

The Rapid City Public Library offers in-library access to electronic information, services and networks as part of its mission to meet the personal, professional and educational information needs of city residents of all ages.

The Library's online access provides the opportunity to integrate electronic resources from information networks around the world with the Library's other resources. The Internet, as an information resource, enables the Library to provide information beyond the confines of its own collection.

The Library offers both filtered and non-filtered computers. Users are responsible for determining appropriate access for themselves and their dependent minors.

Access Requirements and Time Limitations

The internet may be accessed at all library locations by using the library's public computers or the wireless network.

Public computers:

- Login access is through the patron's assigned, valid library card number
- One hour of internet access per day per patron, with the opportunity for time extensions if no other patrons are waiting

Wireless network:

- No time limit
- All terms of use for internet access apply

Non-card holders:

- 30-minute per day limit
- May use library wireless with no time limit

Terms of Use

All users are expected to use the electronic resources of the library in a responsible manner that includes but is not limited to:

- Using resources for educational, informational, and recreational purposes only, not illegal purposes
- Respecting the privacy of others by not misrepresenting oneself as another user; by not attempting to modify or gain access to files, passwords or data belonging to others; by not seeking unauthorized access to any computer system, or damaging or altering software components or any networks or databases
- Making only authorized copies of copyrighted or licensed software or data
- Not sending, receiving, or displaying text or graphics that may reasonably be construed as obscene
- Stop viewing any site that may create a disruptive environment for other library users or staff
- Not making any changes to the set-up or configuration of the software or hardware on the library's computers
- Use headphones as needed to keep from disturbing other users

- To protect your privacy, log off the library computers when done
- The library is not responsible for lost data due to network failure, transmission of viruses, or interception of data transmitted through the wireless network

Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the loss of library privileges.

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