PURPOSE

To clarify the use of Internet resources by the public in the Camarillo Public Library.

POLICY

The Camarillo Public Library endeavors to provide collections, resources, and services that meet the cultural, informational, recreational, and educational needs of the diverse communities it serves. Within this context, the Camarillo Public Library offers public Internet access.

A. INTERNET USE

The library does not monitor and has no control over the information accessed through the Internet. The Internet may contain material of a controversial nature. Users should note that not all Internet sources provide accurate, complete or current information.

All Internet access stations and the library’s wireless network are filtered to prevent access to materials deemed by law to be harmful to a minor in compliance with the Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA). Access for all patrons under age 18 will be filtered. Filtering software may not block all materials users find offensive. Parents and legal guardians are responsible for any and all Internet use by minors. Patrons who are 18 years of age and over may request unfiltered access in only the Adults area, which will be promptly granted by library staff.

All Internet use is subject to Library Code of Conduct Policy which states: “Behavior that is disruptive to others, including staff, is prohibited.” Patrons who believe that their use of the library is inhibited (as described above) should contact library staff at once.

Patrons are expected to adhere to all rules governing the use of the Internet in libraries, including the duration and frequency of sessions. Patrons who violate library policy regarding the use of the Internet, or who behave in a disruptive manner, will be asked to modify their use appropriately or discontinue such usage.
B. WIRELESS NETWORK

The Camarillo Public Library is a wireless zone. Patrons wishing to use the wireless network should inquire with library staff for instructions on how to access the network. Patrons using power cords that could cause a tripping hazard may be asked to relocate in order to remove such risk. The wireless network is filtered to comply with CIPA standards.

C. PRIVACY

The library does not record, save or archive files from an individual patron’s Internet or computer use. Public computers are reset, and data erased at the conclusion of each patron’s session. The library is not responsible for loss or corruption of data, including theft of personal information or damage to personal electronic devices.

As is the case with any electronic media system provided by the City, library patrons should not have an expectation of privacy when using any form of electronic media.