



Code of Conduct

The following actions and forms of conduct are not permitted in the library or on library property:

1. Any behavior which is disruptive, disturbing, or potentially harmful, or violent to others.
 2. Engaging in loud conversation or other disruptive activity.
 3. Abuse of library building or property, including equipment, materials, and furniture.
 4. Unsafe behavior or unauthorized or improper use of any library parking area or any library property.
 5. Animals in library buildings, except properly identified service animals or animals used in library programming.
 6. Any conduct or action that violates any library or county policies.
 7. Unauthorized use of photographic equipment to photograph staff, patrons, or library property.
 8. Loitering or sleeping, or refusal to leave library at closing.
 9. Interfering with the free movement and safety of individuals or library operations. Bringing in bulky, cumbersome, or large personal items that impede safe movement.
 10. Consumption or use of any food, beverage, or tobacco in library buildings. Possession of open food or drink (except bottled water or spillproof beverage containers).
 11. Inappropriate or inadequate attire (shirt and shoes are required). Having offensive bodily odors.
 12. Improper use of restrooms. No bathing allowed.
 13. Solicitation or selling of any kind or posting of unauthorized materials.
 14. Unauthorized use of meeting areas or any non-public area including unscheduled meetings.
 15. Use of libraries for child-attending services. All children age 6 and under must be accompanied by a responsible person age 16 or older. No child under age 11 will be left at a library facility for any period of time without a responsible party on the premises.
 16. Intentionally damaging, destroying, or stealing any library property or a patron's or employee's property.
 17. Sexual activity of any kind, sexual abuse, sexual harassment, exhibitionism, or indecent exposure.
 18. Refusal to leave library property after being asked to leave, being banned, or after a trespass warrant has been issued.
 19. Any disorderly conduct, including fighting, challenging to fight, communicating threats, or provoking violence.
 20. Any harassment, hostile behavior, or use of abusive language towards library staff or patrons.
 21. Carrying weapons of any type.
 22. Possession, consumption, or under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs on library property.
 23. Any illegal acts or conduct in violation of Federal, State, or local law, ordinance, or regulation.
- A person conducting any of the above actions will, after warning by library personnel or security guards, be asked to leave the library property, and will be subject to being reported to local law enforcement.
- Unanimously adopted by the Lexington County Library Board at its regular meetings January 26, 1993, July 25, 1995, and July 25, 2011.