



- 68-622 Library Donations 11-07-98  
The NSS Library may not accept donations or gifts with stipulations or conditions unless a suitable endowment accompanies the donation. The Library, with the approval of the OVP, has the right to donate, sell, auction, or give away any book or item in its inventory as necessary for the maintenance of the library, unless an endowment accompanied the item.
- 68-738 NSS Library Goals 03-15-03  
It is the goal of the NSS to make the NSS Library more accessible and valuable to NSS members by providing members Internet access to:
1. A digital catalog of all books, periodicals and other items in the library with an on-line search engine that allows Internet users to search the resulting data base for key words in the publication=author, title, subject, publisher, date of publication/copyright fields to determine what publications may have the information sought and whether those publications are in our library.
  2. A searchable index of topics covered in each issue of the NSS News, NSS Bulletin, Journal of Cave and Karst Studies, and Speleo Digest
  3. A search capability for AA Guide to Speleological Literature of the English Language≅ (with permission of copyright owner).
  4. A digital (pdf, Adobe e-book, etc.) Collection of publications for which the NSS has copyright permission (Journal of Cave and Karst Studies, NSS News, Speleogenesis, Cave Minerals, On Call, On Rope, On Station, Caving Basics, etc.) Which members can download for a specified period of time.
- 68-739 NSS Library Collection Guidelines 03-15-03  
The NSS Library collection guidelines are, in priority order:
1. NSS publications.
  2. NSS Internal Organization publications.
  3. Scientific and technical publications on cave related topics and caving activities.
  4. Publications on caves and karst in the United States and related activities.
  5. Publications on caves and karst in North America and related activities.
  6. Other publications and documents on caves and karst and related activities.
- The principle focus is collecting publications in the English Language.
- The NSS Library committee chairman or his designated agent is responsible for deciding which specific publications to acquire.
- 68-751 On-Line Library Committee 03-20-04  
The On-Line Library Committee is established in the Operations Vice President=s Department to make the NSS Library more accessible and valuable to the NSS members by providing members Internet access to:
1. A digital catalog of all books, periodicals, and other items in the library with an on-line search engine that allows Internet users to search the resulting data base for key words in the publication=author, title, subject, publisher, date of publication/copyright fields to determine what publications may have the information sought and whether those publications are in our library.
  2. A searchable index of topics covered in each issue of the *NSS News*, *NSS Bulletin*, *Journal of Cave and Karst Studies*, and *Speleo Digest*.
  3. A digital (PDF, Adobe e-books, etc.) Collection of publications for which the NSS has copyright permission (*Journal of Cave and Karst Studies*, *NSS News*, *Speleogenesis*, *Cave Minerals*, *On Call*, *On Rope*, *On Station*, *Caving Basics*, etc.) which members can download for a specified period of time and other cave-related material which the NSS has permission to distribute electronically.
- 68-780 Library Donation 11-04-06:8  
The NSS will donate one copy of NSS-published books in stock in the NSS Bookstore to the Ukrainian Institute of Speleology and Karstology to aid in replacing the library destroyed by fire. Additionally, the NSS will endeavor to acquire donations of issues of the *NSS News* and the Journal/Bulletin to complete

two sets of back issues, and send to the Institute. The NSS will cover the cost of shipping the publications to the Institute, up to \$2000. The Operations Vice President will be responsible for coordinating these projects.

68-790 Library Appraisal

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The Operations Vice President is directed to obtain an appraisal of the NSS Library. The OVP is authorized to spend up to \$5000 for the appraisal.

#### Cross References

60-075 NSS Services

18-525 NSS Library Restricted Fund

18-726 Income from NSS Library Book Sales

41-788 Karst Information Portal

Library Trust Fund (Appendix C, Attachment P)