

Conduct Policy – Solon Public Library

All library users and employees should be free of any threat of harm, invasion of property, or gross indignity. In an effort to protect these rights for all persons, the Library Board has approved the following rules.

No person shall engage in any conduct that disturbs or interferes with the legitimate use of the Library, including, but not restricted to the following:

1. Willfully annoy, harass, or threaten another person.
2. Behave in a disorderly, loud, or boisterous manner.
3. Interfere with another person's passage within the Library or on library grounds.
4. Consume or possess alcoholic beverages, or use or possess controlled substances on library grounds or be under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances in a manner that causes public disturbance.
5. Possess any firearm, knife, any device which could be used as a weapon or other weapon prohibited by City Ordinance or State Statutes.
6. Deface or destroy library property.
7. Smoking in the Library.
8. Remain in the Library without authorization after regular closing hours.
9. Solicit funds or panhandle.
10. Interfere with others' use of the Library through poor bodily hygiene that is so offensive as to constitute a nuisance.
11. Bringing unauthorized animals into the Library except as required by persons with disabilities.
12. Use scooters or a skateboard in the Library, library entrance or sidewalk area.
13. Play audio equipment at volume that is disturbing to other users.
14. Campaign, petition, interview or survey patrons or staff in a manner that is disruptive to Library activities.
15. Willfully expose patrons and staff to offensive images or language.
16. Engage in loud or lengthy conversations (including conversations on cell phones) in areas intended for quiet study.
17. Interfere with the Library's right to maintain a clean, pleasant and safe facility; which includes no food at computer stations and not properly disposing of food/drink in study rooms.
18. Use of the Library's or public telephone for extended periods so that other patrons are prevented from using it as needed.

19. Use of cell phone cameras or other unauthorized cameras in the Library.
20. Attachment or use of private equipment to download or obtain website images or to obtain information about other patrons from public access computers, such as spyware.

In most cases, people who are behaving inappropriately in the Library will be given one warning and asked to behave in an appropriate manner. People who do not modify their behavior after one warning will be asked to leave the Library for the rest of the day.

In the event of misconduct that is considered extreme by the library staff, Scott Kleppe @ should be called and then 911.

Persons who behave inappropriately on a regular basis or who engage in unlawful activities while on Library property may have all or part of their library privileges revoked or risk being barred from the Library for a period of time, as well as face the possibility of legal charges.

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