

Making it easier

- If you have eyesight difficulties we have books in large print and talking books. One computer has facilities to enlarge the display or read what is on the screen and has a specially adapted keyboard and mouse to help you if you have difficulty using your hands. If you have difficulty getting to the library, we may be able to arrange for the Home Library Service to call at your house.
- On our Website you can browse our catalogue, reserve items, extend your loans, find information about our services and much more - at any time, night or day.
- Items borrowed from Freshwater Library can be returned to any Library on the Island.

Other library services

Mobile Library ~ Reading Groups (including one for visually impaired) ~ County Reference Library ~ Family History Centre ~ Local History Collection ~ Courses in computing and other subjects ~ Events ~ Exhibitions and Displays—activities such as Knit & Natter, Scrabble Club

If you would like further information or any help using the Library, please ask.

This leaflet is available on request in large print, Braille or electronic format for people with sight difficulties.

Telephone / Fax (01983) 752377

24hr Renewal Line (01983) 822123

E-mail freshwaterlibrary@iow.gov.uk

Website www.iwight.com/living_here/libraries/



Welcome to Freshwater Library

Opening Times

Monday	9.30 to 1pm	
Tuesday	9.30 to 12.30	1.30 to 4.30
Wednesday	9.30 to 12.30	1.30 to 4.30
Thursday	Closed	
Friday	9.30 to 12.30	1.30 to 4.30
Saturday	9.30 to 12.30	

The services we offer

- *Lending*

Books
Talking books on cassette and CD
Language courses
DVDs

- *Information*

Your questions answered on any subject
Local information
Council services
Community Noticeboards
Newspapers

- *Computing*

Internet
Word processing

- *Gallery*

Featuring frequently changed exhibitions by local artists and crafts people

- *Annual Arts & Crafts Day*

- *Photocopying, Fax*

- *Special collections*

Books about Alfred Lord Tennyson, Robert Hooke and Julia Margaret Cameron.

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How to Join

You can use some services without joining, but to borrow items or use the computers you need to become a library member.

Just bring some ID showing your name, for example a driving licence, bank statement, or rent book.

Before using the computers for the first time, you will need to obtain a log-in from a member of staff.

How many items can I borrow?

You can borrow up to 30 books and other items at a time in total, but there is a limit on how many of these can be DVDs, talking books and language courses. Ask for more details.

How long can I keep them for?

You may borrow *books and talking books* for three weeks. You can keep them for longer if nobody else has asked for them, but you must telephone or ask before you do this. You may borrow *DVDs, and language courses* for one week. There is now also the option to borrow DVDs overnight for a reduced hire charge - overnight loans must be returned to the branch from which they were borrowed.

Do I have to pay?

Getting information and borrowing books are free.

Computer use is free, but there is a charge for printing. Please ask for more details.

There are also hire charges for DVDs, talking books and language courses, charges for items kept overdue and for obtaining items on request.

What if the item I want isn't available?

If the item you require is not available here, we can usually obtain it for you. Simply ask a member of staff, use the online catalogue in the library or visit our website. If you can't find it listed, we may be able to obtain it from a mainland library.

Especially for younger people

The Children's Library has books and DVDs and talking books for all ages from babies upwards. There are weekly *Rhymetimes* for babies, toddlers and their parents, as well as other activities during school holidays. We do not charge children under 16 fines on overdue children's books.

Especially for young adults

Teenzone is a separate section for teenagers, with popular teenage titles and books to help with GCSEs and A-Levels.