

## **Wireless Network Policy – Approved July 17, 2009**

The East Hampton Library provides wireless Internet access for laptop computers and other wireless devices.

Laptop computer users must be considerate of patrons nearby and refrain from excessive noise including the playing of music on the laptop without the use of headphones. Patrons not adhering to this policy may be asked to leave the Library.

The Library is not responsible for laptops left unattended.

The Library is not responsible for any damage that may occur to the laptop computer while connected to the wireless network. This includes, but is not limited to hardware, software or data loss due to power surges, power loss, service interruptions, computer viruses, spyware and any other type of computer malware.

The Library Staff will help with research assistance or connecting to the wireless network. Library Staff are not available for troubleshooting problems of a patrons laptop or other wireless device.

There are no printers available for use with a patrons laptop computer or wireless device.

The Library does not filter the wireless network, which is available to anyone with a compatible laptop computer or wireless device, including children. Parents wishing filtered Internet access for their children should direct their children to use one of the Library's public access workstations or purchase filtering software for their child's device.

The wireless Internet is unsecured and open to everyone. The Library is not responsible for any financial loss that may occur while using the wireless Internet. This includes, but is not limited to, loss due to improper use of online financial tools, personal information intercepted while being transmitted and identity theft.

Users may not use the wireless network to:

- Make unauthorized entry into other computational, informational or communications services or resources.
- Distribute unsolicited advertising or SPAM.
- Invade the privacy of others.
- Engage in any activity that is harassing or defamatory.
- Use the Internet for any illegal activity, including violation of copyright or other rights of third parties, or in a manner inconsistent with the Library proper operation.

Users will refrain from displaying obscene materials. Obscene materials are considered anything that may be offensive to others as determined by the Library Staff. Patrons deemed in violation of this policy may be asked to leave the Library and/or have Library privileges suspended or revoked.

Violations of any policy contained herein may result in loss of access. Unlawful activities will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.