

Northborough Free Library
Library of Things Guidelines for Borrowing and Use

Objects lent out by the Library through its Library of Things program must be checked out from and returned to the Main Desk of the Northborough Free Library (with the exception of the telescope, which is checked out and returned at the Children's Desk).

A valid C/WMARS Library Network card with no outstanding fines above \$10 is required to borrow a Thing. Borrowers of specialty items (see list) must be 18 years or older and must sign a copy of the Library of Things Lending Agreement.

Loan Periods

In most cases, a Thing may be borrowed for a 3 week period with no renewals. There may be some items with a 1 week borrowing period. Wireless hotspots can be borrowed for 1 week with one renewal. To renew a hotspot, the borrower needs to contact the library to request the renewal.

Proper Use and Liability

Use care when handling the Thing. The borrower is solely responsible for the Thing and will be billed for unreasonable repair or replacement costs associated with damage or loss of Things and/or peripherals due to neglect or abuse. The Library has sole discretion in making these decisions.

A list of replacement costs of Things is maintained by the Library and is available upon request.

The Library of Things Lending agreement is available online and upon request. Patrons may be asked to sign a copy of the Agreement for Specialty Items.

Northborough Free Library is not responsible for any injury, loss, or damage that may occur from use of a Thing.

The responsibility to protect against loss is the borrower's. Staff will inspect Things prior to borrowing and again upon return. Return the Thing with all parts and components in the original library container to the Main Desk of the Northborough Free Library. Patrons will be responsible for any damage to a Thing while in their possession.

Specialty Items

Specialty items have a replacement cost over \$100.

Borrowers of specialty items must be 18 years old or older and have a valid C/WMARS Library Network Card.

Specialty items include items such as:

- Wireless hotspots
- Telescope and case
- Wii U
- Go Pro Camera and accessories
- Ukuleles