

Friends of the Lyme Public Library

Book Donation Guidelines

Materials donated may be used for the following:

- Adding to the library's collection
- Book Nook Sales (ongoing)
- Annual Book Sale

We will accept:

- Adult and Juvenile books: Hardcover and trade paperback -- fiction or nonfiction, English or foreign language -- in good condition. **We cannot use damaged books** (e.g., broken bindings, missing pages, soiled, musty or moldy, excessive writing in the text) or clearly outdated materials.
- Audio Books on CD, Musical CDs, DVDs

We accept certain materials within specified limits:

- Price guides and almanacs (current only)
- Travel guidebooks (less than 2 years old)
- Computer manuals (less than 2 years old)

We cannot accept:

- We cannot accept large quantities of books that are not in boxes, bags or containers. Due to our facility and logistic constraints, we cannot accept any loose material. (All materials have to be moved into the basement for sorting.)
- Books that are in poor condition: Damaged books with broken bindings, missing pages, soiled, musty, moldy, with smoke or water damage, or with excessive writing/highlighting in the text
- Material in the following subject areas more than two years old: Business, Finance, Health, Medicine, Science, Travel or clearly outdated materials
- Toys, games, puzzles, artwork
- Condensed books (Reader's Digest)
- Professional journals
- Textbooks, workbooks or study guides
- Encyclopedias
- Non-commercially produced media of any kind
- Computer programs
- VHS Movies