



SERVICE TO PERSONS WITH A PRINT DISABILITY

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1. A print disability is defined in the *Copyright Act* as “a disability that prevents or inhibits a person from reading or hearing a literary, musical, dramatic, or artistic work in its original format, and includes such a disability resulting from:
 - (a) severe or total impairment of sight or hearing or the inability to focus or move one’s eyes,
 - (b) the inability to hold or manipulate a book, or
 - (c) an impairment relating to comprehension.”
2. SPPL is committed to providing service to persons with a print disability.
3. Services to persons with a print disability are treated as core services during the planning and budgeting processes.
4. SPPL will enter partnerships with local, regional, provincial, and national organizations to provide services to persons with a print disability.
5. Staff members shall be trained on how to provide services to patrons with a print disability.
6. As part of its collection management activities, SPPL will include materials in a variety of formats to meet the needs of patrons with a print disability.
7. The needs of patrons with a print disability will be considered when planning library programs to ensure that patrons with a print disability are able to participate. Program evaluation shall include whether they are effective for participants with print disabilities.
8. SPPL shall ensure that the library building is accessible to people with print disabilities.





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9. The Library Board shall promote library services to persons with print disabilities through a variety of formats.

