



Whitewater
PUBLIC LIBRARY

WIRELESS ACCESS POLICY

The Whitewater Public Library offers free wireless “WiFi” access to the Internet. When you use the Library's Internet service you are accepting the Library's [Internet Use Policy](#). Please take the time to read the policy before accessing the network. This policy can be found on the Library’s website at www.whitewaterLibrary.org. Copies of the policy are also available at the Circulation Desk. The wireless connection cannot be used for illegal purposes, nor shall it be used in any way that violates the Library’s Internet Use Policy.

Limitations and Disclaimers:

- In order to utilize the connections, the laptop computer will need to have a wireless network card and to be configured to connect via appropriate protocols. The Library does not guarantee that all laptop computers will be able to connect to the wireless Internet service. Response speed, bandwidth, and continuity of connection are not guaranteed. The Library does not provide wireless network cards to patrons.
- Patrons may connect their wireless devices to any available electrical power outlet provided the cord(s) do not create a hazard. Library staff shall have the authority to determine what constitutes a hazard. Patrons may not unplug Library equipment. Please charge your battery before coming to the Library as we cannot guarantee that there will be an outlet available for you.
- Patrons using laptop computers, smartphones, tablets, or other devices may not connect to the Library’s computer network or to Library computers by means of a wire or cable.
- Printers are ~~not~~ available for wireless users using their own laptop or similar personally owned devices. However, if a patron has difficulty accessing the wireless printing service, saved files can be copied onto Library flash drive and utilized on one of the Library’s public access computers for printing. The Library is not responsible for data loss that may occur when printing. Current printing fees will be charged.
- Creating a Service Set Identifier (SSID) access point is not permitted. If a patron is discovered doing so, that patron will be banned from the Library.
- Laptop users must be considerate of nearby patrons and refrain from excessive noise including the playing of music on the laptop without the use

of headphones. Patrons should also mute all system sounds if they are not using headphones. Patrons not adhering to this policy may be asked to leave the Library.

- The Library is not responsible for laptops or similar devices. Furthermore, the Library is not responsible for any damage that may occur to the laptop computer while connected to the wireless network or power outlets. This includes, but is not limited to, hardware, software, or data loss due to power surges, power loss, service interruptions, computer viruses, spyware, and/or any other type of computer malware. Anti-virus and security protection are the responsibility of the patron. The patron understands the wireless Internet connection is unsecured and open to everyone. The Library is not responsible for any financial loss that may occur while using the wireless Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, loss due to improper use of online financial tools, personal information intercepted while being transmitted and identity theft.
- The Library staff cannot provide technical assistance to patrons using the Library's wireless network. Technical computer connection or use questions should be directed to the appropriate manufacturer's representative.
- The Library's Internet access is unfiltered. Parents or legal guardians who want their children to have filtered access should purchase filtering software for their computing devices.
- There is no conversational cell phone use allowed in the Library. Cell phones may be used in the Library's foyer.
- The Library is not responsible for laptops left unattended.
- Laptop users will not use the Internet to conduct any business or commercial activity for financial gain, including trading securities.

The Library reserves the right to disconnect any device and to deny patrons the use of wireless Internet access if they fail to comply with any part of this policy.