

**PROCESS AND USE OF MATERIALS THAT  
REQUIRE SPECIAL HANDLING**

Including rare books, historical manuscripts, photogras, and objects

**PROCESS**

- Up to three historical manuscripts, rare books, objects, or photograph collections may be requested at a time.
- Laptop computers and digital cameras are permitted, but no cases.
- No personal notebooks, books, or loose papers are permitted. All material must be returned to the Reserved Area Desk by 4:30pm (7:30pm on Thursdays).

**USE**

- You must use pencils and notepads supplied by CMCH staff.
- Only use one book, manuscript, or item at a time. When manuscript boxes contain multiple folders, you may use three sequential folders at a time.
- Manuscripts and photographs must be kept flat on the table.
- Rare books and bound volumes of manuscripts must be placed in a cradle supplied by staff. Book weights are available.
- Rare materials must never be used on laps or rested against the edge of a table.
- Do not rearrange or change the order of materials.
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- Photocopies of rare items in good condition can only be made by staff if circumstances permit.
- Place staff-provided slips in item to indicate what to photocopy.
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