



Internet & Computer Use Policy

Winooski Memorial Library

The Winooski Memorial Library offers access to a broad range of information resources, including those available through the internet, and is committed to providing all individuals with free and equitable access to internet resources via the Library's public computers and wireless network. The Winooski Memorial Library supports participation among all members of the community in today's digital environment as part of our mission to enrich lives, inspire curiosity, and support lifelong learning. The Winooski Memorial Library is guided by the following American Library Association statements on access to information:

- [The Library Bill of Rights](#)
- [Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights: Free Access to Libraries for Minors and Access to Electronic Information Services and Resources](#)

General Guidelines

- Not all sources on the internet are accurate, complete, legal, trustworthy, or current. It is the responsibility of each individual user to evaluate the information provided by internet resources.
- Individuals are responsible for their own access, use, and/or dissemination of information, including personal information, via the internet.
- Passwords, documents and other work saved on Library computers are not retained by the Library.
- Individuals accessing the internet within the Library should be aware they are in a public space shared by all members of the community and that personal behavior falls under the guidelines of the Library's Code of Conduct.
- As with other Library resources, any restriction of children's access to the internet is the responsibility of parents, guardians, and/or caregivers.
- The Library reserves the right to set limits and/or regulate downloading files or software to the public computers.
- The Library reserves the right to set limits on the amount of time per day an individual can use a public computer.

Guidelines of Acceptable Use - Individuals agree to abide by the following guidelines when using the Library's computers and internet service:

- Any attempt to use Library computers for any fraudulent or unlawful purposes is prohibited, including violation of copyright or other rights of third parties, or for any activities prohibited under federal, state, or local laws.
- Any attempt to engage in any activity that is disruptive to other library users or in behavior that is inconsistent with the Library's Code of Conduct is prohibited.
- Any attempt to view obscene, violent, and/or sexually explicit sites or content is prohibited.
- Any attempt to damage computer equipment or software is prohibited.
- Any attempt to gain unauthorized access to the Library's network or computer systems, or to any other network or computer system is prohibited.
- Any attempt to download or use malicious software is prohibited.

Failure to comply with these guidelines of acceptable use may result in suspension, loss of privileges, and/or further incident reporting.