

WE LEAD DISCOVERY HUMBER LIBRARIES

POLICY STATEMENT: FOOD AND DRINK IN THE LIBRARY & LRC LEARNING COMMONS

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Purpose

To provide a clean, comfortable and productive work environment and to preserve library materials, equipment and furnishings.

To avoid the damage food and drinks can do to library materials and equipment and to prevent the attraction of bugs and rodents.

Policy

Humber Libraries permits certain food and drink in all areas of the Library and the LRC Learning Commons with the following exceptions:

- No food and drink near printers, MFDs, compact shelving and specialized equipment such as the microfilm reader and adaptive technology
- No food and drink when using library reference books or archival materials

The following food and drink are permitted:

- Drinks with lids
- Cold, snack foods such as cold sandwiches, muffins and fruit

The following food and drink are not permitted:

- Open drink containers with no lids
- Foods that require utensils

- Hot foods such as pizza, soup, poutine and burgers
- Foods that are excessively saucy; an example would be food that is dripping liquid on the furniture or carpet.
- Loud snack foods [chip bags]

Everyone who uses these spaces is asked to be compliant with the food and drink policy.

As a courtesy to others, please dispose of your trash and clean up your work area before you leave. Keyboard wipes, trash and recycling bins are located throughout the Library and LRC Learning Commons. In case of an accident, such as a coffee spill, please notify the library staff.

The library staff reserves the right to determine which food items and drink containers are acceptable and will respond to complaints about inappropriate food.

Thank you for doing your part to maintain pleasant study and learning spaces.