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Westport Free Public Library Internet Use Policy

In order to meet the information needs of its patrons, the Westport Free Public Library provides limited access to the Internet. Because the Internet is a global electronic information network, the Westport Free Public Library can neither monitor its content nor apply the same selection criteria used for other materials. The Library assumes no responsibility for the quality, accuracy, or currency of information provided on the Internet. As with other library resources, restriction on a child's access is the responsibility of the child's parent or legal guardian. Library computers are not equipped with filtering software.

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When available, trained staff will assist patrons with Internet-related questions. No fee is charged for the use of the terminals, but donations for supplies are encouraged.

Patrons are encouraged to use terminals for research. The retrieval and sending of email is allowed. Accessing child pornography or material that is obscene or harmful to minors is prohibited. The staff reserves the right to establish time limits.

Internet resources may only be used for legal purposes. Examples of unacceptable purposes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Harassing other users;
- Libeling other users;
- Damaging equipment, software, or data belonging to the Library, Network or other users;
- Disrupting or unauthorized monitoring of electronic communications;
- Unauthorized copying of copyright-protected material;
- Violating computer and computer network security systems;
- Unauthorized use of computer accounts, access codes, and/or networks;
- Using identification numbers assigned to others;
- Using computer communications facilities in ways that unnecessarily impede the computing activities of others.