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INTERNET USE POLICY

The Ridgefield Library is committed to being a resource for expanding knowledge for the community it serves and to responding to the multi-faceted needs of its patrons by offering free and unrestricted access to a balanced mix of books, media and information technology, including the Internet.

In order to provide computer access to as many people as possible, the Ridgefield Library reserves the right to institute time limits and sign-in procedures as necessary. Current time settings are limited to **one 2 hour session daily from Monday – Saturday and one 1 hour session on Sundays.**

Printing is permitted from the computers at a cost established by the Library. Current Costs for printing are **.10 cents per page for black prints and .25 cents per page for color prints.**

While the Internet is a powerful tool providing access to a wealth of information beyond the confines of the Library's own collection, some information accessed through the Internet may not be current, accurate, or complete, and some material may be considered offensive or inappropriate. The Ridgefield Library cannot assume responsibility for the content, accuracy, completeness, or nature of information found on the Internet, nor can it be responsible for monitoring the use of the Internet by its patrons.

The Library's Internet workstations are in public areas and are shared by patrons of all ages. Therefore all patrons are asked to refrain from accessing potentially offensive information or images.

The Ridgefield Library does not censor or filter information on the Internet. As with other Library materials, a child's use of the Internet is solely the responsibility of the child's parent or guardian. Parents are encouraged to provide guidance and explore the Internet with their children.

The Library's Internet stations are not to be used for illegal purposes as prescribed by Connecticut and Federal Laws. Only Library-provided software may be used on the Library's computers. Individuals may not intentionally alter or damage hardware, software or data on the Ridgefield Library computers or network.

As with printed matter, material obtained from the Internet may be subject to copyright laws which govern the making of reproductions of copyrighted works. Users must comply with U.S. Copyright Law and all other applicable laws.

The Library reserves the right to terminate an internet session at any time for inappropriate use. Internet privileges will be suspended if the use of and behavior at the Internet workstations is not in keeping with this policy.