Boyne District Library
Internet Acceptable Use Policy

The Internet provides access to information beyond the confines of a library collection. The Boyne District Library provides Internet access, both on library computers and via a wireless connection, to its patrons in compliance with Public Act 212, effective October 1, 2000, and expects users to read, understand, and comply with the following guidelines:

- The Internet is a decentralized, unmoderated global network; the Boyne District Library has no control over the content found there. The library does not censor access to material, and it is not responsible for the availability and accuracy of information found on the Internet.

- All Boyne District Library public computers with Internet access are filtered. However, the Library recognizes that no filter is 100% effective. The parents or legal guardians are responsible for their minor child's reading, listening, and viewing of Library material, including the Internet.

- Users must comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to unauthorized copying of copyright-protected materials, violation of software license agreements, and displaying materials of a sexually explicit nature, deemed harmful to minors according to Michigan law or offensive to others.

- The library cannot assure that data or files downloaded by users are virus-free. The library is not responsible for damages to equipment or data on a user's personal computer from the use of data downloaded from the library's Internet service.

- Users may not:

  1. intentionally introduce viruses or Trojan horses on the Internet;
  2. post any information that might be legally actionable;
  3. use the system to hack or otherwise obtain unauthorized access;
  4. violate the rights of others, including the right to privacy.

- Printing of information from library computers is available for 10 cents per page black and white, and $1.00 per page for color.

- Persons wishing to use Internet workstations must present a valid library card that is in our system, or a picture ID to use the computer as a guest. No guest passes will be issued to minors under 16 without a parent or guardian present.

- Library patrons must use their own library card to sign up for or reserve a computer. Patrons using another person's library card (with or without permission) will be suspended.

- Computers may be checked out for 1 hour at a time. Time may be extended depending on demand and at the discretion of the staff.

- No more than 2 people per computer without prior permission and as long as it doesn't interfere with other computer users.

Violation of this Internet Acceptable Use policy may result in the loss of Internet use privileges.

Computer workstations must be shared by many people. The library warns users of the risk involved when using services such as Internet banking or services where the use of password/PIN is necessary, as this may result in access to your personal information by others. The library will not be held responsible for any misuse which results from using these computers for personal Internet services. Thank you for your cooperation.