

For Posting: Patron Code of Conduct

Welcome to the Arapahoe Library District. We are dedicated to protecting the rights and safety of library patrons, volunteers and staff. Our goal is to enable all library visitors to enjoy an inviting and comfortable atmosphere. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each person can help by respecting the rights of others and complying with the following rules while on library property. Thank you for your cooperation.

The following are permitted in the library:

- Quiet and courteous use of cell phones
- Small group congregation for social, study or discussion purposes
- Consumption of light snacks and covered beverages
- Service animals
- Smoking in exterior designated areas only

The following are prohibited:

- Possession or use of alcohol or illegal drugs or being under their influence
- Possession or use of medical or recreational marijuana is not allowed on library property.
- Smoking, use of electronic smoking devices, or use of tobacco products in the library
- Disrupting the normal flow of library operations or interfering with the use and enjoyment of the library by others
- Using another person's library card or identifying information
- Inappropriate activities such as loud social interaction, bathing, shaving, washing clothes, sleeping, gambling, betting or wagering
- Misuse of computers including illegal activities and publicly viewing sexually explicit or pornographic materials
- Inappropriate attire or poor hygiene
- Theft or other attempts to convert library property to personal use
- Language or gestures that are intimidating or obscene or demonstrate a lack of civility
- Violent behavior or any form of unwanted touching or other contact
- Destroying or vandalizing library property or threatening to damage property
- Engaging in any action that is sexually inappropriate or offensive
- Communicating a threat of harm to any person or property
- The open carry of a knife, firearm or other object that could be used as a weapon
- The concealed carry of a knife, firearm or other object that could be used as a weapon. A valid concealed carry permit holder is entitled under Colorado law to carry a concealed handgun.

The Arapahoe Library District reserves the right to remove any person whose behavior is disruptive, unsafe to the patron or others, or interferes with the use of the library by others in the judgment of library staff.

See the full Patron Code of Conduct Policy for specific violation penalties and appeal process. See also related policies on Soliciting, Fundraising, Petitioning, Campaigning and Other Free Speech Activities; and Acceptable Use of Library Technology and Services.

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