
Kawartha Lake Public Library – Patron Code of Conduct

As a destination for information, recreation, inspiration and enrichment for all residents of Kawartha Lakes, the Library's Patron Code of Conduct had been established to guarantee a safe and comfortable place for all.

At the Kawartha Lakes Public Library, we expect our patrons' conduct to be:

- Respectful of everyone: patrons, visitors, staff and volunteers.
- Tolerant of other opinions and beliefs.
- Careful and considerate of Library property.
- Lawful
- Responsible

We expect every library user to:

- Dress appropriately.
- Attend to and supervise children in their care.
- Attend to personal belongings.
- Use library furniture, equipment and property properly and for only the intended purposes.
- Use washrooms only for their intended purposes.
- Leave the library promptly at closing time.

Behaviours which are not permitted:

- Behaviour that disturbs others' use and enjoyment of the Library.
- Threatening, abusive, harassing, lewd or coarse language, behaviour or actions.
- Being under the influence/selling/using of alcohol, cannabis and/or illegal substances.
- The preparation or smoking of tobacco, cannabis or e-cigarettes anywhere inside a Library Branch or on Library property.
- Carrying or displaying weapons or implements which can be used as weapons.
- Damage or theft of Library materials or equipment, or the property of staff/patrons.
- Use of devices such as a cell phone, laptop, etc. in a disruptive manner.
- Use of sports equipment in the Library.

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- Bringing into a branch equipment such as bicycles and other wheeled items (excluding strollers and mobility devices)
 - Photographing or filming in the Library without prior approval from staff.
 - Posting notices, distributing circulars, canvassing, selling, soliciting or engaging in other commercial activity.
 - Bringing non-service animals into a branch
 - Repeated or serious delay of closing of a branch
 - Blocking of aisles or exits with bags or equipment
 - Eating or drinking at library computers
 - Use of library public computers for illegal activities (eg. fraudulent activity, running internet scams, identify theft)
 - Viewing inappropriate content (eg. pornography)