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HOTSPOT POLICY

The Bethel Public Library makes Wi-Fi hotspots available to Bethel residents to provide access to the Internet. Hotspots may be borrowed by library users in good standing who are 18 years of age or older and who have active library cards. Hotspot users are required to sign the Library's Hotspot Loan Agreement. The parents/guardians of persons under the age of 18 who wish to use hotspots are responsible for such usage. The Library reserves the right to refuse to check-out a hotspot to a patron for any reason including, but not limited to, the patron's abuse of equipment or if a patron is repeatedly late in returning electronic devices.

The Bethel Public Library is not responsible for any damages resulting from patron use of the hotspot, including, but not limited to, damage to a computer or other device for which a patron may use the hotspot to access the internet, data loss, computer viruses, identity theft, invasion of privacy, or any other damages, which may result from access to and use of the internet. Devices shall not be used to transmit or receive any illegal, defamatory or obscene materials as explained in the Policy on Public Internet Access, Section 3: Responsibilities of Users.

Hotspots may only be checked out from and returned to the Bethel Public Library Reference Desk, in person, by the individual who is borrowing the kit. The hotspot and all associated material must be returned in the condition in which it was borrowed. Hotspot users and a library staff member will go over the device and all of its peripherals at checkout and check-in to make sure everything is in working order. By agreeing to borrow the device, the borrower is agreeing to take full responsibility for the physical equipment on loan, as well as any and all issues or damages resulting from the use of device.

All components of the hotspot must be returned at the same time. The hotspot is not considered returned until all parts have been returned. If the hotspot is not returned on time, its wireless services will be disconnected. If it is not returned the borrower will be charged for the full cost of replacement and processing.