## Metro Kalyn Community Library

Policy Handbook

General Library Administration Provision of Library Materials Languages other than English Index Code: C-6

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## **BACKGROUND**

The Government of Canada has a stated policy on the importance of multi-culturalism and the Government of Alberta recognizes the diversity of ethno-cultural groups in the province. These policies encourage all citizens to retain their literacy and cultural legacies.

People are interested in reading in other languages for information, for pleasure and for such practical reasons as conducting business or travelling in a foreign county. Information is often only available in the original language in which it was written, so providing materials in languages other than English can be important for this reason as well as for the traditional provision for those who are unable to read in English.

## **POLICY**

The Town of Bruderheim Library Board acknowledges the multicultural nature of our community and therefore will endeavour to provide library materials in languages other than English.

## **GUIDELINES**

- 1. The Town of Bruderheim Library Board will attempt to meet any reasonable requests for services in languages other than English.
- 2. The Town of Bruderheim Library Board will provide books in languages other than English for patrons, upon request, through inter-library loan or through Northern Lights Library System language blocks.
- 3. The collection of Metro Kalyn Community Library may be added to as budget, space and community need dictates.

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