

Glen Cove Public Library

Glen Cove, New York

LIBRARY PATRON POLICY

To allow all patrons of the Glen Cove Public Library to use its facilities to the fullest extent during regularly scheduled hours, the Library Board of Trustees has adopted the following rules and regulations:

PATRONS SHALL:

- Engage in activities associated with the use of a public library. Patrons not reading, studying, or using library materials may be required to leave the building and grounds.
- Respect the rights of other patrons. Patrons shall not harass or annoy others through noisy or boisterous activities, 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 which can be reasonably expected to disturb others.

PATRONS SHALL NOT:

- Consume food or beverages, smoke or use tobacco or tobacco products.
- Be under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Engage in any illegal activity while in the library building or on the library property.
- Interfere with the use of the library by other patrons, or interfere with library employees' performance of their duties.
- Deface or mar library materials. Books, magazines, newspapers, recordings or other items of the library collection, nor shall they deface, mar or in any way destroy or damage library furnishings, walls, machines, or others property.
- Enter the building without a shirt or shoes. 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 and grounds.
- Bring pets or animals into the library. (Other than guide dogs for the visually or hearing impaired). All dogs must have a current license.

Each patron shall be responsible for any fines, fees or other charges due in accordance with the library's standard schedules. Failure to pay these fines will result in the suspension of borrowing privileges.

Any materials removed from the library must be checked out on a valid library card or through other standard library procedures such as interlibrary loan.

Any patron not abiding by these rules and regulations of the library may be required to leave the library premises and grounds. Library employees may contact the Glen Cove 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's board of Trustees on the recommendation of the Library Director. A patron whose privileges have been denied may have the decision reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

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