Internet & Wireless Hotspot Policy

DISSEMINATION OR PUBLIC DISPLAY OF OBSCENE MATTER IS A MISDEMEANOR IN ALABAMA.

3A-12-200.3 DISSEMINATION OR PUBLIC DISPLAY OF OBSCENE MATTER CONTAINING VISUAL REPRODUCTION OF PERSONS UNDER 17 YEARS OF AGE INVOLVED IN OBSCENE ACTS IS A CLASS B FELONY IN ALABAMA 13A-12-191.1.

VIOLATORS WILL BE REPORTED TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

INTERNET

The Internet is a global resource with a highly diverse user population and information content. It is possible that individuals using the Internet might access information they personally find offensive or disturbing. The Library does not accept responsibility for the content of information accessible through the Internet and, except as described in the Policy, does not monitor or control its content. The Library is not responsible for changes in content of material.

As with printed material, not all information on the Internet is accurate, complete, or current information. Users are encouraged to evaluate Internet sources just as they do printed publications, questioning the validity of the information provided.

Homewood Public Library subscribes to a filtering service that filters all Internet traffic on the network. However, the filtering service will be turned off at the request of any adult user. Children under the age of eighteen (18) may obtain unfiltered access only when their parent or legal guardian is present for the computer session. The filtering service limits the amount of pornographic or obscene materials available on the Internet, but no filtering service is completely effective. The Library does not edit what is made available or filtered out by this service.

WIRELESS HOTSPOT

The Library's wireless network is not secure. Information sent from your laptop can be captured by anyone with a wireless device and appropriate software within three hundred feet.

Library staff cannot provide technical assistance and no guarantee can be provided that you will be able to make a wireless connection.

The Library assumes no responsibility for the safety of equipment or laptop configurations, security, or data files resulting from connection to the Library's wireless network.

The Library is not responsible for stolen equipment. Please do not leave your laptop unattended in the Library.

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