Cedar Rapids Public Library
Computer Usage Rules and Regulations

Users must abide by the World Wide Web Usage Policy of the Cedar Rapids Public Library (Policy 3.08).

1. **Use of library computers must be for legal and ethical purposes.** Examples of unacceptable purposes include, but are not limited to, the following:
   - Destruction of or damage to library equipment, software, or data;
   - Violation of computer system security and/or system configuration;
   - **Receiving or displaying text or graphics of an obscene sexual nature:**
   - Violation of the copyright laws of the United States;
   - Use of sounds and visuals which might be disruptive to others;
   - Violation of another user’s right to privacy;

2. **A parent or guardian must accompany library computer users under age ten.** The Cedar Rapids Public Library assumes no responsibility for information accessed while using the public computers. Library staff will not control or endorse specific information found on the public computers. Staff cannot control the availability, accuracy, or currency of information links that may change rapidly and unpredictably. Library users accept the risk that Web sites may include explicit or otherwise offensive material. It is the user’s responsibility (or that of the parent or guardian) to determine what is appropriate.

3. **Violations of this computer use policy will result in a suspension of your computer privileges and may lead to financial liability. Illegal acts involving library computers may also be subject to prosecution by local, state or federal authorities.** It is against Iowa law to provide obscene material to minors, or to display obscene material where children may see it. (Iowa Code, Chapter 728.2)

4. When an incident occurs involving a breach of the Computer Usage Rules and Regulations or the World Wide Web Usage Policy or when disruptive behavior outlined in library policy 3.08 occurs in the computer area, the individual involved will be asked to stop immediately or leave the area. **Users who refuse to stop or continue to violate the computer rules will have their computer privileges suspended for one day. Repeated violations by the same individual will result in a trespass notice being filed with the Cedar Rapids Police Department.**

5. Personal software programs and CDs cannot be used on the library computers.

6. No more than two people are allowed at a computer.

7. Library staff will help with basic computer use and searching strategies, but will not provide detailed instruction on software and its use.