

Library Rules of Conduct

The Beaver Dam Community Library Board of Trustees and its designated representatives, have the right to establish and enforce regulations (**WI Statute 43.52(2)**) that will allow the Library to provide services, maintain the collection, and ensure an atmosphere within its facilities to the benefit of the greatest number of users. Upon request, patrons will be required to show their library cards or other identification to library staff and may be asked to sign in. Anyone who disregards these regulations is subject to removal from the library and/or restriction of library privileges.

Specific inappropriate conduct inside the library or on library grounds includes but is not limited to:

- Committing or attempting to commit any activity that would constitute a crime or violation of City or County ordinances and Wisconsin Statutes.
- Misrepresenting identity and/or eligibility for services;
- Eating food and drinking beverages in prohibited areas
- All smoking or tobacco use as defined in Municipal Code 46.9. Includes the use of electronic nicotine delivery systems (and similar vaporizing devices, even if nicotine is not being inhaled by the user) such as a vape or an e-cig.
- Possessing, selling, distributing, consuming or being under the influence of any alcoholic or other regulated or illegal substance.
- Possessing, carrying, selling, distributing, displaying or using any dangerous weapon including guns and knives, as defined in Municipal Code 50.3.
- Loitering or interfering with free passage,
- Panhandling, soliciting, interviewing, canvassing, or surveying;
- Behaving in a disorderly, abusive, boisterous or loud manner;
- Harassing, fighting, bullying, threatening, physically harming, or interfering with staff or customers;
- Sleeping or napping;
- Remaining in the library after its regular closing time;
- Using cell phones, audio or personal equipment in a way that disturbs others or interferes with library service;
- Violating computer use and equipment policies;
- Damaging, defacing, destroying, or stealing library property or equipment;
- Using library restroom facilities for inappropriate purposes such as loitering, changing clothes, graffiti, bathing, etc.;
- Failing to wear a shirt or shoes;
- Skateboarding, rollerblading, bicycling on library walkways and in parking areas;
- Littering, dumping trash or placing items in library dumpsters;
- Throwing of any object;
- Bringing animals as defined in Municipal Code Chapter 10 Section 10-4 or vehicles into the library, except as required by persons with disabilities;
- Moving furniture without the express consent of library staff or use of furniture in any manner that may damage the furniture, to include placing feet on the furniture; and
- Bringing excessive items and/or failing to keep personal belongings to one self.

For our customer's health and community's safety the activities listed are prohibited.

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