ALPHA PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY TEXT NOTIFICATIONS

Sign Up to Receive Text Message Notifications

Keep up-to-date with your library account activity on your mobile phone via text message. This service is provided by Shoutbomb. Please note that while the Alpha Park Library does not charge a fee to use the Shoutbomb service, your mobile phone service plan standard text messaging rates apply.

With the Shoutbomb text messaging service, you can use your mobile phone to:

- Receive text notices about: holds that are available, items that are due in the next three days, overdue items, and fines that are added to your account.
- Send a text to renew an item. If the item is eligible for renewal, your text message will renew it. If the item is not eligible for renewal, your text will not renew it and Shoutbomb will notify you.
- Texts will be sent only when activity on your account triggers a message and will usually arrive around 9am.

What You Need

- A mobile device able to send and receive text messages
- The barcode number from your library card (ten digits, no spaces: D080xxxxx)
- The PIN for your library account. If you don't know your PIN, please call the library at 309-697-3822 ext. 13 or email alpha@alphapark.org

HOW TO SIGN UP:

Text SIGNUP to 844-225-9458

Shoutbomb will reply with texts asking for your for your library card number and PIN to finish the sign up process.

Questions?

If you have questions or problems with the service, you can ask the Shoutbomb support team at rsacat.support@shoutbomb.com.

ALPHA PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY SHOUTBOMB TEXT COMMANDS LIST

Getting Started with Shoutbomb

Below are commands to help you get started using the Shoutbomb service.

Basic Keyword Commands

You can text these commands to rsacat@shoutbomb.com; follow any instructions that are texted back to you:

- ADDCARD Register an additional Library card for text messages on your phone.

 – To save a few text messages you can text ADDCARD+NewCard#+NewCardPin (No spaces and include the + signs.)

- DROPCARD Cancel text notices for a card added with ADDCARD.

- – To save a few text messages you can text DROPCARD+Card#+CardPin (No spaces and include the + signs.)

– ZIPCODE ##### (Substitute your 5-digit zip code for #####.) Add your zip code to match your phone with your home library. For future features.

– IOWEU Returns information about your current fee amount. If you have multiple cards registered, you will receive information about each card.

- TEST Test your connection to Shoutbomb.
- HELP Get information about all Shoutbomb commands.
- RESEND Get the last message from Shoutbomb again.

– SWITCHPHONE Allows you to update your account with a new phone number or carrier.

– MYBOOKS Sends a snapshot of the status of all your library items including outstanding holds.

– QUIT Delete your mobile device from the Shoutbomb notice service.

– – To save a few text messages you can text QUIT+Card#+CardPin (No spaces and include the + signs.)

Replying to Notices

Your account notices will prompt you to respond with optional commands, including: - HL Get a list of holds that are ready for pickup. (Holds notice.)

- RL Get a list of items you can renew. (Courtesy notice.)
- RA Renew all eligible items. (Courtesy notice.)
- OL Get a list of overdue items. (Overdue notice.)

Message Settings

To view and change your Shoutbomb message settings, text these commands:

- NOTICES See your current on/off status for each type of notice. Do this first!
- HOLDS Toggles your holds notices off/on.
- RENEW Toggles your courtesy notices (about items that are due soon) off/on.
- OVERDUE Toggles your overdue notices off/on.
- FEES Toggles your notices about fines and fees off/on.

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