

Stillwater Public Library – Computer, Wi-Fi, and Internet Use Policy

All Library policies apply to Computer, Wi-Fi, and Internet use at the Library. The Library reserves the right to deny access to patrons who violate Library policy.

Computer Use

All users must have a valid library card and not have accumulated fines exceeding \$5.00.

The computers are available on a “first come, first served” basis. Users are limited to a two-hour block of time on the computer, increasing at fifteen-minute intervals for up to a total of four hours. Library staff may end a computer session at any time if the user leaves the Library premises.

Patrons may not load programs on to the Library computer hard drives or run unapproved software from CD-ROMS, flash drives, or any other device. Patrons may bring USB flash drives, CD's/DVD's, or other portable devices to store their files. The Library is not responsible for damage to disks, any loss of data, or damage or liability that may occur from a patron's use of the Library's computers.

Failure to use the computer station appropriately and responsibly may result in revocation of computer privileges. Examples of inappropriate use include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Violation of computer system integrity
- Unauthorized tampering with computer hardware or software
- Violation of software license agreements and copyright laws
- Violation of another user's privacy
- Attempting to modify or gain unauthorized access to files, passwords or data belonging to others

Wi-Fi Use

The Library's wireless network is not secure, and the Library cannot guarantee the safety of your traffic across its wireless network. The Library assumes no responsibility for the configurations, security or files on your personal device resulting from connection to the Library's wireless network.

Internet Use

The Library upholds and affirms the right of everyone to have access to constitutionally protected materials. Adult patrons are responsible for appropriate use of the Internet for themselves and their children. Persons under the age of 16 must have their parent or guardian

present when accessing the Internet unless they have been given prior written permission from the parent or guardian, using the "Internet Usage Agreement."

The Library does not monitor and has no control over the information accessed through the Internet, and is not responsible for the content of the Internet. Users are responsible for evaluation of the information found on the Internet. Illegal use of the Internet, or any use to injure or harass others, is prohibited. The Library reserves the right to limit or deny a patron's access to Library computer resources, including the Internet accessed through Library computers.

While it is the policy of the Library not to limit access to any resource by any segment of the community, under certain circumstances, a patron who is accessing material that is obscene, indecent, violent or otherwise inappropriate for viewing in the public library environment may be directed by Library staff not to access the material.

Disclaimer and Limitations of Liability

It is the user's responsibility to be aware of any notices concerning the copyright of information on the Internet and to respect the copyright laws of the United States. The Library expressly disclaims any liability or responsibility arising from access to or use of information obtained through its electronic information systems, or any consequences thereof.

Responsibility for resolution of problems related to the invasion of the user's privacy or loss of data rests with the user. The Library assumes no liability for loss or damage to the user's data for any damage or injury arising from invasion of the user's privacy.

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