

# Haywood County Public Library Maximum Fine Policy

## **Policy Philosophy**

Haywood County Public Library purchases materials on behalf of the taxpayers who live in the county. The resources given to the library by Haywood County taxpayers and the State Library of North Carolina are limited and never adequate to accomplish the library's complete mission. However, all monies are spent in a way that insures the greatest impact of those monies. Given the limited nature of the resources owned by the library, it is imperative that library patrons share the materials held in their trust.

## **Policy**

Patrons whose accumulated fine or accumulated fee for lost materials, or any combination of the two, is \$5.00 or greater will face suspension of library services that may include:

1. Loss of borrowing privileges for all circulating library materials.
2. Loss of computer privileges.
3. Loss of the privilege to use the library's meeting facilities.

Patrons will still be able to read books and magazines and use reference materials (not to include computer resources) in the library.

**Approved January 2008**