

Internet and Computer Acceptable Use Policy

The Roaring Spring Community Library provides computers and Internet Access to our patrons for *informational* and *educational* purposes. Internet users should be aware they are in a public setting with people of all ages.

It is a felony in the state of Pennsylvania “To display or cause to display any explicit sexual material...on...any viewing screen in such manner that the display is visible...In any establishment where minors, as part of the general public, may be exposed to view all or any part of such materials” (Penn. Crimes Code-Sect. 5903).

Viewing such material in the public library will result in immediate termination of Internet privileges.

Use of the Internet is time limited to ensure equitable access for all.

The Library does not provide e-mail accounts. Email is permitted but you must have your own account through an Internet provider.

There is a *per page fee* for *all the pages you print*. It is your responsibility to know how many pages you are printing before sending the document to print.

Library staff will be available to assist users in accessing the Internet. Each user is responsible for personal searches. We do not provide personal instruction on the Internet, our computers, or your personal devices. Patron wishing to access the Library’s wireless network must follow the Library’s Wi-Fi Use Policy. Staff are not responsible for setting up personal computers to work within the Library’s wireless access.

The following standards must be adhered to.

- No copyrighted material may be copied.
- No violating software license agreements
- Activities that are illegal including, but not limited to hacking, harassment, sale or use of prohibited substances.
- Not disclosing personal information about another person without the person’s permission.
- Minors must be careful not to disclose personal information without their parent’s/guardians permission. --
- Library staff are not responsible for monitoring minors Internet use.
- Not accessing information and/ or sites that are harmful to minors.
- User may not send, receive or display text or graphics which may be construed as obscene.
- Users must not do anything that will impede the use Computers or the Internet by others.
- Cause damage to Library equipment and/or software.
- Tamper with settings, turn equipment on/off, download or install information
- Load personal programs, or plug in personal equipment

Users will be liable for repair or replacement costs and forfeit t computer privileges.

Disclaimer

The Library does not monitor and has no control over the information available through the Internet, and can not guarantee its accuracy. The Library Director, Staff and Trustees are not liable for direct or consequential damage from information obtained on the Internet. The Library is not responsible for USB damage, loss of data or damage to one’s own personal computer or devices as a result of using the library’s network or Wi-Fi services. Files saved on library computers are deleted at end of patron session. RSCL will not tolerate use of its computers and network in a way that violates local, state, and federal law. Serious violation will be punished to the full extent of the law.

There is a fee for all printouts.

Acceptable Use Contract Patrons must sign this form prior to using the Library's computer to access the Internet. Students younger than high school age must have an adult present at the computer while using the Internet. All patrons under the age of 18 must also have a parental or guardian consent form signed by a parent or guardian in person at the Library and on file. Forms cannot be taken home for signature.

The library does what it can to filter and keep our equipment virus free; however, we cannot be responsible for any viruses that may be transmitted via Internet files or use of our network.

Failure to comply could result in loss of your library privileges.

ADULT ACCEPTABLE USE CONTRACT

I, _____ (**print name**) have read and understand the **Internet Policy** at the **Roaring Spring Community Library** and agree to the terms outlined therein. I understand that the Library cannot be responsible in any way for what I may or may not find on the Internet. I also agree not to engage in any illegal, unethical, or destructive activities while using the Library's computer equipment.

Signature: _____ **Date** _____

CHILD PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM

I have read and understand the **Internet Policy** at the **Roaring Spring Community Library**. My **child** _____ (**print child's name**) has permission to access the Internet via the Library's computer. I am responsible for supervising my child's Internet usage and will not hold the Library or Staff responsible for monitoring areas of the Internet that my child may choose to explore.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date:** _____

Witness of Library Staff Member _____ Date : _____

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