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## **Computer and Internet Use Policy**

The Big Bend Village Library provides computer and Internet access. Patrons using Library computers and patrons accessing the Library's wireless network with their personal electronic devices are subject to this policy. Library staff is available for basic assistance only.

The Library has chosen to not install filtering software which blocks access to certain sites. The ultimate responsibility for appropriate use rests with the patron.

A valid unblocked Café Library card is required before a patron will be allowed to use the Library computers and Internet. A guest pass for adult patrons who do not have a Library Café card may be used if they have a photo ID.

Examples of unacceptable uses include, but are not limited to:

- Any illegal activity
- Display of explicit or pornographic materials
- Harassment of other users or violation of their privacy
- Destruction of or damage to equipment, software, or data belonging to the Library
- Unauthorized copying of copyrighted materials
- Unauthorized changes to the setup or configuration of the software or hardware
- Food and/or open beverages at or near Library computers.
- Loud and/or excessive conversation at or near Library computers.

Use of non-Library paper in the printer/photocopier is limited to paper with staff permission. Staff may turn away any material deemed not suitable for the library equipment.

The Library does not restrict access to any material by age and leaves the responsibility for children's use of its materials to each child's parent or legal guardian. Parents are strongly encouraged to monitor their own child's use of the Library and its materials, including any computer and Internet use.

Library users have the right to confidentiality and privacy. However, internet users should be advised that because security is technologically difficult to achieve, electronic transactions and files on library computers as well as connection to the Library wi-fi is not secure and should be used with caution.

The Big Bend Village Library assumes no responsibility for any damages, direct or indirect, arising from the use of its equipment and resources, or use of personal equipment.

Failure to comply with this policy or with Library staff directions may result in restriction or suspension of the patron's access to Library resources and/or other Library privileges.

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