



Internet Access Policy

1.0 Policy Statement

The Eastern Counties Regional Library Board supports the Canadian Library Association statement on Intellectual Freedom as well as on Information and Telecommunications Access. As such, it provides free public Internet access with the fewest possible restrictions. The Internet has become an essential medium in public libraries. It is, however, non-selective and unregulated and therefore informed use is advised.

Users (and parents or legal guardians, if applicable) of the Library's Public Access Terminals must acknowledge and abide by the guidelines and rules of this Internet Acceptable Use Policy. Library users are expected to act in a responsible, ethical and legal manner.

1. The user and his/her parent/legal guardian are advised that the Library does not control, monitor or filter the information accessible on the Internet. Information obtained may contain material that is illegal, defamatory, inaccurate or offensive to certain persons.
2. The Library makes no warranties with respect to Internet service and it specifically assumes no responsibility for any advice or information received or for any costs, liability or damages incurred through its use. It is not responsible for any consequences of service interruptions or charges.
3. The Library will make every reasonable effort to protect individual privacy; however, because libraries are public facilities, this privilege cannot be guaranteed.
4. The user agrees to indemnify the Library, its employees and directors from any claims which might be made against the Library, arising from usage of its Internet facilities.