



Hobbs Public Library
HOBBS, NM

CIRCULATION POLICY

Library cards allow area residents to borrow physical materials and access digital resources from the Hobbs Public Library and library privileges extend benefits to other ELIN member libraries.

Library cards are available to anyone 18+ residing within Hobbs New Mexico, or Lea County New Mexico. Proof of identity and residency must be shown when applying for a library card. Proof of identity consists of government-issued photo identification. If the photo ID lists a Lea County or Hobbs address, no additional proof of residency is required. Identification with an out of area address listing, or no address listing requires two additional forms as proof of address. Proof of address may include mail received to the individual named on the library card application, packages, utility statements, lease agreements, voter registration, insurance documentation, check stubs or cancelled checks.

Library cards for applicants under the age of 18 are available using the same application and proof of address verification for the adult of financial responsibility, whether the parent or guardian of the applicant. Parent or guardian accounts must be in good standing, with less than \$10 in fines or fees. All parties listed on a card must be present when creating a minor library card. Youth ages 13+ may sign up without an adult present and will receive limited borrowing privileges until a parent is added to the account. Library card holders are responsible for materials borrowed to their library card.

Anyone 18+ who is temporarily residing within Hobbs New Mexico, Lea County New Mexico, or within Gaines County, Texas is eligible for a temporary library card. A temporary library card enables digital access and up to five physical items to be borrowed at a time. Temporary cards due to residency status may be upgraded to permanent cards after 90 days. Temporary cards are available for temporary resident family members while they reside in the area, and are available for youth 13+ who do not have an adult available to guarantee the card. Government-issued photo identification and two documents establishing address will be required.

Resident library card holders are responsible for updating contact details on their account. Resident library cards are valid for two years, temporary cards are valid for 1 year. Library cards with more than a year of inactivity may be deactivated.

Adopted by the Hobbs Public Library Board
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