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FEES

The Director or designee shall charge fees to help fund the replacement of materials that are lost or damaged and offset costs for document delivery.

The Board has established the following fees:

1. Lost or Damaged Items

If an item is lost or damaged the patron shall pay a replacement cost, which may include an additional fee for processing of the item. The Library will refund payment, less processing fees, for a lost item subsequently returned within ninety days after payment. Replacement copies will not be accepted in lieu of payment for lost or damaged materials.

2. Card Replacement

The Library will assess a \$2.00 fee to replace a lost card.

3. Document Delivery Fee – Special Collections

The Main Library provides a limited fee-based search service for selected Idaho Information deliverable through facsimile transmission, scanning, email or U.S. mail. Patrons will be invoiced for the charges or may pay the fees by credit card. The charges are as follows:

- \$5.25 for Idaho Statesman obituary and death notices delivered to patrons, limited to four obituaries and/or death notices per request.
- \$5.25 per article from the Idaho clipping files delivered to patrons, limited to four articles per request.
- \$1.25 per page from phone books and Boise city directories for a specific name/business during a specific year delivered to patrons, with a limit of five pages per request.

4. Document Delivery Fee – Other Collections

Patrons may request faxed copies from various other materials held at the Main Library related to reference and research purposes. The Library will fax free of charge up to 15_pages of material. Any fax consisting of 16 pages or_more shall carry a flat charge of \$5.00, payable in advance by credit card.

5. Holds Mail Delivery Fee
Patrons may request to have items placed on hold to be mailed to their home for a charge of \$2.00 per item.

The Library will assess a charge on checks that, for any reason, are not honored by the bank on which they are written, and which are returned unpaid to the Library. Such charge shall be equal to that made by the City of Boise for the same purpose and payment may not be made by personal check.

At the discretion of the Director or designee, the Library may engage the services of a collection agency to collect fees or to ensure the return of materials. In the event that the Library has need to use the services of a collection agency, a non-refundable fee of \$10.00 shall be added to the account and shall be paid in addition to any other fees/charges for lost/damaged materials or other charges which have been made to a patron's account.

The Library may pursue court action against patrons who refuse to return items to the Library.

Accounts with more than 20 items overdue or with lost materials will be prohibited from borrowing further physical materials until the overdue or lost items are returned or replacement charges have been paid. No physical materials will be loaned to patrons owing more than \$10.00 in fees, nor to any patron who has unresolved charges on an account referred to a collection agency.