



## **Library of Things Borrowing Policy**

Equipment is used at the sole risk of the borrower. The Library makes no representation or warranty as to the fitness for use or condition of the items. Borrowers are responsible for reading and abiding by all manufacturer's recommendations, warnings, and instructions for use.

Equipment must be returned to the South Burlington Public Library Circulation Desk only. Items must be returned intact, clean, in working order, and complete (including all accessories, parts, manuals, and packaging provided when borrowed). If any of the Library's property is lost or damaged, borrowers agree to provide the cost of a repair or replacement.

The Library reserves the right to take equipment out of circulation temporarily to support a library program or for repair or maintenance. Library staff may limit the number of repeat loans of a specific item to one household in the interest of ensuring fair access for all library patrons.

A valid library card with no outstanding fines and no lost or billed items is required for checkout. All borrowers must sign a liability waiver to check out any LoT items besides board games.

## **Borrowing Policy Overview**

- Borrowers must have a valid SBPL, Homecard, or nonresident library card in good standing.
- Patrons under the age of 18 must have a parent or guardian sign the Library of Things Waiver. Parents/guardians should review the list of items in the Library of Things on our website before signing and understand that by signing they are giving permission for their child to borrow any item in the LoT.
- Loan period is 14 days with no renewals.
- If the item is damaged, lost, or not returned within 21 days after the due date, the full replacement cost will be charged.
- Equipment must be returned to a librarian at the Circulation Desk. Equipment may NOT be returned in the book drop.
- Internet service to WiFi hotspots will be turned off if not returned by the due date.
- Any kitchen items must be returned thoroughly hand washed.
- Kindle borrowers must sign out of their Kindle/Amazon accounts before returning the Kindle to the Library.
- LoT items are not eligible for Interlibrary Loan.



## Library of Things Liability Waiver

In consideration of my or my designee's use of the equipment lent by the South Burlington Public Library, I hereby voluntarily release, discharge, waive, and hold harmless the South Burlington Public Library and its employees, the Board of Trustees, and the City of South Burlington and its employees from any loss, damage, or injury to persons or property arising from the equipment. In no event shall the Library be liable to me for indirect or consequential damages.

***Please initial each statement below:***

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to indemnify and hold the Library and its employees harmless from and against any liabilities, claims, actions, proceedings, damages, losses, costs, and expenses, including attorney's fees, for all injuries or death of any person, or damage to any property occurring or connected with, directly or indirectly, my possession, use, and return of the equipment.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am borrowing the equipment as-is. I acknowledge that I have examined the equipment and that its condition is acceptable. I agree to keep and maintain the equipment in good condition, use it in a careful and appropriate manner, and comply with all manufacturer recommendations.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that the Library does not provide supervision or instruction for use of the equipment. I understand and acknowledge that the use of certain equipment may involve a risk of serious injury. I agree to refrain from using the equipment in a manner inconsistent with its intended purpose.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that if I am signing on behalf of a minor child, I am giving permission for them to borrow any item in the Library of Things. **ADD**

I have read this Liability Waiver and my signature below indicates my agreement with the Library of Things Borrowing Policy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patron or Guardian (if under 18) Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Signature

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Date

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Library Staff Signature

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Date