

Trumbull Library Food and Drink Policy

The Library is committed to providing a clean and safe environment conducive to learning. This *Food and Drink Policy* provides guidelines by which library users can enjoy snacks and drinks without infringing on the rights of others or risking damage to library facilities and collections.

Drinks and light snacks are permitted in the Library with the following conditions:

1. Drinks must be in covered containers.
2. No alcoholic beverages, except as allowed at a Library-approved event, are permitted.
3. Light snacks include:
 - a. Vending machine-type foods, such as candy, small bags of chips, nuts, and dried fruit.
 - b. Similar items in single-serving amounts, packaged and brought from home.
4. The following kinds of foods are **not allowed** in the Library:
 - a. Meals, hot food, food with strong odors.
 - b. Messy food [anything that can drip grease, sauce, fillings, condiments, etc.].
 - c. Any food eaten with utensils.
 - d. Food deliveries to the Library are not allowed.
5. All users must dispose of their trash responsibly and clean up after themselves. Please report spills and stains to Library staff as soon as possible.
6. Unattended food and drink will be discarded.

Regulation

Failure to comply with these regulations may result in expulsion from a library program or facility, suspension of library privileges. The library will seek financial restitution for any damages and other expenses as a result of failure to comply with this policy. Exceptions to the items above may be made at the discretion of the Library Director.

This “Food & Drink Policy” is subject to change at the discretion of the Trumbull Library Board of Trustees. In accordance with the General State Statutes of Connecticut, Section 11-33. The Library Board of Trustees... “shall make and adopt (1) bylaws, rules and regulations for the government of the library and reading room, and (2) policies and rules regarding Internet usage and content accessible by patrons of the library and reading room on computers and other electronic devices provided by the library and reading room.”

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