



# Silvis Public Library

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## Internet Use Policy

### Role of the Internet

The Silvis Public Library is pleased to provide to the public the information and communication resources of the Internet. We make the Internet available in order to expand the Library's collection of informational, educational and recreational materials.

### User Rules for Public Computers

The Internet has many valuable sources of information but not all sites are accurate, complete, or current. There are also sites that some may consider controversial or inappropriate. Silvis Public Library does not and cannot control the information content obtained from outside sources via the Internet. We urge library patrons to be informed consumers and carefully evaluate information obtained via the Internet.

- **Patrons over the age of 18 may use the public access computers, located across from the front desk.**
    - During time on the computer, any accompanying children (under the age of nine) must also be seated in the computer area or be supervised by another adult.
  - **Patrons between the ages of 11 and 17 may use the teen computers , located in the Young Adult Area.**
  - **Patrons ages 7-17 may use the main public access computers, only if an adult is always sitting with them. Accompanying adult needs to be overseeing young adult use, and NOT using another public access station.**
  - **Children under the age of 7 should use the computers located in the Children's Area. Children under the age of nine must be supervised by an adult at all times.**
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- Users are required to register at the circulation desk each time they use a computer station with Internet access.
  - Patrons are guaranteed one hour of use. Time can be extended if no one is waiting for a computer.
  - **Viewing of obscene material is not allowed.**
  - Please let staff know immediately of any technical difficulties.
  - Print "jobs" are .15/page for black/white and .25/page for color copies. Patron must go to Front Desk and let staff know computer station "number."
  - Programs on computer should be left as is. Users may not load their own software programs or download files to the hard drive of the computer. This is to minimize the risks of computer viruses.
  - Please respect other library patrons. Speak quietly and be patient.
  - As with other library materials, children's (ages 13-17) access to and use of the Internet is the sole responsibility of the child's parent or legal guardian. Parents should let their children know about information, content and services on the Internet that they do not want them to access or use. Or, parents should supervise their own child's Internet sessions at the Library.
  - Violation of the rules will result in the loss of Internet privileges.

Patrons should be aware that this policy may be amended at any time.

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