

Wright County Library Internet User Agreement

1. **Objectionable Material** – Internet access allows you to connect to servers and view documents from all over the world. With this access comes availability to access materials, which may be objectionable to most people. The Library prohibits the viewing of any Objectionable Material on the Public Use Computers.

2. **Acceptable Use** – The use of this service shall be for research, education, local, state, or notional government affairs, community betterment, or public services. E-mail, surfing the net and other such functions are secondary to this purpose, and patrons engaged in these functions may be asked to terminate their session if it becomes necessary. They are **NOT for Chat, Instant Messaging, or playing games. NO PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIAL.** This includes e-mails sent to you that obviously contain pornographic images. Any abusive conduct, illegal activities, advertisements, or any other unacceptable use violation will not be tolerated. The Wright County Library reserves the right for staff to terminate or change the time limit allowed for any user that violates any of the use policy. Filtering software has been installed on public computers to block offensive materials. There may be sites that carry information resources you may find controversial or inappropriate. Not all sites on the Internet provide accurate, complete, or current information. You need to be a good information consumer, questioning the information you find.

3. **BE AWARE:** You may not always be able to go to the places on the Internet you want to visit. There can be several reasons for this, among them:
 - There are too many visitors and the host computer has closed or limited access from the “outside world”

 - The database or resource is licensed to a particular institution and you need to be affiliated with that institution in order to get access.

 - The host computer has changed its address or has closed down.

4. **Privacy** – Wright County Library provides a reasonable expectation of privacy. Wright County Library will only access private files via a Law Enforcement intervention or Court Order. Wright County Library access provider, MOREnet provides the latest up to date equipment and security software to provide its customers with the best security possible. However as soon as Wright County Library users are outside MOREnet’s server, there can be no expectation of privacy or security.

5. **Accountability** – Any person under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian that is over the age of 18 and has either a driver’s license or valid picture ID to sign authorization for computer access. Any person 15 years or younger must have an adult authorized library computer user setting with them at the computer monitoring and supervising them at all times. A library patron may NOT use the computer if they or a family/household member have any overdue items or fines due, until all issues are cleared. All Library patrons must present a valid Wright County Library card in their name to the librarian at the circulation desk for her to scan. At that time you will sign in and be assigned a

computer. Your library card will be held at the desk until your session has ended. Visitors wanting to use the computers must sign in and provide a photo ID that will be copied and held at the circulation desk until the session has ended.

6. **Time Limit** – There will be a 1-hour time limit. At the end of one hour, if no one else is waiting then the user must re-sign the log for an additional hour. NO user may be on a public use computer for more than two hours per day, which includes use of computers at any Wright County Library location. It is not acceptable to use our Internet computers beyond time limits established by the Library Board and Staff. This time limit may change without notice. The Library reserves the right to terminate an Internet session at any time. Users must end their sessions and leave the computer immediately when asked to do so by authorized Library staff. All users will be asked to terminate their sessions ten minutes prior to the library's closing.

7. **Media Charges** – Computer users will be charged 15 cents for each page that has been printed on. You may not use any disk in the computers except for those bought from the circulation desk. A disk is \$1.00. The Library will hold disks for patrons if they contain legitimate research information, a resume or school reports. Disks may not leave the library and then be allowed back into our computer system.

8. **Library users are prohibited from:**

- Violating copyright laws
- Deliberately crashing the Library's or other's workstations or computer systems
- Modifying files without authorization
- Altering data
- Introducing viruses or "Trojan Horses"
- Damaging files
- Maliciously disrupting network services
- Downloading any files onto computer hard drive
- Irresponsible or offensive behavior

9. **Conduct** – Conduct yourself as fitting a library environment. Please do not lounge in the computer chairs. We ask that cell phones be turned off in the library. No "Musical Chairs", you need to go to the front desk and check out another computer before moving from the computer that is assigned to you. If you have children with you, they are your responsibility to monitor and control in a quiet non-disruptive manner. Failure to do so may cause the termination of your session.

10. **User Help** – You will need to have some computer knowledge to use the Library computers. Library staff can provide limited assistance for basic start up procedures but due to Library scheduling, time and knowledge constraints, Library staff cannot provide on demand in-depth training concerning Internet jargon, search strategies or personal computer use.

11. **User Agreement** – The user agrees to sign these technology disclaimers and provide a photo ID and will abide by all rules and regulations set forth herein as well as those that may be enacted from time to time by the Library Board of Directors. Any violation of the above rules may result in the loss of computer privileges at ALL Wright County Library locations. Be advised that failure to observe time limits, misuse or abuse of Library equipment, or deliberate sending, receiving or displaying text or graphics in public which may be reasonably construed as obscene is in violation of current Missouri law (Missouri Revised Statutes 573.010 and 573.060) and may result in suspension of Library privileges. The undersigned also agrees to indemnify Wright County Library for any loss suffered to them by reason of improper use of the Internet by any user; and the user further agrees to compensate anyone harmed by the user's use of the Internet.

Missouri Revised Statutes Chapter 573 Section 573.010

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Pornography and Related Offenses

Section 573.010

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Definitions.

