

Cedar Mill Community Library Public Internet Acceptable Use Policy

The Cedar Mill Community Library offers Internet access to its patrons as part of its mission to provide resources reflecting the great diversity of interests and opinions in our communities. Users holding a valid Washington County library card may register for use of the Library's Internet PCs for minimum of 2 hours each day the Library is open. Guest passes are available to visitors for a daily minimum of 1 hour's use.

The Library does not monitor and has no control over the information viewed through the Internet and cannot be responsible for its content. As with other library resources, providing access to electronic information implies neither sponsorship nor endorsement by the Library. It is left to each user to choose what is individually appropriate and for parents or legal guardians to assume responsibility for their minor children's use of the Internet through the Library's connection.

Internet use will be managed in a manner consistent with the Library's **Rules of Conduct** and with the **Guidelines for Internet Use**, which have been adopted and are posted in the Library. Failure to use the Internet stations appropriately and responsibly may result in revocation of Internet use privileges, library privileges and/or criminal prosecution. Misuse of the Internet includes, but is not limited to, using the computer for illegal activities, "hacking" into this or other systems, damaging hardware or software, or altering the library computer's settings.

Although Internet access provides a wealth of information, it is an unregulated medium and some materials may be inaccurate, incomplete, controversial or offensive. Users are encouraged to evaluate the validity of information accessed via the Internet. Library staff can provide limited assistance; however, with many library users to help, librarians do not have time to spend more than a few minutes with each one. Inquire at the Reference Desk to schedule an appointment for a personal tutorial on navigating the Internet. Librarians can also help users find books, videos, and classes that can serve as additional resources for learning more about computers and the Internet.

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