

Digital Media Lab: Internet Access Permission Form

Information for parents/guardians of computer users under 18

Public access computers at The Edge must be used responsibly – with respect for the rights and interests of others, and with understanding of the risks involved.

Scope of service

- Computer facilities include all computers in both the Digital Media and Fabrication Labs.
- The wireless connection can be used without authentication for an unlimited time.

Risks of use

Communication over the internet is largely unregulated in Australia and SLQ does not independently filter or vet content or communications received at public terminals within The Edge. Consequently:

- Information accessed through The Edge's internet connection may not be reliable.
- Content that may be considered offensive or harmful is accessible through The Edge's internet connection.
- The risk of experiencing fraud, deception and misrepresentation using the internet is significant.
- The security of data accessed or transmitted through The Edge's internet connection is not guaranteed.
- Any use of portable storage devices, including hard drives, USBs, CDs or DVDs are entirely at the user's own risk.

People use computer facilities at The Edge at their own risk. The Edge accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage, direct or indirect, arising from the use of its computer facilities or internet connection, including any damage to portable storage devices, loss of data or viruses.

Unacceptable use of computer facilities

Unacceptable use of facilities may result in temporary or permanent loss of access to facilities and in some circumstances The Edge itself.

Unacceptable use includes:

- Publicly displaying material that is offensive or objectionable, such as pornography, expressions of racial hatred, and representations of violence.
- Infringing the security of people or property, including:
 - Actions or behaviours that harm, or risk or threaten harm, to any person
 - Theft, destruction of, damage to (or interference with) equipment, software, or data
 - Violation, or attempted violation, of any computer security system
 - Violation of privacy, including monitoring of electronic communications
 - Unauthorised copying of copyright-protected material, or infringement of licence agreements and other contracts.

Children and young people

- Children under the age of 12 may access the internet at The Edge but must always be supervised by a responsible adult.
- Young people aged 12 to 17 may access the internet unsupervised, with the written permission of a parent/carer.

Policy and services described here, and definition of risks associated with the use of computer facilities, are subject to change.

Declaration of parent/carer of applicant under 18

I declare that:

The information provided on this form is true

- *I am the parent/carer of the applicant*
- *I have read and fully understand information printed on the first page of this form under the heading 'Information for parents/guardians of computer users under 18'.*
- *I grant permission for the applicant to use computer facilities at The Edge without supervision (age 12 – 17 only).*

Applicant's First name

Applicant's Last name

Parent/Carer's First name

Parent/Carer's Last name

Signature

Date