

## County of Los Angeles Public Library Wireless Internet Service ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Welcome to the County of Los Angeles Public Library Wi-Fi.

The County Library makes no guarantees, either expressed or implied, with respect to information available over the internet. The Library is not responsible for any misuse of copyright or other violations. The Library cannot guarantee privacy or confidentiality for the use of library internet computers. The Library's internet computers may not be used for any purpose that violates federal, state or local laws.

Users may not violate software license agreements or infringe on copyrighted material. United States Copyright Law (Title 17, U.S. Code) prohibits the unauthorized reproduction or distribution of copyrighted materials, except as permitted by the principle of "fair use". This includes most electronic information sources. Users may not copy or distribute many electronic materials without the explicit permission of the copyright holder. Users are responsible for any consequences of copyright infringement.

### GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Users have an obligation to access the Library's internet in a responsible, courteous, and informed manner. Users are required to comply with County Library policies and procedures.

- The County of Los Angeles Public Library is not responsible for any damage to computer media or personal computer equipment.
- Malfunctions in hardware or software should be reported to library staff immediately.
- The Library staff does not provide technical support.
- Library equipment may not be unplugged, moved, removed or otherwise modified.

Use of the internet may be revoked at any time for inappropriate conduct. Violations may result in the loss of internet use and/or library privileges. Examples of inappropriate conduct include but are not limited to:

- Use of the internet for unlawful or malicious activities such as child pornography
- Misrepresentation of oneself or County of Los Angeles
- Activities that could cause congestion and disruption of networks and systems
- Installing or downloading the customer's own software
- Violation of copyright laws or software licensing agreements
- Changing, modifying or eliminating any County of Los Angeles computer configurations
- Behavior which disrupts or prevents other people's use of library resources
- Refusal to relinquish the computer at the end of the session
- Using the computer beyond the allowable session unless approved by the Community Library Manager

## USER GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

- To become a Library internet user, a customer must be a borrower in good standing. Each customer must read and accept the online Acceptable Use Policy before they can use an internet workstation. To access the internet workstations, customers need their County Library card and PIN (Personal Identification Number).
- Every computer user must use his or her own library card. No one may use the internet using someone else's card number.
- The Wi-Fi is filtered according to the access level of the user. Children's Limited limits access to offensive or objectionable materials and General Access allows full access to the internet, with the exception of the most visually explicit sexual material. Adults who find that they are blocked from a particular website may gain access to it by using a library internet workstation and asking library staff to allow temporary unfiltered access.