

INTERNET USE POLICY

Vermillion County Public Library

- A. Internet computers are available for all library users.
 - 1. Children 12 years of age or under must have parents or guardian present at all times to use computer terminals.
 - 2. Minors 17 years and under must have a library card with a signed parental internet consent form on file before they will have access to the internet.
- B. Users are required to sign in before using computers.
- C. Workstations are for individual use and no more than two (2) patrons may access a computer at one time.
- D. Library staff is responsible for setting time limits on Internet use. Normal usage include:
 - 1. A 60 minute session is allowed on all computers.
 - 2. Limits can be extended if no one else is waiting to use the computer.
- E. User must obey the following rules:
 - 1. Web-based email and web page building are allowed.
 - 2. Computer settings and configurations must not be changed.
 - 3. Users cannot bring in foreign software for use on the computer.
 - 4. Documentation cannot be stored on the computer for later use.
 - 5. The user cannot receive or transmit inappropriate material in violation of federal, state, or local regulations. Included are:
 - i. Profanity
 - ii. Sexually explicit material
 - iii. Expression of bigotry, racism, and violence
 - iv. Gambling
 - v. Illegally obtained information on the manufacture of drugs, weapons, bombs.
- F. Access to websites is controlled by an in-house filtering system that disallows access to Internet sites that may violate the above rules or material that may be harmful to minors (IC 35-49-3-3).
- G. Wireless internet is available to library users who bring their own computers and Internet-accessible devices.
- H. The library is not responsible for user's disc or other software that is left in a computer or within the library.
- I. The library retains the right to deny Internet access to any person who disregards the use of this policy.