

Fort Dodge Public Library

Theft, Defacement or Alteration of Library Property, Materials, and Resources

Purpose

Fort Dodge Public Library has an obligation to protect its property so that all patrons have fair and equal access to the library and its materials.

General Policies

Intentionally removing library property or removing library materials and/or equipment without checking them out is prohibited and may result in loss of library privileges and may also require making restitution.

Intentionally mutilating, altering or damaging library facilities, materials, equipment, digital equipment, files, or other property may result in loss of library privileges and may also require making restitution.

The Library may seek prosecution of those alleged to have intentionally removed, mutilated, or willfully damaged library property to the extent provided by law.

Pertinent sections of the Iowa Code including, but not limited to:

714.5 Library materials and equipment — unpurchased merchandise — evidence of intention.

613.16 Parental responsibility for actions of children.

716 Damage and Trespass to Property

808.12 Detention and search in theft of library materials and shoplifting.

Pertinent sections of the Fort Dodge, Iowa Municipal Code including, but not limited to:

9.08.010 - Injuring or destroying public property.

Pertinent sections of the Iowa Code on different aspects of crime related to computers including, but not limited to:

622.51A Computer printouts.

702.1A Computer terminology.

714.1 Theft defined.

716.6B Unauthorized computer access — penalties — civil cause of action.

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