Wireless Use Policy

This policy governs the use (public and internal) of the Library's wireless system(s).

The Library provides free Wi-Fi access for users with portable computers and devices capable of receiving wireless signals. The Wi-Fi access option is open to patrons of all ages; parents or guardians are responsible for supervising their child's proper and safe use of the Internet. At this time, no registration or sign-up is required.

As with most public wireless "hot spots," the Library's wireless connection is not secure. Any information being sent or received could potentially be intercepted by another wireless user. Wireless users should use caution when entering their credit card information, passwords and other sensitive personal information while using any wireless "hot spot."

Users assume all associated risks and agree to hold harmless the Library and its employees for any personal information (e.g. credit card) that is compromised, or for any damage caused to users' hardware or software due to electric surges, security issues or consequences caused by viruses or hacking. All Wi-Fi users should have up-to-date virus protection on their personal laptop computers or wireless devices.

Library staff are not responsible for any changes users make to their computer settings and cannot guarantee that a user's device will work with the Library's wireless connection.

Users are responsible for configuring their own equipment to access the wireless service. Staff cannot assist in making changes to the user's network settings or perform any troubleshooting on the user's computer. Users should refer to their owner's manuals or other support services offered by their device manufacturer.

All users are expected to use the Library's wireless access in a legal and responsible manner, consistent with the educational and informational purposes for which it is provided. Users should not violate federal, New York or local laws, including the transmission or receiving of child pornography or harmful material, fraud, or downloading copyrighted material.

Dedicated printers are available via the wireless connection. Patrons are required to see desk staff for their wireless printing needs.

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