

PEARISBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY
Internet Use Policy

The Pearisburg Public Library provides internet access for the informational, educational, and recreational needs of our patrons.

The Pearisburg Public Library does not control the information available via the internet and cannot be held responsible for its content. Patrons are encouraged to be critical consumers and to evaluate information carefully.

ACCESS AND USE

Patrons in good standing may use the internet at the Pearisburg Public Library. Children under age 10 may not use the public computers without the direct permission of a parent, guardian, teacher, or adult childcare provider. The Pearisburg Library recognizes that parents and legal guardians have the right to supervise their children's use of the library, and sole responsibility for such supervision is placed in the hands of the parent or guardian. Library personnel will not accept this responsibility.

Patrons must sign-in at the circulation desk before using a public computer. Three laptops are also available for patron use.

Computer sessions are limited to one hour at a time. However, if no one is waiting, the patron may stay on until someone else needs the computer. Reserving a session up to a week in advance is permissible. If reserved in advance, extra time is afforded to patrons using computers for online courses and job searches.

Users are permitted to print electronic files or copy them to flash drive. The charge for printouts is \$.15 per page (b&w).

Computers at the Pearisburg Public Library are public and may be viewed by other people. Privacy and confidentiality cannot be assured. Users should be sensitive to others when choosing internet sites to explore.

E-mail accounts are not provided to patrons.

UNAUTHORIZED USE

Unauthorized use of the internet via Pearisburg Public Library computers may result in the loss of internet privileges. The following are prohibited:

1. Using the Pearisburg Public Library computer for illegal or criminal purposes.

2. Using the Pearisburg Public Library computer to “hack” the Pearisburg Public Library system or any other system.
3. Reading, or attempting to read, any protected file- including a person’s electronic mail.
4. Installing personal software on the Pearisburg Public Library computer.

PATRON’S RESPONSIBILITY

By signing up for internet access at Pearisburg Public Library, the patron agrees to abide by terms of this internet-use policy.

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