

NWLN Patron Registration Policy

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- Individuals are limited to one account in the Northern Waters Library Network, regardless of the place of issue.
- Patrons must provide proof of identity and residence to register for a full service patron account.
- Each library must verify proof of identity and residence.

Eligibility for an NWLN patron card

- Residents, property owners, and visitors to the area are eligible to apply for a library card at any NWLN member library.
- Residents and property owners from Wisconsin may [register for an eCard through the NWLN online catalog](#).
- Eligibility for a NWLN library card will not be limited because of religious, racial, social, economic, citizenship or political status; mental, emotional, or physical condition; age; gender; or sexual orientation.

Use Policy

- The responsible party is ultimately responsible for any late fees or lost materials on the card and must provide contact information and sign the card application form or library card stating agreement to follow library policy. Local library policy dictates responsible party requirements.
- All library cards expire after one year. To renew a library card, each library must confirm identity and residence.
- The use of the library may be denied for due cause.
 - Such causes may be failure to return library materials or to pay penalties, destruction of library property, disturbance of other patrons, or any other illegal, disruptive, or objectionable conduct on library premises.
- Local library policy dictates registration requirements and circulation limits for patrons with temporary accounts.
- Institutional accounts are allowed with an authorized individual acting as the responsible party for the institution.