Internet Usage Policy for Campers

Purpose

This policy outlines the acceptable use of the Wi-Fi provided by the camp to campers and visitors. The goal is to ensure fair and secure access to the internet for all users while maintaining the integrity of the network and complying with applicable laws and regulations.

Scope

This policy applies to all campers and visitors who connect to the camp's Wi-Fi network using any device.

Policy Statements

1. Acceptable Use

Wi-Fi access is provided as a courtesy to support basic internet needs such as email, browsing, and communication.

Campers are expected to use the network responsibly and in a manner that does not interfere with camp operations, the experience of other users, or violate any part of this policy.

2. Prohibited Activities

Campers and visitors must not use the camp's Wi-Fi to:

- Access, download, or share illegal, offensive, or inappropriate content.
- Engage in activities that violate copyright laws or other intellectual property rights.
- Attempt to hack, bypass security measures, or access unauthorized systems.
- Conduct activities that could harm the camp's network, such as spreading malware, phishing, or other malicious actions.
- Use excessive bandwidth for non-essential activities, such as large file downloads or streaming high-definition content, which may degrade network performance for others.

3. Camp Equipment Usage

Campers and visitors are not permitted to use camp-owned equipment, including network hardware, unless explicitly directed by the IT Committee/Staff.

4. Device Restrictions

Gaming systems, such as PlayStation, Xbox, or similar devices, are not permitted to connect to the camp's Wi-Fi network. This restriction ensures equitable access and prevents excessive strain on network resources.

Unauthorized devices, such as personal routers, extenders, or IoT devices, are not allowed to connect to the camp's network.

Any activity that disrupts or compromises the security and performance of the network is strictly prohibited.

5. Network Maintenance

From time to time, the camp's network may require maintenance or updates. The IT Committee will make every effort to inform all users of planned outages or disruptions to the best of their abilities.

6. Privacy and Monitoring

While the camp respects the privacy of its guests, it reserves the right to monitor network usage to ensure compliance with this policy and to maintain network performance.

7. Security

Campers are responsible for ensuring their devices have appropriate security measures, such as updated software and antivirus programs.

The camp is not liable for any data loss, breaches, or damages that occur while using the Wi-Fi network.

Campers should be mindful that while the camp's Wi-Fi network includes privacy protections, it is a public network. As such, campers are encouraged to avoid accessing sensitive or financial information while connected.

8. Compliance

Campers found in violation of this policy may have their access to the Wi-Fi network suspended or terminated.

Illegal activities will be reported to law enforcement as required.

Enforcement

This policy will be enforced by camp management and the IT team. The camp reserves the right to disconnect any user or device that disrupts network operations or violates this policy.

Acknowledgment

By connecting to the camp's Wi-Fi, campers and visitors agree to adhere to this policy. If you have questions or experience issues with the Wi-Fi, please contact the IT committee at it@ecmcamps.ca for assistance.