

Helen Plum Library Internet Acceptable Use Rules

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Anyone wishing to use the Internet must agree to the Library's Internet Policy and Internet Acceptable Use Rules.

Parents and caregivers are expected to monitor and supervise their children's use of the Internet and Wi-Fi at the Library.

All patrons who want to use the public Internet PCs will, upon seeing the welcome screen, view a summary of the rules and click to agree to abide by them.

Violation of any aspects of either the Internet Policy or the Internet Acceptable Use Rules may result in immediate termination of the session. Repeated violations may result in a temporary suspension of Internet privileges and/or a Library ban.

RULES FOR USE:

The following activities are unacceptable:

- Use of the Internet for any purpose which results in the harassment of others.
- Destruction of, damage to, or unauthorized alteration of the Library's computer equipment, software, or network security procedures.
- Use of the Internet in any way which violates licensing and payment agreements between the Helen Plum Library and network and/or database providers.
- Viewing content that is pornographic or obscene.
- Behaving in a manner that is disruptive to others, including but not limited to overuse of computer equipment and failure to use headphones.
- Use of Internet workstations by using someone else's Helen Plum Library card
- Consuming food at workstations.
- Use of a single workstation by more than two patrons at a time.

WORKSTATION ACCESS:

Age restrictions:

- Adults and teens ages 12 and older may use Adult Services workstations.
- Youth Services workstations are designated for children ages 14 and younger, with guest passes available for adults accompanied by a child.
- Teen Services workstations are designated for those who are ages 12–19 years old.

Helen Plum Library cardholders:

- Adult Services workstations are available for up to 4 hours and may use more time based on availability.
- Youth and Teen Services workstations are available for 1 hour with up to 4 30-minute extensions dependent upon computer availability.

Guest passes are available at the Reference Desks:

- At Adult workstations, a person using a guest pass may remain on a workstation for up to 2 hours.
- At Youth workstations, adults accompanied by a child may request a 30-minute Parent Guest Pass.
- At Youth and Teen workstations, children and teens may request a Youth/Teen Guest Pass, which allows for 1 hour with up to 4 30-minute extensions dependent upon computer availability.

Patrons will be able to use the workstations until 5 minutes before the Library closes.

OTHER SOFTWARE:

Personal software requiring administrator access or privileges to install may not be used on any Library workstation.

ROLE OF STAFF ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING:

Basic computer and Internet assistance will be provided as time allows.