

East Bonner County Free Library District WiFi Hotspot Lending Policy

The East Bonner County Library District circulates WiFi hotspots (cellular modem) for a limited period of time. The program is not intended to provide a subsidy for continual Internet access for any one household.

Internet service relies on cell tower technology and coverage. Service outside the continental United States is prohibited; any fees associated with use outside of this area will be the responsibility of the borrower. User experience can vary based on location. The Library is not responsible for personal information shared over the Internet or for information or websites accessed.

By borrowing and initiating use of the Library's hotspot, the user agrees to abide by the Library's policies and rules, and agrees to hold the Library and its agents harmless from any and all claims, losses, damages, obligations, or liabilities, directly or indirectly, relating to the use of the Library's hotspot and Internet access provided by the Library. Deliberate altering of any files or modifying the configuration of Library-owned equipment is strictly prohibited.

Any use of the device for illegal purposes, unauthorized copying of copyright-protected material in any format, or transmission of threatening, harassing, defamatory or obscene materials is strictly prohibited. Any such use will result in revocation of hotspot borrowing privileges and potentially criminal prosecution.

The Library reserves the right to refuse service to patrons who abuse equipment or who are repeatedly late in returning electronic devices.

- Hotspots may be checked out by any patron 18 years old or older with an account clear of fines and fees.
- Hotspots may be checked out for 7 days, with one 7 day renewal.
- Only one hotspot may be checked out or placed on hold for a single household.
- Hotspots may be placed on hold but must be picked up within 3 days after notification.
- Hotspots must be returned to the circulation desk or the video drop.
- Hotspots must be returned with the hotspot, charger, instruction card, and case. Items returned with missing or damaged parts will incur charges, according to the schedule below.
- Overdue hotspots will be deactivated by library staff.
- Hotspots must be kept in a temperature-controlled environment (not left in vehicles or in extreme temperatures).

Fine/Fee Schedule for Lost, Damaged or Never Returned Items

Overdue Hotspot - \$2.00/day

Damaged or Never Returned Hotspot - \$80.00

Hotspot Charger - \$20.00

Hotspot Battery - \$20.00

Hotspot Case - \$5.00

Instruction Card - \$2.00

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Board of Trustees

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