

## Resource Sharing

### Purpose

The purpose of this resource sharing policy is to ensure compliance with the Libraries Act Regulation 7(2) and that library users have a wide range of access to library materials.

### Desired Outcomes

Library users have equitable access to library and information resources.

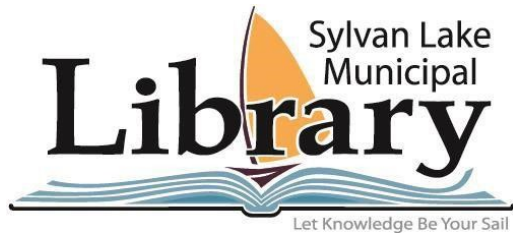
### Definitions

#### The Libraries Act Regulation 7(2):

Every Board that operates a library service point shall, in addition to establishing policies under subsection (1), establish policies with respect to the following:

(c) resource sharing, including participation in a provincial resource sharing network and the conditions that apply to the acquisition of library resources and information from other sources, including inter-library loans and information in electronic databases.

1. The Board is committed to reciprocal Library resource sharing.
2. The Library actively participates in resource-sharing programs and services, including but not limited to the provincial interlibrary loan program, and Alberta-wide borrowing programs such as ME Libraries.
3. In accordance with the Libraries Act, the Library will not charge a fee for acquiring items from other libraries. However, any charge to the Library from the lending library will be passed on to the borrower.
4. The Board will not charge another member library for the interlibrary loan service.
5. The Library will work with other libraries in Alberta, the Public Library Services Branch, Parkland Regional Library System, and The Alberta Library (TAL), to access electronic resources through subscriptions, licensing, or direct purchasing.



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