

MOUNT PROSPECT PUBLIC LIBRARY ONLINE TERMS OF USE

Online Terms of Use

Terms of use are intended to outline patron expectations and guidelines for accessing the Library's online sites and resources including but not limited to Web site and social networking sites.

Social Networking Comments:

The Library invites contributions, comments, posts, and interactions from the public limited solely to the following: any and all aspects of Library facilities, programming, resources and services for the public, and responses to library staff requests or contributions.

Any content or information that is disclosed in a public forum becomes public information and a patron should therefore exercise caution when deciding to disclose content or personal information in such places. Members of the public participate at their own risk and take personal responsibility for their usernames, comments, and information.

The Library moderates and reserves the right to remove comments or other contributions that contain the following:

- Commercial interests/Spam
- Copyright violations
- Harassment of staff or other patrons
- Inappropriate images
- Libelous comments
- Obscenity
- Off topic commentary
- Offensive language
- Personal and/or cultural attacks or insults
- Political organizing
- Promotion of illegal activities
- Specific and imminent threats

By choosing to comment, members of the public agree to abide by these guidelines.

Original works:

When submitting original works for the public to view, please note that copies will not be returned. All submitted work will be evaluated on content and its ability to be transferred to an online format. Please note that the posting of submitted work is solely at the discretion of the Library, and that not all submitted work will be posted. The Library is not responsible for the reuse or alteration of works that are published or posted. By

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submitting his/her art or other original works for consideration the owner agrees to all of the provisions of this policy.

Privacy

All patron-identifiable information is confidential, unless patrons choose to share information in a public forum. Mount Prospect Public Library collects no personal information about you unless you choose to provide that information. Patron and system information collected or posted or submitted on the Library Web site, may be subject to disclosure pursuant to applicable state or federal law.

Nothing is ever completely confidential on the Internet. The Library accordingly does not provide any guarantee of privacy. Moreover, the Library assumes no responsibility for information obtained illegally.

Web site Availability:

The Library does not warrant that access to the Library's Web site will be uninterrupted or error free, though the Library will attempt to correct information in a timely manner. To report a problem on our Web site, contact the Library.

Submission Forms / E-mail / Instant Messaging (IM) Sessions:

Our site's contact forms require patrons to give us contact information. Contact information is used as needed to reach the patron. At no time will your contact information be sold, traded, leased or lent to third party vendors. E-mail messages sent to the Library are stored on a password protected system. IM sessions may be logged.

Internet Protocol (IP) Address Use:

We use your IP address to help diagnose problems with our server, and to administer and create generalized statistics on our Web site. We may also use an IP address to block abusive users of public forums.

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The Library uses session cookies to enable use of the site. The Library provides access to third party commercial and public sites/resources, some of which do require the use of cookies. The use of cookies for third party sites/resources is governed by the provider's requirements and policies.

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Third Party Sites/Resources:

Mount Prospect Public Library is not responsible for the privacy practices or the content of other sites, and offers external links only as a service to our patrons. Any policies or user agreements set forth by third party sites/resources and agreed to by that site's users remain in effect.

Children's online access:

Parents and guardians are solely responsible for a child's online activities. The Library recommends children obtain permission from parents and guardians before sharing information with the Library online.

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