<u>Wi-Fi Hotspot Policy</u>

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In order to promote access to online resources, the Stickney-Forest View Public Library offers Mobile Wi-Fi Hotspots as part of its circulating collection. A hotspot may be checked out by any Stickney-Forest View Library cardholder whose card is in good standing and is over the age of 18, with a limit of one hotspot-approved patron per household. After reviewing this policy, designated borrowers must provide photo ID and sign a Mobile Hotspot User Agreement form, or have one on file at the Circulation Desk before being allowed to check one out.

Each hotspot circulates in a bag along with a two-piece power cord, instruction sheet, and a copy of this policy. The user is responsible for returning all of these materials in good condition, without substitutions. The user will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement of the item if it is returned damaged or with parts missing. The Library is not responsible for information accessed using this device or for personal information that is shared over the Internet. Hotspot users are expected to comply with the Library's Internet Acceptable Use Policy and encouraged to follow safe Internet practices as outlined in the Library's Internet Safety Policy.

Hotspots circulate for a period of 14 days, with a $5.00 per day late fee. Hotspots are only to be returned inside the Library at the Circulation Desk, not in the book drop. This is a fragile piece of equipment. If it is put in the book drop and books fall on it as they are returned by other patrons, it will become damaged. Patrons will be held responsible for damage to the item if it is returned in the book drop. The following behaviors can result in the suspension of hotspot privileges and/or criminal prosecution:

- Viewing, displaying, or disseminating materials that are judged in accordance with current legal definitions as being obscene.
- Use of the internet in any way which violates federal, state, or municipal laws.
- Attempting to open or repair a device.

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