

Community Patron Computer Use Policy

The Clarion University Libraries provide computing resources to support educational needs for our community patrons; however, the principal mission is to support the educational well-being and interests of its students, faculty, staff and administrators. While the Clarion University Acceptable Use of Technology Resources Policy remains in effect, the Clarion University Libraries extends this policy to our non-University affiliated community patrons when utilizing library computers and resources within the Clarion University Libraries.

Computer usage in the library by community patrons is a privilege that is extended to public visitors with a valid state issued ID card. Users agree to follow both the Clarion University Acceptable Use of Technology Policy as well as the Clarion University Libraries' Community Patron Computer Use Policy. As noted in the Acceptable Use of Technology Resources Policy:

Use of these resources is a privilege granted by the University and it reserves the right to limit, restrict or extend access to these electronic resources.

Users are expected to conduct their activities within the restrictions and overall policies of Clarion University, the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and federal statutes. Agreement to abide by this policy is a condition of acceptance to use the University's electronic resources

While the university recognizes the role of privacy in an institution of higher learning and every attempt will be made to honor that ideal, there should be no expectation of privacy of information stored on or sent through university-owned information technology, except as required by state or federal law. For example, the university may be required to provide information stored in its information technology resources to someone other than the user as a result of court order, investigatory process, or in response to a request authorized under Pennsylvania's Right-to-Know statute (65 P.S. §67.101 et seq.). Information stored by the university may also be viewed by technical staff working to resolve technical issues.

Library patrons are expected to utilize computer resources legally and ethically. All library patrons are also expected to promote a safe and comfortable environment for all library users. To sustain a positive working environment, patrons are expected to refrain from:

- Violating Clarion University policies.
- Violating any state or federal laws.
- Engaging in conduct or viewing images of a sexual nature that is sufficiently pervasive or severe to have the effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, or

offensive work or academic environment and may be interpreted to constitute sexual harassment.

Any Clarion University staff, faculty, student, or community patron who feels that computer privileges are being violated should immediately report the issue to any Clarion University Libraries' employee on duty. It is important to the library to address each incident as reported to determine how appropriate the complaint is before deciding on a response. Library patrons whom Library personnel believe to be violating University or Library policy, or any law, will be subject to losing computer or Library privileges. Community users additionally may be banned from the Library building or, in severe cases, may lose the privilege of entering onto the University campus. The Clarion University Campus Police will be contacted when necessary.

By signing this policy, the user is agreeing to abide by this policy as well as Clarion University Acceptable Use of Technology Resources Policy.

Patron's Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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