ABINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
WIRELESS INTERNET USE POLICY

The Abington Public Library provides free Internet access points for users with portable computers capable of receiving wireless signals, during normal library hours. These access points will allow users to access the Internet from their laptop computers when seated in the main adult reference and browsing areas within range of the access points. Printers are not available via the wireless connection.

- By choosing to use this free wireless service you agree to abide by the Abington Public Library's Internet Use Policy. Copies of this policy are available at the circulation desk.

- All users are expected to use the library's wireless access in a legal and responsible manner, consistent with the educational and informational purposes for which it is provided. Users should not violate federal, Massachusetts, or local laws, including the transmission or receiving of child pornography or harmful material, fraud, or downloading copyrighted material.

- Any restriction or monitoring of a minor's access to the library's wireless network is the sole responsibility of the parent or guardian.

- Users are responsible for making sure their computer has the correct settings and necessary hardware. Library staff cannot assist users in configuring their equipment or troubleshooting problems. Users should refer to their owners' manuals or other support services offered by their computer manufacturer. The library cannot guarantee that a user's hardware will work with the library's wireless connection.

- As with most public wireless access, the library's wireless connection is not secure. There can be non-trustworthy third parties between the user and anybody with whom the user communicates. Any information being sent or received could potentially be intercepted by another wireless user. Cautious and informed wireless users should not transmit their credit card information, passwords or any other sensitive personal information while using any wireless "hot spots."

- The library will not be responsible for any personal information (e.g. credit card) that is compromised, or for any damage caused to your hardware or software due to electrical surges, security issues or consequences caused by viruses or hacking. All wireless access users should have up-to-date virus protection on their personal laptop computers or wireless devices.

- Laptops and other devices should never be left unattended in the Library, even for brief periods of time. The Library assumes no responsibility for damage, theft, or loss of any kind to a user's equipment, software, data files or other personal property brought into or used at the Library's facilities.

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