

## INTERNET COMPUTERS

- A library patron whose record is blocked for any reason must clear the record before Internet access will be granted.
- The public computers with Internet access may be used by adults and high school students. Picture ID will be required.
- Patrons under high school age must have an adult supervising them at the computer at all times.
- Out of consideration for other computer users, **ONLY ONE** person will be allowed at each public computer. The exception is adults supervising patrons under high school age.
- Cell phone use at the public computers is prohibited except in special circumstances determined by the staff.

**STATE LAW:** The public computers are openly visible to the general public, which includes children. Exposing minors to sexually oriented material is a violation of the New Mexico Statutes (1978, annotated, C. 30, Art. 37.

**Accessing sexually explicit or pornographic material on the Internet will result in termination of Internet privileges , and local law enforcement officials may be notified.**

**SIGN-UP:** Patrons must make a reservation at the Circulation Desk to use a computer. Patrons may have a reservation for only one computer, whether word processor or Internet, at a time.

- Phone sign-ups for the waiting list are not allowed.
- Patrons may not be on the waiting list if they are presently using a public computer.

**ACCESS:** Access will be determined on a first come, first served basis. Public computers cannot be reserved for specific times.

- If the computer for which a patron has a reservation becomes available early and the patron does not claim it immediately, the patron's reservation will not be lost but remaining time from the previous session may be given to another patron.
- Please respect the privacy of others and wait away from the computer area for your reservation time.
- **If a patron is more than ten minutes late logging in to his computer, his reservation will be automatically canceled.**

**TIME LIMITS:** Patrons can use the public computers for a maximum of two hours per day Monday through Saturday and one hour on Sundays.

- No new sessions on any computer will begin within a half hour of closing time.
- All computers will be turned off 15 minutes before the library closes each day.
- The Internet computers are available for a maximum of 60 minutes uninterrupted.

**PRINTING:** Charge for printing is 10¢ per page.

- Black and white printing only is available
- All printing must be picked up at the Circulation Desk and paid for at that time.
- Patrons must pay for all pages printed.
- All print jobs will be purged at the end of the day.

**DOWNLOADING:** Patrons may bring diskettes or flash drives from home to save their work, but all diskettes will be examined by staff to prevent damage to computers. Patrons who use diskettes NOT examined by staff will be held financially responsible for computer damage. Diskettes are available at the circulation desk for a minimal charge. You MAY NOT use your own software programs on the public computers.

**DISCLAIMER:** The Internet is a global entity with no content control. Not all sources provide accurate, complete or current information. Users need to be discriminating consumers. Questioning the validity of the information. Neither Hobbs Public Library, its staff, nor the City of Hobbs is in any way responsible for the way information found on the Internet is used.

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