

## **700 Library Code of Conduct**

The Whistler Public Library seeks to provide a warm and welcoming environment to all of our patrons. In delivering on our vision to “Inspire Wonder” we seek to make the library an inviting and safe place where visitors can explore, create, connect to information, find inspiration and be entertained. We believe in treating patrons equally and with respect and we expect the same from our patrons in return.

### **701 Code of Conduct**

1. Be respectful of others in the library: patrons, visitors, staff and volunteers.
2. Dress appropriately: shoes and shirts must be worn.
3. The library is a public space, visitors are responsible for their personal belongings.
4. Use library furnishings, equipment and washrooms properly and for their intended purposes only.
5. Be careful and considerate of library property.
6. Behaviors that are not permitted include:
  - Threatening language, abusive or harassing behaviour or actions
  - Behaviour that disturbs others use of the library
  - Using physical force toward staff or other patrons
  - Being visibly under the influence of alcohol or drugs
  - Carrying weapons
  - Damage or theft of library materials, the facility or library property
  - Entering non-public areas unaccompanied by staff
  - Soliciting or panhandling

### **702 Safe Use of the Library by Children**

1. Children are an important part of the community the library serves and are encouraged to use the library and attend programs with the supervision of an adult.
2. Library staff cannot assume responsibility for children left unattended.
3. Children aged seven years or older are welcome to use the library independently, but should not be left for substantial periods of time.
4. In the event that a child is left unattended for a substantial period of time, the staff will attempt to contact parents or guardians.
5. If parents or guardians cannot be reached, library staff may call the RCMP to pick up a child.
6. In the event that children are in the facility after closing, the RCMP will be called to ensure their safety.