

**PATRON MEMBERSHIP**

**REFERENCE:** Constitution(2005) and Bylaws of the Galiano Library Society

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**POLICY:**

- Residents of the Galiano Island Community, including Retreat, Wise, Parker, Sphinx and Gossip Island, who qualify, are entitled to apply for a library card.
- Residents of British Columbia with a valid library card or BC One card and personal identification are entitled to apply for a library card.
- Non-residents of British Columbia may apply for a library card for a fee.

**PROCEDURE:**

**1. a) Resident Applications:**

A Resident is someone who:

- Owns property or rents in the Galiano community, and lives permanently here.
- Owns property in the Galiano community, and lives here part time; that is, is a taxpayer.
- Lives permanently in the Galiano community but has no fixed address e.g. boat or trailer, and provides a telephone number or e-mail address. The decision is at the discretion of the Librarian.

**b) Resident fees:**

- Library cards are free to qualified residents; and
- Replacement cards are free of charge.

**c) Membership renewal:**

- Patron membership expires after three years and must be renewed.
- Expired patron library cards can be reactivated.

**2. BC Resident Applications:**

A BC resident is someone who:

- Is a non-resident of the Galiano community. With proper qualification, the patron will be given BC One card privileges at no charge. If the patron does not qualify for a BC One Card, he/she will be treated as a non-resident (see 3 below).

**3. a) Non-Resident Applications:**

- An out-of-province patron includes anyone whose primary domicile is not in BC or Canada and who does not own property in the Galiano community. This includes tourists or visitors, or temporary employees of resorts or businesses in the community.

**b) Non-Resident Fees:**

- An out of province non-resident may become a patron by paying a \$5.00 fee.
- Librarians will provide the patron with a receipt.

Approved (Signature) Board Chair

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