Rauner Special Collections Library
Dartmouth College Library

Regulations of Use

Room Regulations

1. Researchers must sign a registration form once per calendar year. A copy of this form will be provided to each researcher upon request.

2. All briefcases, purses, coats, and other personal articles must be deposited in the locker or on hooks in the lobby. The library reserves the right to inspect all research materials and personal articles before a patron leaves the reading room. Only paper, pencils, lap top computers and other needed references or notes may be used in the research area.

3. Researchers are allowed no food or beverage in the reading room. Smoking is prohibited.

4. All materials, including photographs, must be handled with care. They must not be marked or folded and their existing order must be maintained. If a filing error is suspected, researchers should report the error to the Special Collections staff; researchers should not rearrange any material. Surfaces of photographic prints should never be touched (gloves will be provided).

5. The Special Collections stacks are closed to researchers.

6. Photocopying and scanning of documents is completed by Special Collections staff.

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