

Dexter District Library Patron Personal Protective Equipment and Building Access Policy: An Addendum to the Patron Rules of Behavior

The Dexter District Library is dedicated to providing a healthy, safe environment for all visitors and staff members.

Due to the Public Health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, recommendations by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and requirements put in place by Executive Order and the Washtenaw County Health Department, all patrons wishing to enter the Dexter District Library are required to wear a face covering and practice appropriate social distancing.

“Face covering” can include any material worn on or over the face that provides a barrier from the top of the bridge of the nose to the chin. Masks and cloth coverings over the nose and mouth are acceptable.

Appropriate social distancing consists of maintaining a minimum six (6) foot distance between any persons not residing at the same household.

Patrons possessing face coverings, but not wearing them properly (masks hanging around the neck, or partially covering nose/mouth) are not compliant with his policy.

If a patrons are unable to comply with the policy, they are asked to call the Library ahead of their visit and speak to a staff member to arrange alternative accommodations.

This policy, as with other patron behavior policies, will be enforced in the manner described in the Library’s Rules of Behavior policy, available on the Library’s website at <https://dexter.lib.mi.us/about/library-policies/>.

Patrons refusing to comply with this policy will be asked to exit the Library.

This policy shall remain in effect until the altered by the Board of Trustees of the Dexter District Library.

Appeals to this policy may be made to the Library Director. For patrons unsatisfied with any resulting decision, the Library Director will provide instructions for direct appeal to the Board of Trustees.

Patron Social Distancing Requirements

In accordance with current Executive Order and Washtenaw County Health Department requirements, as well as recommendations from the CDC and MiOSHA, the Dexter District Library has implemented the following social distancing requirements that patrons must follow while in the Library building:

Patrons and family groups (including children) must remain 6 feet (or approximately 2 meters) away from staff, other patrons and family groups (including other children) using the Library. The Library has marked the floor in frequently used areas to assist in gauging appropriate distance. Please use these markings when approaching service areas.

Please comply with posted signage and visible markers while moving through the Library. Some changes have been made to alter traffic flow to reduce possible contact with other patrons and staff.

Masks or facial coverings must be worn at all times by all patrons while in the building. For patrons unable to tolerate face coverings, the Library will provide personalized curbside service.

Chairs at tables and other seating areas have been modified to reduce close contact. Please refrain from moving chairs or tables and disturbing covers or barriers.

Respect the staff and maintain 6 feet of distance. Keeping the staff healthy will ensure the Library remains open and accessible to the whole community.

Plexiglas barriers are there to protect patrons as well as staff, please do not walk around, or lean over these barriers.

Hand Sanitizer Bottles/Stations are located throughout the Library. Please utilize them as often as you wish.

If using Library equipment (computers, copiers, online catalog stations, etc.) patrons must notify staff when finished so equipment can be cleaned.

Public bathrooms are open. Please adhere to hygiene requirements and appropriately wash hands when using the bathroom. Please leave the stalls as you find them. Capacity of bathrooms may be limited. If there are any problems or concerns with the bathrooms, please notify available staff.

Interior return bins will be closed. Please return all materials to the outdoor return bins.

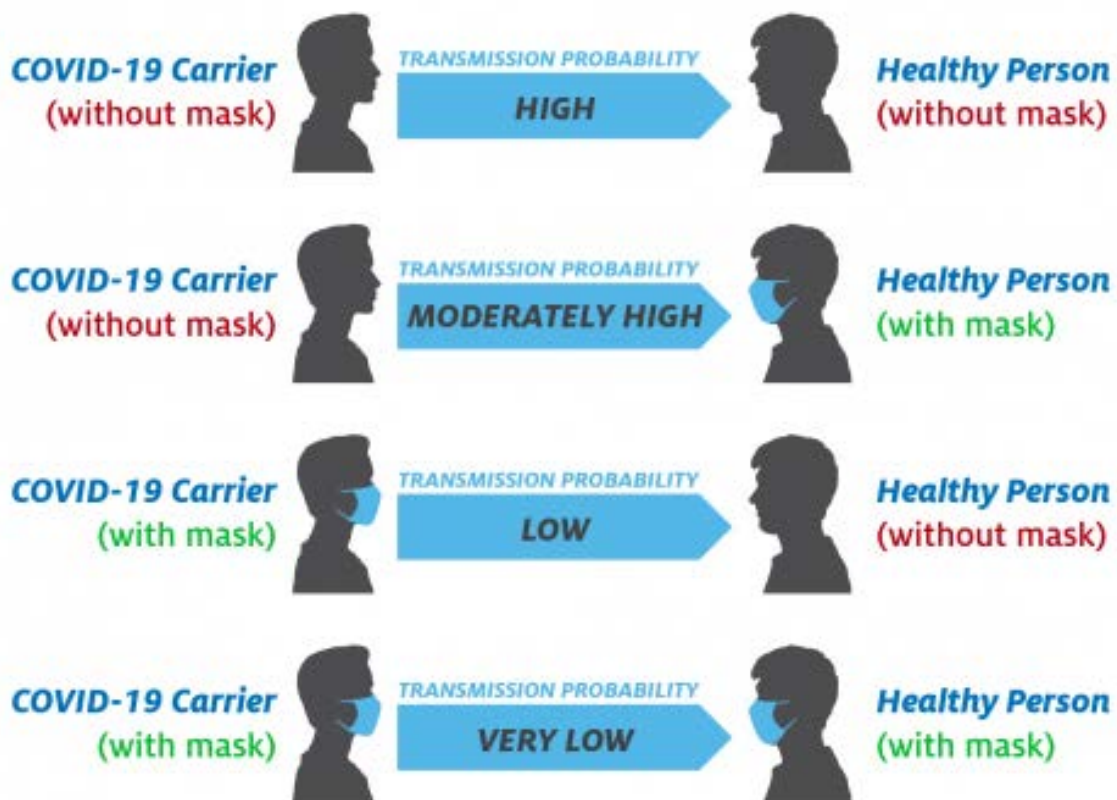
Anyone requiring assistance or accommodations with regard to these practices are requested to contact a Library staff member ahead of visiting the Library.

Patrons with questions regarding these policies are asked to contact the Library Director, Paul McCann, pmccann@dexter.lib.mi.us.

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WEAR A MASK TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS



Safety Tips



Stay home
if you're sick



Practice
good hygiene



Stay 6 feet
from others



Wear a
face covering

For other workplace safety guidelines and resources
visit Michigan.gov/COVIDworkplaceSafety.

