Research Commons

Regulation on the Use of 3D Printers

Accessibility

The Research Commons 3D printers are available for use by all members of the McGill community, including current students, staff, faculty members and researchers. A valid McGill ID card may be required as proof of one’s status at McGill.

Mandatory training

McGill community members interested in using the 3D printers must first complete a 3D printing workshop provided by the McGill Library.

Lawful and ethical use

The 3D printers may only be used for lawful and non-commercial purposes and in compliance with all McGill policies and regulations. It is prohibited to 3D print any objects or material components in violation of local, provincial or federal laws, or in violation of any third party’s intellectual property or proprietary rights. Users may not print obscene, unsafe, harmful, dangerous or otherwise inappropriate objects or components.

Submitted designs must be examined and approved by the staff of the Research Commons before being printed.

Risk mitigation

Users are required to follow all Research Commons’ 3D printing guidelines or procedures, as well as the manufacturer’s safety instructions when operating the equipment.

Quality of printed output

The McGill Library is not responsible for the quality, durability, or functionality of printed material. The quality, durability, and functionality of a printed object or component are the sole responsibility of the individual submitting the design.