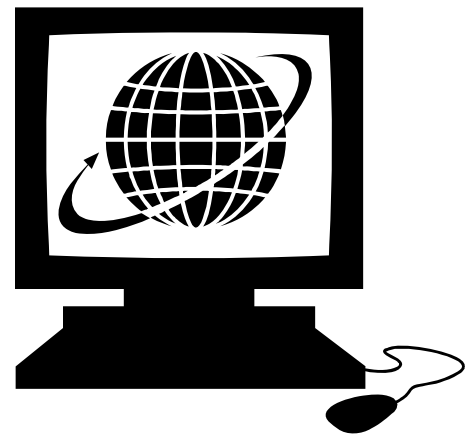


- 2.3 Internet session lengths shall be limited to one hour per session. Customers shall be granted a maximum of two (2) hours per day access on the Internet Computers.
- 2.4 Customers must use their personal library card number and enter their last name to log onto an Internet computer or place a reservation for the use of an Internet computer.
- 2.5 Computer sessions are not transferable.
- 2.6 Customers must update expired Library Cards and resolve delinquent fines exceeding \$10.00 before they can log onto an Internet computer or place a reservation for the use of an Internet computer.
- 2.7 Customers who are not Hillsborough County residents and wish to use Internet computers must show photo ID with address (outside of Hillsborough County) in order to request a Guest Card.
- 2.8 No more than two people may work together on the same computer at the same time.
- 2.9 Because computers are located in public areas of the library what is displayed on the monitor is not confidential.
- 2.10 In accordance with *Florida Statutes*, Chapters 847.011(1)a & 847.0133(1), displaying obscene material to minors may be a violation of the law and could result in penalties up to and including imprisonment.
- 2.11 In accordance with *Florida Statutes*, Chapter 815, damaging or altering a computer or computer system, network, program or software may be a violation of law and could result in penalties up to and including imprisonment.
- 2.12 Refusal to comply with these rules may result in a verbal warning, loss of computer privileges, ejection from the library and/or notification of law enforcement authorities.

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Access to the Internet

- 1.1 Access to the Internet is provided in accordance with Library Board Policies and Procedures # 306 *Access to Electronic Resources (updated October 1, 2008)* and #307 *Request for Review of a Web Site* (adopted on September 30, 2004).
- 1.2 The Library provides at least one public access workstation, designated for Internet access at every full-service library facility.
- 1.3 The Library does not provide and has never provided access to Internet Relay Chat, Web Chat, or other chat protocol services with the exception of chat associated with library subscription services.
- 1.4 The Internet enables the Library System to provide information beyond the confines of its own collection. The Library Board upholds and affirms the right of each individual to have access to constitutionally protected material. Users are encouraged to be good information consumers by carefully evaluating material accessed via the Internet.
- 1.5 While the Library System cannot control or monitor all material available on the Internet, the Library Board has determined to guard against providing access to visual depictions which are not constitutionally protected, to protect children from access to visual depictions which are obscene, child pornography or harmful to minors as such terms have been defined in the Children's Internet Protection Act and approved by the courts.
- 1.6 The Library Board has elected to use filtering software in conjunction with firewall technology to manage Internet access on all library computers. While the software attempts to strictly adhere to its categorization guidelines, the software is not perfect, and it is not guaranteed to block everything that may fit the criteria of this category, or other material that some users may consider offensive.
- 1.7 The Library Board has set up a review

process that enables customers to suggest that a specific site either be blocked or unblocked. Ask at any reference desk for information on the review process or for a "Request for Review of a Web Site" form.

- 1.8 Parents are responsible for monitoring their own children's use of library materials and electronic resources. In order to assist parents, the library offers an internet safety training program for children. Completion of this training program is required before anyone under 17 years of age may access the Internet on library computers. This requirement will only be waived on the request of parents via a signed authorization form.

ACCEPTABLE USE OF LIBRARY COMPUTERS

- 2.1 Library computers are provided to meet the informational, educational, cultural and recreational needs and interests of all customers. In order to make these resources available to as many customers as possible and to make sure that the equipment is used in a manner consistent with the Library Code of Conduct, the following rules apply:
- 2.2 Library computers may not be used for any illegal activity including, but not limited to:
 - Damaging or altering computer equipment, systems or software.
 - Displaying, printing, sending or storing any material that is obscene, libelous, threatening or harassing.
 - Downloading or installing any harmful program defined as, but not limited to, spyware, viruses, trojans, malware, proxy avoidance software or any other illegal utility on the hard drive of any computer.
 - Using Internet Relay Chat, Web Chat, or other forms of instant messaging with the exception of chat associated with library subscription services.
 - Violating copyright or trademark laws, software licensing agreements or intellectual property rights.