

# TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES PUBLIC LIBRARY

## PUBLIC COMPUTER USE POLICY

Approved by the Library Advisory Board, February, 2005

Computer use at the Library is on a first-come, first-served basis. All users will be limited to a 1-hour session; at the end of that time, if no one is waiting, additional time may be requested. **Workstation use may be limited to a total of one hour per user per day.**

Public use workstations' hard drives have been write-protected. **NO DISKS OR PORTABLE DRIVES MAY BE USED IN LIBRARY COMPUTERS FOR ANY REASON.**

Any act that may be considered an attempt to bypass security, gain unauthorized access, or to escalate privileges on a library-owned computer will result in loss of computer privileges.

Any patron must surrender the use of any Internet workstation at staff request.

**Printing is charged at 10 cents per page** to offset the cost of paper and toner. It should be noted that some websites do not permit printing, either because of document size or restrictions placed on files by the host agency.

**Accessing pornography is prohibited.** Patrons found accessing pornographic websites will be asked to leave the Library. On a second offense, that individual will lose computer privileges entirely.

Patron misuse of the Internet and/or misuse of or damage to any computer will result in the loss of computer privileges.

Library Patrons with overdue library materials charged to their cards are not permitted to use the Library's computers.

All equipment, including the Internet workstations, is turned off 15 minutes prior to closing time.

*It is not the function of a public library to determine what ideas or information should be made available to children. Parents or legal guardians should provide this guidance, each for his own child and only his own child. Parents or legal guardians are entirely responsible for their child's (and only their child's) use of the Internet. Truth or Consequences Public Library will not assume any responsibility for damages, direct or indirect, arising from any individual's use of this equipment.*