

The SRS Library

Early in 2009, the SRS Library moved to the American Philatelic Research Library (APRL) in Bellefonte, PA to give it a permanent home and to provide broader exposure to a wider audience. It also provides SRS members access to the APRL's state revenue publications; provides a destination location for anyone who wants to research the entire library and gives SRS members access to fulltime professional librarians.

How do you borrow a book?

- You can request a book by phone, FAX or e-mail. If you are an APS member you are likely familiar with library procedures and nothing will change. You have access to the entire APRL holdings.
- If you are not an APS member (and you are not required to be a member), you have access to all State revenue related publications by providing your SRS membership number. The APRL will have a list of member names and membership numbers to confirm your lending privileges.
- To borrow a book, simply identify yourself as an SRS member and provide the name of the book(s) to the librarian. The APRL will ship the books to the address you provide along with an invoice. You will be responsible for postage both ways.
- When members borrow materials through the mail, the APS provides a return mailing label and a signature confirmation form. Some books may require postal insurance. You can also request photocopies of articles on a per page basis. All related fees are listed on the APRL website.

You can get to the APRL through the APS website <http://www.stamps.org/> and going to "The Library" link or directly to <http://stamps.org/Library-Services> On the APRL site there are helpful links, including "Using Library Services," "Fees for Library Services" and the "Online Catalog" where you can search for books, journals and articles.

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You can also now inspect all the books, journals and related publications at one time by visiting the APRL in central Pennsylvania.