



## INTERNET POLICY

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Rochester Public Library (RPL) is committed to providing exceptional library service, ensuring access to information, and upholding the intellectual freedom of community members.

Internet access is available through internet workstations and a wireless connection. When using the Library's internet, customers agree to comply with all federal, state, and local laws.

In compliance with state and federal law, including the Children's Internet Protection Act, internet workstations and the wireless connection are filtered to restrict minors' access to harmful materials. Customers using filtered internet access should be aware that no software will block every inappropriate site, and sites may be blocked that should not be. The library does not accept responsibility for these incidents.

Each customer must determine for themselves which internet resources are consistent with their personal or family values and exercise critical judgment when using information obtained online.

Parents and legal guardians are responsible for supervising their children's use of library internet to ensure their safety and security when using email, chat rooms, social media, and other forms of direct online communication. When using the Library's internet, minors should not attempt to access inappropriate material, or disclose, use or disseminate personal information without written permission from a parent or legal guardian. Internet users should never engage in hacking/unauthorized access or other illegal activities.

Customers using filtered workstations may request that a website be reviewed to be blocked or unblocked. Customers 17 years of age and older may request removal of the filter for any lawful purpose that meets RPL's policies and guidelines.

RPL assumes no responsibility for any damages resulting from use of the Library's internet. RPL cannot guarantee the privacy of data that is transmitted to third parties via the internet. RPL's wireless network is not secure and information may be captured.

Information about the collection, retention, and disclosure of customer data can be found in the Privacy Policy & the Data Retention Policy.