



Town of Banff  
Public Library

Policy: LM 9 – Library Management  
Title: Food and Beverages in the Library Policy  
Motion No. 02/01/19-10  
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References: Reviewed in 2014 (2014/01/15/11)

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**Purpose:** To establish a policy guiding the consumption of food and beverages within the Library, outside of special events.

1. During regular library hours patrons may consume beverages and snacks in the lobby area, boardroom, and/or while seated in chairs in the main public area of the library.
2. Due to allergies, the library will post signage stating that nuts are not to be consumed on the premises. See Attachment 1 Food & Beverage poster.
3. Food and drink should not be taken into the computer area as per Public Code of Conduct Policy 3.2.13
4. Patrons have a responsibility to exercise care so that (a) their food and/or drink does not cause damage to the library or library materials and (b) they do not create a disturbance for other patrons.
5. Staff members are allowed food and drinks in the kitchen area, or in the office area of the library at the discretion of the Library Director. Staff members should not eat, drink, or chew gum at the front desk.
6. Board members, patrons and guests of the library attending a library event after hours can consume food and drinks in the library building.
7. The Banff Public Library reserves the right to limit this privilege on a case-by-case basis as deemed necessary.



## ATTACHMENT 1 – SAMPLE POSTER

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### FOOD AND BEVERAGE **ALLOWED** IN THE LIBRARY

**Patrons may consume beverages and snacks** in the lobby area, boardroom, and/or while seated in the main area of the library.

Due to allergies, **nuts are not to be consumed** on the premises.

Food and drink should **not be taken into the computer area**.

**Patrons have a responsibility** to exercise care so that

- a) Their food and/or drink does not cause damage to the library or library materials; and,
- b) They do not create a disturbance for other patrons.

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