



## WIRELESS INTERNET POLICY

The **Waynesboro-Wayne County Library System** offers wireless "Wi-Fi" access to the library's internet service free to all area citizens and visiting patrons to use with their own personal notebooks, laptops or other wireless accessible mobile devices. These access points are unsecured, accessible only during normal library hours and filtered to comply with CIPA regulations. When you use the library's internet service you are accepting the library's internet policy. Please take time to read the policy before accepting its terms.

### Purpose

The mission of the **Waynesboro-Wayne County Library** is to provide library resources and services necessary to meet the evolving informational and cultural needs of the public, thus enhancing individual and community life. Computers and the internet are electronic tools provided by the library to assist in accomplishing this mission.

### Advantages of "Wi-Fi" Access

1. No waiting for an available PC
2. No enforced time limits-connect as long as you like
3. Fast access
4. Download files
5. Save your files permanently on your own device

### Limitations of "Wi-Fi" Access

1. No printing services are available.
2. If you need to print, please save your work to floppy disk or a USB device, or email your files to yourself, then log in to a wired Library workstation and send print jobs to the public printer.
3. Signal strength may vary within the library

# Computers and the Internet

The internet is a global connection of computers and people, all linked together to provide the latest information on any subject. This is a new frontier for communicating and exchanging information. Its available resources may contain material that is controversial, inaccurate, and/or outdated. The **Waynesboro-Wayne County Library** staff has no control over the information accessed through the internet and the World Wide Web and cannot be held responsible for its content. All internet connections are filtered at the state level by the Mississippi Library Commission, which blocks visual depictions of obscenity, child pornography, and other materials harmful to minors. Adults (age 18 and over) may request that filters be deactivated for the purpose of bonafide research.

## Disclaimer

The Waynesboro-Wayne County Library assumes no responsibility for damages caused by programs downloaded from the internet nor shall the library be responsible for any data loss or damage to personal equipment. The library cannot assure the safety of your data when you use either our wired or wireless Internet access.

The library staff cannot troubleshoot problems related to your wireless device or assist in making changes to your device's network settings and/or, hardware configuration. The library cannot guarantee that your device will work with the library's wireless access points.

## Copyright

Patrons should be aware that just as in book format information on some Internet sites contain copyrighted materials. The patron assumes the responsibility for any violation of the copyright law.

The U.S. copyright law (Title 17, U.S. Code) prohibits the unauthorized reproduction or distribution of copyrighted material, except as permitted by the principles of "fair use." Users may not copy or distribute electronic materials (including electronic mail, text, images, programs or data) without the explicit permission of the copyright holder. Any responsibility for any results of copyright infringement lies with the user.

# Liability

The **Waynesboro-Wayne County Library** expressly disclaims any liability or responsibility arising from access to or use of information obtained through the Internet.

Illegal acts involving library computer resources, such as hacking, will be subject to prosecution by local, state, or federal authorities.

## Mississippi Codes

Please read the attached codes. Responsibility for any results of disobeying these laws lies with the user.

### **The Mississippi Code 1972, annotated:**

Section 97-5-79 Public display of sexually oriented materials.

Section 9T-45-3 Computer fraud.

Section 97-45-7 Offenses against computer equipment.

Section 39-3-365 Confidentiality of library user records.

### **A. Section 97-5-79 Public display of sexually oriented materials.**

- (1) Any person who intentionally and knowingly places sexually oriented materials upon public display, or who knowingly and intentionally fails to take prompt action to remove such a display from property in his possession after learning of its existence shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined for each offense not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) or be imprisoned for not more than one (1) year in the county jail, or be punished by both such fine and imprisonment.**
- (2) For purposes of this section any material is sexually oriented if the material consists of representations or descriptions of actual or simulated masturbation, sodomy, excretory functions, lewd exhibition of the genitals or female breast, sadomasochistic abuse (for the purpose of sexual stimulation or gratification), homosexuality, lesbianism, bestiality, sexual intercourse, or physical contact with a person's clothed, or unclothed genitals, pubic area, buttocks, or the breast or breasts of a female for the purpose of sexual stimulation, gratification or perversion.**
- (3) A person places sexually oriented material upon public display within the meaning of this section if he places the materials on or in a billboard, viewing screen, theater stage or marquee, newsstand, display rack, window, showcase, display case or similar place so that sexually oriented materials is easily visible from a public street, public road or sidewalk or from areas of public business in which minors are normally business invitees.**

Sources: Laws, 1979, ch- 475, 2, eff from and after July 1 , 1979.

## **B. Section 97-45-3. Computer Fraud; Penalties.**

- (1) Computer fraud is the accessing or causing to be accessed of any computer, computer system, computer network or any part thereof with the intent to:
  - (a) Defraud; or**
  - (b) Obtain money, property or services by means of false or fraudulent conduct, practices or representations; or through the false or fraudulent alteration, deletion or insertion of programs or data.****
- (2) Whoever commits the offense of computer fraud shall be punished, upon conviction, by a fine of not more than Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00), or by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.**

Sources: Laws, 1985, ch. 319, 2, eff from and after July 1, 1985

## **C. Section 97-45-7. Offense Against Computer Equipment; Penalties.**

- (1) An offense against computer equipment or supplies is the intentional modification or destruction, without consent, of computer equipment or supplies used or intended to be used in a computer, computer system computer network.**
- (2) Whoever commits an offense against computer equipment or supplies shall be punished, upon conviction, by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than six months or both such fine and imprisonment. However, when the damage or loss amounts to a value of One Hundred Dollars or more, the offender may be punished, upon conviction, by a fine of not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years, or by both fine and imprisonment.**

Sources: Laws, 1985, ch. 319, 4, eff from and after July 1, 1985

## **D. Section 39-3-365. Confidentiality of Library User Records.**

- (1) Records maintained by any library funded in whole or in part by public funds, which contain information relating to the identity of a library user, relative to the user's use of books or other materials at the library, shall be confidential. Such records may only be released with the express written permission of the respective library user or as a result of a court order.**

Sources: Laws, 1992, ch. 521, 1, eff from and after July 1, 1992