Mobile Hotspot Policy

The Ethel Everhard Memorial Library now offers patrons the opportunity to "borrow the internet." This is ideal for someone who does not have an internet connection at home or for someone who needs to be able to take the internet with them while they visit another location. You can connect multiple devices to the Internet via Wi-Fi using the Sprint Network. Visit Sprint's website to see the coverage map. The hotspot may not work with all devices and may not provide reliable internet service in all areas. We received a grant which allows us to provide this service to our patrons. A mobile Wi-Fi hotspot may be checked out by anyone 18 years or older with an Ethel Everhard Memorial Library card in good standing.

Patrons must abide by the Ethel Everhard Memorial Library Internet Use Policy.

As of April 2020, the library has seven of these devices. Hotspots are considered short loan/high demand items. The loan period shall be 14 days, with up to 2 renewals if there are no patrons waiting for a hotspot.

Overdue fine: \$5/day for each day overdue

Lost or Damaged Items: Damage or replacement costs for a hotspot or accessories will be assessed up to \$150.

Patron Procedure:

- 1. Check out a hotspot at the desk. They are popular and may not be immediately available. You may have to place a hold to get a hotspot.
- 2. To turn on, press and hold the Power button.
- 3. From your computer, smartphone or tablet, connect to the network. You may connect multiple devices. Enter password as shown on instruction card for mobile hotspot.
- 4. When the battery is low, plug the charger into an electrical outlet.
- 5. When finished, turn it off and return it to a staff member at the desk. Make sure to return all parts: hotspot, cable, travel charger, and instructions. Please do not return it in the book drop.

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