

Prince George Public Library
Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials

Title of Work: _____

Author/Publisher: _____

Call Number: _____

1. What is the basis of your objection? (Please be specific, cite pages, song titles, etc.)

2. What do you think might be the result of reading/viewing/listening to this material?

3. What do you find of value in this material?

4. Have you examined the entire work? Yes No

If not, which parts have you examined?

5. If your concern is over children's material, have you discussed this material with your child?

Yes No

6. What other material would you suggest in its place?

7. What steps do you wish the library staff to take?

Date: _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Represents: _____ (Self) _____ (Group)

Please note: Reconsideration requests submitted by those residing outside the Prince George Public Library's service area (City of Prince George, Regional District of Fraser-Fort George areas covered under our service agreement) will not be processed.

CHALLENGED MATERIALS

The Prince George Public Library endorses the basic principles of Intellectual Freedom outlined in the following statement of the Canadian Federation of Library Associations:

"Libraries have a core responsibility to safeguard and facilitate access to constitutionally protected expressions of knowledge, imagination, ideas, and opinion, including those which some individuals and groups consider unconventional, unpopular or unacceptable. To this end, in accordance with their mandates and professional values and standards, libraries provide, defend and promote equitable access to the widest possible variety of expressive content and resist calls for censorship and the adoption of systems that deny or restrict access to resources." (Canadian Library Association Position Statement on Intellectual Freedom and Libraries, amended, 2015).

PROCEDURES FOR RECONSIDERATION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS

1. All written complaints are forwarded to the Manager of Collections & Technology.
2. The Manager of Collections & Technology, the Collections Coordinator and the assigned selector for that area will read/review/listen to the item, discuss the complaint and when necessary, check with outside review sources. The Manager of Collections & Technology will issue a recommendation to the Library Director who ultimately decides how best to respond to the request while aligning to principles delineated in the Library's Collection Development Policy.
3. When the review is completed, the user is provided with a written explanation of the decision within 8 weeks of the complaint being filed.