# 815   Internet Use Policy

See related policies: Collection Development Policy (601), Confidentiality and Privacy (802), Library Use (809), Theft, Defacement or Alteration of Library Materials and Resources (811), and Library Copyright (814).

**815.1**    The purpose of this policy is to recognize the importance of internet access for patrons and to outline access and usage in Library facilities and with library equipment. Internet access is critical to accessing information, participating in work and educational opportunities, maintaining social relationships, and sharing in cultural and leisure activities. The Iowa City Public Library is committed to offering fast, reliable internet to its patrons.

**815.2**    Public internet access is provided at designated computers and through wireless and wired network connections available in the building and bookmobile. Laptops are available via the Page Station. Internet-accessible computers are reserved for children sixth grade and below in the Children's Department. Internet-accessible computers and laptops are available to junior and senior high school students in the Teen Center.

**815.3**    Library wireless access is offered through an open, unencrypted network. Users should be cautious about providing personal information while using an unsecured wireless connection.

**815.4**    Time limits are placed on library equipment in order to provide access to as many users as possible.

**815.5**    The Library does not filter internet content. Staff may, however, limit images displayed on screens in order to ensure the secure and comfortable environment of the Library.

**815.6**    The Library is not responsible for enforcing any restrictions which a parent or guardian may place on a minor's use of this resource.

**815.7**    Using the Library's internet connection in an illegal, disruptive or destructive manner may result in the loss of library access.

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