

PRIVILEGES AND ACCOUNT COLLECTION

As stewards of city property, the Library Board encourages those who have overdue or lost/damaged unpaid items to return those items and pay the fine or to reimburse the Library for their loss or damage. In accordance to the powers of the Library Board under section 51-211 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the Library Board instructs the Library Director to suspend the borrowing privileges of any person who has over \$10.00 in (a) unpaid fines for overdue library materials, (b) outstanding overdue library materials or (c) unpaid assessments for lost or damaged library materials.

The Library Board of the Columbus Public Library recognizes its on-line registration records are confidential in nature and are to be accessed only when needed. It is further understood that in the process of registering a library patron, the data will be entered into the shared on-line Consortium database. Member libraries will have access to a patron's address and can use that information to contact a patron about fines owed and materials not returned to the member libraries.

When a cardholder turns 19, he or she may sign for his or her own card regardless of having accrued fines as a minor which are the responsibility of the signatory at that time.

Persons in a bankruptcy situation will be handled on a case by case basis after providing the paperwork proving they went through bankruptcy and named the City/Library as a creditor in the bankruptcy action.

The Library Director may limit the number of patron checkouts at his/her discretion.

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This policy is a consolidation of the following policies, due to repetition and overlap in subject: "Denial of Library Card to Applicant with Fines or charges at Another Library in the One-Library Consortium;" "Overdues and Circulation;" and "Suspension of Borrowing Privileges." Revised 06/09/2011, 11/10/2011, 03/08/2012, revised and renamed 06/14/2012, revised 7/9/2015