

**Lynchburg Public Library  
Policy Manual**

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**STANDARDS OF CONDUCT – Adult Services**

The Lynchburg Public Library (LPL) Standards of Conduct Policy serves three primary purposes:

1. To protect the rights and safety of all library customers;
2. To protect the rights and safety of all library staff members;
3. To protect library materials, facilities, and property.

LPL supports the rights of all customers to free and equal access to information and use of the library without discrimination, intimidation, threat of harm, or invasion of privacy. LPL is dedicated to providing an enjoyable, clean, safe, and comfortable environment for all customers.

**The following behaviors are not permitted on Lynchburg Public Library property.**

- Conducting meetings or interviews without prior authorization; community meeting space may be rented for this purpose
- Displaying intoxication or other disorderly conduct
- Excessively loud phone conversations
- Eating or drinking (drinks allowed in closed containers only)
- Extreme body odor or other strong smells
- Harassing, touching, or threatening patrons and/or staff
- Leaving children unattended
- Misusing and/or damaging library property
- Public Displays of Affection – Excessive displays of affection are inappropriate behavior for the Library.
- Running
- Sleeping or napping
- Aimless/restless roaming, loitering
- Large objects such as carts, bicycles and luggage may not be brought into library facilities.
- Smoking or use of any tobacco products including e-cigarettes
- Soliciting: petitions, surveys, donations, etc.
- Talking loudly or making excessive noise
- Cursing, swearing and/or abusive language
- Using cameras
- Abusing computer privileges
- Animals, other than service animals

**Violations may result in the suspension or limitation of library privileges.**

Please note:

- Shirts and shoes are required in the library at all times.
- Library patrons must keep personal belongings with them at all times.
- The library is not responsible for unattended items.

For reporting problems refer to **Incident Communication Policy**.