

UNIVERSITY HOUSING CAMPUS RESIDENTIAL COMPUTER NETWORK RESNET USER AGREEMENT

I. OVERVIEW

The Residence Halls Computer Network (ResNet) is an extension of the academic environment at UWM. It is intended to be used for instructional and research purposes. University Housing is facilitating the connection of the residential rooms to the campus network and is not responsible for any service interruptions. The campus network availability may change without prior notice.

II. POLICY

All federal and state laws applicable to your computer and other connected devices (i.e., routers), along with all connections to devices, will be enforced in University Housing. This includes (but is not limited to) violation of copyright laws (illegal software or media), hacking (obtaining or using unauthorized information), forged identity, and other types of malicious activity. Violation of this policy will result in loss of connection and contract action.

You are responsible for the security of your computer and connected devices, such as routers, as well as protecting them from viruses and Trojans. Residents can ensure security in ways that include (but are not limited to) using an up-to-date virus scanner, a firewall, patching the operating system, using secure passwords and using adware/spyware removal tools. Violation of this policy may result in loss of connection and contract action.

III. GUIDELINES

ResNet is intended to enhance your educational experience at UWM. Your network connection is a privilege, and improper use can result in the loss of connection. Your computer and other traffic through connected devices (i.e. router) is your responsibility, and network use should comply with University Housing, UWM, local, state, and federal policies, regulations, and laws. ResNet is not an unlimited resource. It is in every resident's best interest, especially during daylight hours, to limit large bandwidth activity. Transfers of large files during the day severely degrades network performance and is best saved for evenings and weekends. Excessive use of the network bandwidth may result in loss of connection and contract action.

IV. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

1. You may not send or forward chain letters via e-mail. If you receive one from off-campus, delete it. If it was sent to you from someone at UWM, please forward it to help@uwm.edu for administrative action.
2. You may not post messages to large numbers of news groups. You may not post chain letters or moneymaking schemes to any news group.
3. You may not run robot programs for use with chat programs or muds.
4. You may not write, talk or send mail to anyone you do not know or have a legitimate reason to contact. Asking someone if they want to chat is not a legitimate reason to contact someone you don't already know.
5. You may not attempt to break into any computers or use any other person's computer or account without their permission.
6. You may not attempt to forge mail messages, news postings or otherwise represent yourself as someone else.
7. You may not attempt to circumvent policies or network restrictions by reconfiguring your computer to unauthorized settings.
8. You are provided with a single network connection. You may not extend this connection in any way that impacts other users' network access.
9. You may not set up a server of any kind using a port in the residence halls.
10. You may not download online content you do not have the rights to (ex. movies, video games).

V. AUTOMATIC SANCTIONS FOR RESNET AGREEMENT VIOLATIONS

Violation of copyright laws will result in loss of connection for 30 days. A second violation will result in loss of connection for 60 days. A third violation will result in loss of connection for six months.

You are responsible for the security of your computer and connected devices, as well as protecting them from viruses and Trojans. Violation of this policy may result in loss of connection for 30 days and until computer is secured. A second violation will result in loss of connection for 60 days. A third violation will result in loss of connection for six months.

Circumvention of the ResNet registration system or extending the network connection provided will result in loss of connection for 30 days. A second violation will result in loss of connection for 60 days. A third violation will result in loss of connection for six months.