

TEMPORARY CUSTODY POLICY

Objects may be taken into temporary custody by the Peabody Museum to accomplish an objective of particular interest to the owner. Curators, curatorial designees, or employees of the Public Education Department may accept objects in temporary custody.

A Temporary Custody Receipt will be issued for objects held in temporary custody. The Museum will give objects left in custody the same care provided similar objects of its own, but it assumes no additional responsibilities or liabilities in regard to such objects.

Museum personnel cannot make statements regarding the monetary value of an object, nor are they or the Museum liable for statements concerning the authenticity of objects.

Objects may remain in temporary custody for 180 days unless otherwise specified on the Temporary Custody Receipt. After this time, a postcard will be sent asking the owner to retrieve the object(s). Any objects not claimed by the owner within 90 days of the expiration of the temporary custody agreement may be disposed of at the discretion of the Museum. It is the responsibility of the owner to keep the Museum apprised of any changes in address.

Approved, Board of Curators, September 12, 1994