

Barker Public Library

User Guidelines for Public Computers

1. To use the public patron computer stations, a patron must first present his/her library card at the library circulation desk before accessing a computer. The staff will then check out a computer station to that patron.
2. Due to the number of computers, the use of a computer will be limited to one (1) hour. If there are no other patrons waiting, the user may be checked out to a computer for an additional hour. If others are waiting, a person must relinquish his/her right at the end of the session. If a person leaves his/her session for more than five (5) minutes, it is assumed that he/she has yielded the remainder of his/her time, and the station will be considered unoccupied.
3. Children under the age of fourteen (14) must have one of their parents or guardians with them at the Internet station before they will be allowed to use the station.
4. Printing material from the computer stations is permitted as long as it does not violate the generally accepted rules of copyright. Patrons are responsible for all pages they print out. The cost for printed pages is \$.25 a page for black and white pages and \$.75 a page for color pages.
5. Users must not alter, remove, or damage configurations, software or hardware on the library computers.
6. Users must refrain from illegal, criminal or unethical use of the Internet. Any illegal activity involving the use of the library's computer may be subject to prosecution by the appropriate authorities. Users will also be responsible for any fines incurred due to illegal activity.
7. Users must respect the privacy of others using the computer/Internet stations. In addition, patrons must be considerate; displaying sexually explicit graphics is inappropriate for a public and open environment where children may be present and able to view the screen.
8. Any damage to the computer or its peripheral devices is the responsibility of the user. Abuse of the equipment or the service will result in the user being denied further access to the service. Malicious damage may result in prosecution.

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Wireless internet access is available to patrons of all ages. Parents and guardians of children under eighteen (18) years of age are responsible for their child's Internet use.

The use of the wireless network may be revoked at the discretion of library staff if a patron violates this policy.

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