

Vose Library
392 Common Rd., PO Box 550
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Electronic Device Borrowing Policy

Purpose

Our purpose is to provide access to information and research resources that complement, expand, and extend the traditional resources available in library-owned materials, and to improve access to such resources for all users of the library.

Eligibility

Must be a Vose Library cardholder in good standing (currently no unpaid fines or overdue items). Must be 18 years of age and have a borrowing history of at least two months. The library reserves the right to refuse this service to patrons who abuse equipment or are repeatedly late in returning electronic devices.

Devices

Examples of devices covered by this policy include, but are not limited to: tablets, eReaders, laptops, and WiFi hotspots.

Renewals

Renewals must be done in person, with the device present so that staff may check the condition of the device.

Responsibility

Patrons use electronic devices at their own risk. As with any public network, information being sent or received could potentially be intercepted by another person. Banking or other sensitive information should not be transmitted over a public network.

The library is not responsible for:

The loss or alteration of any personal information or for the consequences of wireless network access that results in the installation of malware of any sort. Patrons are responsible for virus and security protection on their laptops or other electronic devices.

Any liability, damages or expense resulting from use or misuse of the device, connection of the device to any other device or loss of data.

Any use of borrowed devices for illegal purposes such as the unauthorized copying of copyright-protected material, transmission of threatening, defamatory, harassing, or pornographic materials is strictly forbidden and may result in loss of privileges. The library prohibits the use of its devices for the display or downloading of pornographic materials.

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Borrowers are responsible for use of the internet by minors while using a device from the library.

If circulation desk staff are unable to handle problems related to a patron's hardware or software, they may be directed to other resources, including a Tech Tuesday session for more in-depth assistance.

The library cannot guarantee that a particular device will work with the patron's own devices or that there will be enough signal for a hotspot to work at a particular location.

There is a \$5.00 per day fine for late returns, which may accumulate up to the value of the device. Fines do not accrue on days the library is closed.

If devices are lost or damaged, the patron is responsible for the repair/replacement cost.

Devices are to be returned to the library counter during regular open hours.

Please do not return electronic devices in the book drop, where they could be damaged.