

<b>RAINY RIVER PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>		
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This policy establishes the library's rules for membership.

1. Library memberships are available at no charge for residents of the following areas:
  - a. The Town of Rainy River
  - b. The Township of Dawson
  - c. The Township of Lake of the Woods
  - d. The Township of Morley
2. Subject to renewal of applicable agreements, membership are available at no charge for:
  - a. Borrowers of the Big Grassy River First Nation Public Library
  - b. Borrowers of the Arrowhead Regional Library in Baudette, Minnesota, USA
3. A resident is defined as someone who lives in or pays taxes to one of the listed areas.
4. Residents of unorganized townships (including Nelles, Pratt, Spohn, and Sutherland) or any other areas of the Territorial District of Rainy River not currently contracting with the library board may purchase memberships at an annual fee of \$25 per family. This fee covers costs for all cards in the immediate family of the applicant.
5. Non-resident visitors to the region, including those renting cottages on a temporary basis, may purchase a seasonal membership for \$10 plus a deposit of \$15. The deposit shall be refunded (less any outstanding late fines) when the card is returned to the library.
6. To obtain a card, applicants shall provide photo ID or other identification acceptable to library staff listing a current mailing address and 911 fire number (or lot/concession/section and geographic township). Applicants must also provide a contact telephone number.
7. Library staff shall verify membership information once every two years.
8. Members in good standing are entitled to use all services and collections of the Rainy River Public Library in accordance with library policies.
9. The onus is on applicants to provide accurate address, residency and telephone information to the library. Failure to provide accurate information (including geographic township of residence), or to update membership records, may result in the temporary or permanent suspension of membership at the discretion of the CEO.
10. Non-members of the library may make use of collections and services without charge only as provided by the *Public Libraries Act* and its associated regulations.
11. Children under the age of 16 must have a parent or guardian co-sign their membership. The co-signer is jointly responsible for the good standing of the library account.