

## **Gaming System Policy**

## Purpose

Orange City Public Library services and programs are offered to make the library appealing and to encourage library use, to develop a love of books, reading and libraries. The Orange City Public Library's Gaming Systems are in the teen area and in the children's room.

## Policy

Users must read and agree to the Gaming System Policy before use of the system. Users will have permission to use the system with a signed permission for Technology use located on the back of application cards. Failure to follow the rules and "Code of Conduct" policy rules will result in loss of library Gaming System privileges in the Teen Area. The user is responsible for any damages to any of the equipment that occurs during use. A manual invoice will be generated and attached to the library card holder for the damages. This will be handled on a case by case basis. The Orange City library welcomes patrons to use the gaming systems. Special times, events, and tournaments may include adult participation.

To use the newest gaming system (Currently Xbox One):

- 1. Users must have a valid Orange City Public Library card in good standing and be age 9 or older.
- 2. Game playing will be limited to 30 minutes (1/2-hour). If no one is waiting to use the system, play may continue. Anyone using the Gaming System must be willing to end the game when requested by staff.
- 3. Users will check out the games, controllers and other accessories on their cards at the front desk. No outside games will be played without permission.
- 4. Any broken, damaged, or dysfunctional equipment caused by patron misuse will be charged to the patron's card, and library privileges will be suspended until costs are cleared from the card. (Please note: game playing is monitored by video cameras.)

- 5. Users will respect others and keep the volume and noise level low. This includes no vulgar, foul, or inappropriate language or actions. If players do not keep within these guidelines they will lose gaming privileges for the day. If there are continued problems, further action will be taken.
- 6. A list of games will be provided. Games and accessories will be kept at the front desk when not in use.
- 7. Users are asked to treat the equipment gently. Users who do not treat equipment gently will be asked by staff to stop for the day. A user who repeatedly abuses equipment will have his/her Gaming System privileges revoked.
- 8. Inventory of the gaming accessories will be taken daily by the staff.
- 9. The Gaming System can be used throughout the day.
- 10. The Gaming System will be shut down one half hour (1/2 hr.) before library closes. Patrons using the gaming system must return all borrowed gaming controllers and equipment.
- 11. The policy is posted online and in the Gaming Area.

## **Other Gaming System:**

- 1. Youth under 9 will be allowed to use the older gaming system located in the children's room.
- 2. All guidelines and rules set out for the X Box One will also apply to our oldest gaming system.
- 3. Games and controllers must be checked out on individual library cards.