

Service Offer and Costs for Reproductions, Research and Guided Tours

In addition to the Library Regulations dated January 1, 2021, please observe the following:

Reproductions

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Burgerbibliothek Bern, Mss.h.h.XVI.23, p. 112

Burgerbibliothek Bern, N Theodor Kocher 21 (9)

Burgerbibliothek Bern, Gr.A.108

Burgerbibliothek Bern, VA BSB 1914

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Those documents which are publicly accessible and safe in terms of conservation may be photographed with the prior consent of the Reading Room staff, provided doing so does not infringe any third-party rights. The photographing may not affect the documents any more than would be the case with normal consultation, in particular bound documents may not be flattened. The use of flash and tripods is not permitted.

Restrictions for conservation reasons

Documents which are at risk from a conservation point of view cannot be reproduced.

Quality

The Burgerbibliothek of Berne normally provides digital documents in TIFF format with a resolution of 300 dpi. There may be deviations in the resolution of the digital documents depending on the size of the original version.

Standing charge and surcharge

A standing charge of 30 CHF is invoiced for every order for digital documents that are unavailable online. In addition, the following will be charged:

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Digital documents (originals to A3 format) 10.00 CHF

Special preferences (e.g. a particularly high resolution) are subject to a surcharge of 100.00 CHF per image

Digital copies of large-size and sensitive documents > According to quote

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10.00 CHF

Term of delivery

Whenever possible, orders are completed within two weeks and sent electronically.

Research

According to its service obligations the Burgerbibliothek of Berne treats requests from users and advises its visitors in the Reading Room. Any order taking more than one hour of work will be charged 50 CHF per additional 30 minutes.

Complex genealogical and other research, the establishment of source excerpts and of transcriptions are not possible. For services beyond the basic offer of use we can establish contact to professional service-providers.

Guided tours

The Burgerbibliothek of Berne offers group tours and introductions to the work with its documents.

Registration for guided tours needs to be made at least three weeks prior to the event. The number of participants is limited and a contribution to costs may be charged.

Entry into force

The regulations for "Service Offer and Costs for Reproductions, Research and Guided Tours" enter into force on January 1, 2021. They replace the version of June 24, 2016.