

Goshen County Library

Manual of Policy and Procedure Changes to be Reviewed

Under 3.5 LIBRARY CARDS & PATRON RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Behavior Policy.** To ensure a safe, comfortable environment for all people to use the Library, the following behaviors are not acceptable:
 - Bare feet or bare upper bodies; public indecency or indecent exposure.
 - Loud talking, use of profanity, throwing things, pushing, shoving, public displays of affection or other physical contact.
 - Unsupervised children.
 - Animals, unless they are support animals or part of a Library program.
 - Bicycles, scooters, skateboards, skates, or shopping carts.
 - Verbal or physical threats or harassment of another person.
 - Lying down or sleeping.
 - Offensive or obvious lack of personal hygiene.
 - Possession or consumption of illegal drugs or alcohol.
 - Use of tobacco products, including e-cigarettes.
 - Soliciting or panhandling.
 - Washing clothes or bathing.
 - Possession of weapons except concealed weapons carried pursuant to the state statute.
 - Bags larger than a backpack.

Customers who do not respect this policy may be asked to leave the library, have library privileges suspended, or be subjected to legal action. Those refusing to leave are subject to arrest under trespass laws of the state of Wyoming.

Appendix C

Goshen County Library Internet Use Policy

To assist patrons in the use and understanding of the internet, the library provides users with the following policy:

1. The primary purpose of internet connectivity is to provide access for all Goshen County residents to other computer systems throughout the world for information, research and entertainment appropriate to a public place.
2. Some of the most current and up-to-date sources of information today are only available via the internet.
3. The Goshen County Library supports intellectual freedom, but does reserve the right to limit access to services deemed incompatible with the stated intent of internet service.
4. Network users are advised that some websites, peer-to-peer networks and other systems accessible via the internet contain material that may be considered offensive, illegal and/or inaccurate. Unlawful use of the internet is prohibited.
5. As with any other sources of information, the accuracy of the information should be evaluated as to its source of authority.
6. To foster an atmosphere of mutual respect and courtesy, the Goshen County Library Behavior Code will be enforced in computer areas as it is on all library property. Library staff will enforce policies prohibiting the viewing of internet sites that are inappropriate for a public place.
7. Filtering is used to block sites that are illegal or inappropriate for a public place. The categories listed next are the headings used by the filtering software company. Sites blocked include, but are not limited to, gambling, child pornography/child abuse (sites showing children being abused), malicious code viruses, pornography/adult content, and spyware.
8. Filtering software is not foolproof. Sites that fall under the above categories may occasionally and inadvertently be accessible on Goshen County Library computers.
9. Parents/guardians concerned with their child's access to the internet must accompany their child to the library to ensure their parental right to censor information is enforced. Library staff assumes no responsibility for children's use of library computers and the internet.
10. Parents are encouraged to educate their children concerning safety and security when using the internet.
11. The library is not responsible for any liability that may occur as a result of the disclosure of any personal information over its public computers and network.
12. The library is not responsible for any damage to personal devices or to the files downloaded to personal devices or file storage media.
13. The computers in the library may not be available at times due to upgrades, power outages, closure due to weather or other issues out of the library's control.
14. Guests may use the computers with a temporary card issued by the Library.