

Law Library of Queens County

11th Judicial District - Supreme Court

**WIRELESS NETWORK
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NY UCS Public Access Network
WiFi is Here!

Use your laptop to access the
Internet in the Law Library
Room 65

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The Queens Supreme Court Law Library now provides free wireless Internet access to library users with appropriately equipped and configured laptop computers.

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Queens Supreme Court Law Library WiFi FAQ

What is WiFi?

A way to get Internet access, WiFi stands for Wireless Fidelity and is used to define any of the wireless technology in the IEEE 802.11 specification.

What is a WiFi Hotspot?

A WiFi hotspot is defined as any location in which 802.11 (wireless) technology both exists and is available for use to consumers to access the Internet. In some cases the wireless access is free, and in others, wireless carriers charge for WiFi usage.

How can I use wireless Internet at the Library?

Wireless access uses the WiFi standard (also known as IEEE 802.11b). Most users can simply bring their wireless-enabled laptop computer or other wireless device to the Library and turn it on. The computer will automatically recognize the wireless network. If your laptop does not have wireless built-in, you must purchase a WiFi-compatible network card. The Library cannot guarantee your equipment will work with the Library's network.

How does it work?

Wireless access points located throughout the library communicate with your wireless device. You should be able to connect anywhere in the library. When your wireless network card senses a signal, a message appears on the screen indicating a wireless network is available. Open your web browser it will automatically connect to the Internet. When connecting to the Internet you are agreeing to abide by NYS Supreme Court's Internet Policy.

Where can I sit to pick up a stronger signal?

Numerous wireless access points are located throughout the library. Your signal will be strongest when the wireless device is used within the library.

Will I need any special settings or passwords to connect?

No special encryption settings, user names, or passwords are required. Your only requirement is to have a laptop with built in wireless or compatible network card. Our network supports 802.11b/g & 802.11g only.

Is my information safe while using wireless?

Your information is not protected while using wireless, unless you are connected to a web page that employs encryption (stores, banks, etc.) Keep this in mind if you are accessing sensitive business or personal information.

Are there any restrictions on my use of the Internet?

Wireless users agree to abide by NYS Supreme Court's Internet Policy which prohibits abusive or illegal activity while using the Library's Internet service.

Can I search the Library Catalog and special databases using wireless?

Yes. To search the Catalog, click on "Library Catalog" from the Queens Supreme Court Law Library home page: <http://www.nycourts.gov/library/queens/>

Can I print while using wireless?

Printing is not available. If you need to print, please save your work to disk or email files to yourself, enabling you to send print jobs to a printer later.

Can the library help me configure my computer?

Sorry, everyone's computer is different and you are responsible for knowing how to configure your own equipment. The Library cannot be responsible for any changes you make to your computer's settings. If you need additional assistance, you may need to contact the hardware or software manufacturer.



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Queens Supreme Court Law Library**

Take advantage of the Wi-Fi at the Law Library



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Most internet browsers are capable of picking up the wi-fi signal without any additional configurations. Test this out by double-clicking your internet browser icon. If you fail to connect to the internet, please check the following:

Requirements

You will need a WiFi compliant 802.11b/g wireless device installed in your laptop, or a laptop with integrated WiFi capability.

Microsoft Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Netscape Navigator, or any other web browser.

Connecting to the Network using Windows 2000 and XP

Click on "Start"

Go to "Settings" then "Control Panel"

Double click on "Network and Dial-up Connections" or "Network Connections"

Right-click on all Local Area Connections, click on "Properties"

In "Components checked are being used by this connection" select "Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)"

Click on "Properties"

Select "Obtain an IP address automatically"

Click on "OK"

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Restart computer

If you are still unable to connect do the following:

Click on "Start", "Run" and type cmd, hit the Enter key. (a command window will appear)

Then type ipconfig and hit the Enter key.

Type in ipconfig /release and hit the Enter key.

Type in ipconfig /renew and hit the Enter key.

Finally exit the window and launch your web browser to start surfing!

Connecting to the Network using Windows 98

Click on "Start"

Go to "Settings" then "Control Panel"

Double click on "Network"

Select the network component associated with the WiFi device

Click on "Properties"

Select the "IP Address" tab

Select "Obtain an IP address automatically"

Click "OK"

Click "OK"

Restart computer

If you are still unable to connect do the following:

Click on "Start", "Run" and type winipcfg, click "OK". The IP Configuration window will appear.

Click on "Release All", then "Renew All"

Click "OK"

Connecting to the Network Using Mac OS 10. x

At the "Apple menu", select "System Preferences" Select "Network." Verify that "Show": is set to "AirPort".

Select the "TCP/IP" tab. The settings should appear as follows: Configure: Using DHCP. Leave all else blank.

Click "Save".

Under "System Preferences", select "Quit System Preferences." Launch Your Web Browser and start surfing!

Limitations and Disclaimer

The Library's wireless network is not secure. Information sent to and from your laptop can be captured by anyone else with a wireless device and the appropriate software.

Library staff is not able to provide technical assistance and no guarantee can be provided that you will be able to make a wireless connection.

The Library assumes no responsibility for the safety of equipment or for laptop configurations, security, or data files resulting from connection to the Library's network.

