

## **Municipal Libraries**

Padua municipal libraries provide public reading service to the city. They form a network of 8 libraries located throughout the city. They welcome and respond to the different information and documentary needs of users and provide free services and heritage.

*Libraries promote free access to knowledge and information, regardless of gender, social status or religious belief; also develop projects and initiatives promoting reading habits and support dialogue while respecting cultural diversity and interaction with the territory.*

## **Facilities and services**

The municipal libraries of Padua are open shelves, that is, allow access and direct viewing of the material available. They offer books, audiobooks, newspapers, magazines, DVDs and music CDs.

They provide access to the online media portal Library for ebook lending and periodicals consultation at each location.

The libraries provide bibliographical information, Internet stations, free wifi in every location, access to the Media Library online portal for ebook lending and consultation of serials from around the world, cultural activities for all ages, equipped study and reading spaces, as well as a wealth of newspapers and magazines, books and multimedia, digital resources and databases.

In all libraries there is a section dedicated to children and teenagers.

The municipal library also has a rich historical section reserved for ancient and valuable items.

## **Joining the libraries**

Library membership is necessary to have access to all services.

To become a member of the library you have to fill in a form and show identification.

The registration is free; for children under 16 years is necessary the signature of a parent, guardian or foster.

## **Borrow, renew and reserve library items**

The loan service is personal and individual: every user may borrow up to 10 items, three of which can be dvds, music cds or other multimedia content. It is possible to borrow 2 issues of magazines. Newspapers and the latest issues of magazines are excluded from the loan.

Books and audiobooks may be borrowed for up to 30 days; dvds, magazines and cds for up to 7 days. Items can be requested directly from the library where they are stored (direct loan) or from any of the other locations of the municipal system.

Users may reserve items online, by phone or email; renew materials for additional loan periods provided they have not been reserved by another user, and have access to the housebound readers' service.

Items not available for loan may be reserved for reading on the premises by phone or email.

It is important to return library items on time.

For this reason we send communications of notice of expiration and reminders on overdue loans. The materials can be returned in any library within the system.

Items can be renewed up to three times if someone else hasn't reserved them.

## **Catalogue**

The general catalogue is available online from any device connected to the Internet:

<https://galileodiscovery.unipd.it>

The consultation is free but by logging in (through the ID and password provided with the card or with a Social login) you can also book the material yourself or renew the loan.

## **Digital content**

Each library offers its users access to the digital content of MediaLibraryOnline (ebooks, audiobooks, newspapers and magazines from around the world in full version, movies and movies streaming, databases, music, online courses). Resources are available free of charge, 24 hours a day, all year round, in the library or from home. To access the digital content, users have to inform the staff in service of their membership and connect to the site : <https://sbupadova.medialibrary.it> with the ID and password provided when registering in the library.

## **Information and access to the Internet**

At each library there is an information and reference service directly at the loan desk or by making a request by email or phone. Internet stations are available in some libraries, free for all users over the age of 18. Minors must be authorised by an adult member of the family.

## **Reproductions**

In libraries equipped with suitable facilities, the reproduction of bibliographical material is allowed for the only purpose of study within the limits and according to the modalities provided by current copyright law.

## Reproduction methods

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## Donations

It is possible to donate books, magazines, multimedia material or archives to libraries, after evaluation by staff. See our website for more information.

## Events

Libraries periodically organize activities to promote books and reading for all age groups as well as activities to enhance heritage. See our website for all the information and the latest news.

## Newsletter

Subscribe to our newsletter for information on activities and events of the civic libraries on the dedicated page of our portal:

<https://www.bibliotechecivichepadova.it/it/iscriviti-newsletter>

## App Affluences

To study with your own books in the Modern section it is necessary to reserve the seat through Affluences for areas B, C-D, E-G, F.

[www.bibliotechecivichepadova.it](http://www.bibliotechecivichepadova.it)

### **Biblioteca Civica di Padova**

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