



Rules of Conduct

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Welcome to Curry Public Library

The mission of Curry Public Library is to provide the public with access to quality materials and services to meet their recreational, informational, and educational needs, and to promote reading and lifelong learning for all.

To fulfill our mission and realize our vision, the following ideals direct us in our service to the community and interaction with each other.

Respect

Our library welcomes everyone. We honor diversity, individual perspectives, and the right to privacy and confidentiality.

Accessibility

We champion free and open access to ideas, information, and content.

Integrity

We are responsible, honest stewards of public resources and trust.

Innovation

We encourage creative ideas, discourse, and solutions.

Collaboration

We foster an environment that inspires building relationships and working together.

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We want to provide you with an enjoyable and rewarding library experience. We ask that you conduct yourself in accordance with the Curry Public Library (CPL) Rules of Conduct to help us maintain an environment that is safe and can be enjoyed by all.

Behavior becomes unacceptable when it interferes with the appropriate use of the library by others or when it could result in a safety hazard, health hazard, injury, or damage to property. The following behaviors and activities are not permitted:

Any activity that unreasonably interferes with other's use and enjoyment or the operation of the library, including but not limited to:

- Use of hostile or aggressive language or gestures.
- Use of the library while under the influence of any controlled substance or intoxicant.
- Loud talking or boisterous physical behavior.
- Using electronic or communication devices in a manner that is disruptive to others. Cell phones must be set to vibrate only or powered off while inside the library. If you must accept a phone call, it should be taken to the library lobby or outside.
- Wearing insufficient clothing (e.g. no top, no bottom, no shoes) while in the library.
- Bodily hygiene or scent so offensive as to constitute a nuisance to others.
- Public urination or defecation.
- Interfering with the free passage of staff or patrons in or on library premises.
- Bringing animals and pets other than service animals into the library.
- Violating the rules for acceptable use of the Internet, WiFi, and library public computers.
- Consuming food or drink in the library, except that non-alcoholic beverages in closed containers are allowed. Food is permitted in meeting rooms as specified in Learning Center usage rules.
- Sleeping in or on library premises.
- Bringing into the library bags, backpacks, boxes, carts, wheeled conveyances, or other large items, which singly or collectively exceed 32" by 18" by 15" (excluding handles), with the exception of wheelchairs and baby strollers / carriages being used for the actual transport of a person.
- Parking on library property between the hours of 11 pm and 6 am. Vehicles parked in violation of this rule may be towed without notice at the owner's expense.
- Setting up temporary or permanent structures on the library property (e.g. tents, tarps, furniture).
- Littering.

Using library materials, equipment, fixtures, buildings, or grounds in any manner that:

- Is inconsistent with normal library uses (e.g. bathing, shaving, washing clothes).
- Can be expected to damage library property or the property of others.
- Is likely to cause personal injury to one's self or others.

Disobeying the direction of a library staff member when asked to stop a prohibited behavior or when requested to leave for violations of this or other CPL policies.

Any observable behavior that is prohibited by law, including but not limited to:

- Smoking, including use of inhalant delivery systems, is not permitted in any library building. Smoking of tobacco and marijuana is not permitted within 10 feet of an entrance or exit.
- Drugs, any activity that uses open flames including candles, and the use of tobacco products are prohibited anywhere in the library.
- Sexual conduct, misconduct, or harassment (e.g. exposure, offensive touching, sexual acts).
- Viewing or printing illegal materials (e.g. child pornography).
- Selling or using alcohol or drugs.
- Threatening or harassing behavior (e.g. fighting or threatening to fight, brandishing a weapon, stalking, verbally threatening to harm others or their property).
- Unapproved entry in non-public areas.
- Theft of library materials, property, or items belonging to staff and/or other library users.
- Unlawful possession of weapons.

No firearms or weapons are permitted in the library except as permitted in ORS 166.370.

Behavior that is prohibited by law or the CPL Rules of Conduct may result in the following consequences:

- Request to change the behavior or leave the library.
- Suspension of library privileges.
- Intervention of law enforcement and/or criminal charges being filed.
- Ban from the relevant service (e.g. meeting rooms, computers, WiFi use, etc.).
- Billing for damage.
- Eviction and/or criminal trespass—temporary, conditional, or extended.

Unsupervised Youth:

Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a responsible caregiver at all times, and should direct their activities to areas designated as safe for children (e.g. the children's room, the teen room). Children under 5 should remain within sight of that responsible party at all times. Computer use at public computers is limited to 1 hour for all children under age 10.

Video Surveillance of the Library

The Curry Public Library strives to maintain a safe and secure environment for its staff and patrons. In pursuit of this objective, the interior public areas of the Library, the exterior of the Library, and the Library parking lot are under 24-hour video surveillance and recording.

Appeals Process:

Any eviction or trespass can be appealed in writing to the Library Director. The Director will respond to your appeal within 7 business days. If the Director denies the appeal, one additional appeal can be filed in writing to the Library Board of Directors, who will review your appeal at their next regular board meeting and respond within 7 business days after that meeting.