

PCPL 3.8-1 Suspension of Privileges for Health and Safety Reasons

It is the responsibility of the Pulaski County Public Library to maintain a healthy and clean environment for all Library users and to protect its investment in Library collections, equipment and property. In order to fulfill this responsibility, the Library may restrict a user's ability to borrow materials and/or to visit Library facilities when such use may jeopardize the health and cleanliness of Library facilities, collections and users. Examples of situations where borrowing of materials may be suspended include, but are not limited to:

- Evidence that items on loan to a customer may have been returned with insects that are known to be damaging to library materials, e.g. roaches, silverfish and some types of beetles
- Evidence that items on loan to a customer may have been returned with insects that can result in pest infestations in library facilities, e.g. bed bugs or roaches Examples of situations where access to Library facilities may be suspended include, but not be limited to:
 - Customers or customer possessions with fleas or lice
 - Customers with clothing that is stained with urine or feces. Should it become necessary to suspend Library privileges of a customer in order to protect Library collections, facilities or other users, notification of the suspension will be made by the person in charge of the Library in which the incident occurred.

First Offense: Verbal warning from Library Director or Librarian on the discovery of items returned with insects that can result in pest infestations in library facilities.

Second Offense: If a patron has already received a verbal warning as a first offense, and items are once again returned with insects that can result in pest infestation in library facilities, the patron will have their library privileges suspended for 60 days.

Third Offense: If a patron has processed through the first and second offenses, and continue to return material with insects that can result in pest infestation in library facilities, the patron will lose their privileges to visit the library for one (1) calendar year.

Any customer that has privileges suspended under the terms of this policy may request a re-evaluation of the suspension with the library Board of Trustees.