Overdue Materials

The following procedure shall be followed in an effort to recover overdue materials.

- 1. The library staff will attempt to contact the patron no less than 3 times during the 8 weeks after the due date of the material.
- 2. If the material is of value to the collection (as determined by the librarian), the patron will be sent a letter 2 months after the due date, informing him/her of the law regarding overdue materials and our intention to pursue repossession. The material (or payment for its replacement) must be received within 5 working days or we will pursue further legal action.
- 3. If the material has not been returned or paid for within a reasonable time after the letter in step 2 has been sent, a registered letter, return receipt requested, will be sent to the last known address of the patron informing him/her of the law regarding overdue materials and our intention to pursue repossession. The material (or payment for its replacement) must be received within 5 working days or we will pursue further legal action.
- 4. If a response is not received in 5 working days the matter may be turned over to the Leon Police Department to seek recovery or payment
- 5. The patron will not be allowed to check out materials until all overdue materials are returned or paid for. Use of all Library services may be restricted.

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