



# Policy Manual

## PUBLIC

### P2: Charges for Overdue Materials, Damaged, Destroyed, or Lost Materials and Consumable Supplies

1. Due dates and overdue charges are intended to encourage patrons to bring back materials within reasonable periods of time. Fines for overdue materials will be charged at the rates stated in a Schedule of Loans, Fines, and Fees established by the Library Director. The current Schedule of Loans, Fines and Fees shall be available at all circulation desks and will be posted on the web site. The Library Director has the authority to change the Schedule of Loans, Fines and Fees.
2. Patrons shall be responsible for any fines, fees or other charges due in accordance with the Library's standard schedules. Failure to pay these fines may result in the suspension of borrowing privileges.
3. A charge will be levied for any damage incurred to library materials.
4. In the case of destroyed or lost materials, the amount charged will be the original cost of the item or the standard amount for the type of article as stated in the Schedule of Loans, Fines and Fees.
5. Abuse of library materials, policies and procedures may result in revocation or suspension of a patron's borrowing privileges. Revocation or suspension of borrowing privileges may result from repeated late return of materials, damage to or loss of materials by result of neglect or deliberate misuse, nonpayment of overdue fines or loss charges, and/or deliberate disregard of library policies and regulations.
6. Overdue materials are considered lost and will be billed to the patron 28 days after the due date. Payments for lost materials are not refundable.
7. All fines and fees must be paid in full prior to Library card renewal.

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Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark A. Sturing".

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