## **Donations Policy**

The Library will accept donations on the understanding that they will become the property of the Library and as such the Library reserves the right to evaluate, use or dispose of the materials as it deems appropriate. Once donated ownership is transferred to the library and as such items are not returnable.

The library is happy to accept the following materials in new or nearly new condition:

Hardcover books – 2 years old or newer

Paperback books -- 2 year old or newer

Literary classics -- any age but in good condition

The library also accepts archival material meeting Camden Council Libraries local history collection policy.

Unfortunately, dated, yellowed, damaged or musty items will not be accepted. The library also does not accept the following materials:

**DVDs & music compact discs** 

**CD-ROMS** 

Condensed books

Magazines

Newspapers

**Text Books** 

Videocassettes

Encyclopaedias

The exception to this being if the item has significance through content or providence to the local area.

Due to severely limited storage space, we ask that you donate only 1 bag or box at a time. Any items that the library cannot accept must be taken by the person responsible for delivering the items to the library. A list of local organisations that accept book donations and their contact details is available.

Disposal of items which do not meet the collection criteria is left to the discretion of library staff.

Discarded resources may be:

•sold to the public

•sent to the paper recycling depot

•forwarded to other libraries

•given to approved organisations

Unsolicited donations may be rejected

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