

Resident & Non-Resident Borrowers Policy

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The Saxton B. Little Library (SBL) participates in the BorrowIt CT* and DeliverIT CT** reciprocal borrowing program. SBL Library honors the library cards of other Connecticut public libraries and uses the same borrowing parameters for non-residents as for residents, as our vendor contracts allow. The Saxton B. Little Free Library accepts the return of materials belonging to other Connecticut public libraries and returns them to the owning library via the DeliverIT CT delivery system. Library cards must be issued by the library in the patron's town of principal residence.

Every resident of Columbia is eligible to receive a library card from the Saxton B. Little Free Library. Proof of residency in the form of an item with an in town address is required for the issuing of and SBL Library card. Acceptance of this card signifies agreement to the policies of the Library.

Once issued, a resident's Saxton B. Little Library card may be used in all public libraries in Connecticut that participate in the BorrowIT CT reciprocal borrowing program. Use of a Saxton B. Little Free Library card at another library is subject to the rules of that library.

Residents of other Connecticut towns need to obtain a library card from their hometown library. They are then welcome to use their hometown card at the Saxton B. Little Free Library. This is in accordance with the Connecticut State Statues: Title 11, Section 3a., part e and BorrowIT CT guidelines. A person who comes to the library and does not have a card from his/her hometown library will be allowed to borrow materials at the discretion of the Library staff. In order to continue to use the Saxton B. Little Free Library, the patron must bring in a card from his/her hometown library.

Upon request, the Library may issue a non-resident a Saxton B. Little Free Library card for use only in the Saxton B. Little Free Library. If this is deemed necessary, "for in house use only" will be written on the Saxton card.

Interlibrary loan services are offered regardless of the residency of the user. All circulation rules apply to both residents and non-residents alike.

When a program has limited capacity, priority will be determined on a first come first served basis.

* 2016 revision – BorrowIT CT formerly named Connecticard by the State of Connecticut.

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