

Town of Clayton Policy & Procedure Statement

	
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Policy:

This policy shall remain in effect until such time as amended by the Town Council

Internet Use Policy Hocutt-Ellington Memorial Library

Policy Statement

The Hocutt-Ellington Memorial Library (“the Library”) is committed to its mission to be a welcoming space for building community and connecting people to ideas and resources. In keeping with this mission, the Library offers public electronic resources available on the Internet.

In order to block access to those graphic images and materials defined as harmful to minors in the North Carolina General Statutes § 14-190.1–14-190.15, the Library has installed filters on all public Internet terminals. The Library has no control over content on the Internet and is not responsible for information that is inaccurate, incomplete or illegal. The Library is not responsible for any material transmitted electronically by users of its public Internet terminals. The monitoring of a minor's access to the Internet is the responsibility of that person's parent or legal guardian.

Acceptable Use Policy

Use of public computers to violate state or Federal laws regarding public display of pornography, cyber stalking, identity theft, fraud, etc., is forbidden and may result in revocation of your library use privileges. Failure to comply with the Library’s Internet Use Policy will result in a warning to the patron. Repeated violations of Library policy will be submitted to the library director for resolution and may result in the patron being barred from using the Library’s public Internet terminals and/or the facility.

Further, law enforcement officials having probable cause to suspect illegal usage of public use personal computers in the Library may obtain usage records for these machines in accordance with state law.

State law requires us to protect minor children from seeing any sexually explicit sites, even accidentally, on Library computers. Content and some websites are filtered and blocked on Library computers and public [WiFi](#) service.