



Internet Acceptable Use Policy

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The Scott County Public Library provides internet access to its patrons through the use of Library-owned devices and by allowing connections to the Library's network using personally owned devices. Misuse, abuse, or violation of any part of this policy may result in the suspension or termination of a patron's access. Violations of laws governing internet use may result in criminal prosecution.

ACCEPTABLE USE

In compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000, and to protect the Library and its users from malicious software, the Library has implemented filtering software to identify and prevent access to internet pages known to distribute malware and/or graphical depictions not suitable for the public Library environment. Despite the safeguards put in place by the Library to protect its users from malicious software and inadvertent access to offensive materials, the Library recognizes it has no control over the information accessed through the internet and therefore cannot be held responsible for its content. Because of this, parents of minor children are responsible for overseeing their child's use of and access to the internet. All users of Library devices and connections are expected to use these resources in a responsible manner, consistent with the educational, informational, and recreational purposes for which they are provided.

The Library will make reasonable efforts to keep its equipment in operating condition and its internet connection active. However, the library cannot guarantee the availability of equipment nor that a wired or wireless connection can be made or maintained. It is the user's responsibility to use a personal storage device to save work created using a Library-owned device as the Library is not responsible for loss of any work. Users are not permitted to move hardware, install software, or unplug any Library-owned device and they are expected to use headphones to eliminate noises that may disturb other Library users. Users are also expected to observe and comply with copyright laws, especially those which pertain to copying software, videos, or music.

TIME LIMITS

Daily use of Library-owned devices may be limited as predetermined by library staff to provide greater access and availability for all users. Time extensions may be granted to users who request an extension prior to the expiration of their allotted time, at the discretion of Library Staff.

ASSISTANCE

Library staff will assist users with internet use as time permits but cannot offer prolonged personal instruction. Library staff cannot aid users in filling out documents including but not limited to, tax documents, financial paperwork, job applications, etc. Library staff cannot provide technical assistance to users accessing the Library's wireless network and library staff are not permitted to touch or handle any personally-owned device. Users in need of in-depth assistance can set up a 1-on-1 appointment with Technology Staff for further assistance.