

GILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY
DOG POLICY

The Gilford Public Library is a dog-friendly public space. To ensure the rights of all patrons, however the following rules must be followed:

- 1) Dogs visiting the library must be leashed (no retractable leads) and under their handlers' control.
- 2) Dogs may visit for only brief periods, up to 20 minutes. Dogs cannot attend programs or presentations.
- 3) Handlers are responsible for any damage or accidents their dogs may cause.
- 4) Dogs that are service dogs are exempted from these guidelines. Service dogs as defined by Title II and Title III of the ADA are dogs that are trained to perform "work or tasks" in the aid of a disabled person. Emotional support dogs do not qualify as service dogs.

Any patron experiencing a problem or inconvenience due to a dog should immediately report the situation to library staff.