Library of Things Agreement

Thing Lending Policy

The Framingham Public Library is pleased to make available several different items for loan to our community.

Loan Rules:
● In order to borrow an item a patron must have a Minuteman Library Network card in good standing and must sign the Thing Loan Agreement.
● Framingham residents may request items online or by phone. Non-Framingham residents can request items by phone.
● Items are available to be borrowed by scheduling a pickup appointment
● Items are not available for loan between Minuteman Library Network libraries or for Interlibrary Loan outside the Network.
● The item must be picked up and returned at the owning library. It cannot be placed in a book drop or returned to any other Minuteman Network Library.

Thing Loan Agreement:
● I have read the Thing Lending Policy and agree to comply with its rules.
● I agree to assume responsibility for the care and return of the items as well as financial responsibility for their replacement cost not to exceed their value.
● If any issues arise in complying with these rules and guidelines, I agree to contact Library staff as soon as possible to resolve them.
● I agree to return the item to a staff person at the Library from which it was borrowed.
● If signing for a minor, under the age of 12, I understand that this form will permit borrowing from the Library of Things without any additional notification to me.
● Some Library of Things items have minimal age recommendations.

Borrower Responsibility and Replacement Costs:
● The library is not responsible for any costs incurred or damage to personal equipment while borrowers use the items or for the security of connected patron items.
● The library does its best to provide clean and fully functional equipment, but is not responsible for unforeseen item failure.
• Borrowers are responsible for the safekeeping and return of these items to the library in good working order and assume liability for the equipment while it is in their care. Borrower is responsible for damaged and/or missing pieces of the package.
RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT
RE: FRAMINGHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY
LIBRARY OF THINGS CIRCULATION / USE OF SPARK LAB

I/We, ______________________________, agree to allow ______________________, my/our minor child, to use items from the Library of Things or the Spark Lab, and do hereby expressly waive in advance any and all rights to sue and release any and all claims which I/we may have as parent(s) or guardian(s) of said minor child and which said minor child may acquire either before or after reaching majority against the City of Framingham, the Framingham Public Library, and any of their officials, officers or employees, in any way arising from or connected with the minor’s use of items from the Library of Things or the Spark Lab, and any and all injuries, damages and/or expenses which the minor child may suffer or incur as a result thereof.

Further, I/we expressly agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Framingham, the Framingham Public Library and any of their officials, officers or employees, from and against any and all liability, loss, damage, or expense, including court costs and attorney’s fees, which they or any of them suffer as the result of the filing of a civil action by me/us, my/our estates, or anyone on behalf of my/our estates, against them or any of them in any way arising from or connected with said minor child’s use of items from the Library of Things or the Spark Lab, and from and against any and all loss of or damage to the property of the Framingham Public Library that is caused by said minor child’s acts, omissions or negligence in the course of their use of items from the Library of Things or the Spark Lab.

We further acknowledge that the minor’s use of items from the Library of Things or the Spark Lab is completely voluntary and their own choice and that the execution of this release and indemnity agreement is a precondition to said use.

WITNESS my/our hands and seals this ________ day of ________________, 20___.

____________________________________
Signature

____________________________________
Print Name

____________________________________
Signature

____________________________________
Print name

____________________________________
Library Card Number

Note: This is a legal document in which you agree to give up your and your minor child’s right to sue the City of Framingham, the Framingham Public Library, and any of their officials, officers or employees in the event your minor
child is injured while participating in the aforesaid activities. If you do not understand the language or have any questions, consult an attorney before signing.