

**TROCHU MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD**  
**INTERNET PUBLIC ACCESS POLICY**

**Purpose:** In accordance with its mission, the Trochu Municipal Library provides access to a broad range of information resources, including those available through the internet.

This policy applies to all users of the library's computers and wireless network.

All members of the public, not just registered borrowers are eligible to use the internet service ---at **NO CHARGE**. Library staff **may** provide limited computer assistance to patrons, as approved by the library manager.

1. The library does not monitor and has no control over content accessed through the library's network, and disclaims responsibility for the content, accuracy, currency, or other quality assessments of information gained by users of the library's internet connection.
2. Library patrons use the internet at their own risk, and at their own discretion. Each patron must agree to the rules and protocols regulating use of the computers as outlined in this policy. Willful disregard of these rules will be grounds for suspension of the privilege of using the computers and accessing the internet.
3. Patrons are liable for any damage done to an internet workstation's hardware or software and for any illegal or unethical acts performed through the library's system. Patrons must respect copyright and licensing agreements in their use of library workstations. Unlawful activities will be dealt with in a serious and appropriate manner.
4. Any attempt to access the computer system or gain access to unauthorized information is considered unacceptable use and will result in a loss of internet privileges.
5. As with other resources, parents or guardians, are expected to monitor and supervise their children's use of the internet, if the child is under the age of 6.
6. Trochu's Library computers and wireless network are located in public areas shared by Library users of all ages, backgrounds, and sensitivities. Individuals are expected to consider other Library users when accessing the internet in the library.
7. Trochu Municipal Library prohibits the use of its workstations and wireless network for illegal activity and inappropriate behavior including:
  - Harassment-libeling or slandering of others
  - Fraud-invasion of privacy

- Hate Literature-to expose any person to hatred, or to affront human dignity
  - Pornography-child pornography or graphic adult imagery which may offend sensitive audiences
  - Gambling-casino games
  - Infringement of copyright
  - Violence-brutal, graphic, and/or sexual
  - Spamming-creating or distributing spam mail messages
  - Destruction-damaging or modifying the library's computer equipment, software or network.
8. The library reserves the right to:
- Limit internet use in terms of the amount of time used and/or network load
  - Terminate an internet session at any time
9. Failure to comply with this policy will result in loss of internet access and possible banning from the library. Unlawful activities may result in prosecution.
10. The public access I-pads are available to all patrons. They must be signed out with the library staff and signed back in on return to the staff member. I-pads are not to be taken from the library.
11. A fee of **25 cents per page** will be charged to print a file. These fees are designed to ensure cost recovery.

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Randy Lacey, Chairperson