



LAS VEGAS-CLARK COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT POLICY

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The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District (Library District) welcomes all visitors and provides excellent service in a pleasant and safe atmosphere that extends to all library property, including but not limited to parking lot areas. In addition to obeying all applicable federal, state, and local laws, visitors shall engage only in activities normally associated with the use of public libraries.

The Library District prohibits behaviors and activities that interfere with any person's safe, secure, and respectful use of libraries.

1. Conduct that endangers or disturbs library users or staff in any way, or that hinders others from using the library or its resources are prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - Loud, unruly, or offensive behavior;
 - Harassing, hostile, or threatening language or behavior;
 - Stealing, destroying, damaging, or vandalizing property;
 - Smoking, including the use of any tobacco or vapor product (except in designated areas);
 - Unauthorized use of alcoholic beverages;
 - Consuming food or drink in restricted areas or near electronic equipment;
 - Sleeping on library premises;
 - Disruptive use of electronic or communication devices;
 - Unauthorized selling or solicitation;
 - Wearing insufficient clothing (e.g. no top, no bottom, no shoes, etc.);
 - Creating or emanating an odor that causes a nuisance;
 - Posing health risks to others;
 - Conduct that is likely to cause personal injury to one's self or others;
 - Unauthorized or improper use of library facilities or property (e.g. bathing, cooking, shaving, washing clothes, skateboarding, camping, overnight parking, etc.); and
 - Restricting or impeding access to entrances, exits, and/or library resources.
2. Vulnerable persons and children under the age of 10 must be supervised by a caregiver who assumes responsibility. A vulnerable person is defined as a person who is not reasonably able to care for himself/herself and/or not able to manage his/her own behavior without assistance.

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3. 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:
 - Animals (except for “service animals” as defined by the ADA or NRS 426.097) may not be brought inside any library building.
 - Possession of a weapon or dangerous item of any kind inside any library building is prohibited.
 - Personal items may not be left unattended.
 - The Library District is not responsible for personal items that are lost, stolen, or damaged.
 - 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.
 - 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.
 4. Failure to comply with reasonable staff instructions related to compliance or enforcement of the Library Rules of Conduct.

Failure to comply with the Library Rules of Conduct may result in restriction of library privileges, immediate removal from the premises, and/or exclusion from the library for a period of one day to one year, depending on the seriousness of the infraction and the customer’s prior conduct.

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