

Taylor Public Library	Approved by Library Board: Jan. 19, 2016 Approved by City Council: Jan 28, 2016	
Library Wi-Fi Policy	Revised:	Page 1 of 2

Purpose

The mission of the Taylor Public Library is to provide educational, informational, and recreational resources to patrons of all ages, cultural and economic backgrounds. As part of this mission, the Taylor Public Library provides unfiltered wireless Internet access for patrons with Wi-Fi enabled laptop computers and other electronic equipment & devices.

Access

To access the Library’s public Wi-Fi computers and wireless devices must have a wireless network card and be configured to connect via appropriate protocols. The Taylor Public Library assumes no responsibility for any alterations or interference with the configuration, operation, or data files of any computer, laptop or digital device connected to the public Wi-Fi.

Patrons are responsible for understanding and configuring their own equipment. Library staff may provide very limited assistance to those needing help with the public Wi-Fi but are not authorized or trained to configure personal computers or wireless devices. The Library makes no guarantee that all computers or electronic devices will be able to make a successful connection.

Hours of Service

The Library reserves the right to schedule the availability of public Wi-Fi as it sees fit. This service is limited to hours determined by the Library Director.

Security

The public Wi-Fi does not use encryption. The Library is not responsible for the security of information sent or received while using the Library’s connection. All Wi-Fi users should have up-to-date antivirus software installed on their computers or devices.

Patrons using the Library's wireless connection are urged to not leave their computers or digital devices unattended. The Library assumes no responsibility for the safety of any patron's equipment.

Rules of Use

1. Use of electrical outlets: Only designated electrical outlets may be used to connect patrons' equipment. Moving furniture or use of extension cords is a safety hazard and is not allowed.
2. Sound: Patrons using laptops or other digital devices must be considerate of others and turn off the sound or use headphones.
3. Compliance with policies: Patrons using the Library's wireless access are governed by the same policies as those using the Library's public computers, including, but not limited to: The Computer & Internet Policy, the Code of Conduct and staff instructions.
4. Illegal use: Use of the Library's Wi-Fi for illegal, criminal or other unauthorized purposes is not allowed. Such abuses include but are not limited to: abuse of *U.S. Copyright Law*; breach of computer security or online solicitation of a minor as detailed in *Texas Penal Code, Chapter 33*; display or distribution of obscene images or materials or display of materials harmful to minors, pornography or child pornography as detailed in *Texas Penal Code, Chapter 43*; abuse of any other laws or ordinances, be they local, state or federal.
5. Use by minors: Any restriction or monitoring of a minor's access to the Library's wireless network is the sole responsibility of the parent or guardian.
6. Printing: Printers are not available for wireless users. Printing is only available through the Library's public computers.
7. Loss of privileges: Patrons not adhering to this policy, other Library policies, and/or staff instructions may have their wireless connection blocked or may face expulsion from the Library, as determined by the Library Director or City Manager.