

# Patron Conduct Policies

## General Guidelines

The following are some guidelines which are designed for the comfort and protection of all people who use the facilities of the Library.

Because the following activities interfere with the appropriate use of the Library, please do not:

- Engage in disruptive behavior or disorderly conduct (interfering with other people's use of the Library).
- Harass people on Library property.
- Use loud, abusive or threatening language.
- Deface, destroy or tamper with Library material, property or equipment.
- Loiter or solicit on Library property.
- Put feet on furniture or sit on tables.
- Rearrange furniture.
- Go barefoot, dress inappropriately, or offend by poor hygiene.
- Use audio equipment without headphones or at a volume level that is audible to others.
- Consume alcohol, use controlled substances, or carry a dangerous instrument or weapons.
- Bring animals into the Library unless necessary for assisting people with disabilities or if the animal is being trained to assist them.
- Distribute leaflets or circulate petitions
- Patrons are asked to not take or make cellular phone calls while in the Library and set their phones on the "vibrate" setting. Patrons are welcome to make cell phone calls outside of the Library.

In support of New York State Law, smoking including e-cigarettes and vaping is prohibited in the building and on the Library grounds.

Due to COVID-19, New York State mandated the use of facemasks and to practice six feet of social distancing. All patrons are required to follow these mandates at all times while in the Library or on the grounds. This requirement is in effect until New York State is no longer in a state of emergency. Reasonable modifications will be made for persons with a disability who are unable to wear a mask in accordance with ADA recommendations.

Individuals who fail to follow these guidelines and the directions of the Library staff may be asked to leave the Library. Library personnel are authorized to contact the appropriate law enforcement agency to ensure compliance.

These guidelines are extracted from the Library's formal Maintenance of Public Order Policy, a copy of which is available upon request.

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