

## **Hotspot Lending Policy**

In order to ensure equitable access for all Kent residents to the Kent Public Library's collection of mobile hotspots for Internet access, the following policy applies.

Kent Public Library mobile hotspots may be borrowed by patrons 18 years and older who have had a library card for more than 30 days and have a current borrowing record of no current fines, no overdues, no lost items, and no more than three claims returned. The loan period is four weeks. If no one else has requested it, the hotspot may be renewed up to 2 times. Only local holds may be placed. Mobile hotspots must be picked up at the Kent Public Library. A patron can only borrow one hotspot at a time.

Mobile hotspots must be used in accordance with the Kent Library's Wireless Access Policy. The library cannot take responsibility for the content of the Internet, and recommends that users have up to date antivirus software installed on their computers. The library is not responsible for loss due to malfunction of the hotspot, or viruses or other damaging software which might be transmitted through the hotspot from the Internet.

Overdue fees for mobile hotspots are \$0.50 per day. The mobile hotspot and all accessories (including the power cord and power plug) must be returned to the Kent Public Library during operating hours. They may not be returned in the book drop. The fee for returning a mobile hotspot in the book drop or to any other library is \$25. Any loss incurred as the result of failed returns will be the responsibility of the borrower.

Failure to return a mobile hotspot within one month of the due date will cause a block to the borrower's record prohibiting borrowing of any kind and a full replacement fee not to exceed \$70 plus a \$15 processing fee will be charged.

The mobile hotspot is loaned with instructions and two accessories: the power cord and power plug.

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