

WINONA PUBLIC LIBRARY

WIRELESS INTERNET USE POLICY

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- WIRELESS USERS HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE WINONA PUBLIC LIBRARY COMPUTER AND INTERNET USE POLICY.
- Wireless users understand that attempting to damage or alter Library equipment, software, or configurations is prohibited, and that use of the Internet access provided by the Library for any unlawful purpose, including but not limited to the display of obscene materials as defined in Minnesota Statute 617.241, software piracy, or violation of copyright or license agreements, is also prohibited.
- The wireless network provided by the Library is not secure. Information sent to and from your wireless computer or device may be captured by anyone else with a wireless device and appropriate software. The Library will not be responsible for any personal information that is compromised.
- The Library does not recommend the use of the wireless network for online shopping, ordering merchandise, or electronic banking. The library does not prohibit these activities, but it does not ensure the provision of secure connections. The Library is not liable for any personal security breaches, theft of identity, or financial losses resulting from such online activities.
- Connecting your computer via the wireless network may expose your computer to viruses and other security risks. Patrons are responsible for their own computer's virus protection, and accept the risks of Internet connections. The Library is not liable for any damage ensuing from said connection.
- Safety of personal computer equipment from theft or damage to any property while on the Library wireless network is the sole responsibility of the patron. The Library staff will not monitor the safety of personal equipment, nor will they hold said equipment for safekeeping under any circumstance.
- The Library is not responsible for any damage caused to your hardware or software due to electric surges.
- The Library reserves the right to limit internet use due to bandwidth constraints.
- Wireless access at the Library is filtered in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA). If you feel that a blocked site should be unblocked, or that an unblocked site should be blocked, the Library provides a form that, when filled in and submitted, begins a review process. This process will lead to a determination to change or leave unchanged the status of the site for the Library. The Library will respond to the request for reconsideration usually within two business days.
- Any restriction or monitoring of a minor's access to the Library's wireless network is the sole responsibility of the parent or guardian.
- Users are responsible for knowing how to configure their equipment. The Library cannot be responsible for any changes you make to your computer's settings.
- Users may not plug equipment into the Library's computer network.
- Printing is available. Inquire at the Reference Desk for printing instructions. Copies are \$0.10 per page for black & white and \$0.50 for color.

Violation of this policy may result in the suspension of Internet privileges and/or expulsion from the Library. Violation of local, state and federal laws will be referred to the proper authorities for legal action.