

PURPOSE

The Fryeburg Public Library (FPL) seeks to preserve privacy for circulation, borrower registration, and usage records of its patrons.

DEFINITIONS

Patron – any FPL visitor

POLICY

The FPL abides by Maine Statute Title 27, Chapter 4A section 121 Confidentiality of Library Records which states that the records of patron transactions and the identity of registered library patrons is confidential material. The Fryeburg Public Library does not make available the records of patron transactions to any party except in compliance with the law, nor make available lists of registered patrons except in compliance with the law. Except during the actual period of transaction (circulation, maintenance of record on unpaid fines, reservation of materials), records will be expunged when the information is no longer needed or upon expiration of any records retention requirements. Nothing in this policy shall prevent authorized library personnel from using library records in the administration of their regular duties. Any employee or volunteer who discloses information in violation of this policy commits an offense and is subject to disciplinary action and may be subject to criminal prosecution.