

Internet and Computer Use

The Burlington County Library System (BCLS) offers public use computers and other technology to access library and Internet resources, popular applications and software as well as a public wireless network.

Use of Public Computers and Printers

Customer must provide a valid library card to access computers. Customers may not use someone else's library card. Such use could result in the suspension of computer use privileges for the cardholder.

Visitors to the library who do not have a library card may receive a guest pass. In order to receive a guest pass, visitors must provide proof of name and address. The visitors name, address along with the date and time shall be recorded when the guest pass is issued.

- Each individual may access a library public computer for two hours per session. If no one is waiting, extra time may be extended in 30-minute increments.
- All printing and/or downloading must be completed within the time limit of your computer session. You will receive reminders five, three and two minutes prior to the end of your session. You will be automatically logged off at the end of each two-hour long session. Any work not saved will be lost at that time.
- To best serve children and teens, all computers in designated children and teen areas are for their use and for adult caregivers accompanying or assisting them.
- The library's computers and devices are connected to printers. Black and white prints are available at 10¢ per page. Color prints are 20¢ per page. Two-sided printing is available. Only library-provided paper may be used in the printers.
- Customers using their own devices may remotely connect to library printers via the BCLS PrinterOn service at any branch library. Print jobs sent to a library are stored for four hours. Customers using this service will pay the same rates noted above.
- Printing services will end ten minutes prior to the library's closing time.

Use of Internet

The Internet is a global entity with a highly-diverse user population and a range of content representing many interests. Internet users should be aware that not all online sources provide accurate, complete or current information; library customers use it at their own risk. Provision of Internet service does not imply that BCLS endorses or approves all material accessed.

Access to Internet Resources

BCLS provides Internet access on PCs which are filtered appropriately for youth and adult areas of the library. Even with filtering, it is possible that websites that are inappropriate in a library setting may be displayed. Because the library is a public place, library staff reserves the authority to end an Internet session when such material displays.

You may not use the library's computers for any fraudulent or unlawful purpose. New Jersey Statute 2C:34-4 prohibits you from accessing or displaying pornographic and/or obscene materials. You will forfeit your PC use privileges if you violate these terms of use.

The library does not routinely monitor public computers, but reserves the right to do so when staff is alerted of a violation or suspect illegal activity. Staff is authorized to take immediate action to protect the security of computers and the network and may contact law enforcement authorities.

Customers are responsible for complying with copyright law, licensing agreements and the policies of individual websites.

Use of Internet by Youth

Parents or guardians, not the library or its staff, are responsible for online information selected and/or accessed by their children. Children who use the Internet unsupervised may be exposed to inappropriate information and images. Parents are encouraged to discuss personal and family boundaries in relation to Internet use and to monitor this use whether using a library device or a personal device on the library's network.

Use of Wireless Service

Customers may connect to the BCLS network (library_wifi) and are responsible for configuring their own devices. As with our Internet service, your information may not be secure on our wireless service and therefore customers use it at their own risk.

When connecting to the BCLS wireless service, customers agree to the following terms:

Burlington County Library System provides free wireless access to the Internet. Wireless users must agree to abide by the library's Internet and Computer Use Policy ([link](#)) which prohibits abusive or illegal activity while using the library's Internet service.

- The library makes no guarantees about, and is not responsible for, the security of information transmitted and received during the customer's wireless Internet session.
- Library staff cannot provide in-depth training or troubleshooting concerning the Internet, wireless access or the customer's equipment.
- The library accepts no responsibility for any software downloaded and/or installed, email opened, or sites accessed while customers are on the wireless Internet connection. Any damage done to the patron's equipment or self from viruses, identity theft, spyware, plug-ins, or other Internet-borne programs is the sole responsibility of the customer; and the customer holds harmless the library from any such damage.

[I agree] to adhere to the above terms of service.

