



Public Wireless Acceptable Use Policy

Purpose

The Guelph Public Library Wi-Fi Service is a free wireless internet service provided to the citizens of Guelph and visitors to the City of Guelph.

** Each branch is monitoring its occupancy capacity, so you may have to wait your turn to come inside. As a courtesy to others, please don't stay longer than you need. **

Scope

The Guelph Public Library Wi-Fi Service Acceptable Use Policy is intended to help enhance the use of the internet by preventing unacceptable use. You, as a user of this Service, must comply with this Policy. By clicking the "Continue to the Internet" button, you acknowledge and agree to follow this Policy and the terms of this Policy as stated herein. Your violation of this Policy may result in the suspension or termination of your access to the Service and/or other actions including but not limited to cooperation with legal authorities and/or third parties involved in the investigation of any suspected or alleged crime or civil wrong doing.

1 Policy Statements

The GPL Wi-Fi Service Acceptable Use Policy prohibits the following:

- 1.1 Using the Service to transmit any material that, intentionally or unintentionally, violates any applicable local, provincial, national or international law, or any rule or regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 1.2 Using the Service to harm, or attempt to harm other persons, businesses or other entities.
- 1.3 Using the Service to transmit any material that threatens or encourages bodily harm or destruction of property or harasses another.

- 1.4 Using the Service to make fraudulent offers to sell or buy products, items, or services or to advance any type of financial scam
- 1.5 Adding, removing, or modifying identifying network header information in an effort to deceive or mislead is prohibited. Attempting to impersonate any person by using forged headers or other identifying information is prohibited
- 1.6 Using the Service to transmit or facilitate any unsolicited commercial email or unsolicited bulk email
- 1.7 Using the Service to access, or to attempt to access, the accounts of others, or to penetrate, or attempt to penetrate, security measures of the Guelph Public Library Wi-Fi Service or another entity's computer software or hardware, electronic communications system or telecommunications system, whether or not the intrusion results in the access, corruption or loss of data.
- 1.8 Using the Service to transmit any material that infringes any copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret, or other proprietary rights of any third party, including, but not limited to, the unauthorized copying of copyrighted material, the digitization and distribution of photographs from magazines, books or other copyrighted sources, and the unauthorized transmittal of copyrighted software.
- 1.9 Using the Service to collect, or attempt to collect, personal information about third parties without their knowledge or consent.
- 1.10 Reselling the service
- 1.11 Using the Service for any activity which adversely affects the ability of other people or systems to use the Guelph Public Library Wi-Fi Service. This includes "denial of service" (DoS) attacks against another network host or individual user. Interference with or disruption of other network users, network services or network equipment is prohibited. It is your responsibility to ensure that your network is configured in a secure manner.
- 1.12 Using your personal computer for high volume or commercial use is prohibited. You may not use the Service on a standby or inactive basis in order to maintain a connection. Accordingly, the Guelph Public Library maintains the right to terminate your connection following any extended period of inactivity.

2 Disclaimer of Warranties and Limitation of Liability

- 2.1 **Limitation of Liability:** You assume total responsibility for use of the Service and the Internet and access the same at your own risk. The GPL is not responsible for the content you accessed or actions taken on the internet.

3 Non-Compliance

- 3.1 Violations of this policy will be treated like other allegations of wrongdoing at Guelph Public Library. Allegations of misconduct will be adjudicated according to established procedures. Sanctions for noncompliance may include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following:
- a. An employee found to have violated this policy may result in the application of the disciplinary process, up to and including, termination.
 - b. Legal action according to applicable laws and contractual agreements