

## **Greenwich Free Library Internet Use Guidelines**

The use of the computers is on a first-come, first-served basis for the next available computer. You must key in your library barcode to use the computers. If you do not have a card, you can sign up for one. A limited number of guest passes will be available for those who don't have their card with them. Usage is provided in set increments, which may be limited based on demand. There is no time limit for wireless users. Wireless network users may access the Library's public network inside the facility during open library hours and from our parking lot 24 hours a day.

### **Public Users Security**

Users should be aware that the Internet is not a secure medium and that third parties may be able to obtain information regarding users' activities. However, the library will not release information on the use of specific Internet resources by members of the public except as required by law as necessary for the proper operation of the library.

### **Filtering**

The library does not monitor or control information accessible through the Internet and is not responsible for content. The library cannot guarantee that information found using the Internet is accurate, authoritative, or factual. No filtering software is in use on library computers, and the library does not assume responsibility for protecting Internet users from material they might find obscene, offensive or objectionable.

### **Access by Minors**

Just as libraries do not vouch for or endorse the viewpoints of written material in their collections, they do not do so for electronic information. Patrons under age 16 are required to obtain a parent or guardian's signature on their library card application to access the Internet on public computers. Parents and guardians are responsible for monitoring their child's use of the Internet. Any restriction of a child's access is the responsibility of the parent/guardian, not the library staff.

### **Responsibility of Users**

- The library does not permit violation of any U.S. or state law or regulation including, but not restricted to, acts of a threatening, harassing or obscene nature. Patrons must respect copyright laws and licensing agreements.
- Users may not invade the privacy of others.
- Users may not damage, alter, or degrade computer equipment, peripherals, software or configurations or install software applications.
- Users may not view sexually explicit graphic materials. Users requiring sound must use headphones.
- Wireless connections are less secure than wired connections. Users are advised to use caution and take additional security measures when transmitting sensitive information using any of the Library's public networks.

**Compliance**

Those failing to comply with the internet policy may be asked to leave. Repeated failure to comply will result in loss of library privileges.

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