

## New regulations about cashless payment in the University Library

Starting on April 1st, 2020, the University Library will switch to a completely cashless payment model and no longer accept cash. Your thoska will become the only valid means of payment for late fees, inter-library loan units, the library's plastic bags and all further library fees. This new regulation is being introduced as an implementing provision to library regulations in order to conform to current security standards as well as the Thuringian state financial regulations.

Note that the coin operated copier on floor -1 will continue to be coin operated after April 1st.

### What is a thoska?

The Thuringian University and Studierendenwerk Card, or »thoska« for short, is an ID card issued by all universities in Thuringia. In the University Library of the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar it serves as your library card. You can charge credit onto a thoska in order to make cashless payments in university facilities.

### How can I pay by thoska?

You'll be able to pay any library fees at the payment machine directly opposite the circulation desk as long as there is credit on your card. A transfer machine in the copy room on the 1st floor will further allow you to transfer thoska credit to a printing account.

### How can I charge my thoska credit?

On floor -1 right in front of the wardrobe lockers you will find a machine that allows you to charge credit using your debit card. A machine that accepts cash is located at Marienstrasse 15a.

Please refer to the links below and to the right for current locations of these and other credit charge machines.

<https://www.uni-weimar.de/en/university/studies/campusoffice-study-administration/student-id-card-thoska/>



### Is my thoska valid for cashless payment?

Most likely yes. There are, however, thoskas in circulation that don't conform to current security standards and are therefore locked out of cashless payment options. To ensure your thoska is valid, please look on the back of the card:



*(example images, card layouts may differ)*

Cards bearing the code „DF 2506“ are definitely valid for cashless payment. If the code is missing on your card, it may still be valid – we'll be happy to run a check for you at the circulation desk.

### What if my thoska isn't valid?

Your thoska will need to be replaced. Please contact the institution that issued your card. Alternatively, for EUR 10 you may purchase a guest thoska at the circulation desk.