

The Friends of the West Tisbury Library

Book Donation Guidelines

Please see guidelines below on what we can/cannot accept. Hard copies of the guidelines at www.westtisburylibrary.org or pick up a flyer at the library's Main Desk.

PLEASE NOTE: We discard donated books that we know we cannot sell, and we pay a dumpster fee to do so. To reduce our costs – and the resulting support we can provide the library – please bring your unwanted books to the recycling area of your town dump.

Are there any restrictions on what books are accepted? Yes, generally books offered at the sale are in like-new condition, both paperback and hardback books.

We do not accept the following:

- Mass market paperbacks (small paperbacks). We only sell oversized paperbacks.
- Books with writing, highlighting, dog-eared pages, or visible damage
- Books that smell, yellowed, torn, or in general bad shape
- Dictionaries, encyclopedias, atlases, bibles and other religious texts, book sets
- Cookbooks with food stains
- Textbooks
- Ex-library books
- Out-of-date travel books (published before 2021)
- Medical, self-help books, parenting or relationships books
- Magazines, periodicals, periodic journals, comic books
- Coffee table books *unless* they are art books in very good conditions
- Books on tape, cassettes, VHS tapes

Where should I bring my book donations? Books can be donated at the Friends donation shed behind the tennis courts at the West Tisbury School. If you have more than a grocery bag full, please call the library at 508-693-3366 or email WestTisLibraryFriends@gmail.com. Do not leave donations outside the shed. If they get wet all will be thrown away. Please do not bring donations to the library.

Do you accept other media? We accept CDs and DVDS. We also accept jigsaw puzzles with all pieces. If used, please place them in a ziplock bag and into the original box.

What is the money used for? The money raised by the Friends of the West Tisbury Library summer and holiday books sales provide funding for children's and adult programs throughout the year.

For more information, contact WestTisLibraryFriends@gmail.com.