For the purposes of these rules, library premises includes the library buildings and surrounding areas, and for Central Library, the reading garden, café, lobbies and walkway to attached garage. Violation of these rules will subject an individual to exclusion from the library premises or other appropriate action.

- Be respectful and courteous to others.
- Library property and equipment must be used for its intended purpose.
- Proper attire, including shirt and shoes, and personal hygiene are required.
- Face masks are not permitted except for face-coverings worn for medical or religious purposes.
- Adjust headphone volume so that others are not disturbed. Talk in moderate tones.
- Use cell phones in a quiet and respectful manner. Set ring tones on vibrate when using the library.
- Accompany and supervise young children at all times.
- Use library restrooms for their intended purpose - no bathing, shaving, drug use, or laundry allowed.
- Authorized service animals are permitted in the library; pets are not permitted.
- Non-alcoholic beverages in covered containers are permitted in most areas of the library; all other food and beverages must be consumed in designated eating areas.
- Unauthorized consumption of alcoholic beverages is not permitted on library premises.
- All forms of smoking and vaping are not permitted inside the library or within 100 feet of any library entrance.
- Possession, use and/or sale of drugs is not permitted on library premises.
- Library entrances, exits, stairways, and aisles may not be blocked.
- Unattended backpacks, luggage, and packages are subject to search.
- Bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards, and scooters may not be ridden in library buildings. Bicycles and scooters must be secured outside the building.
- Unlawful behavior or behavior that disrupts library use or that threatens library patrons or staff is not permitted.

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