



Midland Public Library Room Rental Policy

1. Application for use of the Board Room or Assembly Room may be made by filling out the Library's Agreement for the Use of Library Meeting Rooms form. This should be done sufficiently prior to the day proposed for use to allow for processing the request. The two Study Rooms are booked on a "first come, first served" basis by calling or stopping by a public service desk and speaking with staff. These study rooms can only be booked for free by individuals with a valid Midland Public Library card, for personal use only. Study rooms cannot be booked for free by individuals using them for any profit service, such as paid tutoring. In this instance the room must be booked at the commercial rate.
2. Groups, individuals, charities, businesses, etc. making a paid room booking are not required to have a Midland Public Library card.
3. The Board empowers staff to accept, limit frequency of use, or deny an application, based on the conditions listed below. In the case where staff are uncertain or where the applicant appeals, the matter may be presented to the Board at its next regular meeting.
4. No 'tentative' bookings will be accepted. Bookings may be made with the understanding that the Library requires forty-eight (48) hours' notice of cancellation. If this requirement is not met, the applicant agrees to pay the applicable rate. "Community Groups" that do not meet the cancellation requirement will be charged the non-profit rate for the room booked.
5. The Board reserves the right to issue and/or cancel agreements for the use of the facilities. In order to make our rooms available in an equitable fashion, booking frequency may be limited.
6. The applicant and/or person in charge will be responsible for the conduct and supervision of all those attending.



7. Rooms are available during the hours the Library is open. It is the person in charge and/or applicant's responsibility to watch the time and ensure events are over 15 minutes before closing so that all attendees have vacated the building within the Library's posted open hours. It should not be necessary for Staff to police this policy on the day. Groups who have not vacated 15 minutes before closing will be charged a \$25 administration fee for each half hour, or portion thereof, that they are still in the room/building.
8. Use of the meeting rooms may be denied where there is likelihood of physical danger to participants or audience, or misuse of premises or equipment, where there has been material misrepresentation of a group's aim or when a group has misused premises or property in the past.
9. Advertising for meetings open to the public must include the name of the sponsoring group and contact information. Advertising for use of the space cannot imply any association with the Midland Public Library as access to the room does not imply that the Library endorses any particular program and the Library will not be responsible for promoting the event or responding to questions regarding it. Opinions expressed and/or actions recommended are those of the group using the room and are not necessarily those of the Board or the Staff of the Library.
10. It is expected that all spaces will be tidied up after use. Damage to the building or equipment will be the responsibility of the user and will be billed back the person completing the application. Rooms not tied up after use will also result in an additional charge being billed back to the applicant.
11. The Midland Public Library is a non-smoking building. Alcoholic beverages will not be allowed without prior written approval from the CEO and a valid license from the LCBO.
12. Commercial or 'for profit' groups are welcome to sponsor informational or educational sessions. Direct sale of items will not be permitted.
13. Security of the group's equipment and personal possessions will be the responsibility of the group. The Board or Library Staff are not responsible for personal injury or damage to the group's equipment. The rooms can be locked upon request.
14. The set-up of chairs and tables will be done in consultation with staff to ensure safety and security.



Costs

In the interest of promoting community involvement, the Library has established a preferential rate structure for different classes of groups:

	Community Groups (Volunteer)	Non-Profit	Registered Charity / Gov't Organization	Commercial
Assembly Room - first 4 hours	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$80.00
second 4 hours	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$80.00
third 4 hours	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$80.00
Kitchen "add-on"	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$30.00
Board Room*	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$50.00
Study Rooms (for up to 3 hours)	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$30.00

(Boards or Committees of the Town will be considered Volunteer Community Groups and may access space for free, if it is available.)

* Use of the Board Room does not include access to the staff room/kitchen on the third floor. The staff room is for staff use only and not accessible to the public or those renting rooms, at any time.

A projector may be made available in the Board Room. The Assembly Room has a projector, screen and sound system. Access and training on this equipment must be arranged in advance. Due to Staffing levels, assistance with equipment may not be available during evening hours. Rates are as follows:

	Community Groups (volunteer)	Non-Profit	Registered Charity / Gov't Organization	Commercial
Board Room				
Projector	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$40.00
TV	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
Assembly Room System	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$50.00

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