

Media Transfer Station

Digitize old media such as VHS, Super 8, 8 mm, 35 mm, negatives, vinyl's, or cassettes.

Cost: Free

Make Appointment:

Call the TechZone at 330-643-9145 or use our online booking at akronlibrary.org/tz

- Appointments are three-hour timeslots
- Appointments will be released to walk-ins after 20 minutes.

Bring to Appointment Time:

- Library Card
- Signed User Agreement (required for first-time TechZone users)
- A place to save the project (one of the following)
 - Flash drive
 - Access to email or online storage

Library Card:

- Free for Ohio residents
- Stop by any of our Circulation desks to sign up for card before appointment time

Use Agreement:

- Must be signed before using any equipment in the TechZone
- Can be signed the day of the appointment
- Stop by the TechZone to sign the agreement
 - A note will be added to your library account, so you don't need to sign each time

Conversion Time (for most machines):

- Real Time or Longer
 - If the original VHS is 2 hours long it will take 2 hours to capture
 - Reel to Reel does capture only one frame at a time

Storage Needs:

- 1 hour of VHS recording is about 2 GB
- 3" 8mm Reel is about 75 MB
- 3" Super 8 Reel is about 225MB
- 5" Reels can get upwards of 4 GB

Burning DVD's:

- Can be done on the media transfer station

Equipment:

- Elgato Video Capture
 - VHS Converter
- Photo Scanner
 - Scan photos
 - Scan photo negatives
 - 35mm slides (only not film unless cut)
- Wolverine Converter
 - 8mm
 - Super 8
- TEAC Deck
 - Cassette tapes
 - Vinyl records