



Title	Selection and Reconsideration of Library Materials														
Number	86/10	Date	May 14, 1986												
Revised	Jan 10, 1996; Feb 14, 1996; Apr 09, 2003; Apr 27, 2009														
Policy															
<p>1. The Library Director has authority to purchase materials within the scope of this policy.</p> <p>2. The Library will provide any materials, which help to meet its objectives. Such materials may include but are not restricted to:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">books</td> <td style="width: 50%;">periodicals</td> </tr> <tr> <td>pamphlets</td> <td>newspapers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>AV recordings</td> <td>other electronic media</td> </tr> <tr> <td>microfilms</td> <td>audio-visual recordings</td> </tr> <tr> <td>world languages</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>large print or materials for print impaired customers</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>All materials will be selected according to professional standards.</p> <p>2. The Library will provide material designed for self study but not materials needed for formal courses of study offered by elementary and secondary schools or by institutions of higher learning.</p> <p>3. All materials except those which have been designated for reference only and any items which are rare, fragile or cannot be duplicated will be available for loan.</p> <p>4. Materials will be selected for values of interest, information and leisure. No material will be excluded because of the race, nationality, religion or political beliefs of the author. The library will endeavour to provide material representing all points of view on the problems and issues of our times, international, national and local. Censorship of library material by any person or group will not be tolerated.</p>				books	periodicals	pamphlets	newspapers	AV recordings	other electronic media	microfilms	audio-visual recordings	world languages		large print or materials for print impaired customers	
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5. All objections and grievances to library materials will be considered carefully and thoughtfully if the individual will fill out a form (see Schedule A) provided by the Library giving the following information:

Individual's name and address.

Title, Author and Publisher of the objectionable material.

Reasons for objections.

An affirmation that the individual has either read, listened to or viewed the material in question.

The Library Director will examine the material based on criteria from the Selection Policy. The complaint and the Library Director's evaluation will be presented to the Library Board for their decision. Notice of action to retain or remove the item will be sent to the complainant(s) in writing.

Approval

Signature

Gerry Lamarche
Board Chair

FORT SASKATCHEWAN PUBLIC LIBRARY



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Schedule	A

Citizen's Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials	
Author	
Title	
Hardcover _____ Paperback _____ Other media _____	
Publisher (if known)	
Request initiated by	
Telephone	Address
City	Postal Code
Complainant represents:	
Himself _____	
Name of Organization _____	
Specific Group _____	

1. To what in the material do you object? (please be specific)
2. What do you feel might be the result of reading, viewing or listening to this material?
3. For what age group would you recommend this material?
4. Is there anything good about this material?
5. Did you read, view or listen to the entire item? Which parts?
6. Are you aware of the reviews of this material provided by media critics?
7. What do you believe is the theme of this material?
8. What would you like the library to do about this material?
9. In its place, what item of equal literary or artistic quality would you recommend that would convey as valuable a picture and perspective of our civilization?