



Alamosa Public Library Patron Behavior Policy
Promulgated Pursuant to § 11-45(a) of the *Code of Ordinances of the City of Alamosa*

It is the right of all persons to have access to the offices (excluding staff offices) and services in the Library to conduct their business. City staff and every member of the public all have the responsibility to act courteously toward all other persons, to act respectfully with regard to the property of the City and of other persons, to follow the policies and rules of this facility, and not to cause a disturbance that interrupts the use of the Library by others as a place peacefully to conduct their business. By way of illustrating this standard of conduct, the following activities are prohibited in the Library:

Objectionable behavior includes but is not limited to the following:

- Engaging in any behavior that constitutes a crime
- Doing anything that could result in injury to yourself or others
- Bringing or consuming food or beverages other than for authorized functions.
- Damaging property of the City or of other customers. Damage, defacement, or theft of any Library materials.
- Use of skateboards, roller blades, skate shoes, or scooters inside the Library.
- Infringing on the right of others to use the Library peacefully
- Harassing or intimidating other customers or staff members
- Engaging in sexual conduct or ostentatious displays of affection
- Photographing, filming, or recording other persons without their consent other than to document the interaction of the person recording the interaction with city staff
- Engaging in rowdy behavior or loud or prolonged conversations or laughter that can be heard by others. Making disturbing noises, including loud or prolonged crying
- All cell phone conversations must be taken into a study room with a closed door or taken outside the library.
- Unhygienic behavior such as spitting, clipping nails, or changing diapers in public areas.
- Inappropriate dress, such as bathing suits and wet clothing or not wearing pants, shirt or shoes
- Use of obscene language
- Use or possession of drugs or alcohol
- Using electronic devices with volume or ring tone loud enough to disturb others
- Bringing animals into the Library except service animals for disability aid
- Soliciting or selling items in the library without City consent
- Canvassing for petitions, nomination papers or other purposes or soliciting or surveying not authorized by the Library
- Using City or personal computers or other electronic devices to view pornographic or adult material
- Sleeping on the floor or furniture, or anywhere within 25 feet of the exterior of City Hall or in the library

- Failing to maintain a standard of personal hygiene (offensive body odor, bringing vermin-infested clothing and personal effects into the Library)
- Use of restrooms for sleeping, bathing, shaving, washing hair or otherwise as facilities for conducting activities of personal hygiene
- Smoking or using smokeless tobacco or devices inside the Library or anywhere within 25 feet of the front (south and southwest facing) exterior of City Hall.

- Pursuant to Section 29-11.7-104, Colorado Revised Statutes, and a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Alamosa, the open carry of any firearm or handgun is prohibited in City Hall/Library, other than for law enforcement officers in the execution of their duties

Parents or guardians are responsible to see that their children observe these rules.

Staff members will ask any person to correct their behavior or to leave if they do not behave in accordance with these standards, and may request the police to assist with people who do not comply, including requesting the issuance of criminal citations.

Any person who interferes with another's efforts to avail himself or herself of the purpose and function of Library may be prohibited from further use of Library except as minimally required to conduct necessary business, either temporarily or permanently. Any decision revoking a person's privilege of access to Library shall be made by the Library Manager in consultation with the Director of Parks and Recreation, and shall be communicated to such person in writing.

Any person whose privilege of access has been rescinded for more than six months may have the decision reviewed by the Personnel Board by filing a request for review in writing with the City Manager within 10 days of the date of the written decision revoking such privilege.

*Adopted
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