573.010. As used in this chapter the following terms shall mean:

(1) "Child", any person under the age of fourteen;

(2) "Child pornography":

(a) Any obscene material or performance depicting sexual conduct, sexual contact, or a sexual performance, as these terms are defined in section 556.061, RSMo, and which has as one of its participants or portrays as an observer of such conduct, contact, or performance a minor under the age of eighteen; or

(b) Any visual depiction, including any photograph, film, video, picture, or computer or computer-generated image or picture, whether made or produced by electronic, mechanical, or other means, of sexually explicit conduct where:

a. The production of such visual depiction involves the use of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct;

b. Such visual depiction is a digital image, computer image, or computer-generated image that is, or is indistinguishable from, that of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct; or

c. Such visual depiction has been created, adapted, or modified to show that an identifiable minor is engaging in sexually explicit conduct;

(3) "Displays publicly", exposing, placing, posting, exhibiting, or in any fashion displaying in any location, whether public or private, an item in such a manner that it may be readily seen and its content or character distinguished by normal unaided vision viewing it from a street, highway or public sidewalk, or from the property of others or from any portion of the person's store, or the exhibitor's store or property when items and material other than this material are offered for sale or rent to the public;

(4) "Explicit sexual material", any pictorial or three-dimensional material depicting human masturbation, deviate sexual intercourse, sexual intercourse, direct physical stimulation or unclothed genitals, sadomasochistic abuse, or emphasizing the depiction of postpubertal human genitals; provided, however, that works of art or of anthropological significance shall not be deemed to be within the foregoing definition;

(5) "Furnish", to issue, sell, give, provide, lend, mail, deliver, transfer, circulate, disseminate, present, exhibit or otherwise provide;

(6) "Graphic", when used with respect to a depiction of sexually explicit conduct, that a viewer can observe any part of the genitals or pubic area of any depicted person or animal during any part of the time that the sexually explicit conduct is being depicted;

(7) "Identifiable minor":

(a) A person:

a. (i) Who was a minor at the time the visual depiction was created, adapted, or modified; or

(ii) Whose image as a minor was used in creating, adapting, or modifying the visual depiction; and

b. Who is recognizable as an actual person by the person's face, likeness, or other distinguishing characteristic, such as a unique birthmark or other recognizable feature; and

(b) The term shall not be construed to require proof of the actual identity of the identifiable minor;

(8) "Indistinguishable", when used with respect to a depiction, virtually indistinguishable, in that the depiction is such that an ordinary person viewing the depiction would conclude that the depiction is of an actual minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct. Indistinguishable does not apply to depictions that are drawings, cartoons, sculptures, or paintings depicting minors or adults;

(9) "Material", anything printed or written, or any picture, drawing, photograph, motion picture film, videotape or videotape production, or pictorial representation, or any recording or transcription, or any mechanical, chemical, or electrical reproduction, or stored computer data, or anything which is or may be used as a means of communication. Material includes undeveloped photographs, molds, printing plates, stored computer data and other latent representational objects;

(10) "Minor", any person under the age of eighteen;

(11) "Nudity", the showing of postpubertal human genitals or pubic area, with less than a fully opaque covering;

(12) "Obscene", any material or performance is obscene if, taken as a whole:

(a) Applying contemporary community standards, its predominant appeal is to prurient interest in sex; and

(b) The average person, applying contemporary community standards, would find the material depicts or describes sexual conduct in a patently offensive way; and

(c) A reasonable person would find the material lacks serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value;

(13) "Performance", any play, motion picture film, videotape, dance or exhibition performed before an audience of one or more;

(14) "Pornographic for minors", any material or performance is pornographic for minors if the following apply:

(a) The average person, applying contemporary community standards, would find that the material or performance, taken as a whole, has a tendency to cater or appeal to a prurient interest of minors; and

(b) The material or performance depicts or describes nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sadomasochistic abuse in a way which is patently offensive to the average person applying contemporary adult community standards with respect to what is suitable for minors; and

(c) The material or performance, taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for minors;

(15) "Promote", to manufacture, issue, sell, provide, mail, deliver, transfer, transmute, publish, distribute, circulate, disseminate, present, exhibit, or advertise, or to offer or agree to do the same, by any means including a computer;

(16) "Sadomasochistic abuse", flagellation or torture by or upon a person as an act of sexual stimulation or gratification;

(17) "Sexual conduct", actual or simulated, normal or perverted acts of human masturbation; deviate sexual intercourse; sexual intercourse; or physical contact with a person's clothed or unclothed genitals, pubic area, buttocks, or the breast of a female in an act of apparent sexual stimulation or gratification or any sadomasochistic abuse or acts including animals or any latent objects in an act of apparent sexual stimulation or gratification;

(18) "Sexually explicit conduct", actual or simulated:

(a) Sexual intercourse, including genital-genital, oral-genital, anal-genital, or oral-anal, whether between persons of the same or opposite sex;

(b) Bestiality;

(c) Masturbation;

(d) Sadistic or masochistic abuse; or

(e) Lascivious exhibition of the genitals or pubic area of any person;

(19) "Sexual excitement", the condition of human male or female genitals when in a state of sexual stimulation or arousal;

(20) "Visual depiction", includes undeveloped film and videotape, and data stored on computer disk or by electronic means which is capable of conversion into a visual image;

(21) "Wholesale promote", to manufacture, issue, sell, provide, mail, deliver, transfer, transmute, publish, distribute, circulate, disseminate, or to offer or agree to do the same for purposes of resale or redistribution.

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