INTERLIBRARY LOAN POLICY

The library shall provide and promote interlibrary loan services to all patrons holding a valid Ocean State Libraries (OSL) card, except those patrons holding local use only cards. Library holdings may be requested via the OSL online catalog. The availability of these items is dependent on the owning library's policies. Items not found in the public libraries can be requested from other college and university libraries in Rhode Island. If the items are not found, they may be requested from out-of-state. Interlibrary loans obtained from libraries outside the statewide delivery system are subject to a fee of $2.00 per item to offset the cost of postage when returning an item to the owning library. This fee is payable when the interlibrary loan request is picked up by the patron. However, the library reserves the right to refuse to borrow materials from another library for any patron owing more than five dollars ($5.00) outstanding in fines, or materials more than 2 weeks overdue. In such cases, interlibrary loan privileges will be at the discretion of the professional librarian on duty. All Cumberland Public Library items set as “holdable” are eligible for interlibrary loan requests.