



## Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library

### Internet Policy

The OL-PGN Library offers free Internet workstation and wireless Internet access throughout the building.

All patrons using the Library's wireless Internet connection must agree to the Library's Internet Policy.

The Library staff reserves the right to terminate any Internet session, including wireless Internet sessions, at any time.

Patrons violating this Internet Policy may lose their Internet privileges.

#### **Disclaimer:**

The Old Lyme-PGN Library is not responsible for the content, accuracy or availability of information on the Internet. The Library Board of Trustees and its employees assume no responsibility for damages of any type arising from the use of any information, software or data obtained from the Internet.

Please do not leave equipment unattended, as the Library staff cannot accept the responsibility for or liability of handling your equipment.

**Terms of Use:** All terms listed below apply to in house workstations and wireless connections.

- Patrons are expected to read and sign the Internet Policy prior to using the Library's Internet service.
- Parents must sign an Internet Agreement at the Library for a child under the age of fourteen (14).
- Patrons may not use Library's Internet service or the wireless Internet connection to transmit threatening or harassing material or engage in any activity that is deliberately offensive or creates an intimidating or hostile environment. Loud or disruptive behavior is prohibited.
- Illegal or unauthorized purposes, such as hacking (purposely violating computer or network security), spamming, or the dissemination of viruses, and/or worms, hoaxes, or violations of applicable Federal, State or other laws are prohibited. Violations of copyright or software licensing agreements are prohibited.
- Patrons may not damage, alter, or degrade computer equipment, peripherals, software, or operating configurations. Installation of software applications or directly accessing or altering computer hard drive files is not permitted. Patrons may not shut down computer workstations.
- Patrons may not view, print, distribute, display, send or receive images or graphics of obscene or pornographic materials or material that violates laws relating to child pornography while using the Library's Internet service.

- The use of telnet, FTP, chat and instant messaging protocols is not allowed via the Library Internet service.
- **Filtering:** Although the Old Lyme – PGN Library does not filter, it reserves the right to filter out any Internet site or sites that violate this policy, causes Library computers or wireless Internet connection to malfunction, proved harmful to users or is deemed inappropriate for Library use.
- **Use of the Internet by Children:** Librarians do not serve in the place of parents and cannot act in place of parents in providing supervision of children as they explore the Internet. **The responsibility for what minor children read or view on the Internet rests with parents or guardians.**