Lending Policies

A person 18 years or older who holds a valid Cranford Public Library card may borrow any materials the library lends. A person who holds a valid young adult Cranford Public Library card may borrow any materials the library lends, except mobile lending kits and museum passes. A person with a valid juvenile Cranford Public Library card may borrow any materials the library lends, except mobile lending kits, museum passes, and adult department videocassettes and DVDs.

Any renewable item, as long as it is not reserved for another library patron, will be renewed automatically up to two times. Items that are on reserve, including items that are normally renewable, may not be renewed.

Overdue fines apply for each day or part thereof that a museum pass or mobile lending kit is overdue.

Patrons will be billed a replacement cost for any item that is not returned within six weeks of its due date. The replacement cost of a lost or damaged item is the retail price listed in the library's circulation system. The cost for a lost or damaged interlibrary loan item is the amount charged by the library from which the item was obtained. If the price of a lost or damaged item is not known, the current average retail price for an item of the same material type will apply.

A full summary of lending policies is available at the main desk, the children's desk, and the reference desk. The summary includes information about item categories, loan periods, loan quantity limits, renewable items, items that may be reserved, items that are lendable to MURAL patrons, and other fees.

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