

## **Salida Regional Library INTERNET USE POLICY**

The Salida Regional Library (Library) supports the free flow of information and ideas over the Internet. To connect patrons to resources beyond that contained in the Library's collection, the Library provides Internet access on public computers and via a wireless network. Either a library card or guest pass must be used to access public computers. No pass is needed for personal computers.

Accessing the Internet using any of the Library's systems, with either library-owned or personal equipment, constitutes acceptance by the user that he or she understands the terms as stated in this Internet Use Policy.

The Library assumes responsibility only for the information that is provided on its home page. The Library is not responsible for information that is provided from other web sites, this includes but is not limited to databases, newspapers, magazines, social media, etc.

Library Internet access is filtered according to Colorado law for pornography as well as for certain known phishing and malware sites. Filtering is not perfect, nor is it exhaustive in rejecting all sources of sexually explicit content. It is not filtered expressly for children. Parents are responsible for their children's use of the Library, including Internet access. The Library also provides unsecured wireless access to the Internet that is open to all. Users are responsible for their own security when using Library Internet access.

All users are responsible for obeying state and federal laws. All users are responsible for respecting copyright laws, licensing agreements, assuming responsibility for payment of fees for any fee-based service.

Users should be cautious about transmitting sensitive information, including but not limited to credit card numbers, passwords, account information, or social security numbers over the public network. Users should be cautious about providing personal information while using chat rooms, e-mail, instant messaging, discussion groups, newsgroups, game rooms, and all other forms of online communications.

Patrons who use their own computers are solely responsible for the consequences of their use. The library merely provides access to the Internet and is not responsible for any loss or damage that may result to a user's computer or files as a result of that use.

We must insist that users use headphones or turn off the sound while using their personal computers in the library.

### **Unacceptable Use**

Unacceptable use of the Internet access at the Salida Regional Library includes, but is not limited to, the following. The library specifically prohibits:

- \* Display of sexually explicit images on the monitors.

- \* Illegal activities via library access, including access of obscene materials and online gambling.
- \* Violation of copyright via library access.
- \* Any attempts to violate network security at any level.
- \* Installation of software not already provided, except as permitted by Director or Technology staff.

Unacceptable use of the library's computers and Internet access may result in loss of library privileges and/or criminal prosecution or other legal action. Information about illegal activity observed by staff may be made available to the police according to the provisions of C.R.S. 24-90-119.

### **Indemnity**

Each Library Internet service user agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Salida Regional Library, their suppliers and licensors, officers, directors, employees, agents and affiliates from any claim, liability, loss, damage, cost, or expense (including without limitation reasonable attorney's fees) arising out of or related to the user's use of the Library Internet Services, any materials downloaded or uploaded intentionally or unintentionally through the Service, any actions taken by the user in connection with their use of the Service, any violation of any third party's rights or any violation of law or regulation, or any breach of this agreement. This Section will not be construed to limit or exclude any other claims or remedies that may be asserted under this Agreement or by law.

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