

Dorm Computer and Internet Access Policy

Due to the immense power of the internet and the legality of its content, Central Maine Community College feels the need to implement a policy. This policy covers access to the dorm network and internet.

All users of the network are responsible for adhering to local, state, federal, and international laws. Breaking those laws through the use of the network may result in litigation against the offender. If such an event should occur, the college will fully comply with authorities. We are not responsible for the actions of individual users, it is understood that CM will make every effort to ensure compliance with established laws.

The College Reserves the right to:

- Block all TCP/IP ports the college deems nonessential or a threat to security.
- Limit bandwidth of all users and devices connected to the network.
- Mandate a specific anti-virus.
- The college may conduct random virus scans of all network attached computer.
- Track and/or monitor all internet/network traffic.
- Limit or revoke access from any or all users without notification.
- Change this policy when it deems necessary without prior notification.

The following conduct is prohibited:

- Connecting any server to the dorm network.
- Changing network settings including IP address. IP addresses are assigned dynamically to each computer. Altering any network settings is prohibited.
- Connecting any Unix or Linux desktop machine to the network is prohibited (This does **not** include MacOS).
- Connecting devices such as routers, switches, hubs and wireless access points are prohibited.
- Any tampering with network cabling or routing devices beyond the wall plates is prohibited.
- Any altering of computer hardware, software, or files on computers other than your own without permission.
- You may not use college resources for money-making activities.
- The willful introduction of computer viruses or other disruptive/destructive programs into the network or into external networks.
- Use of software and/or computer resources in attempts to gain unauthorized access to remote systems.
- Decryption and/or capture of system or user passwords.

- The copying of system files.
- The copying of copyrighted materials, such as third-party software, without the express written permission of the owner or the proper license.
- The intentional attempt to crash network systems.
- Any attempt to secure a higher level of privilege on network systems.
- Network users are responsible for all traffic originating from their network device. In addition, network traffic is considered private, thus, any attempts to read or monitor network information of others (“sniffing”).

Network Access:

Before users are allowed access to the network MAC addresses will be recorded. This is to prevent non-student access to the network. All devices such as Xbox, Sony Playstation2, and Game cube will need to have their MAC addresses recorded to be on the network.

All computers must meet the following naming convention, room number followed by last name: 401Doe. Using this will insure quick diagnostic and trouble shooting of the network quicker and more efficiently.

Anti-virus:

Central Maine Community College may mandate and distribute a copy of free anti-virus software to be installed on your computer. Additionally CM may conduct random virus scans of all network attached computer. Infected computers will be removed from the network until certified as safe. Any computer not running this specific anti-virus may not be allowed on the network.

Illegal Software:

By connecting to our network you automatically agree to these terms. You also agree to random network resource scanning for copyrighted material that is being shared for others to access.

If we find that you are hosting copyrighted material on the network for others to access your connection will be terminated without question, until proven that you own a license copy of that software.

Support:

The colleges Information Technology department is **not** responsible for supporting individual users. You will report any problems to the Resident Director.

By signing this document you are entering in a **legal contract** with Central Maine Community College and agreeing to all the above terms of this policy!

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ALL OF THESE TERMS WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISCONNECTION FROM THE NETWORK. DEPENDING ON SEVERITY OF OFFENSE, FURTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION MAY BE TAKEN.

User Signature: _____ Date: _____