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MnLINK Fact Sheet

- All MnLink items must be checked out by the requesting person.
- The longer you wait to pick up an item, the shorter your lending period will be. The MnLink Lending Libraries set a specific due date unique to your item. (This is different from SELCO ILL items.)
- MnLink Loan periods are now six weeks with no renewal.
- If the MnLink item is overdue, you must return the item and re-request it. Library staff cannot give you an extension.
- No one else can check out your MnLink item. When it is returned, it is sent back to the lending library for others to request.
- A MnLink item becomes lost after it is overdue for two weeks, the default lost charge is $999 but the lending library has the right to change the cost of the item at any point.
- If you have any questions about MnLink, the Reference Desk staff can help you.

Requesting from MnLink

- Only use MnLink (www.mnlink.org) if the item is not available to request in SELCO.
- Always check availability of an item. If the item is unavailable/checked out, the request will be cancelled. This is because MnLink does not maintain a holds list. The green "√" and red "x" do not indicate if an item is available; they indicate that a library has a holding. To view the availability, use a search engine to look up the catalog of a library with a green "√." View that library's catalog to see if the title is available.
- When you log in to MnLink, use your library card and PIN. If you need help with your PIN, please contact the library or go to the website winona.lib.mn.us/library-cards for the RESET/Change PIN button.
- MnLink items can take up to three weeks to receive.
- You can request items from Wisconsin, North Dakota, and South Dakota. To do this, go to worldcat.org and search for the item. Check to see if it available at a library in the four state region (search/view in their catalog). If it is available, go to MnLink and login to your account. Then click on "New Request." Create your request with information from WorldCat. The more information the better. In the Patron Notes field, include the library and the state that it is located.

For more information on MnLink, visit https://mnlink.org/about/faq#set.

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