

The Wolfeboro Public Library (WPL), in compliance with Federal and State laws and regulations that include the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504) does not discriminate based on disability in admission or access to, or in the administration of, its programs, services, and activities for the public.

SERVICES, COLLECTIONS AND EQUIPMENT

The WPL facility is wheelchair accessible. Whenever possible, the library will make reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities to provide an equal opportunity to enjoy and participate in the programs, services, and activities offered. Upon request, the library staff will assist with the retrieval of books. WPL holdings include several collections that may assist patrons with disabilities, including downloadable audiobooks, eBooks, DVDs with subtitles and closed captioning, Mango language learning materials (80+ languages including American Sign Language) and large print collections. To assist patrons when they visit, the WPL has been awarded the "Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities" grant from the American Library Association to purchase a mobility scooter and rollator and to enhance access to the large print collection and public areas.

USE OF SCOOTER AND ROLLATOR

The purpose of the scooter or electric wheelchair, and rollator procedure is to provide direction to staff and patrons regarding the use of these adaptive devices, to ease movement about the facility for those with mobility concerns. Both devices are to be used to access all public areas. There is a 350 lb. weight limit for each device.

SCOOTER-An electrically powered wheelchair designed for people with restricted mobility.

1. The patron should reserve the scooter at least the day before desired use.
2. The patron may utilize the scooter to access all public areas and to use at their own risk.
3. The patron must be able to get on/off the scooter independently and learn the feel of the speed.
4. The patron may use the scooter up to 2 hours per day.
5. The scooter seat and handlebars must be wiped down by the patron (if possible) after each use.
6. The scooter will be kept in the kitchen between uses and the door may be unlocked only by staff.
7. Staff are NOT to assist patrons with access beyond verbal directions.

ROLLATOR-A walker with wheels and brakes, seat and basket.

1. The patron should reserve the rollator at least the day before desired use.
2. The patron may utilize the rollator for up to 2 hours per day and to use at their own risk.
3. The patron may use the rollator to access all public areas.
4. The scooter seat and handlebars must be wiped down by the patron (if possible) after each use.
5. The rollator will be kept in the kitchen between uses and the door may be unlocked only by staff.
6. Staff are NOT to assist patrons with access beyond verbal directions.

SERVICE ANIMALS

Only service animals are allowed in the library in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and NH RSA 167-D. Other live animals are not allowed in the facility unless associated with a library program or activity.

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