

Library Cards

The Noble County Public Library (Library) is a member of the Evergreen Indiana Library Consortium and must operate under uniform circulation policies and procedures. When a conflict exists between the Noble County Public Library (Library) policy and the most current Evergreen Circulation Policy found at the link below, the Evergreen policy must be followed. https://blog.evergreen.lib.in.us/?page_id=2770 (April 10, 2024 most recent revision)

Evergreen Indiana Library Card: An Evergreen Indiana library card is required in order to check out materials at any Evergreen Indiana Library. A digital replica of the card is also an appropriate form of identification for a patron to check out materials. An Evergreen Indiana library card is not transferable and in most cases must be obtained from the library district in which the patron resides. Patrons of Indiana public libraries not participating in the Evergreen Indiana Consortium may receive a library card at an Evergreen Indiana library pursuant to reciprocal borrower and other agreements. Users from non-participating Indiana libraries will not have the same privileges as Evergreen Indiana patrons and such cards may be suspended at any time without notice. Proper identification and completion of a registration form is required to obtain a library card.

Proper Identification: is one of the following:

- valid Indiana Driver's License which displays a current address;
- valid Indiana State ID which displays a current address;
- current government issued photo ID (e.g., military ID, passport).
- valid identification issued by another State (e.g., Driver's License)

If the presented Proper Identification does not display a current address, the applicant must present one item from the additional proof list in addition to the government issued photo ID presented as Proper Identification. The item presented from the additional proof list must include a current address.

Additional Proof of Address items (if required)

- official bank statement issued in applicant's name within the last 30 days
- official utility, credit card company, doctor or hospital bill, issued in applicant's name within the last 30 days and containing address of residence
- Medicaid or Medicare benefit statement issued in the applicant's name within the last 30 days
- Change-of-address confirmation from the United States Postal Service showing prior and current address of residence (a P.O. Box is not acceptable as a residence address)
- apartment lease signed within the last 30 days
- property tax receipt issued in applicant's name

Types of Cards:

Resident cards (green, valid for 2 years): Any resident or owner of property within the Library district is eligible to receive a Library card at no cost and such right shall not be denied or abridged because of his/her age, sex, race, religion, national origin, or social or political views.

Staff Card (green, valid for 2 years): Non-resident current Library employee.

Non-Resident cards (green, valid for 1 year) : Any non-resident of the Library taxing district is eligible to receive a Library card for a set fee. The minimum fee that the Board may set is the greater of the following:

- The library district’s operating fund expenditure per capita in the most recent year for which that information is available in the Indiana State Library’s annual “Statistics of Indiana Libraries”.
- Sixty Dollars (\$60)

No Fee cards (blue, valid for 1 year): The Library will not charge a fee for a local non-resident library card that is issued to an Indiana resident who is a:

- **Student-Limited Access:** non-resident students (parent/guardian as sponsor) and teachers in a public school corporation which is located, at least in part, in the Library taxing district but do not live in the Library district.
- **Junior-Limited Access:** unsponsored minor card, must be enrolled in public school within the Library district.
- **Reciprocal Borrower:** Patrons with a library card from and a library listed on the reciprocal borrowing list maintained by the Indiana State Library (Library Development Office) may obtain a blue library card that will allow them to check out Noble County Public Library materials, but not materials from other Evergreen Libraries.

PLAC-Public Library Access Card: Pursuant to Indiana Code 4-23-7.1-5.1, the Noble County Public Library will participate in the statewide library card (PLAC) program as set forth by the Indiana State Library. The PLAC card will allow individuals to borrow items from any public library in Indiana. The fee for the PLAC card will be established by the State annually.

Minors: The Library recommends cards for children school age and above. An adult showing Proper Identification may register a minor child for an Evergreen Indiana library card. Registering a minor child for an Evergreen Indiana library card denotes acceptance of responsibility for all fees, fines and payment for late, lost, or damaged materials charged on such minor’s library card. Emancipated minors will be asked to present evidence of their status to void the necessity of the presence of a sponsoring adult. The minor child must be present during the registration process. Contact addresses should be obtained for both the minor and the sponsoring adult. The minor’s home address must qualify for service. The sponsoring adult’s address will be used for mailed communications. In the case that the sponsoring adult is a non-resident of the library district, libraries shall issue a “Junior-Limited Access” profile card to the minor until the minor’s address can be verified. Registering a minor child for an Evergreen Indiana library card denotes an acknowledgement and understanding that Evergreen Indiana libraries own and circulate videos, DVDs and unrated television series that may be geared toward a more mature audience and that a minor child will have access to materials for both adults and children and will be able to check out any of these materials. Minors will be given a “limited access” card, which prevents the user from checking out “R-rated” and “M-rated” audiovisual materials. This restriction does not apply to books.