

# **Lethbridge Muslim Association**

## Library Policies and Regulations

### Library Objectives:

1. To develop collections of materials that support, enrich and satisfy Islamic education
2. To encourage use of the library by community members as well as general public and academic community.
3. To aid in facilitation of children education according to Islamic teaching
4. To provide access to information, programs and services.
5. To provide reference and research services by a variety of means, including printed materials and electronic resources.
6. To provide a wide variety of mediated programs

### Controversial Materials:

- LMA we will make available materials that represent a broad range of thoughts by Islamic scholars.
- It shall be the right and the obligation of the Education Counsellor to select and examine such materials by consultation with Imam and other scholars as deemed appropriate.
- Items selected should represent equally all views of a controversial issue. To determine these qualities in a book, the educational counsellor will make extensive evaluations utilizing a complete range of professional resources.
- Censorship of materials held in the library or under consideration for inclusion by individuals or organizations seeking to control the dissemination of public information will be challenged by LMA executives and board of directors.
- LMA library accepts gifts with the understanding that they will not necessarily be added to the Library's collection and unless the material meets the criterion for selection follow the same procedures as in the selection of new materials. If the materials are not suitable because of condition, out-of-date knowledge or other factors, the items will be discarded. An acknowledgment of the acceptance of the donation will be put into writing and forwarded to the donor. The library does not appraise gifts.