

GLEN COVE PUBLIC LIBRARY PUBLIC INTERNET USAGE RULES

Adopted by the Board of Trustees

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In view of the increased demand for Internet usage, the Glen Cove Public Library hereby reminds patrons of its policy for Internet usage, established by its Board of Trustees:

- Internet terminals are for use by **GLEN COVE PUBLIC LIBRARY CARD HOLDERS AND RESIDENTS**, with these exceptions: non-residents may use the Internet with the permission of the librarian on duty, as local demand permits.
 1. Local residents will be given preference.
 2. All users must produce proper ID upon request.
- User privileges include one hour daily (60 minutes) per patron, on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Only **ONE** seated person per terminal is permitted, except for parent and child. Groups of bystanders will be asked to disperse.
- Printing is available at a cost of **10 cents per page**. Patrons are responsible for costs resulting from printing commands sent. Please use the print preview command to check on the number of pages you are planning to print.
- Users are asked to avoid all **CHAT ROOMS, ARCADE TYPE GAMES, AND INSTANT MESSAGING** sites, as they are likely to produce stalled terminals.
- **NO TAMPERING WITH SETTINGS, HARDWARE, SOFTWARE OR CONNECTIONS IS PERMITTED.** If the terminal stalls, please notify the librarian. The Glen Cove Public Library reserves the right to remove the privilege of anyone who tampers with or damages the equipment or programs involved with Internet access.
- **PUBLIC DISPLAY OF OFFENSIVE SEXUAL MATERIAL IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN.** According to NYS Penal law #245.11, such display is a Class A misdemeanor. If you are discovered to be engaged in such display your Internet privileges will be revoked, and you may be asked to leave the Library.

- The Glen Cove Public Library cannot be held responsible for the content, quality, currency or accuracy of data gathered from Internet sites accessed through the Library. Internet Web site creators are not regulated and thus are free to publish whatever material they choose, with the exception of copyrighted materials. As in the use of print media, users must obey United States Copyright and other applicable laws.
- The Glen Cove Public Library cannot be held responsible for the Web site choice made by children. Parents, legal guardians or care givers are responsible for supervising their child's Internet use.
- Any damage caused to patron computers from downloaded computer viruses is not the responsibility of the Glen Cove Public Library. Users should install virus-checking software onto their home computers in order to prevent computer damage by downloaded from the Internet.
- Finally, the Glen Cove Public Library cannot be held responsible for any loss of privacy, fees incurred, and/or personal harm caused to patrons due to disclosing of personal information over the Internet. Users are warned not to give their names, telephone numbers, addresses, credit card numbers, or any other personal information out over the Internet, since it is not known who is receiving it and for what purpose it is being used. Patrons should exercise extreme caution before arranging meetings with strangers they contact over the Internet.