

Crawford County Public Library

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Computer and Internet Acceptable Use Policy

The Crawford County Public Library provides free access to library computers and the internet for its patrons as well as visitors to meet the varied needs of the community. A library card is not required for computer use; however, we ask individuals to sign in at the designated area. The library provides internet access for any legal, educational, recreational or ethical purpose. In addition, the library provides free wireless access to those with wireless devices within range of service equipment. **Computer and Internet use at the library is a privilege; the Crawford County Public Library reserves the right to suspend an individual's privileges for failure to abide by the User Policies.** The Library reserves the right to inspect or observe computers and patron activity to enforce policies. **All individuals using Library computers must sign the Acceptable Use Policy Agreement.**

In order to access the internet either by library computers or personal laptops, all patrons must agree to all terms and will not engage in the following activities:

- Display, view or print any images and documents that are sexually explicit, obscene or abusive
- Install applications or Internet plug-in applications including coupon printers/toolbars
- Use any website or application to bypass the library's internet safeguards
- Attempt to modify, abuse or harm the computer in any way
- Violate copyright and licensing agreements regarding software, files or other resources
- Engage in slanderous, harassing and malicious activity, messaging or posting
- Save documents and images to the hard drive

Disclaimer:

The internet is a global electronic network with no control of its users or content. The Library does filter access to materials in accordance with the **Children's Internet Protection Act of 2001.** The Library staff cannot control the availability of information or its accuracy. Users need to be good information consumers questioning the validity of information. The Library assumes no responsibility for any misinformation, lost data or inability to access specific web sites or information.

Printing:

Patrons are responsible to pay for <u>all</u> copies they produce from the computer being used either from the internet or a self created document. Rates are as follows: Black & White: .10 each page Colored: .50 each page Students, Black & White: .5 each page, Colored: .25 each page

Hours and Time:

All patrons are limited to one hour of computer use when all computer stations are occupied and patrons are waiting to use computers. All computers will shut down 30 minutes before closing. **Patrons are not to bypass measures that shut the computers down.**

Minors:

All patrons aged 17 and under must have a signed consent form completed by a parent or guardian to access Library computers and comply with all policies. All patrons under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult; siblings 17 or younger accompanying those younger than 10 does **NOT** qualify or constitute adult supervision. <u>All minor's access to the internet is the sole responsibility of their parent or guardian.</u>

Computer and Internet Acceptable Use Agreement

I have read, understood and accept the Crawford County Public Library Computer and Internet Acceptable Use Policy. I understand that any violation of these policies may result in the loss of privileges at the Library.

Signature

Date

Name printed

** I have read, understood and accept the Crawford County Public Library Computer and Internet Acceptable Use Policy for my child, aged 17 or younger, and that any violation of these policies may result in the loss of privileges at the Library.

Signature (parent)

Date

Name printed

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