LP 112 Resource Sharing Policy

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1. Principle:

All Library staff shall receive training in offering library material not available within Branch through *Interlibrary Loan (ILLO)*.

2. Policy:

To ensure appropriate use of ILLO, the Library will adhere to the terms of CLA Interlibrary Loan Code in all transactions.

In order to be eligible for ILLO, the requester must be a member in good standing and must possess a current library card from the Library.

3. Procedure:

3.1 Requesting an ILLO

In order to make a request for an ILLO, the following steps must be taken:

- 3.1.1 Ensure that there are no materials that meet the needs of the patron within the County of Prince Edward Public Library System.
- 3.1.2 If no suitable materials are located, explain that it is possible to procure material from libraries outside of the County of Prince Edward Public Library System.
- 3.1.3 Library staff will provide instruction to patrons for patron initiated ordering through VDX. The ILLO supervisor will monitor number of requests made by patrons. The method of shipment will be SOLS courier, Canada Post and our courier on specific days of the week.

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3.2 Renew an ILLO

Library patrons should be instructed to call the Wellington Branch at (613) 399-2023 as directed on the ILLO book cover.

3.3 <u>Missing or Late ILLO Materials</u>

The patron is responsible for all borrowed materials through ILLO. Any lost or stolen books will be invoiced from the lending library and the patron will be BARRED pending payment of materials in both VDX and WorkFlows.

Do not pardon or check in ILLO material(s) without verifying the error with the Wellington Branch at (613) 399-2023 (ILLO Department Authorized Staff Only). If the material is not returned and library staff have checked it "in" as returned, and pardoned any fines, it is impossible to forward any bills received by the loaning branch on to the patron.

3.4 **Loaning Materials**

The Library endeavors to loan materials through ILLO whenever possible. Items in high demand would be on loan and not sent out. Materials are loaned for a two (2) month period in order to avoid renewal requests when possible.

If materials requested from the County of Prince Edward Public Library system cannot be located at the branch from which they have been requested, and there are more copies in the system, cancel the hold and place the hold on any available copy. The hold should be requested from barcode 4000x and sent to "OPECO".

If items loaned through ILLO become overdue, a notice is sent to the borrowing library. If the item does not return, an invoice for the item plus a five dollar (\$5.00) processing fee is sent.