

COMPUTER AND INTERNET USE

1. GENERAL POLICY GOVERNING COMPUTER AND INTERNET USE

The Urbana Free Library offers public computers, peripherals, accompanying software, and the Internet as resources to help to meet the informational, educational, and recreational needs of the public.

Public computers and associated resources are available to all users of The Urbana Free Library. Select groups of public computers are limited by age, or need, of the user.

2. POLICY ENFORCEMENT

The Library staff are specifically authorized and instructed to:

- Develop rules and procedures as necessary to ensure the fair and reasonable use of the Library's public computers, associated resources, and the Internet.
- Observe the use made of Library equipment and patron-owned devices for the purpose of enforcing Library policies and procedures.
- Suspend public computer access for users found in violation of Library policies or procedures, including Rules of Behavior.

3. COPYRIGHT

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4. LIMITS ON LIABILITY

People using public computers, associated resources, and/or the Internet do so at their own risk.

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