

Aurora Free Library
Computer and Internet Use Policy

The primary purpose of the electronic service at the Aurora Free Library is to provide patrons access to information sources for research and study.

The Internet is an unregulated medium. As such, while it offers access to a wealth of material that is personally, professionally, and culturally enriching to individuals of all ages, it also enables access to some material that may be offensive, disturbing and/or illegal.

- Failure of a patron to comply with these rules will result in loss of computer privileges at the Aurora Free Library.
- Patrons are reminded that since the library's spaces are shared with others, individuals are expected to be considerate of other library patrons and not access offensive information or images.
- You may not make unauthorized disclosure of, use of, or dissemination of a minor's personal information by means of the Internet, email, or any electronic technology.
- Use of the Internet for activities that violate local, state, or federal laws is prohibited. This includes activities such as viewing pornography, obscenities, committing fraud, hacking, or spreading libel or slander.
- Library staff reserve the right to terminate internet access at any time.

Wireless

Patrons with laptops or devices will be able to access the library's high speed internet service from anywhere in the library, but will not be able to print from their own computer/device. Those using Wi-Fi must comply with the library's Internet/Computer Use Policy. A library card is not required.

- This Internet access option is open to patrons of all ages; parents or guardians of children 17 years or under are responsible for supervising and guaranteeing their child's proper and safe use of the Internet.
- Your use of the Library's Internet access (both wired and wireless) constitutes your acceptance of this Internet Policy.
- You are responsible for configuring your equipment to access the Library's Internet. Technical service is not available.
- The library is not responsible for any damage to your equipment or files while using this service.
- No registration or sign-up is required.

Library-owned computers

- Patrons are limited to **one-half hour** access if others are waiting and up to **one hour** per day. Use of the computers may be interrupted or continued at the Librarian's discretion.
- Patrons are required to sign a computer policy before using the computer for the first time and are required to sign in and out each time.
- The library is not responsible for damage or loss resulting from the use of library equipment.
- Patrons are responsible for any damage they may cause to the library equipment.

- Patrons may print up to two black and white pages per day from the computer without charge; a charge of 15 cents per page will be charged for each additional black and white page; a charge of 50 cents per color page.
- Patrons are not permitted to add, delete, or modify hardware or software.

For patrons under 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign the policy. As is the case with other materials in the Library's collection, any restriction of a child's access to the Internet is the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian.

The Aurora Free Library cannot act as a censor nor substitute parent. It is the responsibility of the parent to provide the oversight to ensure their children's use of the Internet in an appropriate and safe manner, including the proper use of the expensive equipment.

This policy was approved by the Board of Trustees on July 1, 2006 and amended on September 17, 2013 and is subject to change at any time.