

VALPARAISO COMMUNITY LIBRARY



INTERNET AND COMPUTER USE AGREEMENT

UNIVERSAL POLICY

The following **Internet and Computer Use Agreement** serves as an official public notification regarding Internet activities while using library computers and/or wireless network. The Internet consists of international networks of public and private computers which increase availability of resources thereby providing access to information beyond regular library resources. The following policies serve as guidelines and are subject to change as needed without any prior notification.

Limitations of Liability

The Valparaiso Community Library does not guarantee the accuracy, authenticity or currency of information discovered on the Internet by computer users. The Library does not guarantee the legitimacy, privacy, or security of online transactions using the library computers or wireless network. The responsibility rests solely upon the user to evaluate any information discovered on the Internet.

Legal Usage

The Valparaiso Community Library does not restrict Internet access or protect users from encountering images or content deemed as controversial, inappropriate, indecent, or illegal. Moreover, users are prohibited to utilize library computers or wireless network to access such material. **Unacceptable Use** includes but not limited to: copyright infringement, promoting violence or discrimination, cyber harassment/bullying, illegal activities, accessing pornography, or otherwise immoral websites. Viewing sexually explicit or sexually suggestive (obscene/lewd) material is strictly prohibited. As a library patron you are expected to follow these standards. Other prohibited activities include but not limited to:

1. Using the library's network to engage in any harmful, illegal or fraudulent activity
2. Dispersing, downloading, or saving malicious viruses, files, or spyware using library computers
3. Publicly displaying images or engaging in social media which offend other patrons
4. Viewing or downloading any sexually explicit material (specifically of pornographic nature)

Additionally, computer users should not have any expectations of privacy while using library computers or personal wireless devices connected to the library's wireless network. **Illegal acts involving library computing resources may also be subject to prosecution by local, state, or federal authorities.**

Consequences of Violations

Computer resources should be used in accordance with the "Legal Usage" policy stated above. Violations of this policy will result in a verbal warning and/or possible removal from library premises. Additional penalties may result in temporary suspension or permanent cancellation of library privileges. Repeating violations will result in the termination of library privileges in the Valparaiso Community Library in addition to other Okaloosa County public libraries.