

## Copyright Laws and the Use of Copiers in the Library Policy

Library staff is happy to assist Library Users (“Patrons”) with copying or scanning information obtained in the Library.

The purpose of this Policy is to alert Patrons and Staff of the United States copyright laws (Title 17, United States Code).

The copyright laws of the United States (Title 17, U.S. Code) govern the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted material.

Under certain conditions specified in the law, libraries and archives are authorized to furnish a photocopy or other reproduction. One of these specific conditions is that the photocopy or reproduction is not to be “Used for any purpose other than private study, scholarship or research”.

If a Patron makes a request for, or later uses, a photocopy or reproduction for purposes in excess of fair use, that Patron may be liable for copyright infringement.

The Catskill Public Library and Palenville Branch Library reserve the right to refuse to accept a request to copy if, in their judgement, fulfillment of the request would involve violation of copyright law.

**Resolution: Adopted on May 18, 2022 by unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees of the Catskill Public Library.**