

## Food and Drink

- Food and drink may be consumed only in the Fellows' Room (at the far end of the Central Library) or in the Lower Library.
- A hot drink vending machine is located in the Fellows' Room. Change is available from the Library Enquiry Desk.
- Drinking water is available from machines in the Fellows' Room and in the Cloakroom corridor.

## Toilets

Gents – Ground floor (off entrance hall)

Ladies – Basement

Accessible – 1st floor (near Lift /Map Room)

### Other leaflets available:

Library services – information for Fellows

Library services – information for Corporate Affiliates

Literature search databases in geoscience

Offsite e-journal access

Library regulations

Library charges

Sponsor a book

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**For further information visit the Library & Information Services pages on the Society's website**

## Locations within the Library

These names or their abbreviations are used throughout the Library Catalogue.

CL	Central Library (on 1st floor)
1G	1st Gallery, Central Library (Bays A-Z around outer wall) (Bays 1-16 against parapet)
2G	2nd Gallery, Central Library
LL	Lower Library (ground floor)
MR	Map Room (1st floor)
WR	Work Room (off the 1st Gallery)

ASK A MEMBER OF STAFF FOR MATERIAL IN THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS )

BMS	Basement Map Store
BS	Basement Serial Store
FR	Fellows' Room
LR	Lyell Room
LSO	Library Staff Office
S	Periodicals Stack
Y or YF	Book Stack

## The Library, Geological Society

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# Using the Library – a visitor's guide

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## Using the Library Catalogue

Select the **Library Catalogue** option on the Library & Information Services pages of the Society's website from any public access computer in the Library or your laptop. **The catalogue is also available remotely using your own PC. No login/password is required**

You may search the entire database using keywords within specific fields (e.g. author or title) by putting terms into the search boxes. Alternatively, choose a material type (e.g. Books, Serials, Maps) by selecting the term in the 'drop-down' box towards the top right of the screen.

The Catalogue does not contain details of individual papers within books and journals.

**Books** are classified and shelved according to the Universal Decimal Classification, a numerical classification (e.g. 553.982). The shelf-mark/location is shown towards the end of the catalogue

entry (adjacent to the field name 'Location'). Books with the prefix **Y** or **YF** are shelved in the 'Stack' and will be fetched by a member of staff.

When a book is kept as part of a series, the link '[Click here to view Serial Location](#)', adjacent to 'Location' in the catalogue entry will take

you to the series record indicating where it is shelved.

**Periodicals/Serials** may be found using the on-line catalogue. In addition, a card catalogue is maintained in the small wooden catalogue cabinet in the Central Library. This is a catalogue of titles only (there is no entry under the name of the issuing body).



The current year's issues of over 100 major journals are displayed on the two outer racks in the Fellows' Room. The current issues of all other journals are displayed for 3 months on the central rack.

The shelf location is given at the end of the catalogue entry and is usually in the form of a prefix (denoting the room) and a letter or number indicating the precise bay or shelf.

**Geological maps** are held of all parts of the world. Many of these can be borrowed for study, but not for use in the field. Geological maps may be located using the on-line catalogue.

**PLEASE ASK THE STAFF FOR ANY TITLE YOU ARE UNABLE TO FIND. THEY CAN ADVISE HOW YOU CAN FIND MATERIAL IN THE LIBRARY AND ELSEWHERE.**

**Literature searches** may be carried out using subscription databases (e.g. *GeoRef* and *Petroleum abstracts*) on the 'public access PCs.

**Wi-Fi** – There is Wi-Fi access throughout the Society. Ask a member of staff for the password.

## Other Libraries (Admission normally by appointment)

**British Geological Survey Library**  
KEYWORTH  
Nottingham NG12 5GG  
Tel: 01159 363205 e-mail: libuser@bgs.ac.uk  
Website: <http://www.bgs.ac.uk>

**British Geological Survey, London Information Office**  
Natural History Museum Earth Galleries  
Exhibition Road, LONDON SW7 5BD  
Tel: +44(0)20 7589 4090 e-mail: bgs\_london@bgs.ac.uk

**British Library**  
96 Euston Road  
London NW1 2DB  
Tel: +44 (0)20 7412 7288 e-mail: scitech@bl.uk  
Web-site: <http://www.bl.uk>

**Energy Institute Library**  
61 New Cavendish Street  
LONDON W1M 8AR  
Tel: +44(0)20 7467 7100 e-mail: lis@energyinst.org.uk  
Web-site: <http://www.energyinst.org.uk>

**Institution of Civil Engineers Library**  
Great George Street  
LONDON SW1P 3AA  
Tel: +44(0) 7665 2252 e-mail: library@ice.org.uk  
Web-site: <http://www.ice.org.uk>

**Natural History Museum, Earth Sciences Library**  
Cromwell Road  
LONDON SW7 5BD  
Tel: +44(0)20 7942 5476 e-mail: earthscilib@nhm.ac.uk  
Web-site: <http://www.nhm.ac.uk/library>

**Royal Geographical Society**  
Kensington Gore  
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Web-site: <http://www.rgs.org>

**Royal Society Library**  
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