

## **RULES GOVERNING THE CONDUCT OF PATRONS OF THE SANTA FE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

The Library Board has established these Rules of Conduct so that library users and staff have a clean, pleasant, and safe environment. We need your cooperation to reach this goal.

*The following are not permitted in the library:*

- Smoking, any use of tobacco products, eating, drinking (except water), solicitation, panhandling, sleeping
- Bicycles, roller skates, skateboards, rolling shoes
- Unattended personal property
- Animals (except service animals or animals in programs sponsored by the Library)
- Unsupervised children 9 years of age or younger (must be accompanied at all times by a person 13 years or older)
- Inappropriate personal hygiene or attire (footwear and shirt required)
- Taking photographs or video without the express permission of the subject(s)
- Disruptive behavior or disrespect of the rights of other patrons and staff
- Damage or misuse of library property
- Sexual misconduct, including the viewing or display of sexually explicit materials
- Alcohol, weapons, activities prohibited by law

**RULE VIOLATIONS:** Any patron not abiding by these or other rules and regulations of the library may be asked to leave the library premises. Library employees will contact the Santa Fe Police Department if deemed advisable. Any patron who repeatedly violates the library rules and regulations, or who is disruptive, or who engages in criminal behavior on the library premises shall be denied the privilege of access to the library for a period of one (1) to 180 days (6 months) by the Manager or Librarian in charge. Any patron whose privileges have been denied may have the decision reviewed by the Library Director.

The posting of these rules does not prohibit the enforcement of any applicable federal law, New Mexico statutes, or Santa Fe City ordinances as necessary.

SFPL Rules of Conduct Committee  
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