

ELECTRONIC RESOURCES POLICY

RUTLAND FREE LIBRARY

PURPOSE

In order to fulfill its mission, the Library provides public access to tools and services including internet, computers, databases, applications, and printing.

TERMS OF USE

- The Library does not filter content on public access computers and devices and is not responsible for any patron's use of material from the internet.
- The Library does not guarantee the privacy of data, computer usage, or internet connections. The use of the library's software and hardware is at your own risk.
- Patrons assume responsibility for their personal devices.
- Patrons will pay for any damage they cause to library property.
- Users shall have a current library or computer user card to use the public computers.

Library computers, technology, property, and internet connection may only be used for purposes that are both legal and appropriate for a public environment.

Examples of unacceptable use include but are not limited to the following:

Compromising the safety and well-being of minors when using email, forums, social media, or other forms of electronic communication

Display of explicitly sexual or violent materials is inappropriate for an open public environment

Using a computer or data connection to harass another person (as defined by Vermont Statute)

Using a computer or data connection to destroy, damage, or modify equipment, software, or data of the library or other entities

Access to the Library's computer network and internet is a privilege, not a right. Patrons violating the Electronic Resources Policy will not be allowed to use the library.

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