

MILLVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY
Rules & Regulations Governing Public Behavior on Library Premises
(adopted 10-8-96)

So that Millville Public Library may provide an atmosphere conducive to appropriate use of its services and facilities, the public is required to comply with the Library rules and regulations listed below:

1. Users of the Library must respect the rights and privileges of all other users. Any behavior which inhibits the use of the Library by others is prohibited.
2. Improper conduct on Library premises is prohibited. Conduct will be regarded as improper if it includes one or more of the following:
 - a. Creating a public disturbance, including obstructing free passage, making unseemly noises, stalking, disorderly conduct or other disruptive conduct.
 - b. Obscene and/or abusive language, or other disruptive behavior.
 - c. Mutilating, damaging, or defacing any Library property or Library materials.
 - d. Eating or drinking.
 - e. Smoking.
 - f. Use of alcohol, narcotics, hallucinogens, other foreign substances, or drug paraphernalia.
 - g. Intoxication (drunkenness and other forms) or behavior leading to suspicion of intoxication.
 - h. Loitering inside Library, i.e. sitting or standing idly about, sleeping or lingering aimlessly, or other similar behavior.
 - i. Use of audio or video equipment without the use of personal earphones, which might be disturbing to other Library users.
 - j. Gambling, card-playing, or games of any kind.
 - k. Possessing weapons of any kind, including but not limited to guns or knives.
3. Uses of the Library are expected to maintain an acceptable standard of personal hygiene. Unpleasant body odor, which may offend other patrons of the Library, is considered unacceptable. Shoes and shirts must be worn; bare feet are not permitted.
4. No one shall leave children unattended on Library premises for any extended period of time.

5. No one shall sell or distribute any items on Library premises. Solicitation or contributions or signatures, or the conducting of surveys is prohibited.
6. Photographs shall not be taken on Library premises without the permission of the Library Administration and the permission of all Library users to be photographed.
7. All Library materials must be charged out in accordance with established procedures before being taken from Library premises.
8. All briefcases, oversize handbags, notebooks, carry-alls, overcoats, luggage, packages, and shopping bags are subject to inspection by the Library's authorized personnel.
9. Library staff may request users to show their Library cards or other appropriate identification.
10. Animals, other than guide dogs for the visually impaired, are not permitted in Library buildings.

Failure to comply with one or more of the Library's established regulations may result in exclusion from Library premises and/or suspension of Library privileges.

Exception to these regulations may be made only for Library-sponsored activities.