Telescope Circulation Policy

The Logan Public Library aims to offer a variety of materials & services to our patrons as part of our circulating collection. To this end the Logan Public Library has acquired & made available a Zhumell Z114 Telescope through our participation in the Library Telescope Project, facilitated by the Omaha Astronomical Society.

Telescope Circulation

The library's telescope may be checked out by a Logan Public Library patron who is 18 years of age or older AND with an account in good standing. The telescope must remain with the adult borrowing patron who has completed & signed the Library Telescope Lending Contract. It may not be loaned out by the borrowing patron to another individual. Children may use the telescope only under supervision by the borrowing patron.

Patrons must make an appointment to pick up the telescope, complete a quick training module, & sign the Library Telescope Lending Contract. This contract must be completed each time the telescope is borrowed. Patrons must provide current ID & confirm their contact details before taking possession of the telescope.

The telescope must be returned inside of the library during regular operating hours & must be delivered directly to a staff member. DO NOT leave the telescope outside of the library or unattended on any library desk or counter. Borrowing patrons must return the telescope & all accompanying materials in good condition.

Circulation Period

The telescope may be checked out for a period of two weeks (14 days) with no renewal. When necessary the library will utilize a waitlist to ensure equitable patron access.

Overdue Items

The overdue fine for the telescope is \$10.00 per day. Please be aware that library staff must check multiple components of the telescope before accepting its return. In addition, all materials contained in the telescope package must be present for the item to be considered returned. If items are missing from the telescope package the item will remain checked out to the borrowing patron & will incur late fees until the return of all missing items.

Lost or Damaged Items

If the telescope is overdue for a period of 30 days the full replacement cost (\$500) will be charged to the borrowing patron. The borrowing patron's account will be suspended until the replacement fee is paid; the Logan Public Library will contact local law enforcement if necessary.

Patron Responsibility

When borrowing the telescope, borrowing patrons accept full financial responsibility for it & its accessories while the item is in their possession & understand that they shall be held fully responsible for all costs up to \$500.00 associated with damage to, loss of, or theft of the telescope during the check out period. The condition

of the returned telescope will be determined by the staff of the Logan Public Library & any fees for damages or missing items will be assessed by the Library Director or the Youth Services/Programming Librarian.

The borrowing patron is responsible for reading the instruction manual for proper care & use of the telescope. The borrowing patron agrees to assume all risks associated with use of the telescope & not hold the Logan Public Library, its staff, & its board liable for any damages to the borrowing patron or others as a result of telescope use.

NEVER LOOK DIRECTLY AT THE SUN, BLINDNESS MAY RESULT.

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