

Fryeburg Public Library

Donation/Gifted Book Policy

FPL greatly appreciates donations of items offered by generous members of the community. At this time, the Library is only able to accept the following materials donations:

- Books on the current best-sellers lists and award winners
- Current books by Maine authors
- Books of local history and genealogy

The Library can accept only new and used materials that are clean and in good condition (as determined by Library staff). If the Library owns sufficient copies of a particular item or doesn't have use for a donated item, patrons may be requested to donate the item(s) to another recipient.

The Library is not accepting the following materials:

- Toys
- Encyclopedias older than three years
- Outdated and/or in poor condition books/items
- Computer manuals older than two years

While the Fryeburg Public Library is not able to provide an appraisal of the value of donated books and other materials, the Library may provide an acknowledgement of receipt of the materials. Patrons wishing to claim a deduction on their tax returns for donation purposes should have the fair market value of the materials established prior to donation. For further information on non-cash Contributions, see IRS Publication 526 entitled "Charitable Contributions."

Materials not added to Library circulation may be placed on the Library's free book shelf, where patrons may acquire free books or placed in the book sale where proceeds go toward the library book fund.

Donated materials cannot be accepted if patrons wish to place conditions or restrictions on the use of the materials. All donations become the property of the Fryeburg Public Library, to add to the Library collection or dispose of as determined by qualified Library staff