

LAGO VISTA PUBLIC LIBRARY TEXSHARE CARD POLICY

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The Lago Vista Public Library participates in the TexShare Program, a reciprocal borrowing program sponsored by the Texas State Library. The Program allows our patrons to have access to other participating libraries without having to pay non-resident fees.

- To apply for a TexShare card, a patron must have a current Lago Vista Public Library card that has been in use for at least two months, be free of fines, and have no overdue materials. The TexShare card can then be used at another participating TexShare library, according to their lending policies.
- TexShare card applications and renewals must be made in person.
- Patrons under the age of 18 must have the written authorization of their parent or legal guardian to obtain a TexShare card from our library.
- Each individual library sets its own rules and guidelines on how TexShare card customers can use their library; therefore, rules may vary considerably from library to library.
- Any items borrowed from another library must be returned to that library, and not to the Lago Vista Public Library.
- Because the Lago Vista Public Library allows non-residents to apply for a card free of charge, TexShare cards are not needed to borrow items from our library. Instead, if you present a TexShare card from another library, you will be asked to present a valid photo ID and proof of residence, and to fill out an application for a Lago Vista Library card.
- TexShare cards are issued for only one year at a time, and will be renewed only if the patron continues to maintain a clear borrowing record with both our library and other participating TexShare Libraries.
- TexShare cardholders who owe fines or fees to other TexShare libraries will be blocked from borrowing materials from our library until all fines or fees are cleared from their record. In addition, participating TexShare libraries will be notified that the patron has been blocked due to non-payment of fines or fees.

More information about the TexShare program can be found at
<https://www.tsl.texas.gov/texshare/index.html>.