



**Rahway Public Library**

## **POLICY ON PUBLIC BEHAVIOR AND RULES OF CONDUCT**

**Library users are asked to comply with the following behavior guidelines:**

- Eating and drinking are not permitted in the library.
- The use of personal audio equipment that others can hear is not permitted
- Cell phone use is limited to the lobby area.
- Smoking and open flames are not permitted in the library.
- Carrying a weapon is not permitted unless authorized by law.
- Only those animals assisting a person with disability are permitted.
- Misusing the restrooms is prohibited.
- Talking loudly, making loud noise, or engaging in behavior disruptive to others in the library is not permitted.
- Interfering with another person's use of the library, or with the staff performance of their duties is not permitted.
- Shoes and clothing covering the body must be worn in the library.
- Sleeping in the library is not permitted.

*Individuals who are not complying after being reminded of the rules, may be ejected from the premises by library personnel or security personnel. The Rahway Police may be called if library staff find it necessary.*

*Children of school age unaccompanied by an adult may be asked to produce a library card or school identification card. Children 8 years and younger cannot be left unattended in the Children's Department.*

*Library privileges may be terminated temporarily or permanently for the above or for:*

- Damaging or misusing library property including writing or carving on library furniture or fixtures, rearranging library furniture or fixtures, misusing library computers
- Threatening, harming, or intimidating library staff or users with verbal or physical aggression
- Stealing library property

**Adopted by the Board of Trustees: March 21, 2006**