

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ROUSES POINT DODGE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

In order to maintain a safe and welcoming environment for reading, learning and other Library activities, The Rouses Point Dodge Memorial Library requires all visitors to comply with the following General Rules and Regulations:

The following are NOT allowed at The Rouses Point Dodge Memorial Library:

- Engaging in conduct that disrupts or interferes with normal operation of the Library, or that disturbs staff or other Library visitors. Such conduct includes:
 - Harassing or threatening behavior.
 - Using obscene or abusive language or gestures.
 - Making unreasonable noise, including talking on a cell phone or otherwise.
- Engaging in sexual conduct or lewd behavior.
- Having a knife, gun or any other weapon.
- Smoking.
- Eating or drinking except in designated areas.
- Using alcohol or illegal drugs.
- Sleeping in the Library or at the Library's entrance.
- Making unreasonable use of the restroom, including laundering clothes and bathing.
- Soliciting, petitioning or canvassing.
- Selling any goods or services.
- Using a bicycle, skates, skateboard, scooter, or anything like them.
- Bringing in an animal, unless it is assisting a person with a disability.
- Damaging, defacing, or misusing any Library materials or property. This includes disabling Library equipment, changing the hardware or software or settings on a Library computer, or using a Library computer for a purpose other than that designated by the Library.
- Engaging in any activity in violation of federal, state, local or other applicable law or Library policies.

Please also be aware that:

- The Library is not responsible for personal items that are lost, stolen, or damaged on Library premises.
- Visitors are not permitted to bring any large bags, bags with wheels, or shopping carts into the Library.
- Library staff can inspect any of your property when you come in or leave.
- You must wear clothing and shoes in the Library, and your body odor must not be so offensive that it disturbs others.
- Some items in the Library cannot be copied because of copyright laws, poor condition, or donor restrictions.

Resource: The New York Public Library General Rules and Regulations at www.nypl.org

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- The Library is not responsible for children who are left unattended on Library Premises: please see the Library's "Unattended Children Policy>"
- Library staff can ask visitors to show their Library cards or other ID at any time.
- Large groups that want to visit the Library have to get permission before they visit.
- Photography and recording are not allowed on Library premises without prior permission.

Visitors with disabilities may ask Library staff for reasonable accommodations.

Visitors who do not follow the Library's General Rules and Regulations can be asked to leave and can lose their Library privileges. They can also be arrested or be subject to other legal action.

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