

NAMPA PUBLIC LIBRARY
3D PRINTING POLICY

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The Nampa Public Library's 3D printers are available to the public to make three-dimensional objects in plastic using a design that is uploaded from a digital computer file. The Library's 3D printers may be used only for lawful purposes. The public will not be permitted to use the Library's 3D printers to create material that is:

- a. Prohibited by local, state or federal law.
- b. Unsafe, harmful, dangerous or poses an immediate threat to the wellbeing of others, including weapons (Such use may violate the terms of use of the manufacturer).
- c. Obscene or otherwise inappropriate for the Library environment.
- d. In violation of another's intellectual property rights. For example, the printers will not be used to reproduce material that is subject to copyright, patent, or trademark protection.
- e. Objects that are too large for the 3D printer's build plate. The Nampa Public Library reserves the right to refuse or cancel any 3D print request.

3D printing may only be done under the supervision of a trained staff member or volunteer.

Print queue priority will be given to Nampa Public Library cardholders.

By using the 3D printer, the patron assumes all responsibility for, and shall hold the Nampa Public Library harmless in, all matters related to patented, trademarked, or copyrighted materials.

Designing

Any 3D drafting software may be used to create a design as long as the file can be saved in .stl or .obj file format.

Printing

- a. Patrons who wish to schedule a 3D print job must make an appointment.
- b. File should be in .stl, .obj, or Thing format (25MB or less). Print jobs that appear too large to be completed before library closing time will not be started.
- c. The Library will provide the raw material needed to create three-dimensional objects. No outside materials will be used to create 3D prints.

Cost

The cost for 3D printing is 5 cents per gram. This amount covers the cost of material used. Prints must not require more than 30 grams of material.

Please note that the procedures governing the use of the Nampa Public Library's 3D printer are subject to change.