

# BEHAVIOR RULES

**Disruptive, threatening, or unsafe behavior is not tolerated in or on library premises and may result in the suspension of library privileges for up to one year.**

## **Prohibited Behaviors:**

1. Harassing, intimidating, or disrupting staff, volunteers, or other customers.
2. Failure to comply with directions given by library or security staff acting in the performance of their duties. Interfering with the performance of staff duties or other operations of the library.
3. Physical abuse or threat of physical harm; behaving in a threatening, intimidating, or violent manner toward any individual or group; or behaving in a manner that creates the potential of physical injury to oneself or others; or any form of unwanted touching or physical contact of another person.
4. Sexual misconduct: engaging in any action that is sexually inappropriate or offensive including viewing sexually explicit images in view of others.
5. Committing or attempting to commit any activity that constitutes a violation of any federal, state, or local criminal statute or ordinance.
6. Openly carrying a firearm or carrying a concealed firearm without a concealed firearm permit issued by the State of Colorado.
7. Openly carrying a knife or possessing other weapons or objects that could be used as weapons.
8. Possessing illegal drugs, marijuana, or open or unsealed containers of alcoholic beverages.
9. Intoxication from drugs or alcohol resulting in observable behaviors that pose a risk to self or others or present an obstacle to the use and enjoyment of District facilities by others.
10. Use of tobacco or products containing tobacco or use of any form of smoking device inside library facilities or within 20 feet of entryways.
11. Violating the District's Public Access to the Internet/Wireless Policy.
12. Use of the interior spaces of any Library District facility for activities not specifically authorized and arranged through Library management, including but not limited to:
  - a) Sales, soliciting, marketing, conducting surveys, or similar activities.
  - b) Distributing leaflets, flyers, or other material inside a library building.
13. Property damage: intentionally destroying, damaging, defacing, or vandalizing library property; threatening to damage such property.
14. Possession of any animals except service animals (as recognized by the ADA) or as otherwise authorized by library staff.
15. Sleeping in library facilities. Exception: this rule shall not apply to young children.
16. Poor hygiene: posing a health, safety or sanitary risk or having bodily hygiene that detracts from the enjoyment of the library by others or damages District property.
17. Improperly using library restrooms, including, but not limited to, bathing, shaving, and washing hair or clothing.
18. Using library buildings with bare feet or a bare chest. Shoes must be worn at all times. Babies are exempted from the bare feet rule.
19. Entering library buildings with bare feet or a bare chest. Babies are exempted from the bare feet rule.
20. Bringing shopping carts and other large, wheeled carts, bicycles, scooters, and other forms of mobile transportation not protected under the ADA into the library. Strollers and small, wheeled carts are allowed. Rollerblading and skateboarding inside the library is NOT permitted.
21. Leaving personal items unattended, including packages, backpacks, luggage, and any portable electronic devices (cellular telephones, tablets, laptops, etc.).
22. Blocking walkways, entryways, exits, access to the collection, or impeding other customers' use of the library, including outdoor book drops with personal items such as small carts or backpacks.

## **UNATTENDED CHILDREN**

Unattended children must exhibit adequate maturity to use library facilities appropriately. See Library District policy 4.5, "Unattended Children" ([PoudreLibraries.org/policy/pdf/4.5.pdf](https://poudrelibraries.org/policy/pdf/4.5.pdf)).

## **SPACES DESIGNATED FOR YOUTH**

Library staff and security personnel may ask adults using spaces intended for youth to vacate as needed.

*A patron may appeal a suspension decision. See suspension form for details.*