PEMBROKE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Internet Policy

Introduction

The Pembroke Public Library exists to serve as a cultural focal point in providing access to print and non-print materials and programs to fulfill the educational and informational needs and to enhance the recreational and socio-cultural interests of all people of the community. The internet is one of the richest information resources available to our patrons and the Pembroke Public Library considers internet resources an extension of our material collections for library users.

Internet computers are available free of charge to library patrons and visitors on a first come first served basis. All users in good standing may use the internet stations for a one-hour session once a day. Subject to computer availability computer time may be extended at the discretion of library staff. All users are responsible for **all** their printouts and must pay posted charges per page.

Appropriate Use Of and Access to the Internet

Library staff is available to help users with basic computer operation or with internet access whenever time and knowledge permits. Users should have basic computer skills.

Users should be considerate of others who are waiting. The library may institute sign in sheets or use by reservation as the need arises.

Laser printing is available at posted rates.

Misuse or abuse of internet access may result in suspension of internet access or other library privileges.

Responsibility of Users

Users should always be good citizens of the electronic community of the internet, abiding by the rules and procedures of the library as well as remote systems accessed.

Copyright and licensing agreements should be respected.

Users of the Library's internet computers are expected to adhere to the following code of conduct:

• To use the internet for educational and informational purposes and not for unauthorized or illegal purposes.

And not to:

- Modify or gain access to files, passwords or data belonging to others
- · Seek unauthorized access to any computer system
- · Damage or alter the workstation's software or hardware
- Send, receive or display text or graphics that are illegal or may reasonably be construed as obscene or offensive.

Violation of this code of conduct will result in loss of Library privileges.

Wireless Policy

Patrons are asked to agree to the Pembroke Public Library Internet Policy.

Users of the wireless internet service are bound by the terms of Pembroke Public Library's Internet Policy. Users will not be directed to the wireless network unless they agree to these terms and conditions.

The Library's wireless access points are unsecured connections to the internet. The Library is not responsible for data transmitted or loss of information over the wireless network. The Library assumes no responsibility for the security and privacy of on-line transactions.

Wireless users are responsible for the protection of their devices from viruses, spyware and spam.

The Library is not responsible for the safety of equipment or for laptop configurations.

The Library provides basic instructions on how to connect to the network but is not able to provide technical assistance.

Printing is not available from the wireless connection.

Disclaimer

The internet is a global entity with no control of users or content. Therefore available resources

As with other library materials, restriction of a child's access to the internet is the apparent responsibility of the parent/legal guardian.

Not all sources on the internet provide accurate, complete, or current information. Users need to be good information consumers, questioning the validity of the information.

The computer user should be aware of computer viruses and other destructive computer programs, and take steps to avoid being a victim or unwitting distributor of these processes.

Ultimate responsibility for resolution of problems related to the invasion of 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 or for any damage or injury arising from invasion of the user's privacy.

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