

Tampa Library

Food and Drink in the Library		POLICY NUMBER F005
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PURPOSE & INTENT

The Tampa Library welcomes students, faculty, staff and community patrons to bring food and drink into the library with the exception of designated posted areas. This policy is to set parameters for the consumption of food and drink by patrons within the library facility in order to reasonably protect the library's collections, furnishings, and equipment. In addition to providing a clean and comfortable environment for patrons and employees.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

The library permits the responsible consumption of food and beverages with the following restrictions:

1. Beverages should be in an enclosable/secured container
2. Certain functional areas may have additional restrictions, as designated by signage
3. Patrons are expected to dispose of refuse/trash/containers properly
4. Patrons are required to clean up their spills and report any damage to Library equipment, property or collections directly to the staff at the first floor Library Services Desk.

Patron violation of this policy will be required to either move to an acceptable location to consume their food and drink, or dispose of their food or drink and/or immediately exit the Library facility.

AUTHORITY

Refer to:

- [USF Policy & Procedures #0-001 Issuance of Policies and Procedures](#)
- [USF Policy #0-505 – Use of University Space \(All-Inclusive\)](#)
- [USF Policy #10-503 – Use of University Space for Class or Class Related Activities](#)
- USF Library Policy & Procedure #F002 Room Reservations/Use – currently being reviewed