

Leeds and the Thousand Islands Public Library

ACCESSIBILITY POLICY

BOARD – ACC – 12

General Policy

Leeds and the Thousand Islands Public Library Board strives to provide accessible and safe public spaces and services. The Board will comply with the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act 2005 (AODA)* in coordination with the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands.

Guidelines

1. The accessibility of Library facilities and services will be reviewed annually as part of the Township's Barrier Identification Report and the budget process.
2. The Library Board will include accessibility considerations in its planning process by being proactive towards providing barrier-free service. See the 2008-2013 Strategic Plan.
3. All Library staff will receive training in customer service for people with disabilities as sessions become available.
4. It is the responsibility of the CEO and staff to be continually mindful of accessibility matters. Identified service and facility barriers will be submitted to the Library CEO as part of the monthly reporting process. See Health and Safety/Building Inspection Report PER - 29. The Library CEO will in turn report accessibility concerns to the Board.

Board motion number: 2008

Date November 27, 2008

Signature of Chairperson: _____