

COMPUTER USE POLICY

PC Use Rules & Regulations

The Marion Public Library strives to provide its users with the safest, most democratic & effective use of its resources. The Library has developed the following rules regarding the use of public computers. Those found in violation of Library policy are subject to immediate suspension of computer privileges, possible barring from The Library and/or criminal charges.

Users may not:

- Use Library computers to access material that is legally defined as obscenity, child pornography, or harmful to minors.
- Use The Library's network for unauthorized access or "hacking" into any electronic, informational or communication services or resources.
- Invade the privacy of others by misrepresenting oneself as another user or attempting to modify or gain access to files, passwords or data belonging to others.
- Add, delete, modify or tamper with the installed hardware or software.
- Engage in any activity that is harassing or defamatory.
- Deliberately propagate computer worms, viruses or other malicious content on or through The Library's network.
- Attempt to circumvent The Library's reservation software or established policies in any way.

Children under 10 years of age must have a parent at the computer with them at all times. Parents of minor children are expected to assume the responsibility for their children's use of the computer and Internet. The Internet is an unregulated medium. Not all sources on the Internet provide information that is current, accurate or complete. There is material available on the Internet, which may not be deemed appropriate for minor children.

Computer use time may be limited to ½ hour blocks. Exceptions will be made, at the discretion of the person at the desk, for those doing serious research.