

Mount Prospect Public Library  
Internet, Computer and Equipment Use Policy

Mount Prospect Public Library Internet Policy

The Internet allows patrons to connect to networks of resources outside of the Mount Prospect Public Library. The Mount Prospect Public Library has no control over these resources nor does the Library have complete knowledge of what is available on the Internet. Patrons access the Internet at their own risk.

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In accordance with the Denial of Service Policy, the Library reserves the right to limit, refuse, and/or ban any patron from using the library equipment and computers.

Use of Equipment and Networks:

A. Procedures for computer usage

1. Patrons that do not have local library cards can be granted a “guest pass”. One guest pass logon is permitted daily. Staff may request proof of identification. A guest pass will be on computers as assigned automatically on a first come, first served basis.
2. A reservation for a computer can only be made with an E-net user’s own library card. Staff may request proof of identification.
3. E-net users may choose an available computer, or use the Reservation Station to create a reservation. When using the Reservation Station, E-net users may logon at the designated computer assigned by the Reservation Station. Computers are assigned automatically on a first come, first served basis.
4. Library materials must be checked out on the user’s card to be used on the E-nets.
5. Expired and lost cards cannot be used to create reservations.
6. A PIN (patron identification number) will be required to use some of the Library’s online services and resources.

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B. Equipment and networks

The Mount Prospect Public Library requires that library patrons using electronic information networks such as the Internet do so within the guidelines of acceptable use. The following activities are unacceptable:

1. Use of electronic information networks for any purpose which results in the harassment of other users.
2. Destruction of, damage to, or unauthorized alteration of the library's computer equipment, software or network security procedures.
3. Use of electronic information networks in any way which violates Federal, State, or local law including copyright and licensing infringement.
4. Use of electronic information networks in any way which violates licensing and payment agreements between this Library and network/database providers.
5. Unauthorized duplication of copyright protected software or violation of software license agreements.
6. Violations of system security.
7. Behaving in a manner that is disruptive to other users, including but not limited to overuse of computer equipment which serves to deny access to other users.

Breach of Policy:

Violation of any aspect of this policy may result in the loss of library privileges.

The Mount Prospect Public Library is part of the Illinois Century Network. Patrons using the Internet must also abide by the Illinois Century Network acceptable use policy, available at [www.illinois.net/AUP.pdf](http://www.illinois.net/AUP.pdf).