



SALT LAKE COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES

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POLICY

In fulfilling the mission of the Salt Lake County Library Services, technology is employed within library buildings to allow library patrons access to computers and the Internet for information, databases, software, and other services. Library users are encouraged to take full advantage of the library's computers and the Internet while exercising good judgment and discretion in their use of these valuable resources. Parents and legal guardians are responsible for monitoring their minor child's access to the library's computers and to the resources available on the Internet.

The Salt Lake County Library Board's policy is to provide Internet safety and Internet safety for minors by prohibiting Internet access to visual depictions of sexually explicit material that are child pornography, harmful to minors or obscene. Consistent with library policy and pursuant to Utah Code Annotated (UCA) 9-7-215 the library employs a technology protection measure on all publicly accessible computers connected to the Internet that is designed to block or filter visual depictions that are: I) child pornography, II) harmful to minors; or III) obscene; without, in as much as possible, infringing on the rights of library patrons to access constitutionally protected materials.

In further compliance with UCA 9-7-215(4) an administrator, supervisor, or other representative of the library may disable a technology protection measure at the request of an adult library patron to enable access for research or other lawful purposes.

The Salt Lake County Library Board of Directors has also approved filtering all publicly accessible Internet computers for online gambling in accordance with Utah Code Annotated (UCA) 76-10-1102 which establishes that gambling in any form is a class B misdemeanor.

Anyone who is found to have used library computers to access materials in violation of this policy may be subject to loss of library privileges and appropriate legal action. Library staff violating this policy will also be subject to disciplinary action.

Unauthorized access to the library's computers, peripherals, software or a database is not permitted. Anyone attempting such unauthorized access or who acquires unauthorized access to any computer, software or peripherals or who damages any library property may lose all library privileges. Violators may also be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. This policy applies to library staff and to the public.

Complaints about computer use, Internet access, enforcement or about observed patron behavior may be handled by library staff according to the procedures outlined in the Library Use Policy or the Reconsideration of Materials and Services Policy.

A notice of the availability of this Policy will be posted in a conspicuous place within all Salt Lake County libraries.

The Salt Lake County Library Services Internet Acceptable Use Policy adopted June 25, 2001 and the Computer Use Policy adopted October 23, 2000 were amended by the Internet Access

and Computer Use Policy adopted on the 28th day of June, 2004. This amended Internet Access and Computer Use Policy was discussed and adopted in an opening meeting of the Salt Lake County Library Board of Directors on the 23rd day of April, 2007. The policy was amended in an open meeting of the Salt Lake County Library Board of Directors on February 23, 2009. The policy was reviewed and reaffirmed in an open meeting of the Salt Lake County Library Board of Directors on April 26, 2010.

Salt Lake County Library Board of Directors

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