

Hoisington Public Library Internet Access Policy

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Internet access is available to all users of the Hoisington Public Library as a resource to be used in the fulfillment of the Library's mission.

The Library complies with state and federal laws regarding Internet protection. Protection technology is not always reliable. The Library cannot be held responsible for prohibited information that might be displayed.

The Library will not monitor an individual's use of the Internet except when material displayed is not appropriate in a public environment. Parents/guardians, not the Library staff, are responsible for the information accessed by their minor children.

Guidelines

1. User must have a valid Hoisington Public Library Card and sign in and out at the Circulation Desk.
2. All fines must be paid before computer usage is allowed.
3. User must sign Internet Use Agreement. Users age 14 to 17 must have parent/guardian signature on Agreement. Minor's under age 14 must have parent/guardian signature on Agreement and must have parent/guardian present at the workstation.
4. Users may not save files to the workstation hard drives or use personal disks to save files. Diskettes are available at the Circulation Desk.
5. Users may not run personal software programs or download programs from the Internet.
6. There is a fee for each page printed from the Internet.
7. Inappropriate use of Internet access will result in cancellation of the patron's use of this service. Examples of inappropriate use include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. Participating in chat rooms or engaging in instant messaging;
 - b. Displaying any visual images containing obscenity or gratuitous violence;
 - c. Violating another user's privacy;
 - d. Attempting unauthorized access to restricted or confidential systems;
 - e. Tampering with computer software or hardware;
 - f. Engaging in any illegal activity, unethical misrepresentation or any form of harassment;
 - g. Engaging in advertising or commercial activity;
 - h. Violating software license agreements or copyright laws.
8. Illegal acts involving Library resources may be subject to prosecution by local, state and federal officials.

Hoisington Public Library Internet Use Agreement

I have read the Hoisington Public Library's Internet Access Guidelines and agree to abide by them and any amendments adopted by the Library Board of Directors.

I understand that the Library does not monitor and has no control over the information accessed via its Internet connection, and that parents/guardians are responsible for the information accessed by their minor children.

I understand that violation of the Hoisington Public Library's Internet Access Guidelines will result in loss of computer privileges at the Library

Patron Name (please print)

Patron Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature
(for users under 18 years of age)

Date