annoy that person, by playing audio equipment so that others can hear it, by singing or talking loudly to others or in monologues, or by behaving in a manner that can be reasonably expected to disturb others.

PATRONS SHALL NOT WHILE IN THE LIBRARY BUILDING:

- 3. Consume food or beverages, smoke or use tobacco or tobacco products.
- 4. Be under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- 5. Engage in any illegal activity.
- 6. Interfere with the use of the library by other patrons, or interfere with library personnel in the performance of their duties.
- 7. Deface or mar library materials. Library materials include, without limitation, books, magazines, newspapers, recordings or other items of the library collection (NRS 379.160(2)); nor shall patrons deface, mar or in any way destroy or damage library furnishings, walls, machines or other library property.
- 8. Enter the building without being attired in a shirt or shoes (or sandals). Patrons must wear a covering of their upper bodies and shoes or other footwear. Patrons whose bodily hygiene is offensive so as to constitute a nuisance to other patrons may be required to leave the building.

- 9. Bring pets or animals into the library (other than guide dogs for the visually impaired).
- 10. The Library District reserves the right to limit the type, size, and number of items brought onto library property as necessary to prevent interference with the delivery of library services and/or prevent any danger to the health and safety of any person on library property. This includes, but is not limited to, the following restrictions on personal property:
 - **a.** Personal items may not be left unattended.
 - **b.** The Library District is not responsible for personal items that are lost, stolen or damaged.
 - **c.** The Library District reserves the right to inspect an individual's personal belongings to prevent unauthorized removal of library materials and equipment or for health or safety reasons.
 - **d.** Wheeled conveyance items are prohibited, EXCEPT FOR assistive devices for persons with disabilities; strollers; and small transportation items (e.g. skateboards, roller blades and non-motorized scooters) if carried and kept out of aisles.

Any patron not abiding by these or other rules and regulations of the library may be required to leave the library premises. Library employees may contact the North Las Vegas Police if deemed advisable.

Any patron who violates these rules and regulations may be denied the privilege of access to the library by the Library Director. A patron whose privileges have been denied may have the decision reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

Any materials removed from the library must be checked out on a valid library card or through other standard library procedures such as inter-library loan. Each patron shall be responsible for any fines, fees or other charges due in accordance with the library's standard schedules

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