

EAST HAMPTON LIBRARY CONDUCT ON LIBRARY PROPERTY POLICY

It is the intent of the East Hampton Library to provide an atmosphere conducive to reading, studying and the legitimate use of its materials and services. For this reason, any behavior that disrupts the orderly use of the Library or that affects the Staff's ability to provide the public service is not permitted.

As a condition for the use of the Library premises, Library patrons and visitors who enter or remain at the Library, agree to be subject to these rules and regulations. Failure to comply with the same shall constitute grounds for immediate ejection as a trespasser, suspension of Library borrowing privileges or right to enter the Library premises for up to one year and other action as deemed appropriate by the Library Director, including financial remuneration for damages. The Library Director or his/her designee is empowered to enforce the rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Managers.

All Library patrons and visitors on Library property must adhere to all rules and regulations outlined in the Library's *COVID-19 Re-Opening Safety Plan*. The rules and regulations in the *COVID-19 Re-Opening Safety Plan* supersede the rules and regulations set forth in this policy and will be enforced as long as the East Hampton Library Board of Managers deem necessary.

All Library patrons and visitors will be required to wear a face covering and maintain 6 ft. of space from others at all times while on Library property. Failure to comply will constitute grounds for immediate ejection and other action deemed appropriate by the Library Director.

This is a public building and all personal items such as electronic devices, pocketbooks, backpacks and briefcases should be kept by your person at all times. The Library is not liable for unattended items. Use of the parking lot is at your own risk.

Abusive, threatening and/or disruptive behavior will not be tolerated at the East Hampton Library. The Library Director is authorized to bar people from using the Library and/or restrict their access to the Library for failure to abide by Library rules. In certain cases the library staff may contact the police to intervene. The Library Board of Managers will be notified of any such actions at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

The Library shall indemnify and save harmless the Board of Managers, the Library Director, his/her designee, and any Library personnel, from any action, claim or proceeding instituted against such person arising out of the enforcement of these rules and regulations by such Library personnel.

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