

Law Library Rules of Conduct: Prohibited Items

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Users must limit their carry-in items to those materials necessary to accomplish their legal research. To ensure free passage throughout the library, personal possessions must be stored completely under carrels or computer workstations. Items may not be left unattended.

In addition to the prohibited items listed below, the library reserves the right to limit the size and number of items brought into the library.

- Weapons of any kind. (CA Penal Code § 171b).
- Alcohol, marijuana, illegal drugs, and smoking or vaping paraphernalia.
- Bicycles, scooters, skateboards, skates, shopping carts, hand trucks/dollies or other large, wheeled conveyances. Wheelchairs, strollers, and mobility devices covered by the ADA are permitted if being used for the transport of an adult or child.
- Users must store all personal belongings, such as luggage, bags, backpacks, briefcases, purses, packages or parcels, completely beneath the carrel or computer workstation they are using to avoid creating a tripping hazard. Walkways, aisles and public areas must be kept clear at all times and unobstructed by personal items. Large objects such as carts, luggage, personal belongings, bags, or parcels that individually or collectively exceed 26" x 19" x 9" are prohibited.
- For health and safety, bedding, bedrolls, blankets and sleeping bags are not permitted in the library.
- Bugs or lice on your person, clothing, or personal items.
- Clothing or items that emit odors, including odors caused by scented products, that are pervasive, offensive, or disrupt others' ability to work, as determined by library staff and constitute a nuisance.
- Briefcases, backpacks, bags, packages, purses, and outer garments may be subject to inspection by library staff or security personnel for library materials at any time (CA Penal Code § 490.5).

To ensure an unobstructed view of patrons within the library, users may not place, stack or pile materials in a manner that prevents library staff or security personnel from viewing patron activity or impairs the line of sight for library staff or security personnel.

- Animals, except for service animals that are housebroken and under the control of their owner.
- By law, security personnel and library staff are permitted to ask the following questions about an animal brought into the library: 1. Is the dog (or other animal) a service animal required because of a disability? and 2. What work or task has it been trained to perform? (28 C.F.R. § 36.302(c)(6))
- Food and drink, except in rented library conference rooms and at sanctioned library events. Non-alcoholic beverages with secured lids are permitted in the library.
- Distributing or posting printed materials that have not been approved by the library.