

CEDAR FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

3D Printer Policy

The Cedar Falls Public Library provides a MakerBot Replicator+ 3D printer as part of the Collaborative Laboratory. Print jobs may be submitted by the public and will be printed by library staff. Software provided by the library is available for design use on a specified computer, and may be changed without advance notice. Other software products cannot be installed by patrons. Patrons must have a signed Co-Lab User Agreement on file with the library in order to use the design computer.

*.stl files may be submitted via the library's website. 3D print jobs will be printed in an order determined by library staff; library staff take into consideration the print job size and color when determining this order, as well as estimated completion time. Print jobs must be completed when the library is staffed. Large print jobs may need to be divided into smaller jobs. Turnaround depends on demand; library staff will give patrons an estimate of turnaround after their print job has been approved for printing.

Staff members will also determine the feasibility of a print job. Print jobs may be denied if they cannot be completed while the library is staffed, if the printed design does not fit the size requirements of the printer, or if the printed content violates any of Cedar Falls Public Library's policies. Printing of materials under current copyright is illegal.

Cost for printing is \$0.15 per gram. If grams cannot be determined for whatever reason, print cost will be calculated at \$0.02 per minute of print time.

Only filament supplied by the library can be used, and availability of colors may vary. Samples of these colors are available at the Second Floor Reference Desk. The cost for printing will be added to the patron's library account, which will be collected at the First Floor Service Desk before the patron can remove the item from the library. Print jobs not picked up within two weeks may be discarded and the cost will not be refunded.

Library staff will print .stl files as they are submitted and do not provide corrections or alterations. Print job failures not due to library or equipment malfunction are the responsibility of the patron and the cost will be added to the patron's library account.