

Unaccompanied Children Policy

For the safety and protection of young patrons the Shire of Mundaring has adopted the following policy concerning children left unattended in the library.

Shire of Mundaring Libraries welcomes library use by children and desires to provide a safe appropriate environment for visitors of all ages. However library staff cannot monitor the behaviour and safety of children using the library. This is the responsibility of their parent/guardian/caregiver.

- The library does not assume any responsibility for any child left unattended in the library.
- Children under the age of twelve may not be left in the library unattended. A child is unattended if he or she is in the library without a parent or responsible adult over the age of eighteen
- Children aged twelve and older may use the library unattended, however if they are disruptive they will be asked to leave the library
- Children's Events:
Before leaving the child at the event, you must speak to the Young Persons' Services Librarian. A contact sheet will be provided to leave your details in case of an emergency. If someone other than the parent who left the child is collecting the child, their details must be provided as well. If the event is held outside the library the child must not be left unattended
- Under no circumstances will a staff member ever take a child out of the library or give a child a ride home.