



Keene Public Library Policies

Behavioral Expectations	Adopted: December 14, 2021
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1. The use of the Library and/or its services may be denied for good cause. Any person or group of persons failing to comply with regulations governing the use of the Library premises may be disallowed further use of the same. Such causes include, but are not limited to, failure to return books or to pay penalties, destruction of Library property, disturbance of other patrons, or any other objectionable conduct on Library premises. Parents and minors should have a backup plan if minors are asked to leave the library grounds.
2. Disruptive, threatening, dangerous behavior or language of any kind is not allowed. Disruptive behavior may include running, throwing, eating, loud or abusive talking, bullying, fighting, vandalism, inappropriate public displays of affection, interfering with the reasonable activities of other patrons, or any other behavior deemed inappropriate by Library staff.
3. Library users must comply with current Library Policies for health and safety protocols while on the Library campus.
4. Library users must make sure that their possessions are not in the way of others. Possessions, especially valuable items, should remain with their owners at all times. The Library is not responsible for lost or misplaced items. Any items left behind and unclaimed within 14 days will be disposed of, donated to a non-profit collection center or brought to the police.
5. Library users must wear personal attire appropriate for being in a public place.
6. No alcoholic beverages are to be consumed on Library premises except by prior approval of the City Clerk.
7. With the exceptions of the staff room and approved spaces, no food or beverages, except water, are to be consumed on Library premises except by permission of the Library Director or during a prescheduled event.



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8. Being under the influence of, selling, using, or being in the possession of drugs, or alcohol is not allowed on the Library campus. Alcoholic beverages may be consumed only at licensed events. Vaping and the use of tobacco products are not permitted on Library premises.
9. Photographing, filming, or visual or audio recording of any person for any purpose is prohibited, except in connection with a Library sponsored, or permitted, event or activity.
10. Soliciting, petitioning, canvassing, conducting surveys, or distributing materials on the Library campus is not allowed without the express permission of the Library management. If permitted, the activity will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of Library management, and may not be disruptive to the operation of the Library. Distribution of political information, and political meetings, are limited to the Library's approved spaces.