



East Rockaway Public Library

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Internet Policy

All patrons are entitled to Internet access. The East Rockaway Public Library is obligated to make access available on an equitable basis. The Library reserves the right to restrict the time that any one user may have access to the system & to place other reasonable restrictions as the need arises.

The East Rockaway Public Library reserves the right to remove the privilege of anyone who tampers with or damages the equipment or programs involved with Internet access. Users are prohibited from engaging in inappropriate network usage including hacking and other unlawful activities and must comply with all state & federal laws.

Under Section 245.11 of the NYS Penal Law, it is a crime in NYS to display sexually explicit material where it is visible to the public. Anyone who engages in such behavior risks the permanent loss of computer access at the library.

The library's computers may not be used to harass, disrupt or embarrass other users, staff or the public. Users may not use or install personal software programs on library computers and the library reserves the right to limit the size of the files to be downloaded.

Online video calls that require verbal interaction are not permitted on the public computers. Accommodations, where possible, may be made upon approval of the librarian.

The East Rockaway Public Library cannot be held responsible for the content, quality, currency or accuracy of data gathered from Internet sites accessed through the library. Internet Web site creators are not regulated and thus far are free to publish whatever material they choose, with the exception of copyrighted material. As in the use of print media, users must obey United States copyright and other applicable laws. The Library cannot be held responsible for any loss of privacy, fees incurred, and/or harm caused to patrons due to disclosing of personal information over the Internet. Users are warned not to give their names, telephone numbers, addresses, credit card numbers, or any other personal information out over the Internet, since it is not known who is receiving it and for what purpose it is being used. Patrons should exercise extreme caution before arranging meetings with strangers they contact over the Internet.

Library staff may be able to assist in the initial start-up of the computer, however, staff cannot provide extended instruction. Wireless internet access is available at the library for those patrons using their own devices. Wireless users agree to abide by this policy.

Failure to comply with any aspect of above stated policy will result in termination of Internet access privileges

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