

# **El Dorado County Library Policy**

## **Internet Use Policy**

### **Purpose:**

The El Dorado County Library provides public access to the Internet as part of its mission to deliver services and materials to meet the information needs of its customers.

### **Policy:**

1. Use of workstations shall be on a first-come, first-served basis. Sessions are limited to 30 minutes if others are waiting. Printing charges are \$0.15 per page. Color printing may be available for \$1.00 per page at select branches.
2. Staff will provide only basic instruction on the use of the Internet.
3. Parents or legal guardians are solely responsible for monitoring Internet use by the children in their care.
4. Internet filters are imperfect. Images and information accessed with a filter in place may still be deemed undesirable. The Library is not responsible for what information is or is not filtered.
5. Computer users may not install their personal software on Library workstations. Users may not attempt to alter or damage computer hardware or software.
6. Users shall be responsible for compliance with all federal and state laws governing copyrighted materials.
7. All users of electronic resources of the Library agree to hold the El Dorado County Library harmless for any and all claims, losses, damages, obligations, or liabilities directly or indirectly relating to the use of the Library's computers or wireless network.
8. Use of the library computer in violation of state or federal law, including exhibiting or displaying materials harmful to minors, is prohibited and will result in loss of computer privileges. Unlawful activities will be reported to library staff or the appropriate law enforcement authorities.
9. Library computer workstations are located in public areas. Since others may be involuntarily exposed to what is viewed, the Library asks that each user exercise good judgment and consideration of others. Some materials may be more appropriate for viewing in the privacy of your home, rather than in a public library setting. If the computer use interferes with the maintenance of a safe, welcoming, and comfortable environment for the public, the user will be asked by library staff to end a search or change a screen.
10. Library computer workstations should not be considered private or secure, nor can the Library assure the privacy or security of personal information transmitted when accessing other Internet web sites. Use of the library computer workstations or wireless network is entirely at the risk of the user.
11. Use of the Library's computer workstations or wireless network is evidence of the user's acknowledgment and agreement to be bound by this policy.

### **El Dorado County Library Wireless Internet Use Policy**

1. All El Dorado County Library Branches provide free wireless Internet.
2. The Library's wireless networks are public networks, and are not secure.
3. The Library assumes no responsibility for the safety of equipment or accounts, damage or loss of device configurations, security, or data files resulting from connection to the Library's network.
4. By choosing to use this free wireless service, you agree to abide by the El Dorado County Library Internet Use Policy.

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